



## Immaculate Conception Catholic Church

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### ACTIVITIES CALENDAR

#### MONDAY—FEBRUARY 8

##### *Fifth Monday in Ordinary Time*

7:30 a.m. Eucharist [*Virginia Connelly+*]  
- Menville

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

7:00 p.m. SMC Ladies Guild Meeting - Kingsley

#### TUESDAY—FEBRUARY 9

##### *Fifth Tuesday in Ordinary Time*

8:00 a.m. Morning Prayer - Menville

8:00 a.m. Eucharist [*Robert/Patricia Stratton+*]  
- Kingsley

7:00 p.m. Eucharist [*William Kisting+*] - Menville

7:30 p.m. KC8232 Meeting - Menville

#### WEDNESDAY—FEBRUARY 10

##### *Ash Wednesday*

7:30 a.m. Eucharist [*Mark McGowan*] - Menville

8:00 a.m. Morning Prayer - Kingsley

11:00 a.m. Eucharist [*Farrell W. Wright+*]  
- CharMac

4:00 p.m. Eucharist [*Thomas D. Cooper+*]  
- Menville

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

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

4:40 p.m. Prayer Service - Kingsley

7:00 p.m. Eucharist [*Robert/Patricia Stratton+*]  
- Kingsley

7:00 p.m. Prayer Service - Menville

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—FEBRUARY 11

##### *Thursday after Ash Wednesday*

8:00 a.m. Morning Prayer - Menville

8:00 a.m. Eucharist [*Robert/Patricia Stratton+*]  
- Kingsley

#### FRIDAY—FEBRUARY 12

##### *Friday after Ash Wednesday*

8:00 a.m. Morning Prayer - Menville

8:00 a.m. Morning Prayer - Kingsley

4:30-7:00 p.m. KC8232 Fish Fry/ICC Guild Silent  
Auction - Menville

#### SATURDAY—FEBRUARY 13

##### *Saturday after Ash Wednesday*

4:00 p.m. Reconciliation - Menville

5:00 p.m. Eucharist [*Living/Deceased Members*]  
- Menville

#### SUNDAY—FEBRUARY 14

##### *First Sunday of Lent*

8:00 a.m. Reconciliation - Kingsley

9:00 a.m. Eucharist [*Robert/Patricia Stratton+*]  
- 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.

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7 February 2016

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

The words of St. Peter to Jesus—“Leave me Lord, for I am a sinful man”—don’t seem like an auspicious start for the one chosen to be leader of the apostles. But, as our first reading reminds us, reluctance on the part of those chosen by God is not a new thing. Within seconds, though, Peter is on his feet and has abandoned everything to follow Jesus. What happened?

The answer is that he met Jesus. This is a special kind of ‘meeting’, not just that they ran into each other. Rather Peter truly meets Jesus, recognizes Jesus to be who He is: the promised one, the one sent from God, the one who will bring salvation to the world. It is important to note that it is Peter who has been met by Jesus, and Jesus who intervenes in Peter’s life. There is a subtle but important difference: it is not Peter who finds Jesus, but Jesus who comes to Peter, Jesus who reveals his own identity, Jesus who gives Peter’s life new purpose and meaning. Jesus is the prime actor here, and Peter, to his credit, allows himself to be found.

Peter already knew something about Jesus. Earlier in the gospel Jesus had healed Peter’s mother-in-law, so Peter has enough belief in Jesus to cast out his nets one more time despite a night of fruitless labor. Putting the nets out is a gesture of faith—in human terms it seems like it is the least sensible course of action—but Peter is willing to do so because Jesus said so. It’s a gamble, but one taken in hopeful trust. And upon seeing the result, Peter is converted. Almost without knowing it, Peter is, by his conversion, brought into Jesus’s plan for the salvation of the world and is given his own unique role to play. In falling to his knees, Peter takes the first step toward becoming the leader of the Apostles.

Peter’s recognition of Jesus as the promised messiah has profound consequences. Many of the certainties of Peter’s life have, in a few short minutes, been shattered. It is perhaps with one eye on the control he had in his life in following his own plans, and the loss of control that this meeting will have for his future, that causes Peter to ask the Lord to leave him alone. For, even if being Jesus’ follower has the certainty of a glorious conclusion, the road of discipleship is always tough, and sometimes dangerous. Though it gives more than it asks, it is nevertheless demanding.

There are times in all of our lives when we wish, like Peter, that the Lord would leave us alone. Times when we have to allow ourselves to be found afresh by the Lord, so as to realize in grace the smallness of our own plans, fears and anxieties. Lent begins this Wednesday. Don’t just give up chocolate, candy or some other favorite this Lent, do something positive—*encounter Jesus yourself!* I sincerely ask you to consider spending some time every day reading a page or two from the book “Rediscovering Jesus” that you received at Christmas and then see how Our Lord touches your heart and your life.

*Fr. Brad Pelzel*

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**MINISTERS' ASSIGNMENTS**

**WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 10 9:00 A.M.**

**Altar Servers:** Trent Lammers, Shelby Schweitzberger,  
Alex Thompson

**Cantor:** Volunteer

**Organist:** Volunteer

**Communion:** Bart Boustead, Bill Sitzmann, Val Sitzmann

**SUNDAY FEBRUARY 14 9:00 A.M.**

**Altar Servers:** Kylie Beelner, Conner Beelner, Jeana Hamman

**Reader(s):** Abby Sitzmann, Lois Galles

**Cantor:** Julie Leekley

**Organist:** Volunteer

**Gifts:** Jo McConnell Family

**Communion:** Doris Seuntjens, Tim Carlson, Marie Benedix

**KNH:** Alice Seuntjens

**Greeters:** David Murray, Jamie Sitzmann

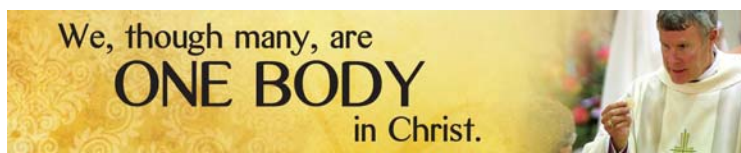
**Ushers:** Amy Benson, Kyler Krieg

**Collection**  
**Counters:** Linda Schlotman, Amber Schweitzberger

**INCOME/EXPENSES LAST WEEK**

Adult Envelopes .....	\$1,350.00 (35 Envelopes)
Youth Envelopes* .....	\$30.00 ( 8 Envelopes)
Loose .....	\$382.00
Cemetery Income .....	\$200.00
Rent.....	\$121.00
<b>Total Income .....</b>	<b>\$2,083.00</b>
Needed Each Week.....	\$2,877.89
<b>Total Expenses .....</b>	<b>\$6,622.36</b>

**SMC SANCTUARY LIGHT [FEBRUARY 7-13] burns for the People of WFCC.**  
**Weeks available until December 25.**



	2014	2015
<b>\$ Goal:</b>	\$11,000.00	\$12,000.00
<b>\$ Pledged:</b>	\$9,009.00	\$8,207.50
<b>\$ Given:</b>	\$9,009.00	\$7,293.75
<b>Pledges Goal:</b>	168	166
<b>Participants:</b>	103	87
<b>Participant Rate:</b>	63%	52%

**LADIES GUILD** Due to Ash Wednesday services, Ladies Guild meeting has been changed to Monday, February 8 at 7:00 p.m.

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

- Sunday, February 7<sup>th</sup> will be our annual Dad's Belgian Waffle breakfast, serving from 8:30-12:30 at the Kingsley Community Center. PLEASE SUPPORT THE YOUTH OF OUR PARISH BY ATTENDING! We are planning some new and exciting things for this year's fundraiser! Church camp dates are NOW SET- there will be 2 sessions- July 31<sup>st</sup>-August 2<sup>nd</sup> for 4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> graders and August 2<sup>nd</sup>-4<sup>th</sup> for 7-12<sup>th</sup> graders.
- Wednesday, February 10<sup>th</sup>, 4:45 pm Ash Wednesday Prayer Services and 7 pm Ash Wednesday Mass .
- Wednesday, February 17<sup>th</sup>- 2<sup>nd</sup> Basic Catechist Certification class from 5:30-6:30 pm at the FF Center. If you are a catechist and need this class yet, please plan to attend. Alight meal will be provided.
- Wednesday, March 9<sup>th</sup>- 3<sup>rd</sup> BCC class from 5:30-6:30 at the FF Center. If you are a catechist and need this class yet, please plan to attend. A light meal will be provided.
- Sunday, March 13<sup>th</sup> the Kingsley KC's will be hosting a high school (9-12<sup>th</sup> grade) movie night from 6-8 pm in the church. The movie is TBA. More info to come. Mark your calendars for an evening of fun!
- Wednesday, March 16<sup>th</sup>- Communal confessions in the church at 4 pm and 7 pm.
- WEDNESDAY, MARCH 23<sup>RD</sup>- NO FF CLASSES AT ST MICHAEL- EASTER BREAK!
- 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).

**KINDERGARTEN ROUND-UP** will be Friday, March 11. If you are planning to send your child to Kingsley-Pierson CSD for Kindergarten in the fall 2016, please contact Barb Sitzmann at the Kingsley School, 378-2861. We are scheduling for a morning and an afternoon roundup session.

**AMAZONSMILE** - Support St. Michael Roman Catholic Church when you shop at <http://smile.amazon.com>. Amazon donates to the church. Go to <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/42-0703258>. Visit the parish website under About\Support our Mission page for an easy link.

**BUDGET REPORT 2015-2016**

<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>	\$84,962.17



**MINISTERS' ASSIGNMENTS**

**WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 10 4:00 P.M.**

**Cantor:** Volunteer  
**Organist:** Laura Krajicek  
**Communion:** Judy Gruis, Cindy Hesse, Volunteer

**WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 10 7:00 P.M.**

**Ashes:** Shelly Byers, Mike Byers

**SATURDAY FEBRUARY 13 5:00 P.M.**

**Altar Servers:** Ryan Bormann, Paige Glackin, Volunteer  
**Reader(s):** Brady Meister, Jenny Crew  
**Cantor:** Gene Handke  
**Organist:** Laura Krajicek  
**Gifts:** Jim Hesse Family  
**Communion:** Kay Sands, Volunteer, Volunteer  
**CharMac:** Elaine Ketelsen  
**Ushers:** Helen Coulter, Alicia Jenness  
**Collection**  
**Counters:** Marcia Sailer, Bob Weatherly

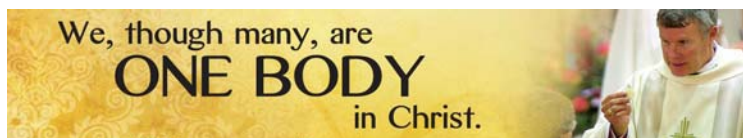
**INCOME/EXPENSES LAST WEEK**

Adult Envelopes ..... \$1,343.00 (45 Envelopes)  
Youth Envelopes\* ..... \$41.37 ( 7 Envelopes)  
Loose ..... \$166.00  
**Total Income .....\$1,550.37**  
    Needed Each Week.....\$2,859.23  
**Total Parish Expenses..... \$1,717.48**

**BUDGET REPORT 2015-2016**

**Income needed by 30 June 2016:** \$148,679.57  
**Income needed each week:** \$2,859.23  
**Income received since 1 July 2015:** \$82,054.75

2/5/2016



	2014	2015
<b>\$ Goal:</b>	\$10,000.00	\$11,000.00
<b>\$ Pledged:</b>	\$10,770.50	\$8,262.50
<b>\$ Given:</b>	\$10,465.50	\$7,582.00
<b>Pledges Goal:</b>	154	151
<b>Participants:</b>	119	83
<b>Participant Rate:</b>	79%	55%

**LENTEN BOOK STUDY** Want to REDISCOVER JESUS during Lent? You are welcomed to join Connie Brockhaus on Wednesdays at 2:00 p.m. or Thursdays at 7:00 p.m. in the IC Church Library. The group will be reading and discussing the book Rediscovering Jesus, the gift all parishioners received at Christmas. We will also be viewing videos that accompany the readings. Please feel free to check out the website [dynamiccatholic.com](http://dynamiccatholic.com), if you would like to receive a daily Lenten video. Looking forward to some dynamic discussions, see you there.

**SINGERS WANTED** Looking for individuals, 5<sup>th</sup> grade through adults, who would love to join a choir at IC. We are looking at holding practices once a week and performing one Saturday a month to begin with. If you are able and willing to sing in the choir please contact Angie Duffy at the Parish Office.

**COMMUNITY SERVICE HOURS** Remsen St. Mary's School is hosting a Then Feed Just One packaging event. Each participant is asked to donate \$30 and/or work a shift. Shift options are 10-11:30 or 12:30-2 on Friday, February 19 at the Remsen St. Mary's Paul Loutsch Gym. This is a good opportunity for confirmation candidates to help the very poor in Honduras and accumulate service hours. One hundred percent of this will go directly to those in need. The goal is to package and send 132,000 meals!

You would need to arrive a half an hour early for the training. Registration info can be found at [www.rmschools.org](http://www.rmschools.org) under the News menu. Select TFJO for the form. Registration deadline is the 7th.

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

- **Wednesday, February 10 is Ash Wednesday.** The 4:00 p.m. Faith Formation students will be attending Mass. The 7:00 p.m. Faith Formation and CICC students will be attending a prayer service. Attendance is required by all. Families are encouraged to attend.
- **Wednesday, February 17** the 2<sup>nd</sup> **Basic Catechist Certification class** is scheduled from 5:30-6:30 p.m. at the FF Center in Kingsley. If you are a catechist and need this class yet, please plan to attend. A light meal will be provided.
- **Wednesday, February 24** CICC class.
- **Saturday, February 27** Youth Ministry Fund Raiser Spaghetti Dinner following 5:00 p.m. Mass. Free will donation with all proceeds going to the youth attending Religious events. Students wanting to earn money to put towards Church camps are encouraged to help with the dinner. **Please speak to Angie Duffy about helping.**
- **Wednesday, March 9** Communal Reconciliation at 4:00 p.m. for grades 2-5 and 7:00p.m. for grades 6-12. Attendance required by all Faith Formation students including CICC.
- **Wednesday, March 9** the 3<sup>rd</sup> BCC class is scheduled from 5:30-6:30 at the FF Center in Kingsley. If you are a catechist and need this class yet, please plan to attend. A light meal will be provided.
- **Wednesday, March 30** Adoration for both 4:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. Faith Formation students. CICC students are to be in attendance.
- Available Catholic Church Camps: 1) Camp Totus Tuus at Twin Lakes Bible Camp in Manson, IA. Camp dates are July 31-Aug. 2 for grades 4-6 and Aug. 2-Aug. 4 for grades 7-12. 2) D-Camp at Broom Tree Youth Camp in Sioux Falls, SD with camp dates being June 13-16 for grades 9-10, July 10-13 for grades 11-12, and July 14-17 for grades 7-8. You can check out their website at [www.sfcatholic.org/youth](http://www.sfcatholic.org/youth) 3) St. Thomas More Center in Panora, IA. They have 11 different camps for various ages, check out their camps and dates at [www.stmcenter.com/catholic-youth-camp](http://www.stmcenter.com/catholic-youth-camp)

**LADIES GUILD SILENT AUCTION**, is planned for February 12, in conjunction with the Knights of Columbus fish fry. You should be contacted by your circle leaders. Please be generous with your time and treasures. Items/cash need to be dropped off at the church office before February 7. If you have questions, contact JoAnne Jenness, 873-3785.



**PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:** Ella Bahmer, Leonard Beaver, Juanita Beaubien, Jim Berens, Rose Brown, Tom/Donna Clark, Virginia Connelly, Hulda Dragoo, Mary Drevs, Pauline Dugan, Kara Funk, Charlotte Honkomp, Virginia & Walt Kabisch, Millie Kisting, Harold Kloewer, Veronica Koebel, Joan McCain, Patricia McConnell, Kay Miller, Beverly Petekavich, Bob/Patricia Rogers, Kay Sands, Judy Schroeder, Sylvesta Slota, Dan Strachan, Bernice Timmins, Marcella Thomas, Jeune Vondrak, Gerry Weinriech, Emmet Woltman, Millie Wycoff, and the men and women serving in the military and police.

**IMPORTANT DATES**

- February 23, 7:00 p.m.: WFCC Parish Life Team Meeting [M]
- February 24, 7:00 p.m.: CICC [M]
- February 27, 6:00 p.m.: Fundraiser Dinner (YM Core) [M]
- March 1, 7:00 p.m.: SMC Parish Council Meeting [K]
- March 1, 7:00 p.m.: ICC Guild Meeting [M]
- March 1, 8:00 p.m.: SMC Finance Council Meeting [K]
- March 8, 7:00 p.m.: Eucharist [M]
- March 8, 7:30 p.m.: KC8232 Meeting [M]
- March 9, 11:00 a.m.: Eucharist [CharMac]
- March 9, 4:00 p.m.: Reconciliation [M]
- March 9, 7:00 p.m.: Reconciliation [M]
- March 9, 7:00 p.m.: CICC [M]
- March 9, 7:00 p.m.: SMC Guild Meeting [K]
- March 12, 6:00 p.m.: Fellowship Dinner (Guild) [M]
- March 15, 7:00 p.m.: ICC Pastoral Council Meeting [M]
- March 15, 8:00 p.m.: ICC Finance Council Meeting [M]
- March 16, 4:00 p.m.: Reconciliation [K]
- March 16, 7:00 p.m.: Reconciliation [K]
- March 18, TBA: KC8232 Fish Fry [M]
- March 18, 7:00 p.m.: ICC Guild Silent Auction [M]
- March 25: OFFICES CLOSED
- March 27: EASTER SUNDAY
- March 28: OFFICES CLOSED
- March 30, 4:00 p.m.: Adoration [M]
- March 30, 7:00 p.m.: Adoration [M]
- March 30, 7:00 p.m.: CICC [M]
- April 4, 4:00-7:00 p.m.: SMC First Eucharist Learning Stations [K]
- April 6, 10:00 a.m.: Eucharist [KNH]
- April 9, 6:00 p.m.: Fellowship Dinner (Guild) [M]
- April 11, 6:30-8:00 p.m.: ICC First Eucharist Learning Stations {M}
- April 12, 7:00 p.m.: Eucharist [M]
- April 12, 7:30 p.m.: KC8232 Meeting [M]
- April 13, 11:00 a.m.: Eucharist [CharMac]
- April 13, 5:45 p.m.: ICC Confirmation Rehearsal [M]
- April 13, 7:00 p.m.: CICC [M]
- April 13, 7:00-8:00 p.m.: ICC Family Potluck [M]
- April 13, 7:00 p.m.: SMC Guild Meeting [K]
- April 13, 7:00 p.m.: SMC Confirmation Rehearsal [K]
- April 14, 7:30 p.m.: ICC Faith Formation/Youth Ministry Team Meeting [M]
- April 17, 11:00 a.m.: SMC Confirmation [K]
- April 17, 12:00-3:00 p.m.: Hall Rental [K]
- April 17, 1:30 p.m.: ICC Confirmation [M]
- April 20, 7:00 p.m.: SMC First Eucharist Rehearsal [K]

**WEST FORK CATHOLIC COMMUNITY INFORMATION**

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

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**Director of Faith Formation:** Angie Duffy

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

**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.-Moville

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

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

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

**RECONCILIATION:**

**Saturday:** 4:00-4:45 p.m.-Moville

**Sunday:** 8:00-8:45 a.m.-Kingsley

Other times by appointment

**MORNING PRAYER:**

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

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.