



Immaculate Conception Catholic Church

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ACTIVITIES CALENDAR

MONDAY—SEPTEMBER 26

Twenty-Sixth Monday in Ordinary Time
 7:30 a.m. Eucharist [Shirlee Williams+] - Movable

TUESDAY—SEPTEMBER 27

Saint Vincent de Paul, Priest
 7:30 a.m. Rosary - Movable
 8:00 a.m. Eucharist [Robert+ & Charlotte Honkomp] - Kingsley

WEDNESDAY—SEPTEMBER 28

Twenty-Sixth Wednesday in Ordinary Time
 7:30 a.m. Eucharist [Mary Drevs+] - Movable
 4:00 p.m. Faith Formation [PS-4] - Kingsley
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 6:30-8:30 p.m. SMC 5th-7th Grade to Trinity Heights - Kingsley
 7:00 p.m. Faith Formation [5-12] - Kingsley
 7:00 p.m. Faith Formation [5-8] - Movable
 7:00 p.m. CICC - Movable

THURSDAY—SEPTEMBER 29

Saints Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, Archangels
 7:30 a.m. Rosary - Movable
 8:00 a.m. Eucharist [Rev. Msgr. Nicholas Ruba+] - Kingsley
 8:30 a.m. Bible/Book Study - Kingsley
 12:30 p.m. PieceMakers - Movable

FRIDAY—SEPTEMBER 30

Saint Jerome, Priest and Doctor of the Church
 7:30 a.m. Rosary - Movable
 10:30 a.m. Funeral Prayer Service (Gary Gruis+) - Movable
 5:00 p.m. Wedding Rehearsal (Uhl/Lehmann) - Movable

SATURDAY—OCTOBER 1

Saint Therese of the Child Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church
 2:00 p.m. Wedding (Uhl/Lehmann) - Movable
 4:00 p.m. Reconciliation - Kingsley
 5:00 p.m. Eucharist [Joe & Virginia Otterpohl+] - Kingsley

SUNDAY—OCTOBER 2

Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
 8:00 a.m. Reconciliation - Movable
 9:00 a.m. Eucharist [Geraldine Ann Niewohner+] - Movable
 10:00 a.m. Coffee/Juice/Rolls (Guild) - Movable
 6:00 p.m. The Bible Timeline (Introduction) - Movable

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 September 2016

Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

He was almost invisible... the rich man, snug in his home, simply couldn't be bothered with every bum who landed at his gate. The servants, busy with many things, no longer noticed the beggars who crowded around the door. In fact, no one, not even the guests, ever really "saw" him. But as they passed by, they turned their heads and walked a little faster to avoid him. After all, a man like that must have done something to lose God's blessing.

And so, he was almost invisible—except to the dogs who licked his sores. We don't really know what brought him to the rich man's gate in such desperate need. Maybe he became sick, or lame, was the victim of a natural disaster or had a business deal go bad. Or maybe he had always been lost. Maybe he lived his entire life among the brambles and the weeds, crying out for help. No one knows how he ended up at the gate, but then, no one really cared, either... because, you see, he is almost invisible. And yet, of all the people in all of Jesus' parables, he alone is given a name -- Lazarus, which means, "God has helped". And Lazarus is waiting at the gate.

She was the kid who never quite fit in. In the eyes of her classmates, she always looked a little different—a little awkward, a little strange. She seemed to be all elbows and feet and sticking-out hair. This girl wasn't mean, or silly or emotionally disturbed. She was just—different. Her laughter was a little too desperate, and her voice a little too shrill. Her answers were often wrong. She was the kind of girl who died a little bit at recess each and every day. While the others swarmed over the playground or paired up with their best friends, she managed to occupy herself. Oh, people were never openly cruel. They didn't really care enough to be mean and besides, the playground volunteers were too vigilant for that. It's just that she was ignored. And in the narrow and complicated world of recess, that could be the deepest cut of all. And so, on a bright autumn day, on a grade school playground, Lazarus stood waiting at the gate.

Some parables are comforting. The lost sheep, the lost coin, the lost son. They are stories that invite us to rest in the Gospel like Grandma's embrace. These parables remind us that we are God's beloved—no matter how lost we become; no matter how far we have strayed.

Other parables are not quite so soothing. And some... well, some are downright disturbing. These parables, like the one we have this week, remind us that what we see is not necessarily what God sees. They paint a picture of discipleship that's not exactly painless, or simple or even safe. They teach us that some of the most serious offenses against God are not the sins we commit, but the acts we omit. The rich man never hurt Lazarus. He didn't hate him or abuse him. He didn't cause Lazarus to fail. He simply ignored him. And God says that alone is enough to create a chasm between us.

We want this parable to be about "them". The rich corporate executives... the millionaire athletes... the people who inherited fortunes... the politicians with power. You know... them. The people who should really be doing something about the beggars at the gate. After all, very few of us live in luxury. Luxury? Most of us are far from wealthy and many of us struggle to make ends meet.

But Jesus is trying to remind us that the world of rich and poor; of haves and have nots; the world of celebrities and the invisibles; is not God's creation, but our own. Jesus is trying to remind us that everything—our lives, our talents, our food, our ability to earn money, our desire to support our families, our shelter, even our faith, is all a gift. And because of that gift, the way we deal with Lazarus matters. The way we treat people matters. The way we handle material goods and opportunities and authority matters.

The beggar outside the gate, the child playing alone on the playground, the man struggling with painful addiction, the prisoner learning about forgiveness; the Church communities facing an uncer-



MINISTERS' ASSIGNMENTS

SATURDAY OCTOBER 1 5:00 P.M.

- Altar Servers:** Emma Sitzmann, Marina Cronin, Evan Neumann
- Reader(s):** Austin Korynta, Rita Conry
- Cantor:** Scott Bohle
- Organist:** Jolene Spooner
- Gifts:** Matt Beelner Family
- Communion:** Becky Sitzmann, Sheryl Koch, Bill Langel
- KNH:** Karen Malm
- Greeters:** Jamie & Barb Sitzmann
- Ushers:** Jon Neumann, Perry Slota
- Collection Counters:** Shelly Krieg, Colleen Bainbrige

INCOME/EXPENSES LAST WEEK

Adult Envelopes	\$1,591.00 (28 Envelopes)
Youth Envelopes*	\$35.00 (6 Envelopes)
Loose.....	\$226.00
Candles.....	\$40.00
Cemetery Income	\$200.00
Dividend Income.....	\$85.40
Rent.....	\$425.00
Sanctuary Light.....	\$5.00
Total Income.....	\$2,607.40
Needed Each Week	\$2,877.89
Total Expenses	\$7,126.74

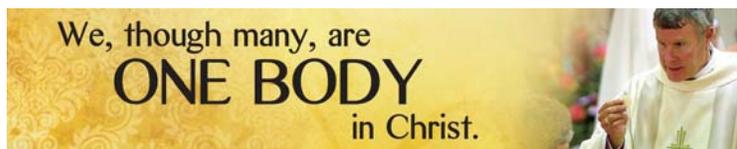
*Time/Talent quotes from youth envelopes: none

BUDGET REPORT 2016-2017

Income needed by 30 June 2017:	\$150,234.37
Income needed each week:	\$2,889.12
Income received since 1 July 2016:	\$33,800.07
	9/23/2016

SMC SANCTUARY LIGHT [SEPTEMBER 25-OCTOBER 1] burns for the People of WFCC.

Weeks available until December 25.



	2015	2016
\$ Goal:	\$12,000.00	\$12,319.00
\$ Pledged:	\$9,542.50	\$2,320.00
\$ Given:	\$9,542.50	\$2,132.50
Pledges Goal:	168	171
Participants:	102	20
Participant Rate:	61%	12%

LADIES GUILD is updating the Guild List and Prayer Chain list. If you have a cell phone number that you use, please contact Lois Galles, 378-2045, or gallmlj@wiatel.net so that we can update our information.

FROM THE DESK OF BARB SITZMANN, DRE:

- During the month of September, PS-12th grade FF students will be having a can good drive for the Dwelling Food Pantry in Kingsley. Please bring any items to the FF building through September 28th. On the 28th, the 10th, 11th and 12th grade students will be taking the collected items to the Dwelling and organizing the food pantry.
- Wednesday, September 28th, the 5th-7th FF students will be going to Trinity Heights with driver certified chaperones. They will be leaving the FF Center at approximately 6:15 pm and return around 8:30 pm. Students have been given permission slips for this event. Please return them to me ASAP so I know how many drivers to line up.
- Reader training will be held Wednesday, October 5th in the church. Any middle school or high school students are encouraged to participate.
- Starting October 5th, through the month of October, we will be having a baby needs drive. Any baby supplies, toiletries, diapers, wipes or gently used baby clothes or bedding would be greatly appreciated. Items can be dropped off at the FF Center on Wednesdays from 3:30-8:15 pm. On Wed, Oct 26th, the 8th-12th graders will be going to Planned Parenthood and praying the rosary during the 40 Days for Life. After we are done praying, we will visit Mary's Choice next door and delivering the baby goods collected. Mary's Choice is a resource center serving women and men with free help during pregnancy and early childhood.
- November 9th from 4-5 pm we will Adoration in the church. Afternoon students can be picked up there.
- Saturday, November 12 during the 5 pm Mass, we will have a youth Mass for all PS-4th grade students. Fellowship in the church hall to follow. Please plan to attend.
- November 16th from 7-8 pm we will have Steubenville-style Adoration in the church. All evening students are to report to the church instead of the FF Center.
- November 23rd- NO FF CLASSES- Thanksgiving 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, home barbsitzmann@yahoo.com, work bsitzmann@k-pcsd.org.

ACH GIVING NOW AVAILABLE! For all of our Parishioners of St. Michael Parish is now offering an alternative to writing a weekly or monthly check. Join our Automated Giving Program and have your financial stewardship offering transferred directly to the parish account. Call the parish office for more information.

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tain future; these are all people beloved by God. God knows each and every name, each and every need, even when the world is blind. Through this parable, Jesus is reminding us that no matter where we live, no matter who we are, no matter how much money we make, Lazarus is waiting for us at the gate. And somehow, through him, Christ is there waiting for us, too.

Fr. Brad Pelzel

BIBLE STUDY WITH FR. BRAD - Learn how the key people, places, and events in the Bible fit together to reveal God's plan for you as you study the Bible from a Catholic perspective and see how our faith is rooted in Sacred Scripture. Each session is approx. 2 hours long with a discussion

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MINISTERS' ASSIGNMENTS

SUNDAY OCTOBER 2 9:00 A.M.

- Altar Servers:** Mary Putze, Ryan Putze, Suzanne Putze
- Reader(s):** Erika Kuntz, Nick Hytrek
- Cantor:** Angie Williams
- Organist:** Laura Krajcick
- Gifts:** Gary Hoppe Family
- Communion:** Chris Hoelker, Richard Sands, Becky Moodie
- CharMac:** Elaine Ketelsen
- Ushers:** Helen Coulter, Volunteer
- Collection**
- Counters:** Marcia Sailer, Connie Brockhaus

INCOME/EXPENSES LAST WEEK

Adult Envelopes.....	\$1,426.00 (43 Envelopes)
Youth Envelopes*.....	\$19.35 (7 Envelopes)
Loose.....	\$299.00
Faith Formation	\$1,840.00
Total Income.....	\$3,584.35
Needed Each Week	\$2,859.23
Total Parish Expenses	\$5,159.67

*Time/Talent quotes from youth envelopes: "made my bed"

BUDGET REPORT 2016-2017

Income needed by 30 June 2017:	\$150,548.91
Income needed each week:	\$2,895.17
Income received since 1 July 2016:	\$56,269.97

9/23/2016

ICC SANCTUARY LIGHT [SEPTEMBER 25-OCTOBER 1] burns for *The Weatherly Family* at the request of **Bob & Linda Weatherly**.

Weeks available after January 22.

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of the readings, Q & A by Fr. Brad and a video on the readings. For more information contact Fr. Brad.

THE GLOBE A great resource for religious education teachers: The Globe in the Classroom kicks off in the Sept. 22! Got news? Email news@scdiocese.org or call (712) 255-2550 or (800) 352-9035.

DINNERS/BREAKFASTS:

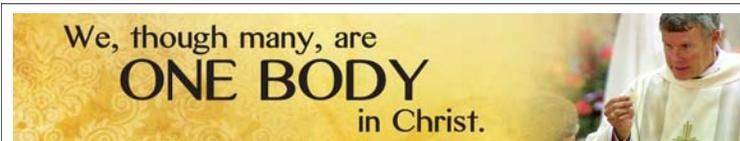
- **Omelet Benefit Breakfast** Sunday, October 2, from 8:00 a.m-12:30 p.m. At St. Michael-Sioux City. This is a benefit for longtime parishioner and Knights of Columbus Mike Boggs. If you're unable to attend the breakfast, please prayerfully consider donating to his GoFundMe account at gofundme.com/boogsbrigade2016 or donate to any of the following: Items for Silent Auction, Raffle Prizes, Pies of Sale, Slightly Used Books for Sale. All money raised will go toward Mike's long-term care. Mike's wife, Pat, who has been a teacher at Holy Cross for 28 years. Email questions to boogsbrigade2016@gmail.com.

CHURCH CUSTODIAN WANTED: for Immaculate Conception Parish – Menville starting 7 September 2015. Applicant must be familiar with general cleaning skills including cleaning of floors, carpets, bathrooms, kitchens, windows, etc. along with the use of general cleaning equipment including vacuum cleaners, etc. Work needs to be completed before weekend and special [weddings, funerals, etc.] liturgies. Applicants must be able to pass a background check [criminal and credit] and be in compliance with the Safe Environment Program within six-months of hire. Applications are available from the WFCC office. Position is open until filled.

LADIES GUILD is preparing to rework the Guild handbook. We are asking anyone who wants to join/or remain on the Prayer Chain to sign up in the Hall.

FROM THE DESK OF ANGIE DUFFY, DFF:

- **CICC classes** for the month of September will be the 14th and 28th starting at 7:00 p.m. High School students (9-12) are asked to attend the CICC Formation classes. Fr. Brad will be the lead catechist. His focus this year is Rediscovering Jesus. Looking forward to seeing you there.
- **October 5-** Field trip to Trinity Heights for the evening session. We would like to leave at 6:30 p.m. in order to have enough time to enjoy our time at Trinity Heights. We will be returning around 8:30 p.m. Please sent money with your child for we will be stopping for a small treat on the way home at Dairy Queen or Sonic.
- **October 12-** Alicia will be providing reader training for any 6-8 grade students who would be willing to share their talent of reading as a lecture for Sunday Masses. Training will be held at IC church at 7:00 p.m.
- **Exorcism Talk !!!**
October 26, at 7 pm there will be a guest speaker on the topic of exorcism in the parish hall. Ever wonder if ghosts are real? Is the stuff in exorcism movies correct? Do we have exorcisms in our diocese? Come find out!
- **Sunday, October 30-** Youth Mass. I will be visiting with the Faith Formation students about participating in the Mass. Please encourage your child/ren to think about partaking in the Mass.
- **SEARCH RETREATS** for high school sophomores, juniors, and seniors have been set for November 11-13 at Sacred Heart School in Early, IA and March 3-5 at Spalding Catholic School in Granville, IA. Please think about attending a Search Retreat. It is a wonderful and moving experience. More details to come in the future.
- **Contact info:** Immaculate Conception Office 712-873-3644; Angie's cell 712-560-2593; email icmvilledff@wiatel.net



	2015	2016
\$ Goal:	\$11,000.00	\$12,000.00
\$ Pledged:	\$8,847.50	\$1,200.00
\$ Given:	\$8,542.00	\$800.00
Pledges Goal:	151	171
Participants:	92	10
Participant Rate:	61%	6%

MEMORIAL MASS for babies who died before Baptism, celebrated by Bishop R. Walker Nickless at the Cathedral of the Epiphany, Tuesday, October 4, 7:00 p.m. To submit your child's name online, go to scdiocese.org/memorial-mass-for-babies. Questions may be directed to Kari Smith at 712-233-7530 or karis@scdiocese.org. Reception in the church hall to follow.



PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS: Clarice Bainbridge, Leonard Beaver, Juanita Beaubien, Jim Berens, Rose Brown, Tom/Donna Clark, Virginia Connelly, Hilda Dragoo, Pauline Dugan, Kara Funk, Charlotte Honkomp, Virginia & Walt Kabisch, Mike Ketelsen, Millie Kisting, Harold Kloewer, Veronica Koebel, Joan McCain, Patricia McConnell, Stanley Nilles, Beverly Petekavich, Rita Plendl, Bob/Patricia Rogers, Jim Roger, Kay Sands, Judy Schroeder, Sylvesta Slota, Harlan/Fairy Steffe, Bernice Timmins, Marcella Thomas, Jeune Vondrak, Gerry Weinriech, Emmet Woltman, and the men and women serving in the military and police.

PRAY ESPECIALLY FOR:

Gary Gruis, husband to Judy Gruis, who passed away September 18.

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

IMPORTANT DATES

- October 5, 10:00 a.m.: Eucharist [KNH]
- October 5, 6:30-8:30 p.m.: ICC Field Trip [Trinity Heights]
- October 5, 7:00 p.m.: SMC Reader Training [K]
- October 6, 8:30 a.m.: Bible/Book Study [K]
- October 7, TBA: Wedding Rehearsal (Felts/Walsh) [K]
- October 8, TBA: Wedding (Felts/Walsh) [K]
- October 8, 6:00 p.m.: Fellowship Dinner (Guild) [M]
- October 9, 10:00 a.m.: Coffee/Juice/Rolls (KC8232) [M]
- October 9, 6:00 p.m.: The Bible Timeline (Session 1: Finding the Story in Scripture) [K]
- October 11, 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.: OFFICES CLOSED
- October 11, 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.: Diocesan Business Day [TBA]
- October 11, 6:30 p.m.: Eucharist [M]
- October 11, 7:00 p.m.: KC8232 Steak Fry/Meeting [M]
- October 12, 11:00 a.m.: Eucharist [CharMac]
- October 12, 7:00 p.m.: CICC [M]
- October 12, 7:00 p.m.: ICC Reader Training [M]
- October 12, 7:00 p.m.: SMC Guild Meeting [K]
- October 13, 8:30 a.m.: Bible/Book Study [K]
- October 13, 7:30 p.m.: ICC Faith Formation/Youth Ministry Meeting [M]
- October 14: OFFICES CLOSED
- October 16, 6:00 p.m.: The Bible Timeline (Session 2: Early World - Part 1) [M]
- October 17: OFFICES CLOSED
- October 20, 8:30 a.m.: Bible/Book Study [K]
- October 23, 10:00 a.m.: Full Breakfast (KC8232) [M]
- October 23, 6:00 p.m.: The Bible Timeline (Session 3: Early World - Part 2) [K]
- October 25, 7:00 p.m.: WFCC Parish Life Team Meeting [M]
- October 26, 7:00 p.m.: CICC [M]
- October 26, 7:00 p.m.: SMC 8th-12th grades to Planned Parenthood and Mary's Choice [K]
- October 27, 8:30 a.m.: Bible/Book Study [K]
- October 30, 6:00 p.m.: The Bible Timeline (Session 4: Patriarchs - Part 1) [M]
- November 1: OFFICES CLOSED
- November 1, 7:00 p.m.: ICC Guild Meeting [M]
- November 2, 10:00 a.m.: Eucharist [KNH]
- November 3, 8:30 a.m.: Bible/Book Study [K]
- November 6, 6:00 p.m.: The Bible Timeline (Session 5: Patriarchs - Part 2) [K]
- November 8, 7:00 p.m.: Eucharist [M]
- November 8, 7:30 p.m.: KC8232 Meeting [M]
- November 9, 11:00 a.m.: Eucharist [CharMac]

WEST FORK CATHOLIC COMMUNITY INFORMATION

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

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Administrative Assistant/Bookkeeper: Alicia Jenness

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IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH: 712-873-3644

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. 8:30 a.m.-noon, 1:00-5:45 p.m.

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

Other times by appointment

EUCHARIST:

Saturday: 5:00 p.m.-Kingsley

Sunday: 9:00 a.m.-Menville

Monday, Wednesday: 8:00 a.m.-Menville

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

RECONCILIATION:

Saturday: 4:00-4:45 p.m.-Kingsley

Sunday: 8:00-8:45 a.m.-Menville

Other times by appointment

ROSARY:

Tuesday, Thursday, Friday: 7:30 a.m.—Menville

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.

THOSE DISCERNING GOD'S CALL to be a priest, deacon, sister, or brother, may speak with the pastor or call the Diocesan Vocation office at 712-255-7933.

WEST FORK CATHOLIC COMMUNITY RENTAL POLICY: Persons wishing to rent out either parish hall for non-parish functions (i.e. meetings, showers, dinners, etc.), need to call the parish office to check on availability and make arrangements. Signing a Hall Rental Agreement and fees are due before using the hall.