

Immaculate Conception Church of Colfax

Sunday, December 22, 2024
Fourth Sunday Of Advent

Parish Website: www.immaculateconceptioncolfax.com

Our Staff

Reverend Martin Goetz, Pastor, Goetzm@diodav.org
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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

Prayer Works



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 Carter, Linda Barnum's great-nephew, born in December with Hypoplastic Left Heart Syndrome
Jaden Overton
Melanie & Chuck Overton, Cousin of Jackie George

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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

Tuesday, December 24, 2024

Greeters/

Gift Bearers: Phil Webb and Family

Servers: Sharon Jones
Irma Bell

Readers: Lindo Barnum

EMHC: Karen Vandusseldorp
Marcia Grimm





Mass Schedule

MASS INTENTIONS DECEMBER 22, 2024—DECEMBER 22, 2024

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 22, 2024

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Mi 5:1-4A; HEB 10:5-10; LK 1:39-45

- 11:00 AM (PEGGY LESTER)

MONDAY, DECEMBER 23, 2024

ADVENT WEEKDAY (4)

MAL 3:1-4,23-24; LK 1:57-66

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 24, 2024

VIGIL OF THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

Is 62:1-5; ACTS 13:16-17, 22-25; Mt 1:1-25

- 11:00 AM (FRANCIS & LUANN MILLBURN)

Wednesday, DECEMBER 25, 2024

NATIVITY OF THE LORD

Is 9:1-6; Ti 2:11-14; Lk 2:1-14

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 26, 2024

SAINT STEPHEN, THE FIRST MARTYR

ACTS 6:8-10, 7:54-59; Mt 10:17-22

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 27, 2024

SAINT JOHN, APOSTLE, EVANGELIST

1 JN 1:1-4; JN 20:1A,2-8

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 28, 2024

THE HOLY INNOCENTS, MARTYRS

1 JN 1:5—2:2, Mt 2:13-18

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 29, 2024

THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY & JOSEPH

SIR 3:2-6, 12-14; COL 3:12-21; LK 2:41-52

- 11:00 AM (ELIZABETH LOOS)

Online Giving
THROUGH

VANCO
FAITH



Church EVENTS

Tuesday, Dec 24	Vigil Mass-Christmas 6:00 pm Vigil Mass-Christmas 4:00 pm At Sacred Heart, Newton Vigil Mass-Christmas 8:00 pm At Sacred Heart, Newton
Wednesday, Dec 25	Christmas Mass at 9:00 am At Sacred Heart, Newton
Sunday, Dec 29	The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, Joseph 11:00 am
Tuesday, Dec 31	Seventh Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord 4:00 pm
OFFICE CLOSED	DEC 20-JAN 1



Weekly Collection

Offertory	\$123.00
Envelopes	\$1490.00
Auto Tithing	\$133.00
Christmas Flowers	70.00
Food Pantry	\$5.00
Deacon Fund	\$80.00
Retired Religious	\$100.00

Immaculate Conception, Colfax #965

Profit and Loss

July - November, 2024

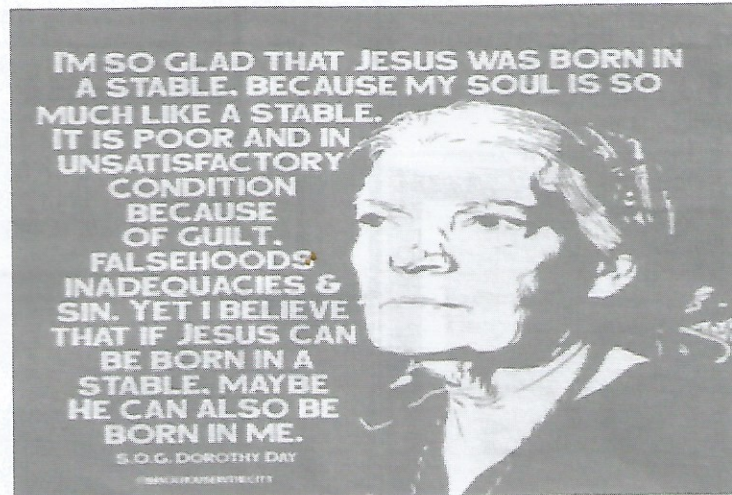
	Total
Total Income	\$ 37,981.88
Gross Profit	\$ 37,981.88
Expenses	
Total 51100 Administration Expense	\$ 38,194.96
Total 51400 Faith Formation Expense	\$ 135.21
Total 51500 Social Action Expense	\$ 100.00
Total 51600 Liturgy Expense	\$ 4,358.02
Total Expenses	\$ 42,788.37
Net Operating Income	(\$4,806.49)
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FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

Welcome to the 4th Sunday of Advent – we are inching closer to Christmas! I encourage you in the next couple of days to take some time and ready your spirit and heart and soul for the celebration of our Lord's birth.

I'm going to offer a simple quote from Dorothy Day. May Jesus be born a new into our hearts and lives. Here it is:



I hope you and your family will join us for Christmas Mass. It will be good to come together as a family of faith on this special day.

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

#iwontbackdown
#onlyyoucandoitbutnotalone

Bambinelli Sunday: Hopefully you brought your Baby Jesus to Mass today for a Special Blessing!



Christmas Eve Mass December 24
4:00 pm at Sacred Heart, Newton
6:00 pm at Immaculate Conception, Colfax
8:00 pm at Sacred Heart, Newton

Christmas Day Mass December 25
9:00 am at Sacred Heart, Newton

New Year's Eve Mass
4:00 pm at Immaculate Conception, Colfax
6:00 PM at Sacred Heart, Newton

New Year's Day Mass
9:00 am at Sacred Heart, Newton

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	\$ 16,807
Pledges pd	\$ 13,369
Parish share	\$ 2,403

Information from the Diocese report thru Dec 11, 2024

We will begin decorating for Christmas on Wednesday, December 18 at 6:00 pm.

The remainder of the decorating will be after mass on Sunday, December 22. Lunch will be served to everyone that helps on Sunday.

If you are a student in need of additional community service hours, this is a great opportunity.

Year End
GIVING

Finance Statement for the 2024 year will be available in the gathering space starting on Sunday, January 12th and any statement left will be mailed on January 31st. All tithings need to be in office by Jan 3 to get credit for 2024 year.

SORRY, WE'RE
CLOSED

The office will be closed from December 20 thru January 2nd.



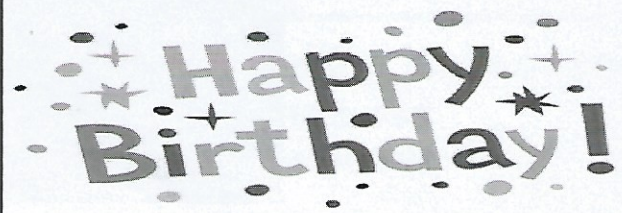
December Wedding Anniversaries

John & Stephanie Dross
Gordon & Sharon Jones
Luis Alejandro Rivas & Giovanna Rodriguez
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