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Reconciliation

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



FROM FATHER RANDY

Wednesday - Vigil Mass at 5:00 PM Thursday - 7:00, 8:30 & 10:00 AM Mass Friday - Adoration 7:00 - 8:00 AM, Confessions 7:00 - 7:30 AM

Thank you for all the Christmas cards, gifts and gift cards. Thank you to all who serve as Ministers and Liturgical Ministers and those that volunteer in the Parish.

As the Diocese prepares for the Eucharistic Congress & the 70th Anniversary of our Diocese in August - Bishop Rice would like each family & person to prepare to celebrate the Blessed event. There will be a flyer in the bulletin once a month consisting of a lesson from the Catechism of the Catholic Church; Reflecting on St. Pope John Paul II's Encyclical of the Eucharist, a song, a Catholic online quiz, sacred art & a movie for the family to watch. These will help our preparation for the Great Celebration in August for our Diocese.

New Church Project

Steel columns are nearly complete. Truss installation will begin soon after Christmas. Wall studs in basement for rest rooms, mechanical room, and storage area has begun. Roof is expected to be on in February. Please continue to pray for a mild winter that will be favorable for construction. Pledge extensions, new pledges, and one-time gifts continue coming in. We have received new cash and commitments totaling over \$500,000+ so far. Please prayerfully consider renewing your prior pledge, being generous with a new pledge, and/or giving a one-time gift before the end of the year. Thank you! DECEMBER IS HERE—A GREAT TIME TO MAKE A STOCK TRANSFER TO AVOID CAPITAL GAINS AND GET AN END OF YEAR DEDUCTION ON YOUR INCOME TAXES!

Mass Intentions

MONDAY, December 29th

8:00 AM † Carter Herold

TUESDAY, December 30th

8:00 AM Special Intentions 6:30 PM † Corona (Topsy) Kelpe

WEDNESDAY, December 31st

8:00 AM † Richard Conley 5:00 PM † Paul & Pat Wise

THURSDAY, January 1st

7:00 AM Parish Family 8:30 AM † Jerome Hinkebein 10:00 AM † David Retherford

FRIDAY, January 2nd

8:00 AM † Rita Balsman

SATURDAY, January 3rd

5:00 PM † Teresa Welter

SUNDAY, January 4th

7:00 AM Parish Family 8:30 AM † Wilfred Renner 10:00 AM † Nellean Kirby

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

PARISH CALENDAR

MONDAY, December 29th

7:30 AM Rosary

8:00 AM Mass

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

TUESDAY, December 30th

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

WEDNESDAY, December 31st Office Closed @ noon

7:30 AM Rosary

8:00 AM Mass

5:00 PM Mass

Office Closed **THURSDAY, January 1st**

:00 AM Mass

8:30 AM Mass

10:00 AM Mass

Office Closed FRIDAY, January 2nd

7:00 - 8:00 AM Adoration

7:00 - 7:30 AM Confessions

7:30 AM Rosary

8:00 AM Mass

SATURDAY, January 3rd

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

4:00 PM Confessions

4:30 PM Rosary

5:00 PM Mass

SUNDAY, January 4th The Epiphany of The Lord

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

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

COLLECTIONS

Regular Collection for 12/14/25 Capital Campaign for 12/14/25

\$15.166.00

Special Collections: Flowers, Retired Clergy

\$119,712.15

\$360.00

The Collections for 12/21/25 will be in next weeks bulletin.

Numbers include online giving.

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

Feast of the Holy Family

"Rise, take the child and his mother, and go to the land of Israel." (Matthew 2:20)

Joseph's obedience to God protected the Holy Family. In marriage, spouses are called to protect and nurture each other in faith. Reflect on how God might be guiding you to build a family rooted in His love. Pray and ask God how you can better serve and protect your family this week.

Spiritual Reflections

Readings for the week of December 28th, 2025

Sunday: Sir 3:2-6, 12-14/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 (see 1)/Col 3:12-21

or 3:12-17/Mt 2:13-15, 19-23

Monday: 1 Jn 2:3-11/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 5b-6/Lk 2:22-35

Tuesday: 1 Jn 2:12-17/Ps 96:7-8a, 8b-9, 10/Lk 2:36-40

Wednesday: 1 Jn 2:18-21/Ps 96:1-2, 11-12, 13/Jn 1:1-18

Thursday: Nm 6:22-27/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6 and 8/Gal 4:4-7/Lk 2:16-21

Friday: 1 Jn 2:22-28/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/Jn 1:19-28

Saturday: 1 Jn 2:29-3:6/Ps 98:1, 3cd-4, 5-6/Jn 1:29-34

Next Sunday: Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-

6/Mt 2:1-12

SICK AND HOSPITALIZED

BAPTISMS

Richard Knaup

Jeanne Greene

REST IN PEACE

Jackie Rowe,

brother-in-law of Theresa &

Joe Bubulka

NEW MEMBERS

PARISH NEWS

Help Marion Charities & Foster Adopt Connect (formerly Hope Children's Home) in Southeasts MO

A semi-trailer will be parked in the old bowling alley parking lot November 22nd – January 5th to receive any donations of good clothes & coats (adult, children & infant), cookware (pots, pans, glasses, cups, bowls, plates, silverware), canned goods, knick-knacks, toys, furniture, appliances in working order, bed sheets, blankets, towels, carpets, rugs or household items. Please take your donated items to the very front of the trailer & stack them to the ceiling so we can fill the trailer. These items will then be distributed & shared with people in Southeast Missouri. Your giving and sharing are much appreciated.

Feed My Starving Children

If you are looking for a meaningful way to help those in need this holiday season, please consider supporting Feed My Starving Children, which will be held in Jackson this March. For the past three years, IC has participated in this event through both monetary donations and hands-on volunteer food packing. Our involvement begins with collecting donations throughout Advent and January, and concludes during the Lenten season with volunteers packing meals for underfed children around the world. For more information or to make a donation, please contact Lindsey Gross at 573-579-5255 or lgross@jr2mail.org

Guardian Angels for Mass

In an effort to increase the safety of our students, we have started a Guardian Angel program during Mass times. We are asking for volunteers to help keep an eye on the exterior of the church while school Masses are being offered. Just having someone watching could prevent an unwelcome guest or act of violence. If we could get two volunteers per day, it would be even better. Please see the link below for a sign-up sheet, and please share with other family members who might be interested in helping. Mr. Starke has been doing this each morning, but he also has other jobs to attend to and might not be able to be outside.

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1rMxh0a6qu0hosFzDwnU0Uh73Bmxj6EdpkswAzlf9dLg/edit?usp=sharing

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 <a href="mailto:passes:pas

FAMILY MINISTRIES

Options for Women

Thank you so much for your generous donation in July of \$1,318.50, and to all who contributed to the Baby Bottle Campaign totaling \$3,381.58. Your kindness and commitment to protecting and supporting life make a real difference for the mothers, fathers, and babies we serve. Since mid-2014, we have worked with 147 abortion-vulnerable or abortion-minded mothers who chose life for their unborn babies following consultation, pregnancy testing, and ultrasound services.

During our most recent fiscal year:

- We hosted more than 1,600 client visits to the center.
- We held 359 Parenting Class sessions.
- We distributed over 1,155 "Bags of Blessings" (food) to our clients and 158 food boxes to the community.
- We provided 32 New Baby Baskets of supplies to moms of newborns.
- We supplied 63,804 diapers and 1,792 packages of wipes to class participants and community families in need.

We are deeply grateful for your compassion, partnership, and continued prayers as we engage in spiritual battle daily in this mission. With heartfelt appreciation,

Leah Shrum, Options for Women, Help for Families

GriefShare

For those who have lost a loved one, the next GriefShare group will begin on Tuesday, January 6th at 6 PM. It will be held at St. Paul Lutheran Church in Jackson and is open to the community. Parking: use back lot on W. Adams St & S. Missouri. This is an excellent source of support and encouragement as we walk with others on our journey of grief. For more information, call Shirley at 573-986-8555 or visit www.griefshare.org.

YOUTH NEWS

"The more Eucharist we receive, the more we become like Jesus." -St. Carlo Acutis

Youth Spirit - High school aged youth

December 28th - NO YOUTH GROUP

January 4th - Youth Spirit - Join us for our regular Youth Group meeting. Doors open at 6pm with programming from 6:30-8:00pm.

January 11th - Youth Spirit - Regular youth night!

January 18th- Dead Theologians Society - Come join us at the old convent at St. Vincent's to learn about our ancestors in Christ. 6:30-8:00pm.

Steubenville Youth Conference - Sign ups for the Steubenville Youth Conference will begin on January 1st and go through the 24th. This is open to current 8th graders through seniors in high school. We will be attending Week 2 July 17th-19th. Please use the QR code to sign up and for more information.

<u>Kaboom</u> 6th - 8th grade students Out next Kaboom will be **January 24th**!

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.

2/6/2026 - 2/8/2026, St. Peters, MO 4/17/2026 - 4/19/2026, St. Peters, MO 6/12/2026 - 6/14/2026, 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 meet at 6:30 PM in the Lower Hall on the 4th Wednesday of each month.

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: Freshman Placement Test and Jr. Cheer Camp & Pup Band

Camp Re-NEW-All Registration

Registration started Wednesday, December 10th for the summer of 2025. Camp is open to kids going into 5th - 9th grade in the fall, high school staff going into 10th - 12th grade, and adult staff. Campers are placed on a first-come-first-served basis. Brochures are available on the center bulletin board in the vestibule. You can also apply online at https://dioscg.org/camp-re-new-all, or call the Catholic Center at 417-866-0841.

Immaculate Conception/American Red Cross Blood Drive

On Thursday, January 8th, 2026 from 12:30 - 5:30 PM at the Knights of Columbus Hall, Lower Level, Jackson. Please call 1-800-RED-CROSS or visit redcrossblood.org.

Advance KC Fish Fry

Is on Friday, January 9th, 2026 from 5:00 - 7:00 PM in the KC Hall. This is an all you can eat fish/chicken dinner with all the sides. Dine in or carry out. Adults are \$13.00; all children 15 and under eat FREE with a paid adult plate.

Eucharistic Congress

We are excited to announce that on January 12th, online registration for the Diocesan Eucharistic Congress will open to the general public. For more details about the Diocesan Eucharistic Congress, please go the diocesan website:

<u>https://dioscg.org/diocesan-eucharistic-congress/</u> where information is being regularly added and updated. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact Lynn Melendez at 471-866-0841 or email her at lmelendez@dioscg.org.

IC School Restaurant Night Fundraiser/KC Fish Fry

On Friday, January 16th, from 4:30 - 7:00 PM in the lower hall at the Jackson KC Hall. Fried Fish, Chicken, French Fries, Hush Puppies, Baked Beans, Slaw and Mac & Cheese. Desserts will be available for purchase.

Rise up and Build - Defending Families from Pornography

Will be on Saturday, January 24th at the Jackson Civic Center from 9:00 AM - 1:30 PM. This conference should raise awareness about the evil of pornography that has negatively impacted so many people within our faith communities. Registration is \$10 per person and the deadline is **January 11th**. Look for the flyer in the back of church on the bulletin board, which has a QR Code you can use to get yourself registered.

Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Celebration

You are invited to the Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Celebration for couples celebrating their 1st, 5th, 10th, 15th, 20th, 25th, 30th, 35th, 40th, 45th, 50th or 50+ anniversary anytime during 2026. On Sunday, February 1st, from 1:30 - 3:30 PM, join Bishop Edward M Rice for the celebration of Holy Mass followed by a light lunch reception at St. Mary's, Cape. Please **RSVP by January 23rd** to Sharon in the Diocesan Family Life Office at 417-866-0841 or scan the QR code on the flyer in the back of church.

World Marriage Day

Is on Sunday, February 8th at Noon at the Cathedral Basilica of St. Louis, 4431 Lindell Blvd., St. Louis, MO. Fr. Chris Martin will celebrate Mass. A reception will follow in Boland Hall. All married couples are invited to attend and celebrate the gift of marriage.

Liturgical Ministers (January 3rd & 4th)				
Offertory	Lectors	Usher/Greeters	Eucharistic Ministers (C) Cup	Mass Servers
5:00 pm K/J Loos	Stephen Brands Richard Horrell	Mark Elfrink, Richard Knaup Katy Liley, Amy Moore	Randy Balsman & Kenny Loos - C Jane Fosse, Joyce Loos, Andrea Sachse	Audra Brunke Autumn Brunke Logan Moore
7:00 am R/K Hartmann	Mona Nenninger	Ronnie & Patti Eftink James & Gail Gosche	David Coe & Gerald Stoverink - C Gary Beussink	Maclin Guyot Joshua Lentz Reece Roslen
8:30 am M/J Hinkebein	Brian Bauknecht Phillip Bess	Mark & Karen Goodon Mark Heisserer, Amy Kesterson	Brad Deken & Lucas Green - C Kim Baker, Amy Brueckner, Marilyn Sievers	Lydia Balsman Madilyn Balsman Abigail Davis
10:00 am B/M Allen	Pat Alsdorf Hailey Hindman	Kyle Garvey, Margie Schwent Joe & Betty Starke	Dolores Bohnsack & Bonnie Feeney - C Mary Fieser, Lindsey Gross, Wendy McCall	Maci McCall Mia McCall Myli McCall



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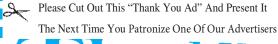
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