

The 23rd Sunday of Ordinary Time - September 5

Gifts for God – August 29, 2021

Immaculate Conception

General Collections - \$ 1,884.00

Weekly Budget Needs: 1,700.00

Haiti Relief Collection - 686.00

Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton

General Collection - \$ 390.00

Weekly Budget Need: 475.00

Haiti Relief Collection - 56.00

Saint Joseph

General Collection - \$ 967.00

Weekly Budget Needs: 375.00

Haiti Relief Collection - 121.00



Stewardship Reflections

"Did not God choose those who are poor in the world to be rich in faith and heirs of the kingdom that he promised to those who love him?" James 2:5

What is more important – being rich in faith or rich in possessions? Society tells us that possessions are most important. God teaches a different lesson. When we are rich in faith, we keep God first and experience true joy and peace. When we put possessions first, we soon realize we can never have enough and happiness is fleeting. When we put faith over possessions we truly realize it is better to give than receive.



Mass Intentions:

Immaculate Conception

September 11

+ *Repose of the soul of Gliceria Llemit, the mother of Perlita Cline. By Perlita Cline.*

September 12

For the spiritual benefit of the Marinelle Morrow family.

+ *For the repose of the soul of Kim Simonds, by Kim Jones.*

RCIA 'Inquiry Session' slated Tuesday, Sept. 21

Has a friend or relative expressed an interest in learning more about what it means to be Catholic?

Has anyone ever said, "I wish I had a faith like yours?"

If so, then you need to invite them to a special meeting.

On Tuesday, September 21, there will be a gathering to explain the RCIA process. Going to one meeting does not necessarily mean that a person will make the journey to conversion, but it also might be that first step toward a more enriching spiritual life.

First pray that Jesus will use you as His emissary to bring a friend or family member you know closer to worshipping Him in spirit and in truth. Also, contact Father Sean or David Jones with their name so that they, too, can pray for these people. Then contact the individual and invite them to take a small step by attending this meeting.

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Late RE Registrations still accepted; Classes start on Sunday, Sept. 19

Registration for religious education classes remains open for those who for whatever reason did not make the initial signups. Please come by the parish office or see David Jones after Mass today. You can also come by the office.

Classes begin on Sunday, September 19, at 10:30 a.m., except for Confirmation 1 (first year), which will begin at 12:15 p.m.

Class time for Confirmation 2 (second year) will be on Sundays at 7 p.m. until Oct. 10. The time will move to 4 p.m. after that.

The names of enrolled students will be listed at the doorways of each classroom. Teacher assignments are being made this week. There are 45 students enrolled thus far.

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Still looking for child care volunteers!

Immaculate Conception could use a few child-care volunteers for the first Wednesday of each month (and occasional other dates) so that adults can participate without distraction. If you can help, please contact Father Sean or David Jones. (Hint: this would be a great way to pick up service hours needed by Confirmation students).

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Prayers for Our Sick & Shut-ins

"And the prayer offered in faith will make the sick person well." (James 5:15)

Let us pray for: Ruben Sosa, Mattie Baker, Ana Bedia, Elda Lauryn, Colton Simpson, Shelby Burgos, Fortino Mar, Christine Tuthill, Itzel Gomez, Patty Karpika, Dennis Mazikowski, Agustina Ruiz, Anastacio Solis, Edith & Lazarus Girton, George Mansour, Josefina Estrada, Katie Malone, John Harris, Stan Floyd, Liz Lopez, Roger O'Hara, Johnny & Josephine McMahan, Hermann Bohn, Brandy Beane, John Worton, Paula Gorgas, Bill Burwell, Dorothea Willis, Barbara Morris, Marianne Young, Nanette Johnson, Mary Smith, Susan King, Hilda Culver, Violet Ray, and all our hospitalized and shut-ins.

Daily Mass Readings

6 Monday of the 23rd Week in Ordinary Time (G) / Colossians 1: 24 – 2:3 / Psalm 62:6-7, 9 / Luke 6:6-11

7 Tuesday of the 23rd Week in Ordinary Time (G) / Colossians 2: 6-15 / Psalm 145:1b-2, 8-9, 10-11 / Luke 6:12-19

8 Feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary (W) / Micah 5:1-4a or Romans 8:28-30 / Psalm 13:6ab, 6c / Matthew 1:1-16, 18-23

9 Memorial of Saint Peter Claver, Priest (W) / Colossians 3: 12-17 / Psalm 150:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6 / Luke 6:27-38

10 Friday of the 23rd Week in Ordinary Time (G) / 1 Timothy 1: 1-2, 12-14 / Psalm 16:1b-2a and 5, 7-8, 11 / Luke 6:39-42

11 Saturday of the 23rd Week in Ordinary Time (G) / 1 Timothy 1: 15-17 / Psalm 113:1b-2, 3-4, 5 and 6-7 / Luke 6:43-49

12 Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time (G) / Isaiah 50:5-9a / Psalm 116:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 / James 2:14-18 / Mark 8:27-35

Our Catholic Community Calendar

Monday, September 6

– No events scheduled.

Tuesday, September 7

– 8 a.m. **Daily Mass in the IC Chapel.**

Wednesday, September 8

– 8 a.m. **Daily Mass in the IC Chapel.**

Thursday – September 9

– 8 a.m. **Daily Mass in the IC Chapel.**

– 7 to 9 p.m. Hispanic Praise & Worship group. IC Church.

Friday, September 10

– 8 a.m. **Daily Mass in the IC Chapel.**

Saturday, September 11

– 4:30 p.m. Confessions at IC.

– 5 p.m. **Vigil Mass for the 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Sunday, Sept. 12 – Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

– 8:30 p.m. Confessions at IC.

– 9 a.m. **Mass in English at Immaculate Conception.**

– 11 a.m. **Mass in Spanish at Immaculate Conception.**

– 1 p.m. **Mass at Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton, Spiro.**

– 5 p.m. **Sunday Mass at Saint Joseph, Stigler.**

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Hospitality continues after the 9 a.m. Mass

Hospitality after the 9 o'clock Sunday Mass continues. Come by the Parish Hall at IC and enjoy a pastry, a cup of coffee or a bottle of water or fruit punch.

And if you would like to be part of our hospitality team, see Father Sean or David. We would like to offer "hospitality" after all three weekend Masses.

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Reconciliation Times

Confessions are heard 30 minutes before the start of each Mass or by appointment. Call 918.647.3475.

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