

Immaculate Conception Church of Colfax

Sunday, December 29, 2024
The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, & Joseph

Parish Website: www.immaculateconceptioncolfax.com

Our Staff

Reverend Martin Goetz, Pastor, Goetzm@diodav.org
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Lisa Bussan, Office Manager, imcolfax@msn.com
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Our Organization Chairs

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Social Action, Tracy Spry, 515.971.2292
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

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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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, January 5, 2025

Greeters/

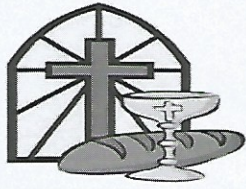
Gift Bearers: Mary Dell & Ed Flattery

Servers: Irma Bell

Readers: Giovanna Rodriguez

EMHC: Joann Carrothers
Susan Heggen





Mass Schedule

MASS INTENTIONS

DECEMBER 29, 2024—JANUARY 5, 2025

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)

MONDAY, DECEMBER 30, 2024

SIXTH DAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

1 JN 2:12-17; LK 2:36-40

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 31, 2024

SEVENTH DAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

1 JN 2:18-21; JN 1:1-18

- 4:00 PM (WALTER BECKER)

Wednesday, JANUARY 1, 2025

SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD
 NM 6:22-27; GAL 4:4-7; LK 2:16-21

THURSDAY, JANUARY 2, 2025

SAINT BASIL THE GREAT AND GREGORY NAZIANZEN, BISHOPS

1 JN 2:22-28; JN 1:19-28

FRIDAY, JANUARY 3, 2025

CHRISTMAS WEEKDAY (1)

1 JN 2:29—3:6; JN 1:29-34

SATURDAY, JANUARY 4, 2025

SAINT ELIZABETH ANN SETON, RELIGIOUS

1 JN 3:7-10; JN 1:35-42

SUNDAY, JANUARY 5, 2025

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

IS 60:1-6; EPH 3:2-3A,5-6; MT 2:1-12

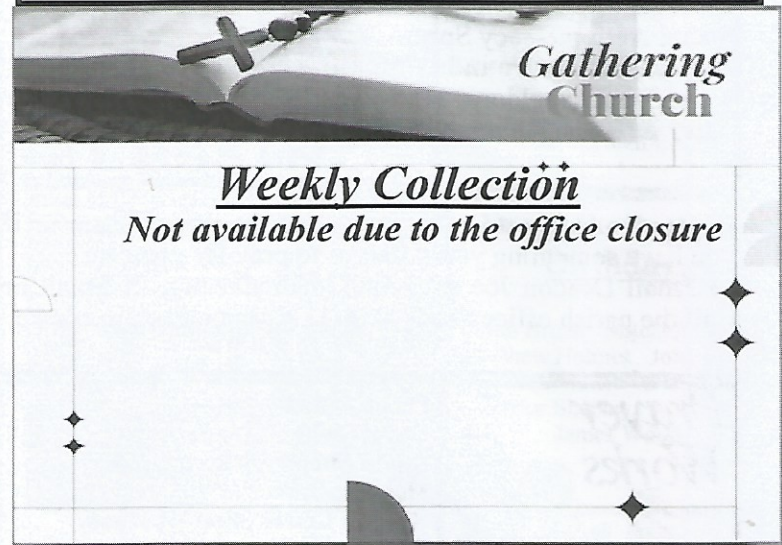
- 11:00 AM (FRANCIS & LUANN MILLBURN)

Church EVENTS

Tuesday, Dec 31	Seventh Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord 4:00 pm
Sunday, Jan 5	Epiphany Mass at 11:00 am
Sunday, Jan 12	The Baptism of the Lord 11:00 am
Sunday, Jan 19	2nd Sunday in O.T. 11:00 am
Sunday, Jan 26	3rd Sunday in O.T. 11:00 am

OFFICE CLOSED

DEC 20-JAN 1



Gathering Church

Weekly Collection

Not available due to the office closure

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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Online Giving

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FAITH



FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

I hope everyone had a great and blessed and Merry Christmas with family and friends. For the first time as long as I can remember, I was able to spend Christmas with my family on the Eve and the Day in Keokuk. It was good to be with them but I missed you.

Thank you so much for thinking of me at Christmas with your cards and gifts – you truly touched my soul and heart. Your gift and thoughtfulness and generosity mean more to me than you'll ever know. But thank you so much for your prayers. When you receive this – hopefully my numbers will stay good – I'll be 9 of 12 treatments through my chemo. It's getting a little rough right now mentally and spiritually, so please continue to pray for me. Thank you so much for sharing God's presence and light with me!

Did you know that the Christmas is not just one day but a Season that will end January 12th? So here are a couple more gifts you can give until then and beyond:

- *To your enemy – forgiveness*
- *To an opponent – tolerance*
- *To a friend – your heart*
- *To all – charity*
- *To every child – a good example*
- *To yourself – respect, love and self-care*

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

#iwontbackdown

#onlyyoucandoitbutnotalone

THIS WEDNESDAY IS THE SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD – A HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION!
What a wonderful way to start off the New Year:

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

A big **"THANKS"** to all who gave of their time and talent to share in the Christmas liturgies! To our singers and musicians, ushers, greeters, lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, altar servers and Church decorators – and to all who worshipped and prayed with us at Christmas – A **WONDERFUL JOB BY WONDERFUL PEOPLE!** Your ministry is greatly appreciated.

A big **"THANKS"** for all your help to make our Giving Tree a success this year. As always, thanks to the many elves who organize our Giving Trees and make sure the gifts are delivered. It is important to be the face of Jesus to those in need before we enjoy our own Christmas celebrations.

And **"THANKS"** so much for your generosity this past year and at Christmas. You stepped up to support the Parish through your regular sharing of time and talent and treasure. May this New Year find us growing together in our faith as we strive to share the face of Jesus in a dark and hurting world!

OFFICE HOURS: The Parish Office will be closed December 30 and 31, and January 1. Regular hours will start back up again on Thursday, January 2.

Fill the Backpack!



Special Collection, Sunday,
01/19

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.

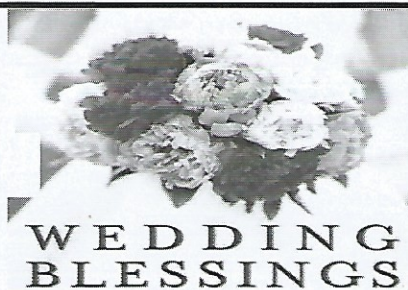
2024/2025

Goal	\$ 14,404
Pledged	\$ 16,807
Pledges pd	\$ 13,369
Parish share	\$ 2,403

Information from the
Diocese report thru
Dec 11, 2024

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.



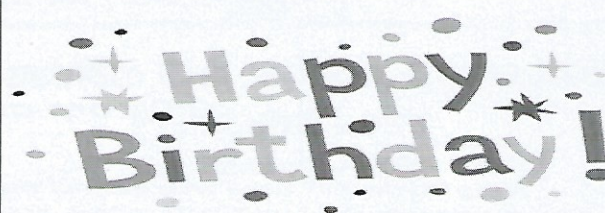
December Wedding Anniversaries

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



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