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December 7, 2025

Second Sunday in Advent

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



FROM FATHER RANDY

Sunday - Vigil Mass of the Immaculate Conception at 5:00 PM

Monday - Holy Day of Obligation Mass times are 8 AM, 12 PM & 6:30 PM. After the 6:30 PM Mass there will be a Procession of the Statue of Mary & Reception in the Parish Center

Tuesday - Teach at School; OCIA classes at 7:15 PM

Wednesday - KC Meeting at 7:00 PM

Saturday 12/13 - Anointing of the Sick after Mass

Sunday 12/14 - Anointing of the Sick after all Masses

2026 Calendars are in the back of church. Please help yourself!

New Church Project

All foundation work is now complete. Steel joists are almost complete. Steel has started to go up for choir loft and bell tower structures. Please pray for a mild winter so that we can get the building under roof in a reasonable time. Pledge extensions, new pledges, and one-time gifts have been coming in. We have received cash and commitments totaling \$300,000+ 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!

Bulletin Deadlines...

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.

Mass Intentions

MONDAY, December 8th

8:00 AM † Christi Lohmann

12:00 M Parish Family

6:30 PM † Bob Beussink

TUESDAY, December 9th

8:00 AM † Teresa Welter

6:30 PM † Frieda Seyer

WEDNESDAY, December 10th

8:00 AM † Susan E. Hinkebein

THURSDAY, December 11th

8:00 AM † Monica Lewis

FRIDAY, December 12th

8:00 AM † Robert Wilson

SATURDAY, December 13th

5:00 PM † Doyle Oehl

SUNDAY, December 14th

7:00 AM Parish Family

8:30 AM Living & deceased members
of Richard & Geneva Elfrink Family

10:00 AM † Berniece Ziegler

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

PARISH CALENDAR

MONDAY, December 8th **Office Closed/No School**

7:30 AM Rosary
8:00 AM Mass
12:00 PM Mass
6:30 PM Mass
7:30 St. Ann's/Feast of the Immaculate Conception Procession
and Reception - *Parish Center*

TUESDAY, December 9th

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
6:00 - 7:00 PM Cub Scout Den Meeting - *Parish Center*
6:05 PM Mother of Perpetual Help
6:10 PM Benediction
6:30 PM Mass
7:15 PM OCIA - *Fellowship Room*

WEDNESDAY, December 10th

7:30 AM Rosary
8:00 AM All School Mass
8:45 - 12:00 PM Coffee, Talk & Tots - *Fellowship Room*

THURSDAY, December 11th

7:30 AM Rosary
8:00 AM Mass
8:45 AM Morning Bible Study - *Fellowship Room*

FRIDAY, December 12th

7:30 AM Rosary
8:00 AM Mass

SATURDAY, December 13th

7:00 - 8:30 AM Cursillo Small Groups - *KC Hall, Jackson*
4:00 PM Confessions
4:30 PM Rosary
5:00 PM Mass
6:00 - 9:00 PM Kaboom - *Fellowship Room*

SUNDAY, December 14th

Third Sunday of Advent

Masses at 7:00, 8:30, 10 AM
11:15 - 12:15 PM SRE Classes - *School*
6:00 - 8:00 PM Youth Spirit - *Fellowship Room*

COLLECTIONS

Regular Collection for 11/23/25	\$24,689.43
Capital Campaign for 11/23/25	\$116,100.00
Regular Collection for 11/30/25	\$15,497.02
Capital Campaign for 11/30/25	\$14,996.00
Special Collections: Catholic Charities, Misc.	\$3,509.00

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

Second Sunday of Advent

"The kingdom of heaven is at hand!" (Matthew 3:2)

John's call to prepare for Christ echoes in every family. In holy matrimony, love and faith creates the foundation where God's kingdom flourishes. Is God calling you to build a holy family? Ask Him to show you His way by praying for your (future) spouse and children.

Spiritual Reflections

Readings for the week of December 7th, 2025

Sunday:	Is 11:1-10/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17 (see 7)/Rom 15:4-9/Mt 3:1-12
Monday:	Gn 3:9-15, 20/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/Eph 1:3-6, 11-12/Lk 1:26-38
Tuesday:	Is 40:1-11/Ps 96:1-2, 3 and 10ac, 11-12, 13/Mt 18:12-14
Wednesday:	Is 40:25-31/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8 and 10/Mt 11:28-30
Thursday:	Is 41:13-20/Ps 145:1 and 9, 10-11, 12-13ab/Mt 11:11-15
Friday:	Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/Jdt 13:18bcde, 19/Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47
Saturday:	Sir 48:1-4, 9-11/Ps 80:2ac and 3b, 15-16, 18-19/Mt 17:9a, 10-13
Next Sunday:	Is 35:1-6a, 10/Ps 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10 (see Is 35:4)/Jas 5:7-10/Mt 11:2-11

SICK AND HOSPITALIZED

Richard Knaup

Mike Webb

Paul Rollet,
brother of Melody Ruch

Jeanne Greene

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Claire, children of
Alex & Julia Koenig

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Help Marion Charities & Foster Adopt Connect (formerly Hope Children's Home) in Southeast 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 appreciated.

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 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 & 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.

Cash Drawing

IC Cash Drawing tickets are on sale for 2026. You can stop by the school or church office to purchase them. They are \$10.

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 8th. Please join them in the Parish Center for finger foods, desserts, punch and hot chocolate. All are welcome! Please bring a donation for our Kitchen Ministry (see St. Ann's Flyer on the bulletin board for details).

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.

Midnight Mass Rehearsals

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

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.

EUCC Free Clothing Closet

There is a Clothing Closet at 320 E. Adams Street in Jackson that is open to those in need. They are open the 2nd Saturday of each month from 9:00 - 11:00 AM.

YOUTH NEWS

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

Youth Spirit - High school aged youth

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.

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 **will not meet in Nov./Dec.**
On Dec. 10th, they will have a short meeting and a small party with snacks.

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/>



"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 today, 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.

Advance KC Fish Fry

KC Fish Fry: Friday, December 12th. It is All-You-Can Eat Fish/Chicken Dinner with all the fixings. Dine-In or Carry-Out. Serving from 5 - 7 PM. Adults \$13.00, all children 15 and under eat FREE with a paid adult plate.

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.

Breakfast & Bake Sale at St. Joseph, Apple Creek

Is on Sunday, December 14th from 7:30 - 11:30 AM. Menu consists of sausage, scrambled eggs, potatoes, biscuits/gravy and all the fixings. Adults are \$12, children 5-12 are \$5 and children under 5 are free.

Christmas Country Church Tour

The National Shrine of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal (Saint Mary's of the Barrens Church) in Perryville, Missouri, will be participating in the 20th annual Christmas Country Church Tour. The tour will take place on December 18th and 19th, from 1 - 8 PM. The participating churches welcome visitors to view their Christmas decorations and to spend a few moments in silent prayer during the Advent season. Here at the Shrine, a tree will be decorated with prayer petitions from local students. There will be live music both nights from 4:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Light refreshments will be served in the Visitor Center, where unique Christmas items, including nativity sets, will be on display. If you have any questions, please call the Association of the Miraculous Medal at 1-800-264-MARY (6279) or visit our website at www.amm.org.

Liturgical Ministers (December 13th & 14th) Deacon Al will be here at all Masses

Offertory	Lectors	Usher/Greeters	Eucharistic Ministers (C) Cup	Mass Servers
5:00 pm Rosenquist's	John Litzelfelner Amy Moore	Mark Elfrink, Richard Knaup Katy Liley, Linda Martin	Stephen Brands & David Coe - C Jane Fosse, Michael Martin	Andrew Guilfooy Carter Guilfooy Layton Randol
7:00 am J/M Nenninger	Joe Bullinger	Joe & Mona Nenninger Bob & Kathy Summers	Jeff Hotop & Andrea Sachse - C	Maclin Guyot Reece Rosliin Xavier Thomas
8:30 am Nugent's	Layne Bergmark Liam Bergmark	Tim & Debbie Beussink Dennie & Vickie Ruch	Brad Deken & Lucas Green - C Amy Brueckner, Renee Hinkebein	Abbi Davis Rae Graves Joseph Green
10:00 am Gross's	Theresa Bubulka Mary Fieser	Carson, Kelly, Kolton and Ritchie Spies	Joshua Koehler & Tony Mier - C Cheryl Market, Shelly Meier	Ava Featherston Mason Featherston Madelyn Meier

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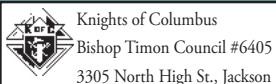


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