

# Immaculate Conception Church of Colfax

**Sunday, September 14, 2025**

**The Exultation of the Holy Cross**

Parish Website: [www.immaculateconceptioncolfax.com](http://www.immaculateconceptioncolfax.com)

## Our Staff

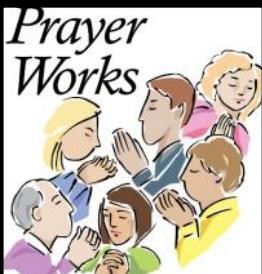
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## Our Organization Chairs

**Pastoral Council**, Tom Wilson, 720.939.2294  
**Administration & Finance Council**, Brad Hagarty  
**Faith Formation**  
**Liturgy**, Sharon Jones, 515.975.8580  
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**Buildings and Grounds Committee**,  
Karen Van Dusseldorp, 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](mailto:DvorakJ@diodav.org), 2) Email or Call the parish office at 515-674-3711; [imcolfax@msn.com](mailto:imcolfax@msn.com)



**Diane Wood**  
**Carol Swift**  
**David Shepley**, son of Deloris Shepley  
**Raegan Lester**: niece of Tracey Wilson  
**Leland Braun**: and **Dody Braun**  
**George Ernst**  
**Peggy Lester**, sister of Tracey Wilson  
**Bruce and Mary Jo Stephenson**,  
**Michael John Holmes**, husband of Michelle Holmes

**Michael John Nelson**

**JoAnn Bessler**, sister of Karen Van Dusseldorp  
**Betty Werner**, Karen Van Dusseldorp's Mother  
**Mary Ellen Van Dusseldorp**, Karen Van Dusseldorp's Mother-in-Law

**Michelle McGill**

**Meta Hill**

**Jaden Overton**

**Melanie & Chuck Overton**, Cousin of Jackie George

**Michael Harrington**, son of Monte and Lisa Harrington and friends **Dominic Kerkes** and **Nathan Willies** (all being deployed to the Middle East.)

**Michael Birkenholtz** (deployed to the Middle East)

**Anthony Toigo**, Friend of Gordon Jones

## Immaculate Conception Church of Colfax

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## Mass Schedule

**Sunday 11:00 AM**

## 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](http://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](mailto:imcolfax@msn.com).

## Liturgical Ministers

### Sunday, September 21, 2025

Greeters: Mary Dell and Ed Flattery

Servers: Justice Loraditch, Titus Loraditch

Reader: Tim Loraditch

EMHC: Karen VanDusseldorp and Claire William

### Sunday, September 28, 2025

Greeters: Sitzman Family

Servers: Natalie Owens, Irma Bell

Reader: Linda Barnum

EMHC: Joann Carrothers, Susan Heggen



## Mass Schedule

### MASS INTENTIONS SEPTEMBER 14—SEPTEMBER 21, 2025

#### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2025

##### **THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS**

NUM 21:4B-9, PHIL 2:6-11, JN 3:13-17

- 11:00 AM (FRANCIS & LUANN MILBURN)

#### MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2025

OUR LADY OF SORROWS

1 TM 2:1-8, JN 19:25-27

#### TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2025

ST. CORNELIUS, POPE, AND CYPRIAN, BISHOP, MARTYRS

1 TM 3:1-13, LK 7:11-17

#### Wednesday, September 17, 2025

WEEKDAY (24), SAINT ROBERT BELLARMINE, BISHOP, DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH, SAINT HILDEGARD, VIRGIN, DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH

1 TM 3:14-16, LK 6:20-26

#### THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2025

WEEKDAY,

1 TM 4:12-16, LK 7:36-35

#### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2025

WEEKDAY, SAINT JAMARIUS, BISHOP, MARTYR

1 TM 6:3C-12, LK 8:1-3

#### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2025

SAINTS ANDREW KIM TAE-GON, PRIEST, PAUL CHONG HASANG, AND COMPANIONS, MARTYRS

1 TM 6:13-16, LK 8:4-15

#### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2025

##### **TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

AM 8:4-7, 1 TIM 2:1-8, LK 16:1-13

- 11:00 AM (LISA & MONTE HARRINGTON, ANNIVERSARY)



Sunday, September 14

The Exaltation of the Cross, Mass at 11:00 AM, ADA Kick-off

Sunday September 21

The 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Mass at 11:00 AM

Thursday, September 25

Finance Council Meeting, 6:00 PM

Thursday, September 25

Parish Council Meeting, 6:00 PM

Sunday, September 28,

The 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time, 6:00 PM



### Weekly Collection 07/27/2025

Envelope..... \$1,190.00

Auto ..... \$1,178.00

Offertory..... \$120.00

Deacon's Fund..... \$40.00

Surplus ADA (2024-25)..... \$2,862.00

Altar and Rosary Dues are due. You will find envelopes in the gathering space. Thank you.

### **Celebration at Holy Cross**

We are excited to invite you to join us for a special celebration as Holy Cross celebrates its 150th anniversary. Let us come together to honor our past, cherish the present, and embrace the future. The celebration will take place on Sunday, September 14th at 12:00 noon. A digital presentation, Mass, and a catered meal will take place. All are welcome.

### **Praying for the Reparation for the Sins of the World**



The annual national "America Needs Fatima" rosary rally will be held on Saturday, October 11, at 12:00 noon at Mineral Springs Park (gazebo area), Colfax. All are welcome. Bring a lawn chair if you prefer to sit.

### **Profit and Loss**

#### **Immaculate Conception**

July 1-August 31, 2025

Distribution account	Total
Income	
41010 Ordinary Income	0.00
Total for Income	\$18,078.00
Total for 51100 Administration Expense	\$15,279.97
Total for 51600 Liturgy Expense	\$412.61
Total for Expenses	\$15,692.58
Net Operating Income	\$2,385.42

Online Giving  
THROUGH

**VANCO**  
FAITH





Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

Wishing you God's blessings! And please know of my prayers and love for you!

#iwontbackdown  
#onlyyoucandoitbutnotalone

If you want updates about Fr. Marty's health, his Caring Bridge page will be updated as needed. The address is [www.caringbridge.org/visit/fr.martygoetz](http://www.caringbridge.org/visit/fr.martygoetz)

New address: Fr. Marty Goetz 502 W. Mt. Pleasant St. West Burlington, IA. 52655

### Effective September 15, 2025

Rev. Martin G. Goetz, relieved of present assignments as pastor of Sacred Heart Church, Newton and Immaculate Conception Church, Colfax, to retirement.

Rev. William E. Reynolds, JCL, assigned as administrator of Sacred Heart Church, Newton and Immaculate Conception Church, Colfax.



From their summer meeting, the bishops of the United States want to better understand how the people of God understand and live out their baptism. Our diocese has designed this survey of the laity. Clerics will receive a

separate survey. Please fill it out and encourage others to do the same. The survey will be open until the end of September. Results will be compiled in October to share our diocesan report with the US bishops by November 1st. Keep an eye out for the diocesan report as well as individual parish reports. Contact Patrick Schmadeke ([schmadeke@davenportdiocese.org](mailto:schmadeke@davenportdiocese.org)) with any questions.

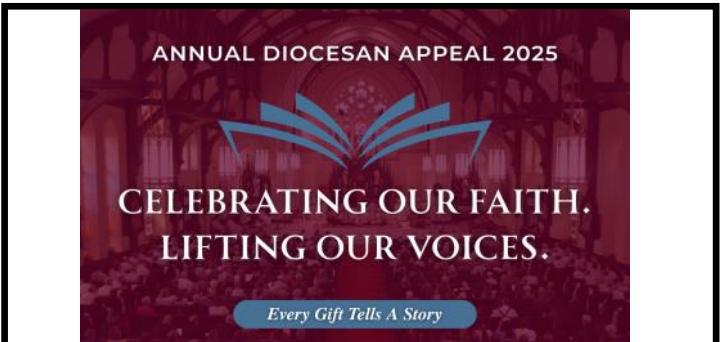
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Spanish: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/6PMVLP3?lang=es>



### **18th Annual Hunger Fight with Meals from the Heartland**

Please sign up to join Team Immaculate Conception to package meals for the 18th Annual Hunger Fight with Meals from the Heartland on Sat., Oct. 11th! We have reserved space for ten people to help package meals from 9:00-11:00 a.m. at their West Des Moines location. A sign-up sheet will be located in the gathering space starting this Sunday for those interested in helping out. If you cannot make the date/time, the event runs from Oct. 7-11 and many other times are available on their website: <https://mealsfromtheheartland.galaxydigital.com/>



This weekend marks the start of the Annual Diocesan Appeal. Our parish goal is \$17,679.00. Please prayerfully consider your pledge today. If you are not able to make a commitment this weekend, you may use the QR code in the pews or visit the Diocesan website to pledge at your convenience.

We are also inviting you to share your story of faith, service, or parish life as part of this year's theme: "Every Gift Tells a Story." Your story could inspire others and may be featured in ADA videos, parish bulletins, newsletters, or on the diocesan website.



## Toddler Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

Immaculate Conception is excited to offer once again, an opportunity for the youngest in our parish family to experience the love of the Good Shepherd. Immaculate Conception will offer a religious education option for children ages 18 months to 3 years starting in October through the end of the school year, on Friday mornings from 9 to 10:30. We invite all young children of the parish, grandchildren, neighbors, or any of those seeking to know Him more. There is no cost to attend, and it is a drop-off program.

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd is based on the methods of Maria Montessori and founded on the two pillars of scripture and liturgy. It offers the child their own space, called an atrium, to encounter God. Here all the materials and furniture are just their size.

Rachel Manley will be the lead catechist. She has been through all four levels of CGS formation which includes 90 hours of formation specifically to work with children ages 0-3. Rachel is a formation leader, leading courses for adults to serve children ages 3-6, has served in atria across the Des Moines area for eleven years, and also holds a Bachelor's and Master's degree in elementary education.

Registration can be found here: <https://forms.gle/xWZ6ddzbkUmWT3vn9>

A video with more information on Catechesis of the Good Shepherd can be found here: <https://youtu.be/hfg9RfBk-fY?si=vQRkvh0yOyncTjLo>

Please contact Rachel Manley with any questions at [mrs.manley@gmail.com](mailto:mrs.manley@gmail.com)



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#### Stewards Repayments

*"No servant can serve two masters. He will hate one and love the other, or be devoted to one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and mammon (wealth)." LUKE 16:13*

Jesus knows that for many of us, God and money run “neck and neck” as top priority. Is money a “god” that you put before God? Giving money to support the Church and other charity is a pillar of our faith, just like attending Mass every Sunday and participating in parish ministry. Giving money through Stewardship frees us from becoming a slave to money. It increases our dependence on God and our trust that God will provide all that we need.

### Parish Council Elections

There are six elected positions on the Parish Council—each a three year term, staggered so two are up for election each year. We missed the election last year, so 4 positions are up for re-election. Elected positions are held by Mary Dell Flattery, David Birkenholtz, Gio Rodrigues, Marcia Grimm, Natalie Owens, and Tom Wilson. Natalie and Tom have one year left on their terms. Mary Dell, David, Gio, and Marcia are up for reelection.

We will be accepting nomination for Parish Council members until September 28. There is a box in the gathering space. Of course you can nominate yourself. Candidates will be announced on October 5 and voting will be on October 12. The two top vote-getters will have a three year term and the next two a two year.

Other members include Fr. Reynolds, Dc. Joe (ex-officio) Peggy Dvorak (A&R), Karen VanDusseldorp (building & grounds), Brad Hagarty (finance council), Tracy Spry (social action), Sharon Jones (Liturgy) and Abe Manley (youth rep.).



September Birthdays		
Ryan Braun	1	Ben Lind
Kristi Webb	4	Carrick Hamer
Joseph Shaver	5	Matthew Holmes
Rylie Muck	9	William Owens
Matthew Rosonke	9	Scarlett Mosher
Rita Krueger	13	
Jack Carrothers	15	
Meta Hill	15	
Callen Parker	16	



### September Wedding Anniversaries

Mike and Michelle Holms	4
Mike and Mary Holmes	7
Michael and Christen Clark	15
Alec and Erica Connell	19
Karen and Reg Van Dusseldorp	22