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November 30, 2025

First Sunday in Advent

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Reconciliation
Tuesday 5:45 - 6:05pm
Saturday 4:00 - 4:45pm



FROM FATHER RANDY

Monday - Teach at School

Tuesday - Day of Recollection; OCIA classes at 7:15 PM

Wednesday - Confessions at Notre Dame; IC School Christmas Concert at 6 PM

Friday - Adoration 7 - 8 AM; Confessions at 7 AM

Bulletin Deadlines...

For the bulletin dated December 7th, the deadline is Monday, December 1st.

For the bulletin dated December 14th, the deadline is Thursday, December 5th.

For the bulletin dated December 21st, the bulletin is due Wednesday, December 10th.

For the bulletin dated, December 28th, the bulletin is due Friday, December 19th.

For the bulletin dated, January 4th, the bulletin is due Tuesday, December 23rd.

Christmas Mass Times

On Wednesday, December 24th, the Mass time is 5:00 PM in the gym.

On Thursday, December 25th, Mass times are Midnight, 8:30 AM & 10 AM in church.

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Thank you to all parishioners who donated to the Bishop's Collection for Catholic Charities. If you have not yet donated, please prayerfully consider a gift. Donations may be made online at www.ccsomo.org, over the phone at (417) 720- 4213, or mailed to Catholic Charities of Southern Missouri, 424 E. Monastery St., Springfield, MO 65807. Thank you for your prayers and support.

Mass Intentions

MONDAY, December 1st

8:00 AM Living & deceased members
of Gerard & Eleanor Macke Family

TUESDAY, December 2nd

8:00 AM † Ed Rellergert
6:30 PM † Alfred Wilmes

WEDNESDAY, December 3rd

8:00 AM † Adolph & Marie Ganiel

THURSDAY, December 4th

8:00 AM † David Retherford

FRIDAY, December 5th

8:00 AM † Nicholas Heisserer

SATURDAY, December 6th

5:00 PM † Andrew Margrabe

SUNDAY, December 7th

7:00 AM † Teresa Welter
8:30 AM Living & deceased members
of Irvin & Adeline Vandeven Family
10:00 AM Parish Family

Weekend Holy Mass Schedule: Saturday 5:00 pm Sunday 7:00, 8:30, 10:00 am

PARISH CALENDAR

MONDAY, December 1st

7:30 AM Rosary

8:00 AM Mass

6:00 - 8:30 PM LIFT Meeting - *Parish Center*

TUESDAY, December 2nd

7:20 AM Mother of Perpetual Help

7:30 AM Rosary

8:00 AM Mass

8:30 - 6:15 PM Adoration

9:00 - 3:00 PM Quilting - *Rectory Basement*

5:45 PM Rosary, Confessions

6:05 PM Mother of Perpetual Help

6:10 PM Benediction

6:30 PM Mass

7:15 PM OCIA - *Fellowship Room*

WEDNESDAY, December 3rd

7:30 AM Rosary

8:00 AM All School Mass

8:45 - 12:00 PM Coffee, Talk & Tots - *Fellowship Room*

6:00 PM ICS Christmas Concert - *Gym*

THURSDAY, December 4th

7:30 AM Rosary

8:00 AM Mass

8:45 AM Morning Bible Study - *Fellowship Room*

7:00 - 8:00 PM Cub Scout Committee Meeting - *Parish Center*

FRIDAY, December 5th

7:00 - 8:00 AM Adoration

7:00 - 7:30 AM Confessions

7:30 AM Rosary

8:00 AM Mass

SATURDAY, December 6th

7:00 - 8:30 AM Cursillo Small Groups - *KC Hall, Jackson*

4:00 PM Confessions

4:30 PM Rosary

5:00 PM Mass

SUNDAY, December 7th

Second Sunday of Advent

Masses at 7:00, 8:30, 10 AM

11:15 - 12:15 PM SRE Classes - *School*

5:00 PM Vigil Mass

6:00 - 8:00 PM Youth Spirit - *Fellowship Room*

COLLECTIONS

Due to the holidays and the early submission dates of the bulletin, collection totals for November 23rd & 30th will be in next weekend's bulletin.

Numbers include online giving.

If you are tithing online and want to cancel your envelopes, please email or call Karen at secretary@icjacksonmo.com or (573) 243-3182

First Sunday of Advent

"Therefore, stay awake! For you do not know on which day your Lord will come." (Matthew 24:42)

God calls us to be vigilant, ready to respond to His invitation. Could He be stirring your heart toward priesthood or consecrated life, to serve His Church with unwavering dedication? Stay awake to His call through prayer. Talk to your priest or reach out to the

Vocation Office at 417-866-0841 or via email at:

icdeaconal@gmail.com.

Spiritual Reflections

Readings for the week of November 30th, 2025

Sunday: Is 2:1-5/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Rom 13:11-14/Mt 24:37-44

Monday: Is 4:2-6/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4b, 4cd-5, 6-7, 8-9/Mt 8:5-11

Tuesday: Is 11:1-10/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17/Lk 10:21-24

Wednesday: Is 25:6-10a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/Mt 15:29-37

Thursday: Is 26:1-6/Ps 118:1 and 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a/Mt 7:21, 24-27

Friday: Is 29:17-24/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/Mt 9:27-31

Saturday: Is 30:19-21, 23-26/Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mt 9:35—10:1, 5a, 6-8

Next Sunday: Is 11:1-10/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17 (see 7)/Rom 15:4-9/Mt 3:1-12

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#iGiveCatholic

Join us and donate to **iGiveCatholic** from November 17th through Giving Tuesday, December 2nd, 2025. IC Church will be participating in the US Catholic Church's Giving Day celebrating all aspects of our Catholic faith, and raising funds for special projects or needs. All donations will go towards the Building Fund. Go to igivecatholic.org, search for IC Parish and click "donate".

Camp Re-NEW-All

Registration for the summer of 2026 will go live on Wed., Dec. 10th at 3:30 PM. Selection for campers is on a first-come-first-served basis. Look for the poster, applications and brochures in the back of church.

SCHOOL NEWS

IC School Principal Needed for 2026-2027

Mrs. Campbell has announced that she will be retiring in June 2026 as principal of Immaculate Conception School. We have opened up a search for a new principal. If you or you know someone that would be interested, please contact Fr. Randy at pastor@icjacksonmo.com or 573-243-3182.

IC Christmas Concert

Our School Christmas program "Going to Bethlehem", will be held on Wednesday, December 3rd at 6 PM in the gym.

IC Cookies with Santa

Save the date! Santa is making a special stop at IC on Wed., December 18th from 6 - 7:30 PM in the Parish Center. Gather your family and join us for an evening of Christmas cheer with cookies & hot cocoa while the kids make holiday crafts & play festive games. Don't forget your camera too. This is an open donation fundraiser for our school.

FAMILY MINISTRIES

St. Ann's Sodality Christmas Party

St. Ann's Sodality Christmas Party will now be joined with the reception following the procession of the Feast of the Immaculate Conception Holy Day Mass at 6:30 PM on Monday, December 9th. Please join them in the Parish Center for finger foods, desserts, punch and hot chocolate. All are welcome! Please bring a donation for our parish Kitchen Ministry (see St. Ann's Flyer for details).

Toy Drive

The "Season of Giving" is upon us. Our annual Toy Drive gives us an opportunity to give to those less fortunate. This year we will be hosting our Toy Drive - along with IC School, from Nov. 17th - Dec. 4th.

Midnight Mass Rehearsals

There will be three rehearsals for Midnight Mass. They will be on Mondays 12/1 & 12/22 in church and 12/15 at school at 7 PM for all of them. Any new adults or teenagers are invited to join the group.

Thank You

Thank you for being so generous in donating 24 boxes of food and \$1,249.00 to the Jackson Ministerial Alliance Food Pantry. We appreciated the Jackson KC's for sponsoring the Stuff a Truck project. Your thoughtfulness & generosity are greatly appreciated in helping us support our Mission of giving food to those in need in our community. Sincerely,
Rev. Samuel Roethemeyer, President of Jackson Ministerial Alliance Food Pantry

YOUTH NEWS

"The more Eucharist we receive, the more we become like Jesus."

-St. Carlo Acutis

Youth Spirit - High school aged youth

November 30th- Youth Night - Doors open at 6pm with activities from 6:30-8:00pm.

December 7th- Youth Night - Doors open at 6pm (right after Mass) with activities from 6:30-8:00pm.

December 14th - Youth Night - Doors open at 6pm with activities from 6:30-8:00pm.

December 21st - DTS - Join us at the Old Convent at St. Vincent's from 6:30-8:00pm as we learn about the saints of the church.

Kaboom 6th - 8th grade students

Our next Kaboom is **December 13th!**

Regional Events - December 19th - Christmas Scavenger Hunt - 6th-12th graders are invited to join us for the Christmas Novena and Scavenger Hunt at St. Mary's in Cape from 6-9pm. Please use the QR code to RSVP. Parents - we also need additional drivers and chaperones. You can sign up with the QR code as well.

Please contact Karen Engelen at icyouthspirit@gmail.com with questions or to volunteer.



COMMUNITY NEWS

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

presents weekend experiences for married couples to rekindle romance, enhance meaningful communication, and deepen and renew commitment. For more info or to apply, go to wwme.org, or call Terry & Eric Engholm at 314-649-7317.

12/5/2025 - 12/7/2025, St. Peters, MO

2/6/2026 - 2/8/2026, St. Peters, MO

4/17/2026 - 4/19/2026, St. Peters, MO

The Marriage Encounter Community will meet the 2nd Sunday of every month at 2 PM at the KC Hall on Spanish Street in Cape.

Semo Area Ultreyas

are held the 3rd Saturday of each month at different locations. Morning prayers begin at 9:00 AM with grouping, refreshments, and socializing to follow. Come share the joy with fellow Cursillistas. De Colores!

St. Padre Pio Secular Franciscan Order

Meetings are from 1:00 - 3:00 PM at St. Francis Hospital, in the St. Agatha room every 4th Sunday of the month.

Jackson KC #6405

Knights meet at 7:00 PM in the Clubroom on the 2nd & 4th Wednesday of each month.
4th Degree meet at 7:00 PM in the Clubroom on the 2nd Monday of the even months.
Ladies Auxiliary **will not meet in Nov./Dec.**
On Dec. 1st, they will have a short meeting after they decorate the halls.

The Holy Rosary

will be prayed at 1:30 PM on the 3rd Sunday of the month at the St. John Henry Newman Center in Cape Girardeau.

Catholic Man Night

are held at a different location every other month. It's an evening of Adoration, Confessions & a manly meal with discussion to follow from 6:30 - 9:30 PM.

Parish Bulletin Inserts and Flyers

<https://www.icjacksonmo.com/bulletins/>



ND News and Events

Lots of updates about Notre Dame can be found at

<https://icjacksonmo.com/notredame> including: ND Basketball Little Dribblers.

Live Nativity at Emanuel United Church of Christ

Is on Thursday, December 4th from 7:30 - 8:00 PM. Located at 304 E. Adams, Jackson.

26th Annual Winter Wonderland

St. Denis Home & School will host the 26th Annual "Winter Wonderland of Treasures" craft show Saturday, December 6th, from 8 AM - 2 PM in the St. Denis Parish Center, Benton MO. Booth rental for an 8x8 space is \$30, with an additional \$10 for electricity. Table rental is \$5, or you may bring your own. If you are interested in becoming a vendor, text or call Crystal Gosche- 573-264-1217.

Jackson Christmas Parade

Is on Saturday, December 6th at 5:00 PM. The theme this year is "Country Christmas". If you'd like to join the ICS kiddos on their float, you will need to meet at 4:30 PM at the Southern Bank Parking Lot in Jackson.

Whole Hog Sausage Breakfast

Is on Sunday, December 7th from 7:30 - 11:00 AM at St. Ambrose Parish Center, Chaffee, MO. They will be serving whole hog sausage, eggs, and biscuits & gravy.

"Lighting the Way to Hope" Tree Lighting Event

The National Shrine of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal in Perryville, MO, invites you and your family to be a part of our annual tree lighting event on the Shrine grounds on Sunday, December 7th. The Vincentian Marian Youth Mass will begin at 5:00 PM. A tree near the Shrine Church will be lit at 6:00 PM in honor of the Advent and Christmas seasons. We encourage visitors who attend this event to bring at least one non-perishable item to help the Ladies of Charity Food Pantry address the needs of others in our community. Hot chocolate and cookies will be available as you enjoy the Christmas decorations on the grounds. There will be a photo opportunity with the historic and legendary Saint Nicholas. If you have questions, please contact us at 1-800-264-6279 or email us at ammfather@amm.org.

Our Lady of Guadalupe

Come see an exact replica of the Miraculous - virtually indestructible - image 'painted' by God. Hear the amazing story & experience Our Lady's presence. Please join us for prayer and reflection on December 10th from 7 - 8:30 PM or December 11th from 10 - 11:30 AM at Sacred Heart Church, 102 E. Castor, Dexter, MO.

Beloved Daughter

For all women of our communities, join us on Thursday, December 11th at St. Maurus Hall in Biehle, and discover how you can live in the joy & freedom of being "God's Masterpiece". Doors open at 5:30 PM, dinner is at 6 PM and a presentation by Patti Schneider at 7 PM. Please RSVP by 12/8 with the # of guests by calling 573-788-2330.

Leopold PCCW 2025 Country Christmas Home Tour

On Sunday, December 14th from 1:00 - 4:00 PM. You are invited to tour 5 beautifully decorated homes. After touring the homes, you will stop by St. John Church for beautiful Christmas music from 3 - 4 PM, and then the Leopold School Cafeteria for food. For questions or more information, contact Geri Geringer at 573-208-6445.

Liturgical Ministers (December 6th & 7th)

| Offertory | Lectors | Usher/Greeters | Eucharistic Ministers (C) Cup | Mass Servers |
|------------------------|---------------------------------|---|---|---|
| 5:00 pm J/B Carlson | Betty Jones Joyce Loos | Chris & Julie Martin Rob Rosenquist, Vickie Webb | Nancy Strange & Tracy Watkins - C Randy Balsman, Katelyn Martin, Amy Moore | Noah Collier Adam DuBois Greyson DuBois |
| 7:00 am R/P Eftink | Mona Nenninger | Ronnie & Patti Eftink Keith & Angie Holt | David Coe & Andrea Sachse - C Gary Beussink | Joshua Lentz Catherine McNeely Kinley Tenkhoff |
| 8:30 am B/T Hammers | John Litzelfelner Jeff Wyatt | Phillip & Sara Bess Mark Heisserer, Linda Martin | Marlene Strieker & Sam Wise - C Kim Baker, Terri Kahle, Marilyn Sievers | Lawson Farrar Abigail Niedbalski William Niedbalski |
| 10:00 am T/S Essner | Theresa Bubulka Donna Essner | Joe & Betty Starke Kyle Garvey, Margie Schwent | Kenny Hotop & Ann Knaup - C Mary Fieser, Lindsey Gross, Judy Heitman | Dillon Cahill Jacob Cahill Kinsley Hindman |

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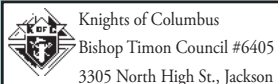
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