

Immaculate Conception Church of Colfax

Sunday, September 7, 2025

The Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Parish Website: www.immaculateconceptioncolfax.com

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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

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Mass Schedule

Sunday 11:00 AM

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.

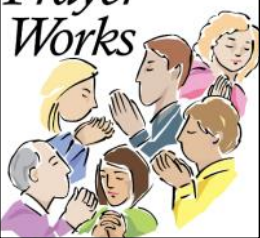
Bulletin Available Online

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.

Prayer Works



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

Liturgical Ministers

Sunday, September 14, 2025

Greeters: Liz and Dave Birkenholtz

Servers: Natalie Owens, Sharon Jones

Reader: Brad Hagarty

EMHC: Irma Bell, Linda Barnum

Sunday, September 21, 2025

Greeters: Mary Dell and Ed Flattery

Servers: Justice Loraditch, Titus Loraditch

Reader: Tim Loraditch

EMHC: Karen VanDusseldorp and Claire William



Mass Schedule

MASS INTENTIONS SEPTEMBER 7—SEPTEMBER 14, 2025

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2025

THE TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Wis 9:13-18B, PHLM 9-10, 12-17, Lk 14:25-33

- 11:00 AM (FRANCES ZITKA)

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2025

THE NATIVITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Mi 5:1-4A, Mt 1:1-16, 18-23

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2025

ST. PETER CLAVER, PRIEST

COL 2:6-15, Lk 6:12-19

Wednesday, September 10, 2025

WEEKDAY (23)

COL 3:1-11, Lk 6:20-26

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2025

WEEKDAY

COL 3:12-19, Lk 6:27-38

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2025

WEEKDAY, THE MOST HOLY NAME OF MARY

1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14, Lk 6:39-42

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2025

ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM, BISHOP AND DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH

1 Tm 1:15-17, Lk 6:43-49

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2025

THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

NUM21:4B-9, PHIL 2:6-11, Jn 3:13-17

- 11:00 AM (FRANCIS & LUANN MILBURN)



Sunday, September 7	Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time, Mass at 11:00 AM, Coffee and doughnuts following mass
Tuesday, September 9	Liturgy Committee meeting, 2:00 PM
Sunday, September 14	The Exaltation of the Cross, Mass at 11:00 AM
Tuesday, September 16	Social Action Committee Meeting, 6:30 PM



Weekly Collection 07/27/2025

Envelope.....	\$4,945.00
Auto.....	\$133.20
Offertory.....	\$102.00
Sp. Collection for Gaza	\$407.00

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.

Special Collection for Gaza and Middle East

At the request of the Bishops Conference, last week we took up a special collection for Gaza and Middle East Relief. We collected \$407.00. If you were unable to help at that time but would still like to, you may do so. Just be sure to write Gaza Relief in the check memo or on the envelope.

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
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Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

I hope you all had a wonderful Labor Day weekend. A chance to recharge and look forward to another season—so much to be grateful for.

Please remember to let your thoughts be known by taking the Diocesan survey. They want to know about your experience with the church.

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

#iwontbackdown

#onlyyoucandoitbutnotalone

News from Vatican City—

Aug. 27 (UPI) -- Pharrell Williams and Andrea Bocelli will direct and perform *Grace from the World*, a live concert from Vatican City to commemorate the World Meeting on Human Fraternity.

The performances will take place Sept. 13 in St. Peter's Square and broadcast live on Disney+, Hulu and ABC News Live, a press release states.

Williams will perform with the Voices of Fire Gospel Choir, with Bocelli to also take the stage. Other performers include Karol G, John Legend, Clipse, Teddy Swims, Jelly Roll and Angelique Kidjo.

The event will include a drone and light show inspired by the Sistine Chapel, along with commentary from world leaders, the official synopsis states.

"Designed as a moment of global unity, the event will bring together music, reflection and visual storytelling in a singular live experience," the description states.

Log into ABC Network—Vatican City Concert for times and a link to watch the concert live—for free.



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) with any questions.

English: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/6PMVLP3>

Spanish: [https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/6PMVLP3?](https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/6PMVLP3?lang=es)
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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



September 7, 2025

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Stewards Accomplishments

“Every one of you who does not renounce all his possessions cannot be my disciple.” LUKE 14:33

When we first hear this statement, it seems that Jesus is making an unrealistic demand upon us. How can we renounce all of our possessions? We need them to live. However, what we must renounce is the belief that they belong to us. Everything that we have belongs to God alone. All of our resources are entrusted to us not only for our own use, but also so that we in Stewardship can help others. Once we renounce the idea that we possess or are entitled to anything, it is much easier to share the many gifts that God has given us. Then we truly are His Disciples.

Mark Your Calendars

Meals from the Heartland: October 11

Immaculate Conception will take a team of 10 to pack meals for Meals from the Heartland on Saturday, October 11. Details, times, and sign-up sheets to come.



“He who bears his sufferings with patience for God’s sake, will soon arrive at high perfection. He will be Master of the world and will already have one foot in the other world.” – St. Giles of Assisi



August Wedding Anniversaries

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

Happy Birthday!		
September Birthdays		
Ryan Braun	1	Ben Lind 20
Kristi Webb	4	Carrick Hamer 22
Joseph Shaver	5	Matthew Holmes 22
Rylie Muck	9	William Owens 26
Matthew Rosonke	9	Scarlett Mosher 30
Rita Krueger	13	
Jack Carrothers	15	
Meta Hill	15	
Callen Parker	16	