



**Immaculate Conception Catholic Church**

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**ACTIVITIES CALENDAR**

**MONDAY—OCTOBER 26**

*Thirtieth Monday in Ordinary Time*

7:30 a.m. Eucharist [Rev. Bradley C. Pelze]  
 - Menville

8:00 a.m. Morning Prayer (II) - Kingsley

**TUESDAY—OCTOBER 27**

*Thirtieth Tuesday in Ordinary Time*

8:00 a.m. Morning Prayer - Menville

8:00 a.m. Eucharist [People of WFCC] - Kingsley

7:00 p.m. WFCC Parish Life Team Meeting  
 - Menville

7:00 p.m. WFCC Finance Council Meeting  
 - Menville

**WEDNESDAY—OCTOBER 28**

*Saints Simon and Jude, Apostles*

7:30 a.m. Eucharist [People of WFCC] - Menville

8:00 a.m. Morning Prayer - Kingsley

4:00 p.m. ICC Reader Training - Menville

4:00 p.m. Faith Formation [PS-4] - Kingsley

4:00 p.m. Faith Formation [PS-5] - Menville

7:00 p.m. SMC Reader Training - Kingsley

7:00 p.m. Faith Formation [5-12] - Kingsley

7:00 p.m. Faith Formation [6-9] - Menville

7:00 p.m. CICC - Menville

**THURSDAY—OCTOBER 29**

*Thirtieth Thursday in Ordinary Time*

8:00 a.m. Morning Prayer - Menville

8:00 a.m. Eucharist [Rev. Msgr. Nicholas Ruba+]  
 - Kingsley

12:30 p.m. PieceMakers - Menville

7:00 p.m. PieceMakers - Menville

**FRIDAY—OCTOBER 30**

*Thirtieth Friday in Ordinary Time*

8:00 a.m. Morning Prayer - Menville

8:00 a.m. Morning Prayer - Kingsley

**SATURDAY—OCTOBER 31**

*Thirtieth Saturday in Ordinary Time*

4:00 p.m. Reconciliation - Menville

5:00 p.m. Eucharist [Gail d'Auguste+] - Menville

**SUNDAY—NOVEMBER 1**

*All Saints*

8:00 a.m. Reconciliation - Kingsley

9:00 a.m. Eucharist [Robert Honkomp+] - Kingsley

Please visit the WFCC website to find more information about both parishes, to read and/or download this weekly bulletin, to read the latest news, and to learn more about our faith.

<http://www.westforkcatholiccommunity.org>

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**25 October 2015**

**Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Last week's gospel spoke of how James and John asked for reserved seats in heaven. Not just any seats, but the ones right next to God himself. Their request seems a bit bold, until you realize that James and John are the Bible version of the Dukes of Hazard. The gospel calls them "The Sons of Thunder", meaning that they were proud, aggressive and fearless.

Today's gospel is different. In place of the "Sons of Thunder," we have a guy named "The Son of Fear", as that's what "Bartimaeus" means in Greek. It sounds like a nickname, and maybe it was, but it could also be a family name. Hard to say which would be worse, to be called the "Son of Fear" or to actually be the son of a father whose name was "Fearful".

The movie "American Sniper" was about Chris Kyle, a Navy Seal who was known by the nickname "The Legend". He was called "The Legend" because he was extraordinarily effective and dedicated. "The Legend" is a name that commands respect. If you're a boy, what do you do if everyone calls you Scaredy-Cat? What do you do if they call you the Son of Scaredy-Cat? Life has beat down Bartimaeus and that's why he's sitting in a ditch along the road, blind and begging.

"Son of David, have pity on me." A pitiful prayer from a pathetic man, even those present tell him to shut up. Have you ever been put down and pushed around? Ever prayed the kind of prayer that a person prays when they realize that at this point in their life they aren't "The Legend", but Bartimaeus? "Son of David, have pity on me!" It's the prayer of last resort. But it's heartfelt. "Lord, my life's a mess, a pitiful mess." Have you ever prayed that prayer? I have. And I know I'm not alone... because Bartimaeus was not alone. Jesus heard his prayer and responded. Just as he responded to the prayer of the thief dying next to him on the cross, the woman suffering from hemorrhages and so many more. Yes, the Lord hears the prayers of those who are down and out - and responds to them! Just as he hears your prayers, all your prayers. Even the pitiful ones. The trick is to turn to the Lord every time we struggle, not just when we're desperate.

*Fr. Brad Pelzel*

**DINNERS:**

- HARVEST DINNER sponsored by Community Presbyterian Church in Lawton on Wednesday, November 4, 5:00-7:00 p.m. Serving a roast beef dinner. Adults: \$7.00; Children (4-10): \$4.00
- Annual Turkey Supper sponsored by St. Mary-Remsen. Sunday, November 8, 4:00-7:00 p.m. in the high school cafeteria. Menu includes: Turkey, Homemade Dressing, Real Mashed Potatoes, Sweet Corn, Homemade Salads, & Homemade Desserts



**MINISTERS' ASSIGNMENTS**

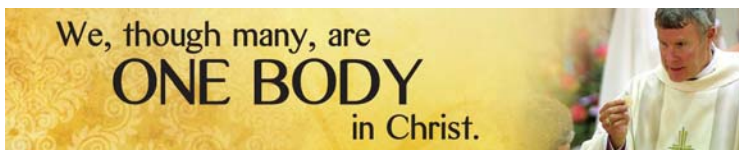
**SUNDAY NOVEMBER 1 9:00 A.M.**

- Altar Servers:** Emy Benson, Alex Thompson
- Reader(s):** Kate Martensen, Linda Schlotman
- Cantor:** Angie Haggin
- Organist:** Volunteer
- Gifts:** Volunteer
- Communion:** Jan Meister, Cindy Beelner, Jeanine Haggin
- KNH:** Janice Meister
- Greeters:** Jamie & Barb Sitzmann
- Ushers:** Glen Schlotman, Dennis Beelner
- Collection**
- Counters:** Amber Schweitzberger, Barb Sitzmann

**INCOME/EXPENSES LAST WEEK**

Adult Envelopes .....\$970.00 (26 Envelopes)  
 Youth Envelopes\* .....\$12.00 ( 8 Envelopes)  
 Loose ..... \$475.80  
 Candles ..... \$27.00  
 Interest Income ..... \$1,394.53  
 World Mission Sunday.....\$123.00 (13 Envelopes)  
**Total Income .....\$3,002.33**  
 Needed Each Week..... \$2,877.89  
**Total Expenses .....\$807.68**  
 \*Time/Talent quotes from youth envelopes: "helped Grandpa with the cows"

**SMC SANCTUARY LIGHT [OCTOBER 25-31] burns for the People of WFCC. Weeks available until December 31.**



	2014	2015
<b>\$ Goal:</b>	\$11,000.00	\$12,000.00
<b>\$ Pledged:</b>	\$9,009.00	\$5,330.00
<b>\$ Given:</b>	\$9,009.00	\$4,658.75
<b>Pledges Goal:</b>	168	166
<b>Participants:</b>	103	55
<b>Participant Rate:</b>	63%	33%

**FROM THE DESK OF BARB SITZMANN, DRE:**

- WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 28 – THERE WILL BE FF CLASSES IN THE AFTERNOON BUT EVENING CLASSES ARE CANCELLED DUE TO KP FOOTBALL PLAYOFFS.
- Wednesday, October 28 at 4:30 pm, the 1<sup>st</sup> grade FF students will be presenting a Saint's parade at the FF Center. Parents, grandparents and any parishioners are invited to attend.
- Reader training that was to be held October 28 at 7 pm has been postponed due to KP football playoffs.
- Saint papers for Confirmation candidates are due Wednesday, November 4.
- Steubenville style Adoration will be held Wednesday, November 11 from 7:00-8:00 pm in the church. All evening students must attend instead of classes. Any adults are invited to attend.
- Search retreat for Juniors, Seniors and mature Sophomores will be held November 13-15 at St. Edmonds in Fort Dodge. If your child is interested in attending, contact me for registration forms. Deadline to register is Monday, November 2.
- Elementary youth Mass will be Sunday, November 15 at 9:00 am. Third graders will be doing readings and ushering. Fourth graders will be greeters. All elementary students and their parents are encouraged to attend. We will be having rolls in the church hall after Mass.
- Deacon Kevin Poss will be speaking to the high school Faith Formation students on Wednesday, November 18 at the FF Center. All high school students must attend instead of classes. Any adults are encouraged to attend.
- NO FF CLASSES Wednesday, November 25 for Thanksgiving break.
- The Diocesan Youth Rally will be held Sunday, December 6 at St. Joseph Parish in Salix. If your high school child is interested in attending, contact me for registration forms. Deadline to register is Monday, November 23.
- I AM IN SEARCH OF one or two people to take over the planning and organizing of the Dad's Belgian Waffle Breakfast fundraiser. It is scheduled for Sunday, February 7, 2016. I would be willing to help the next chairperson(s) but with my position as the DRE, I will not be able to continue with this fundraising venture. I need to know ASAP if interested, as we need to sign our commitment contract with Dad's by December.
- Contact info: St. Michael FF Center 378-2021, Barb's cell 712-251-8567, home phone 378-2052, work phone 378-2861. Emails- FF [stmikedre@gmail.com](mailto:stmikedre@gmail.com), home [barbsitzmann@yahoo.com](mailto:barbsitzmann@yahoo.com), work [bsitzmann@k-pcsd.org](mailto:bsitzmann@k-pcsd.org).

**LADIES GUILD** all orders must be turned into Jan Meister 378-3202 or Shelly Krieg 540-3843 no later than November 1. All orders must be pre-paid.

<b>BUDGET REPORT 2015-2016</b>	
<b>Income needed by 30 June 2016:</b>	\$143,090.78
<b>Income needed each week:</b>	\$2,751.75
<b>Income received since 1 July 2015:</b>	\$36,292.69



**MINISTERS' ASSIGNMENTS**

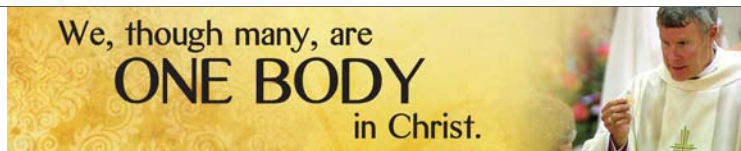
**SATURDAY OCTOBER 31 5:00 P.M.**

- Altar Servers:** Derek Hytrek, Ryan Putze
- Reader(s):** Aidan O'Mara, Alicia Jenness
- Cantor:** Angie Williams
- Organist:** Laura Krajcicek
- Gifts:** Helen Coulter
- Communion:** Cindy Hesse, Volunteer,  
Volunteer
- CharMac:** Elaine Ketelsen
- Ushers:** Butch Grell, Volunteer
- Collection**  
**Counters:** Connie Brockhaus, Marcia Sailer

**INCOME/EXPENSES LAST WEEK**

Adult Envelopes .....	\$1,235.00 (37 Envelopes)
Youth Envelopes* .....	\$10.62 (14 Envelopes)
Loose .....	\$270.00
Candles .....	\$23.54
Faith Formation .....	\$75.00
Interest Income .....	\$115.30
Lighthouse CDs.....	\$11.50
World Mission Sunday.....	\$256.00 ( 7 Envelopes)
<b>Total Income .....</b>	<b>\$1,996.96</b>
Needed Each Week.....	\$2,859.23
<b>Total Parish Expenses.....</b>	<b>\$914.79</b>
<b>*Time/Talent quotes from youth envelopes:</b> "chores", "Helped my sister", "played with my littel Brother"	

**ICC SANCTUARY LIGHT [OCTOBER 25-31] burns for Farrell W. Wright+ the request of Colette Wright. Weeks available until December 13.**



	<b>2014</b>	<b>2015</b>
<b>\$ Goal:</b>	\$10,000.00	\$11,000.00
<b>\$ Pledged:</b>	\$10,770.50	\$5,458.00
<b>\$ Given:</b>	\$10,465.50	\$5,188.00
<b>Pledges Goal:</b>	154	151
<b>Participants:</b>	119	47
<b>Participant Rate:</b>	79%	31%

**WANTED:**

- Collection Counters – with the Mass schedule changes we are in need of Collection Counters please contact the parish office if you are interested in helping out.

**FROM THE DESK OF ANGIE DUFFY, DFF:**

- We are in need of a 2<sup>nd</sup> **Grade Catechist** for the 2015–2016 Faith Formation year. If interested, please contact Angie Duffy.
- **Classrooms are off limits** to children outside of Wednesday Faith Formation classes.
- FAITH FORMATION & YOUTH MINISTRY TEAM Meeting October 26 at 7:00 p.m.
- Do you like to read? Come join us on October 28 for Reader Training during 4:00 p.m. Faith Formation class for all students in grade 5 or higher. Any current readers who would like a refresher course are welcome. We would love for you to share your talent at Mass.
- The next scheduled CICC gathering is October 28.
- November 4 Sponsor reports due for **Confirmation** candidates.
- November 11 **MANDATORY** for all CICC students to attend Steubenville style Adoration from 7:00-8:00 p.m. at St. Michael Church in Kingsley. All CICC students must attend in place of class. Adults are invited and encouraged to attend.
- Search retreat for Juniors and Seniors will be held November 13-15 at St. Edmonds in Fort Dodge. If your child is interested in attending, contact me for registration forms.
- November 18 Immaculate Conception CICC students are encouraged to come and listen to Deacon Kevin Poss speak on "Fishing for More" in our faith. Deacon Kevin will be speaking at the FF Center in Kingsley at 7:00 p.m. Please take advantage of this great opportunity. Adults are encouraged to attend
- November 25 No Faith Formation class, Thanksgiving break.
- The Diocesan Youth Rally will be held Sunday, December 6 at St. Joseph Parish in Salix. If your high school child is interested in attending, contact me for registration forms. Deadline to register is Monday, November 23.
- December 9 Saint reports due for **Confirmation** candidates.

**WANTED: SNOW/ICE REMOVAL** Due to the difficulty in finding qualified persons, the Immaculate Conception Buildings and Grounds Team is asking for your assistance with finding a qualified volunteer[s] or hired person[s] to complete snow/ice removal from the sidewalks, steps, and parking areas around the parish property during this winter season at Immaculate Conception Church in Merville. The persons are needed to complete these tasks one hour before daily activities and throughout the day including weekends as necessary. Volunteers are covered by the parish insurance coverage and those 18 and under may not operate power equipment. Hired persons must present a Certificate of Insurance that names the parish and Dioceses of Sioux City as an Additional Insured. If you know of any qualified persons, please contact a member of the Buildings and Grounds Team or the parish office so the parish office may pursue making arrangements with the person[s].

**BUDGET REPORT 2015-2016**

<b>Income needed by 30 June 2016:</b>	\$148,679.57
<b>Income needed each week:</b>	\$2,859.23
<b>Income received since 1 July 2015:</b>	\$51,233.16



**PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:** Ella Bahmer, Leonard Beaver, Juanita Beaubien, Jim Behrens, Tom/Donna Clark, Virginia Connelly, Mary Drevs, Pauline Dugan, Kara Funk, Charlotte Honkomp, Virginia & Walt Kabisch, Wes Keller, Millie Kisting, Harold Kloewer, Joan McCain, Max/Jo McConnell, Patricia McConnell, Kay Miller, Shirley Neustrom, Denny Robeson, Bob/Patricia Rogers, Judy Schroeder, Sylvesta Slota, Dan Strachan, Bernice Timmins, Marcella Thomas, Jeune Vondrak, Gerry Weinriech, Emmet Woltman, Chuck Wilcox, Millie Wycoff, and the men and women serving in the military and police.

**PRAY ESPECIALLY FOR:**

**Beverly M. Hoelker**, parishioner, mother to Kathy Goodwin and Chuck (Chris) Hoelker, grandmother to Kristin, Ben and Joe Hoelker, who passed away October 19.

*Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her. May her soul and all the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.*

**IMPORTANT DATES**

- November 3, 7:00 p.m.: ICC Guild Meeting [M]
- November 4, 10:00 a.m.: Eucharist [KNH]
- November 6, TBA: Wedding Rehearsal [M]
- November 7, 2:00 p.m.: Wedding (Hancock/Livermore) [M]
- November 9, 6:30 p.m.: WFCC Liturgy Team Meeting [K]
- November 10, 7:00 p.m.: Eucharist [M]
- November 10, 7:30 p.m.: KC8232 Meeting [M]
- November 11, 11:00 a.m.: Eucharist [CharMac]
- November 11, 7:00 p.m.: Adoration/Benediction (Steubenville Style) [K]
- November 11, 7:00 p.m.: SMC Ladies Guild Meeting [K]
- November 14, 6:00 p.m.: Fellowship Dinner (Guild) [M]
- November 15, 9:00 a.m.: Eucharist (Youth Mass) [K]
- November 15, 10:00 a.m.: Coffee/Juice/Rolls (Guild) [K]
- November 17, 7:00 p.m.: ICC Pastoral Council Meeting [M]
- November 21, 10:00 a.m.: Community Basket Distribution [Kingsley]
- November 25: No Faith Formation Classes [M/K]
- November 26: OFFICES CLOSED
- November 26, 9:00 a.m.: Eucharist [M]
- November 27: OFFICES CLOSED
- November 28, 11:30 a.m.: Baptism (Hagan) [K]
- November 28, 6:00 p.m.: Fellowship Dinner (KC8232) [M]
- December 2, 4:00 p.m.: Reconciliation [M]
- December 2, 5:00-7:00 p.m.: Family Potluck [M]
- December 2, 7:00 p.m.: Reconciliation [M]
- December 8: The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- December 8: OFFICES CLOSED
- December 8, 7:00 p.m.: Eucharist [M]
- December 8, 7:30 p.m.: KC8232 Meeting [M]
- December 9, 7:00 p.m.: SMC Ladies Guild Meeting [K]
- December 12, 6:00 p.m.: Fellowship Dinner (Guild) [M]
- December 13, 7:00 p.m.: Maranatha [M]
- December 15, 7:00 p.m.: SMC Parish Council Meeting [K]

**WEST FORK CATHOLIC COMMUNITY INFORMATION**

**ADMINISTRATOR:** Fr. Brad Pelzel 712-873-3644

**Email:** icmville@wiatel.net

**Administrative Assistant/Bookkeeper:** Alicia Jenness

**IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH:** 712-873-3644

**Director of Faith Formation:** Angie Duffy

**Custodian-Church:** Connie Brockhaus / **Custodian-Rectory:** Judy Gruis

**Groundskeeper:** TBA

**ST. MICHAEL CHURCH HALL:** 712-378-2722

**FAITH FORMATION CENTER:** 712-378-2021

**Director of Faith Formation:** Barbara Sitzmann

**Email:** stmikedre@gmail.com

**Custodian-Church:** Jan Meister / **Assistant Custodian-Church:**

Jolene Spooner / **Custodian-FF Center:** Sonya Hamman

**Groundskeeper:** Jerome Gollhofer

**WFCC [MOVILLE] OFFICE HOURS:**

**Mon., Tues., Thurs., Fri.** 8:15 a.m.-noon, 1:00-4:15 p.m.

**Wed.** 8:15 a.m.-noon, 1:00-5:30 p.m., 6:30-8:45 p.m.

Other times by appointment

**EUCCHARIST:**

**Saturday:** 5:00 p.m.-Menville

**Sunday:** 9:00 a.m.-Kingsley

**Monday, Wednesday:** 7:30 a.m.-Menville

**Tuesday, Thursday:** 8:00 a.m.-Kingsley

**RECONCILIATION:**

**Saturday:** 4:30-4:45 p.m.-Menville

**Sunday:** 8:30-8:45 a.m.-Kingsley

Other times by appointment

**MORNING PRAYER:**

Tuesday, Thursday, Friday: 8:00 a.m.—Menville

Monday, Wednesday, Friday: 8:00 a.m.—Kingsley

**BAPTISM** is to be arranged with the pastor in order to prepare for the child's baptism after completion of Baptism Class held quarterly (March, June, September, December).

**MARRIAGE** preparation is to begin 6-12 months before the wedding day. Please contact the pastor so that all preparations can be completed in time for the wedding and marriage.

**Remember, a wedding is just a day, a marriage is a LIFETIME!**

**ANOINTING OF THE SICK:** By appointment; last Sunday of October during Sunday Masses.

**PERSONS WISHING TO JOIN THE CATHOLIC CHURCH**, whether baptized in another faith or unbaptized and over the age of seven [7], should contact the pastor to begin the process known as RCIA at anytime of the year.