

Immaculate Conception Church of Colfax

Sunday, December 1, 2024
First Sunday Of Advent

Parish Website: www.immaculateconceptioncolfax.com

Our Staff

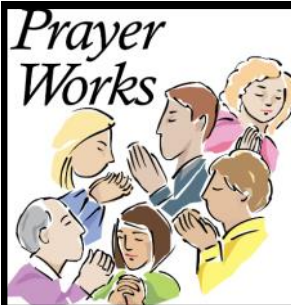
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Buildings and Grounds Committee,
Karen VanDusseldorp, 515.669.0529
Altar & Rosary Society, Peggy Dvorak, 515.490.6886

Prayer Chain

If you would like to add someone to the prayer chain or if you have something you'd like us to pray for you can:
1) Email Deacon Joe at DvorakJ@diodav.org, 2) Email or Call the parish office at 515-674-3711; imcolfax@msn.com



Diane Wood
Carol Swift
David Shepley, son of Deloris Shepley, Cancer
Raegan Lester: niece of Tracey Wilson, Cancer
Leland Braun: and Dody Braun
George Ernst
Peggy Lester, sister of Tracey Wilson, Cancer
Bruce (Dementia) and Mary Jo

(Continued Health) **Stephenson**,
Michael John Holmes, husband of Michelle Holmes, Cancer
Michael John Nelson
Terry Hilker, husband of Lori Colister Hilker
JoAnn Bessler, sister of Karen VanDusseldorp, cancer
Betty Werner, Karen Van Dusseldorp's Mother
Mary Ellen VanDusseldorp, Karen VanDusseldorp's Mother-in-Law
Michelle McGill-colon cancer
Bill & Meta Hill
"Baby K", son of Linda Barnum's nephew, who will be born in December with a severe heart defect.

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515.674.3711

Parish E-Mail: imcolfax@msn.com
Parish Website: www.immaculateconceptioncolfax.com
Parish Facebook Page: Immaculate Conception Colfax

Mass Schedule

Sunday 11:00 AM

Tuesday at 8:00 AM (Postponed until further notice)

Thursday at 5:30 PM (Postponed until further notice)

Confessions & Adoration

Thursday at 4:15-5:15 PM
(Postponed until further notice)

Baptisms and Weddings

For information concerning or to schedule a baptism or wedding contact the parish office. Weddings must be scheduled at least six months in advance.

Religious Education

Religious Education Classes are held September through May at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Newton. If you have questions please contact the parish Office at 515-674-3711.

Bulletin Available Online

The bulletin and a calendar of events is available at our website: www.immaculateconceptioncolfax.com and on our Facebook page.

Announcements for Bulletin

If you have something for the bulletin, email the information to the office by noon on Thursday. imcolfax@msn.com.

Liturgical Ministers

Sunday, December 8, 2024

Greeters/

Gift Bearers: Joann Carrothers, Phil Webb

Servers: Irma Bell

Readers: Giovanna Rodriguez

EMHC: Claire Williams
Susan Heggen
Linda Barnum





Mass Schedule

MASS INTENTIONS DECEMBER 1, 2024—DECEMBER 8, 2024

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2024

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

JER 33:14-16; 1 THES 3:12—4:2; LK 21:25-28, 34-36

- 11:00 AM (FRANCIS & LUANN MILLBURN)

MONDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2024

ADVENT WEEKDAY (1)

Is 2:1-5; Mt 8:5-11

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2024

SAINT FRANCIS XAVIER, PRIEST

Is 11:1-10; LK 10:21-24

Wednesday, DECEMBER 4, 2024

ADVENT WEEKDAY (1)

Is 25:6-10A; Mt 15:29-37

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2024

ADVENT WEEKDAY (1)

Is 26:1-6; Mt 7:21, 24-27

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2024

ADVENT WEEKDAY (1)

Is 29:17-24; Mt 9:27-31

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2024

SAINT AMBROSE, BISHOP AND DOCTOR OF CHURCH

Is 30:19-21, 23-26; Mt 9:35—10:1

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2024

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

BAR 5:1-9; PHIL 1:4-6,8-11; LK 3:1-6

- 11:00 AM (MICHAEL HOLMES)



Sunday, Dec 8

Monday, Dec 9

Sunday, Dec 15

Sunday, Dec 22

Tuesday, Dec 24

2nd Sunday Advent 11:00 am

Solemnity of Immaculate Concep 6:00 pm

Soup Supper following Mass

3rd Sunday Advent 11:00 am

4th Sunday Advent 11:00 am

Vigal Mass-Christmas 6:00 pm

Weekly Collection

Offertory	\$33.00
Envelopes	\$800.00
Auto Tithing	\$133.00
Christmas Flowers	\$30.00
Food Pantry	\$25.00
Deacon Fund	\$50.00

Immaculate Conception, Colfax #965

Profit and Loss

July - October, 2024

	Total
Total Income	\$ 30,716.63
Gross Profit	\$ 30,716.63
Expenses	
51100 Administration Expense	
Total 51100 Administration Expense	\$ 33,709.66
51400 Faith Formation Expense	
Total 51400 Faith Formation Expense	\$ 135.21
51500 Social Action Expense	
Total 51500 Social Action Expense	\$ 100.00
51600 Liturgy Expense	
Total 51600 Liturgy Expense	\$ 3,107.27
Total Expenses	\$ 37,052.32
Net Operating Income	\$ (6,335.69)
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Online Giving
THROUGH
VANCO
FAITH



FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,
Happy New Year!

You might think the chemo brain has struck me again, but this weekend we start a new Liturgical Year – the great season of Advent – a time of preparation that directs our hearts and minds to Christ's second coming at the end of time and to the anniversary of Our Lord's birth on Christmas.

From the earliest days of the Church, people have been fascinated by Jesus' promise to come back. But the scripture readings during Advent tell us not to waste our time with predictions. Advent is not about speculation. Our Advent readings call us to be alert and ready, not weighted down and distracted by the cares of this world – easier said than done, at least for me.

Since I'm restricted in doing public Masses and adding extra times for confession, it might be a different Advent for all of us. I strongly encourage you to take some extra time during this time for extra prayer or Bible reading or a rosary or forgiving someone who has hurt you or showing love to someone in need.

Please plan on joining us for our communal reconciliation on Thursday, December 12th starting at 6:30 PM at Sacred Heart in Newton.

Wishing you a great week. Be blessed and please know of my love and prayers for you – please pray for me!

#iwontbackdown

#onlyyoucandoitbutnotalone

During this time of Fr. Marty's treatments, please contact the Parish Office for assistance. We need to give Fr. Marty time and space to focus on his health. As he stated last weekend, Sunday Mass will be provided for. Please check the Parish website and Facebook page for updates. Also, Fr. Marty will be posting to his CaringBridge page regularly.

If you'd like updates, you can go to:

<https://www.caringbridge.org/visit/fr.martygoetz>

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE:

Tuesday, December 24:

4 PM – Sacred Heart

6 PM – Immaculate Conception

8 PM – Sacred Heart

Wednesday, December 25:

9 AM – Sacred Heart

The Solemnity of the
Immaculate
Conception



We'll celebrate Mass at 6:00 on Monday, Dec. 9. This is a holy day of obligation and an extra special day for us as she is the patroness of both our local church and our country. The liturgy committee will be serving soup in the gathering space immediately following Mass to celebrate this special day.

ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL

Thank you for your generous response to the request from Bishop Walsh to make a pledge to the Annual Diocesan Appeal. For those who have not returned their pledge envelope or used the QR code, we are asking to do so as quickly as possible.

Our Parish goal this year is \$14,404

MYTH: Giving to the ADA does not help my Parish

FACT: Supporting the ADA helps train people in our Parishes – including priests and bookkeepers and catechists and parish leaders – and provides our Parishes with a great source of information and other resources

Please do your part so that we can assist our Bishop and Diocese in its work to do God's will. There are extra flyers and envelopes in the gathering space.

2024/2025

Goal	\$ 14,404
Pledged	\$ 14,937
Pledges pd	\$ 11,417
Parish share	\$ 533.00

Information from the Diocese report thru Nov 20, 2024

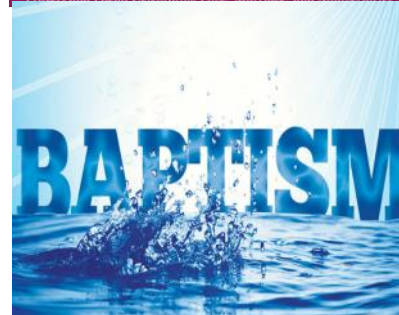
December Wedding Anniversaries

John & Stephanie Dross
Gordon & Sharon Jones
Luis Alejandro Rivas & Giovanna Rodriquez
Joseph & Peggy Dvorak
Bob & Heidi Benson



December Baptismal Birthdays

Ryan Bruan Mitchell Holmes
Matthew Holmes John McGill
Miranda McGill Dane Owens
Taylor Shepley Alex Teed
James Wood



December Birthdays

Allison Teed 2nd	Aiden Muck 6th
Beau Webb 6th	Karen Kollasch 11th
Thomas Kern 14th	Sidney Shaver 15th
Eric Osterhaus 18th	John McGill 20th
Sharon Mindham 28th	Jason Braun 28th
Michael Miranda 29th	Robb Bussan 31st

YOU'RE INVITED TO THE
CHRISTMAS COOKIE WALK

CHOOSE FROM A VARIETY OF HOMEMADE COOKIES, CANDIES, AND OTHER GOODIES. PICK OUT YOUR FAVORITES FOR A FREEWILL OFFERING.

COME EARLY FOR THE BEST SELECTION!

DEC 14 | 9:00 AM-12:00 PM
IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CATHOLIC CHURCH
305 E. Howard St., Colfax

For More Information, please contact
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