

Immaculate Conception Church of Colfax

Sunday, January 5, 2025
The Epiphany of the Lord

Parish Website: www.immaculateconceptioncolfax.com

Our Staff

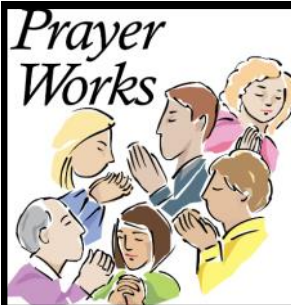
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Our Organization Chairs

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Karen VanDusseldorp, 515.669.0529
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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 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 12, 2025

Greeters/

Gift Bearers: Joann Carrothers
Karen Vandusseldorp

Servers: Sharon Jones

Readers: Linda Barnum

EMHC: Irma Bell
Marcia Grimm





Mass Schedule

MASS INTENTIONS JANUARY 5, 2025—JANUARY 12, 2025

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)

MONDAY, JANUARY 6, 2025

CHRISTMAS WEEKDAY

1 JN 3:22—4:6; Mt 4:12-17, 23-25

TUESDAY, JANUARY 7, 2025

CHRISTMAS WEEKDAY

1 JN 4:7-10; Mk 6:34-44

Wednesday, JANUARY 8, 2025

CHRISTMAS WEEKDAY

1 JN 4:11-18; Mk 6:45-52

THURSDAY, JANUARY 9, 2025

CHRISTMAS WEEKDAY

1 JN 4:19—5:4; LK 4:14-22A

FRIDAY, JANUARY 10, 2025

CHRISTMAS WEEKDAY

1 JN 5:5-13; LK 5:12-16

SATURDAY, JANUARY 11, 2025

CHRISTMAS WEEKDAY

1 JN 5:14-21; JN 3:22-30

SUNDAY, JANUARY 12, 2025

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

Is 42:1-4, 6-7; ACTS 10:34-38

- 11:00 AM (JODI TOMLONOVIC)

Church EVENTS

Sunday, Jan 5
Sunday, Jan 12
Sunday, Jan 19

Epiphany Mass at 11:00 am
The Baptism of the Lord 11:00 am
2nd Sunday in O.T. 11:00 am
T-shirt order due
3rd Sunday in O.T. 11:00 am

Sunday, Jan 26



Weekly Collection

Offertory	\$356.00
Envelope	\$4,532.00
Auto	\$266.00
Deacon	\$120.00
Food Pantry	\$5.00
Propagation of Faith	\$50.00
Retired Religious	\$50.00

Immaculate Conception, Colfax #965

Profit and Loss

July - December, 2024

	Total	
Total Income	\$	52,902.82
Total 51100 Administration Expense	\$	44,343.81
Total 51200 Church Life Expense	\$	10.00
Total 51400 Faith Formation Expense	\$	135.21
Total 51500 Social Action Expense	\$	100.00
Total 51600 Liturgy Expense	\$	4,964.66
Total Expenses	\$	49,553.86
Net Operating Income	\$	3,348.96
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Online Giving
THROUGH
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FAITH



FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

Today is one of my favorite days of the year – the Solemnity of the Epiphany. I love singing “*We Three Kings of Orient Are, Smoking on a rubber cigar, it was loaded and exploded and now there are only two!*” As the Magi brought three gifts to Jesus, maybe we can give ourselves and others three gifts – not gold, frankincense and myrrh but spiritual gifts.

1. Put down last year’s garbage: you have a beautiful new year in front of you – leave last year’s hurt/sins/unkind words or whatever else in last year. Too hard? Too much hurt? Then give it to the Lord....
2. Bring the gift of light at least once a day into our world:
 - Bring flowers to the nursing home
 - Read a story to your children/grandchildren
 - Volunteer
 - Offer love
 - Write a note or card to someone who is hurting/pick up the phone

In short, bring light to someone in darkness!

3. Resolve every day to say: “Lord, I give this day to you!” Live every day in the Lord’s love and presence. Live every day like it is your last (because it might be).

Three gifts – just like the Magi.

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

#iwontbackdown

#onlyyoucandoitbutnotalone

It’s time for the annual Epiphany quiz. See how you do – and don’t peek at the answers found elsewhere in the bulletin until you’ve answered all the questions!

- 1) **How many wise men are mentioned in today's gospel?**
- 2) **How many kings are mentioned in today's gospel?**
- 3) **How many magi are mentioned in today's gospel?**
- 4) **What are magi?**
- 5) **Why do we imagine there were "three kings"?**

Fill the Backpack!



Special Collection, Sunday,
01/19



There is a signup sheet in the gathering space to order a t-shirt to support Fr Marty. The 1st order will be placed this Monday due to the amount already ordered. Will let you know when the shirts will be available.

Shirts are \$5.00 each and please pay when you pick up your shirt.

Answers to the Epiphany quiz:

- 1) Matthew makes no reference to wise men in this gospel passage
- 2) Two: Jesus and Herod
- 3) Matthew does not say how many magi followed the star
- 4) Magi were likely Persian Zoroastrian priests who practiced the occult
- 5) Because that's what the song, We Three Kings, not the scriptures, tells us. In addition, the number and value of the gifts presented (gold, frankincense and myrrh) may suggest three gift bearers of royal wealth

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	\$ 17,167
Pledges pd	\$ 13,729
Parish share	\$ 2,763

Information from the Diocese report thru Dec 18, 2024

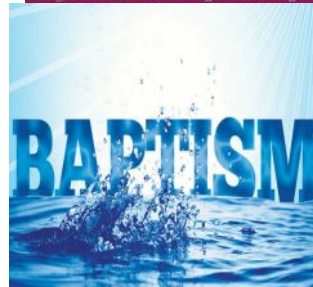
January Wedding Anniversaries

Lawrence & Mary Moffitt



January Baptismal Birthdays

Andrew Braun	Kate Schlosser
Mackenzie Bussan	Vincent Sitzmann
Barrett Clark	Zoe Elysa Smith
Elizabeth Kern	Jaxson Strait
Rylie Muck	Kathryn Wikert
Chloe Muck	
William Owens	
Kenneth Schlosser	



January Birthdays

Jaxson Strait 1st	Zoe Elysa Smith 8th
Kristen Braun 11th	Jocelyn Lind 17th
Karley Leiker 20th	Kennedy Leiker 20th
Edward Parker 22nd	Ross Wasson 22nd
Leland Braun 23rd	Joann Carrothers 26th
Claire Williams 28th	Anna Shaver 31st