

Celebration of Holy Mass

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 p.m. Sunday: 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

DAILY MASSES

Monday: 8:30 a.m. Tuesday: 6:15 p.m. Wednesday - Friday: 8:30 a.m.

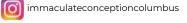
HOLY DAY MASSES

8:30 a.m., 7:00 p.m., or as announced

Reconciliation

Tuesdays: 5:30 - 6:00 p.m. Fridays: Following the 8:30 a.m. Mass, 9:15 - 9:45 a.m. Or by appointment

PARISH





SCHOOL





Sacraments

BAPTISM

For detailed information related to preparation and scheduling, please contact the Parish Office at (614) 267-9241, or at icoffice@iccols.org.

MARRIAGE

Couples should inquire at least 12 months in advance of the intended date. A marriage preparation program is required. For information, contact Elizabeth DeLuca at (614) 267-9241 or at edeluca@iccols.org.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK & PASTORAL MINISTRY TO THE HOMEBOUND

If there is an emergency need for Anointing of the Sick, please call the parish office. If you get the voicemail message, press "1" and leave a message on the sacramental emergency line. For pastoral care needs, please contact the Parish Office at (614) 267-9241, or at icoffice@iccols.org.

FUNERAL & BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY

Family of the deceased loved one should contact the Parish Office at (614) 267-9241, or at icoffice@iccols.org.

OCIA

OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults) is the formation program of inquiry, discernment and instruction for adults. If you are interested in learning more about our faith and becoming Catholic, please contact Mary Ann Rivera at (614) 267-9241, ext. 605 or at marivera@iccols.org.

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 28

1 Jn 1:5-2:2; Mt 2:13-18

4:00 p.m. For the People of

Immaculate Conception Parish

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 29

Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or 1 Sm 1:20-22, 24-28; Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17 or 1 Jn 3:1-2, 21-24; Lk 2:41-52 8:30 a.m. For the Intention of

Rita & Greg Purnell

55th Wedding Anniversary

11:00 a.m. Mike Hill +

MONDAY, DECEMBER 30

1 Jn 2:12-17; Lk 2:36-40

8:30 a.m. For the Poor Souls in Purgatory

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 31

1 Jn 2:18-21; Jn 1:1-18

4:00 p.m. John & Rita Schultheis +

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 1

Nm 6:22-27; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21 9:00 a.m. For the People of

Immaculate Conception Parish

THURSDAY, JANUARY 2

1 Jn 2:22-28; Jn 1:19-28

8:30 a.m. Andrea Palazzo+

FRIDAY, JANUARY 3

1 Jn 2:29-3:6; Jn 1:29-34 8:30 a.m. Chris Mahler †

SATURDAY, JANUARY 4

1 Jn 3:7-10; Jn 1:35-42

4:00 p.m. For the People of

Immaculate Conception Parish

SUNDAY, JANUARY 5

Is 60:1-6; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12 8:30 a.m. Rosemary Steinbauer + 11:00 a.m. Grace Embrey †

+ Deceased

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LITURGICAL MINISTERS SCHEDULE – JANUARY 4 & 5, 2025

MASS TIMES	4:00 p.m.	8:30 a.m.	11:00 a.m.	
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS	Bobbie Mitch MaryAnn Grossman	Jean Durbin Molly Dodane	Ron & Patty Bitler	
LECTORS	MaryAnn Grossman	David Lyons	Gail Hogan	
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WELCOME DESK	Patty Conway	Michele Sapp Elizabeth Daniels		

SCHEDULING MASS INTENTIONS

One of the greatest acts of charity is to pray for the living and the dead (a spiritual work of mercy). The greatest and most powerful prayer we have is the Mass since the fruits of the Mass are the very fruits of Jesus' redemption. Mass stipends (offerings) are \$10.00 each with only one intention per Mass. Mass Intentions are scheduled by calling the Parish Office at (614) 267-9241, emailing icoffice@iccols.org, or mailing your request to the Parish Office. We will do our best to honor the dates and times requested, but no day/time can be guaranteed. Currently, we are scheduling Mass Intentions from January through July 2025.

CONTRIBUTORS TO THE SANCTUARY LAMPS

The sanctuary lamps in the church burn constantly to proclaim the real presence of Jesus in the Tabernacle. For the month of January, the three sanctuary candles were donated by **Randall Schweller and Julie Clemens**. Thank you for your generosity.

ROSARY AT THE GROTTO

Please join us each Sunday evening to pray the Rosary at the IC Marian Grotto at 8 p.m. All are welcome! Questions? Please contact peterjmccann64@gmail.com.

IN OUR PARISH

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

We welcome **Margaret Eileen Heydinger**, the daughter of Grant and Caitlin Heydinger, to the church and to our parish. Margaret was baptized on December 22, 2024.



NEW PARISHIONERS:

We welcome new parishioners to Immaculate Conception Parish: **Catherine Brinda**; **Nick**, **Carrie and Graham Held.** We invite and encourage you to join us as we pray, work, and play together and hope that you find a welcoming and spiritual

home here at Immaculate Conception.



Thank you to all who helped decorate the Church for Christmas. Not all helpers are pictured, but all are appreciated.

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Blessed are they who dwell in your house, O Lord.



All are invited to join us for the celebration of the Holy Eucharist during this Christmas Season.

With warm wishes for a blessed and fruitful season of miracles, love and thanksgiving, may 2025 draw you closer to Jesus Christ that you may experience all the rich blessings He has for you.

Tuesday, December 31

4:00 p.m. Vigil Mass, Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God

Wednesday, January 1

9:00 a.m. Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God

Saturday, January 4

4:00 p.m. Vigil of the Epiphany of the Lord

Sunday, January 5

8:30 a.m. Epiphany of the Lord 11:00 a.m. Epiphany of the Lord

THE SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD

The Parish Office will be closed on Wednesday, January 1, the Feast of the Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God, and New Years Day. The Solemnity of Mary is a Holy Day of Obligation. The vigil Mass on Tuesday is at 4 p.m. and Holy Day Mass is at 9 a.m. on Wednesday, January 1.



ITALY PILGRIMAGE JUBILEE YEAR 2025 WITH FR. MATT AND FR. DANIEL COLBY

Only 10 spots left!

This once-in-a-lifetime pilgrimage, led by Fr. Matt Hoover and Fr. Daniel Colby, includes the serene countryside

of Assisi, the famous vineyards of Montepulciano, the hilltop city of Orvieto and the amazing city of Rome! In Rome, you will attend a Papal Audience, experience the beauty of the Sistine Chapel and Vatican Museums, travel back in time in the catacombs, and partake in the solemn act of walking through the Holy Doors during this Jubilee Year. For amazing trip details and registration information, please call or email Peggy O'Donovan in the Parish Office at podonovan@iccols.org.

TIME, TALENT & TREASURE

Fostering Stewardship as a Way of Life

Fiscal Year 7/1/2024-6/30/2025 • Offertory Report 12/22/2024						
	12/22/2024		YTD 2024/2025			
Recorded Envelopes/Checks	\$	26,800	\$	616,914		
Loose Cash	\$	773	\$	20,813		
TOTAL RECEIVED	\$	27,573	\$	637,727		
Weekly Operating Expenses	\$	27,000	\$	675,000		
Weekly Overage/(Shortage)	\$	573	\$	(37,273)		
Families Receiving Envelopes				857		
Envelopes Received				108		
Families on EFT				383		



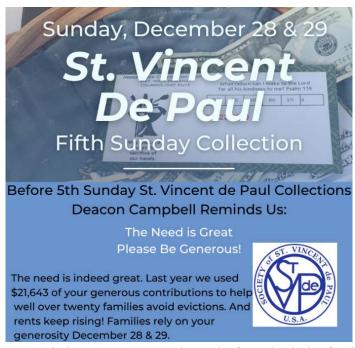
Manage your electronic contributions online! Visit www.iccols.org and click "Offertory & Stewardship" under the Giving menu. Alternatively, text "Give" to (614) 953-6436, or scan the QR code to the left. Thank you for your financial support of our Catholic faith here in our parish. We are grateful for your generosity.

"For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also." (Matthew 6:21)

CHRISTMAS CATHOLIC CHARITIES COLLECTION

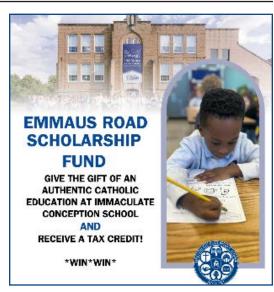
This annual collection, held each Christmas Season, allows the Diocese of Columbus to meet a variety of basic needs directly and through diocesan agencies and diocesan-sponsored organizations including J.O.I.N. (Joint Organization for Inner-City Needs), the St. Francis Evangelization Center in McArthur, Catholic Social Services, St. Stephen's Community House, and St. Vincent Family Services. You can help share in this important work by generously supporting the Catholic Charities collection this year.

You may use the special envelope in your packet, place your donation in an envelope marked "Diocesan Charities" and place it in an offertory basket, send it to the Parish Office, or you can donate through the parish website at iccols.org, Give Now>Fund>Diocesan Collections>Diocesan Charities.



Our Vincentians make home visits to assess the needs of an individual or family and help, if appropriate, and resources are available. The demand has been ongoing, and resources are low.

Donations can be made at any time by using the St. Vincent envelope in your packet, by putting your clearly marked gift in any envelope and placing it in the offertory collection or one of the candle boxes. You may also mail it to the Parish Office or donate online at iccols. org, Give Now, One-Time or Recurring, Fund, then St. Vincent de Paul. Thank you for your generosity.



EMMAUS ROAD SCHOLARSHIP

Well done, Immaculate Conception parishioners and friends! We continue to strive for our goal of \$300,00 in contributions to the Emmaus Road Scholarship Fund. We have now reached \$103,126 in contributions. Thank you for responding to this opportunity to participate in the Scholarship fund and we hope you will continue to share this information with friends and family who reside in the state of Ohio. Recently, Matt Hatchel from the Parish Finance Committee spoke at Mass about this wonderful way to turn your tax dollars into tuition assistance. To see his presentation, go to https://vimeo.com/1040060960.

YEAR END GIVING

On Christmas, we receive the ultimate gift from God – the gift of His only Son, Jesus Christ! The Christmas season is also a spiritual opportunity to make a return to God for His many blessings! If you wish to make a donation to Immaculate Conception Church this season, we kindly ask that you do so as soon as possible if you want to make sure it's applied to your 2024 tax year. Gifts of cash or checks must be dated 2024 and received in the Parish Office by 4 p.m. on Friday, January 3, 2025.

OUR IC KNIGHTS KEEPING CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS

The IC Knights of Columbus set up the outdoor display in front of the Parish Office. It will remain there until the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord in January. Also, the "Keep Christ in Christmas" billboard was erected on Olentangy River Road, facing south above Roosters.





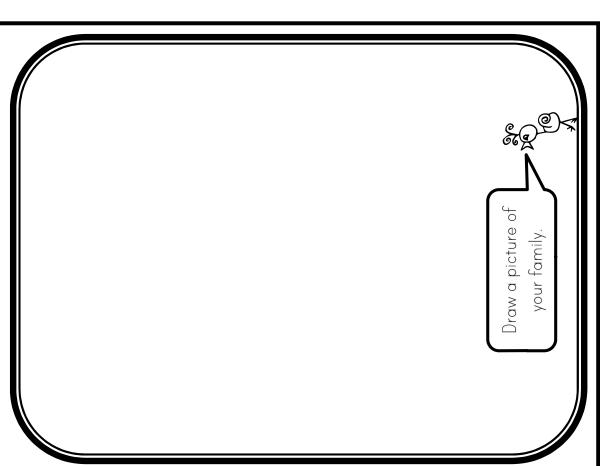


Become a part of that! Join your IC Council 14962! For more information about our council, contact jim@mpex. com or (614) 563-6022. Go to kofcohio.

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Feast of the Holy Family

Today is the Feast of the Holy Family. We celebrate Jesus' family and your family! Thank God for the wonderful gifts in your family.



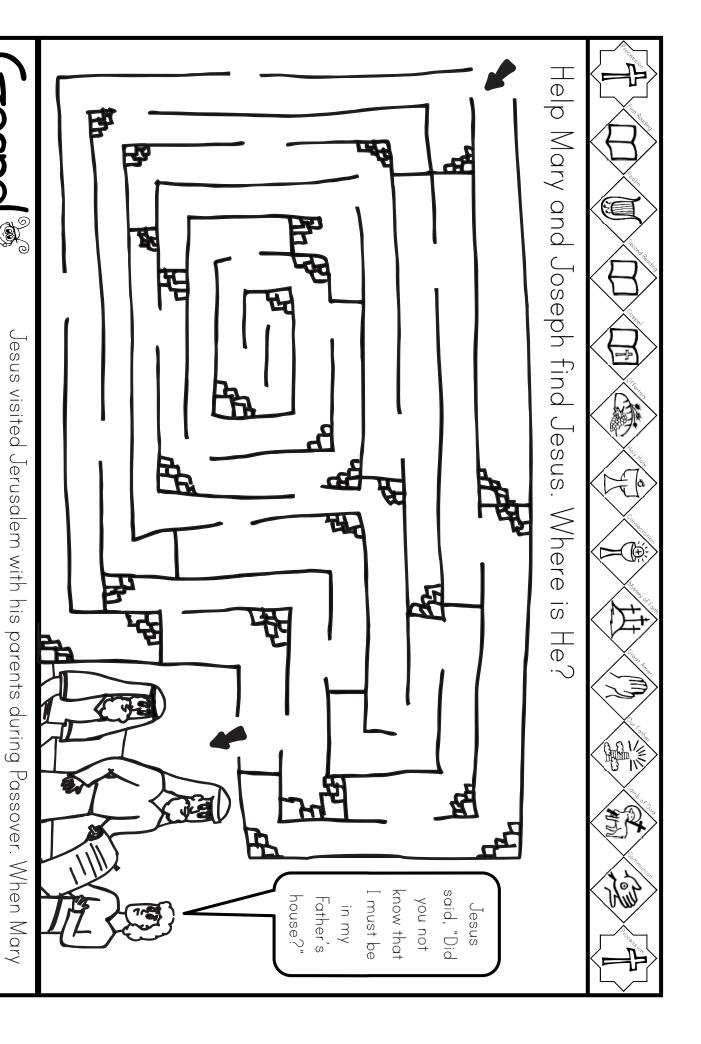
December 29, 2024
Holy Family
Color: White

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It is still the Christmas season, so the church still has Christmas decorations, and we still sing Christmas carols.



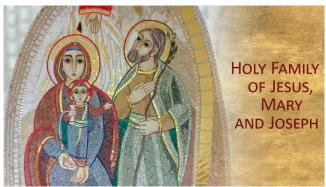
and Joseph returned home, they realized that Jesus was missing!

They found him talking with the priests at the temple.

FAITH FORMATION

Immaculate Conception Church December 29, 2024

The Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph is normally celebrated on the Sunday after Christmas. It is a Feast that seeks to portray the Holy Family of Nazareth as the "true model of life" (cf. Opening Prayer) from which our families can draw inspiration and know where to find help and comfort.



How I would like to return to my childhood and attend the simple yet profound school that is Nazareth! How wonderful to be close to Mary, learning again the lesson of the true meaning of life, learning again God's truths... First, we learn from its silence...The silence of Nazareth should teach us how to meditate in peace and quiet, to reflect on the deeply spiritual, and to be open to the voice of God's inner wisdom and the counsel of his true teachers...Second, we learn about family life...May it show us the family's holy and enduring character and exemplify its basic function in society: a community of love and sharing, beautiful for the problems it poses and the rewards it brings, in sum, the perfect setting for rearing children—and for this there is no substitute. ~Pope Paul VI, Address from Nazareth

Reflection: It is amazing that God chose to enter our fallen human condition by becoming Incarnate in the womb of the Blessed Virgin Mary. He was born of her, raised by her and Saint Joseph, acquired human knowledge through their teaching, worked with His hands, experienced the fullness of human society, and did so within the context of an earthly family. Jesus, Mary, and Joseph made up a sacred family, the Holy Family. Today's feast continues our Christmas Day celebration. This feast falls within the octave of Christmas that culminates January 1 with the Solemnity of the Mother of God.

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January 1 Solemnity of Mary Mother of God

As the Mother of God, Mary's prayerful pondering was beyond our comprehension. The bond she shared with her divine Son far surpassed a mere human bond. Jesus was not only her Son, He was also her Savior. Therefore, she adored Him as a mother loves her child, but also as a servant worships her God. The relationship between this unique mother and Son is infinitely awe-inspiring. Our Blessed Mother is given the unique title of "Mother of God" first Mary, Mother of God, first disciple of your Son, and foremost to express our faith in the divinity of Jesus. Jesus was and spiritual Mother of us all, pray for us that we both human and divine, but in Him these two natures were perfectly will say yes to life with the same readiness you did. Lay us at the feet of Jesus, and inspire us to united. Therefore, one cannot say that Mary was only the mother of treasure and ponder your Son with you. Amen. the humanity of Jesus, she was the mother of the Person. And that one January 1st: Solemntty of Mary, the Holy Mother of God Person was, at the same time, God and man.

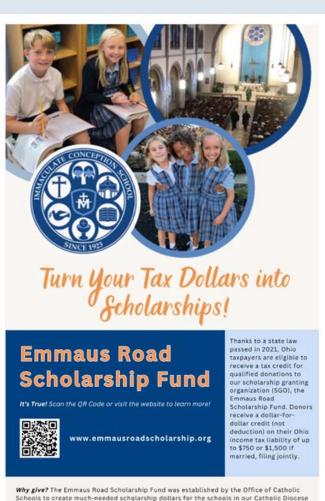
SCHOOL NEWS

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

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But this gift shouldn't be limited just to those with financial means. Making a high-quality, Catholic education accessible and affordable for all families who desire it is a philanthropic priority for the Diocese of Columbus. With your gift to the Emmaus Road Scholarship Fund, you help open the doors and transform the education experience for more 17,000 students while receiving a dollar-for-dollar tax credit on your Ohio taxes. To find out more how you can get this tax credit while making a Catholic education possible for more children, go to

https://emmausroadscholarship.org/.



ST. CHARLES

Novice Wrestling Program – The 2025 Cardinal Novice Wrestling Club will be hosted at St. Charles Preparatory School on Tuesday and Thursday evenings, from 6:15-7:30 p.m., between January 7 and February 27, 2025. Open to boys and girls in grades K-8. Cost is \$120 for the 16 sessions. To register or for more information, please contact Vince DiSabato at wrestlingcoach@scprep.org.

Be Transformed by Daily Prayer with The Rosary in a Year Podcast with Fr. Mark-Mary Ames!

Starting January 1, 2025

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Information cards are at the doors of the Church in the bulletin holders.

SOCIAL CONCERNS



OPEN SHELTER MEAL ON MONDAY, JANUARY 6

The next Open Shelter meal for homeless and marginally housed individuals is next Monday, January 6, 2025. We need donations of sloppy joes, mac & cheese, cookies, lunch size chips, snacky desserts and bottled water. Cash donations are welcome. Arrangements can be made to get your donations earlier in the week or weekend if Monday by 10 a.m. is not a convenient dropoff time. Please contact Cheryl Costello at (614) 774-8879 to coordinate. Thank you for your support of this ministry.

SAVE THE DATE:

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 25

7-8:30 p.m. in MARIAN HALL

Examine the Issues of Affordable Housing and Fair Rental Practices, Some Current Solutions, and Future Efforts. Hosted by IC BREAD. More Information Coming Soon Icbread43215@gmail.com



A GIFT FOR YOUR SPOUSE

A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend will give you and your spouse all the tools for a better, stronger, more loving marriage. Give the gift of an upcoming Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience February 7-9, 2025. Get away from jobs, kids, chores, and phones and focus only on each other. Location: Procter Camp and Conference Center - London, OH. Other weekend dates are available on our website. Apply at WWME.org or call Don and Kim Downs at (614) 893-1935 or scan the QR code. Early registration is recommended.



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