

Immaculate Conception Church of Colfax

Sunday, January 18, 2026
The Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Parish Website: www.immaculateconceptioncolfax.com

Our Staff

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Brad Hagarty, Sharon Jones, Lay Directors

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Our Organization Chairs

Pastoral Council, Tom Wilson, 720.939.2294

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Faith Formation

Liturgy, Sharon Jones, 515.975.8580

Social Action, Tracy Spry, 515.971.2292

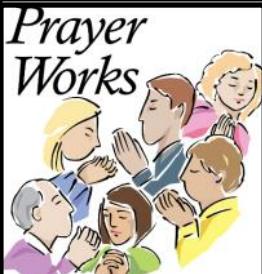
Buildings and Grounds Committee, Karen Van

Dusseldorf, 515.669.0529

Altar & Rosary Society, Tracy Spry, 515.971.2292

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

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 Dusseldorf

Betty Werner, Karen Van Dusseldorf's Mother

Mary Ellen Van Dusseldorf, Karen Van Dusseldorf's Mother-in-Law

Michelle McGill

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

Shelbee Stier, Irma Bell's Grand-daughter

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Parish Facebook Page: Immaculate Conception Colfax

Mass Schedule

Sunday 11:00 AM

Thursday, 11:30

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 25, 2026

Servers: Natalie Owens, Sharon Owens

Reader: Scott Spry

Greeters: Sitzmann Family

EMHC: Joann Carrothers, Karen VanDusseldorf

Wednesday, February 1, 2026

Servers: Natalie Owens, Irma Bell

Reader: Brad Hagarty

Greeters: Karen VanDusseldorf, Joann Carrothers

EMHC: Claire Williams, Linda Barnum



Church EVENTS

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| Sunday, January 18 | The Second Sunday in Ordinary Time, mass at 1100 AM (Patty Daft) |
| Tuesday, January 20 | Social Action Committee meeting, 6:30 PM |
| Thursday, January 22 | Mass, 11:30 AM (Francis and LuAnn Millburn) |
| Thursday, January 22 | Finance Council meeting, 6:00 PM |
| Thursday, January 22 | Pastoral Council Meeting, 6:00 PM |
| Sunday, January 25 | The Third Sunday in Ordinary Time. Mass at 11:00 AM (Sister Kathleen Tomlonovic) |
| Thursday, January 29 | Mass 11:30 (K. Willes, birthday) |
| Sunday, February 1 | The Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time, mass 11:00 AM (Darrell Holder) |



Weekly Collection 1/11/2026

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| <i>Envelope</i> | \$245.00 |
| <i>Auto</i> | \$143.20.00 |
| <i>Offertory</i> | &101.00 |
| <i>Deacons Fund</i> | \$45.00 |
| <i>Votived Candles</i> | \$8.00 |



We Have Made Our Goal



Thank you for your generous response to Bishop Walsh's request for support of the Annual Diocesan Appeal. We have received pledges in the amount of \$17,716.00 towards our goal of

\$17,679.00. We are now 100.21 toward our parish goal. There have been a total of 32 gifts (either pledged or paid). The average gift is \$553.63. We have made our goal.

Profit and Loss Immaculate Conception July 1-December 31, 2025

| Distribution account | Total |
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| Income | |
| Total for Income | \$73,976.90 |
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| Expenses | |
| Total for 51100 Administration Expense | \$43,024.16 |
| Total for 51600 Liturgy Expense | \$3,128.62 |
| Total for Expenses | \$46,152.78 |
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| Net Income | \$27,824.12 |





9 DAYS FOR LIFE JANUARY 16-24

Pray to protect human life!

Join Catholics nationwide in prayer for the protection of human life! You can download the novena or get the daily prayers and reflections by email or text message.

9DAYSFORLIFE.COM



Winter Clothing Drive

If you have any new or gently used coats or winter gear (boots, snow pants, hats, gloves, mittens) that you would like to donate, the Social

Action Committee will have a drop box in the gathering space. Clothing will be donated to those in need in our community and to St. Vincent de Paul in Des Moines to assist their clients and their mission work helping the poor. Thanks for sharing the gift of warmth with others! If you know someone in need of warm clothing or you have any questions, please call Tracy Spry at (515) 971-2292.

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Catholics in southeastern Iowa have strong bonds to their local parishes. Those parishes, in turn, are linked to our diocese and the global church. Like the jigsaw puzzles or dot drawings we had fun with as children, once these pieces are assembled we see a beautiful picture of the universal church. The Catholic Messenger is a powerful force for bringing us together and showing how we are part of the whole. That's why the theme of this year's subscription drive is "Connecting the Catholic Community."

The Catholic Messenger has adapted to the communication needs of the faithful of the Davenport Diocese for over 140 years. The Messenger's multimedia platform provides multiple ways to get connected to local, national and international Catholic news based on our preferences: weekly print and/or e-editions; a website; an e-newsletter published twice a month; and a monthly podcast. The Messenger also posts regularly on Facebook and Instagram and shares stories that you share on those social media platforms.

Columnists, including Evangelization Director Patrick Schmadeke, Christina Capecci, St. Louis University student and diocesan native Sam Aitchison, Father Ron Rolheiser and Jenna Ebener, among others, add breadth and depth to inspire readers.

You can also expect in-depth coverage of events and people in your parish. Learn about legislative issues through The Messenger's collaboration with the Iowa Catholic Conference and follow the impact of the first American pope as he enters the second year of his ministry.

This month, parishes begin the 2026 subscription drive. To help encourage more people to subscribe to The Catholic Messenger — print and/or e-edition — we are providing free access to our e-edition through Feb. 14. Visit the website at www.catholicmessenger.net and click on the e-edition icon.

No other media, print or digital, covers the Catholic Church in our diocese with the passion and creativity of The Catholic Messenger. It is a real value at \$30 per year for 50 issues — print, e-edition or both. Watch for the subscription drive in your parish. Please support your best source for local Catholic journalism.

Sincerely in Christ,

Most Rev. Dennis G. Walsh Bishop of Davenport



MARRIED COUPLES - WANT TO GIVE A GIFT THAT KEEPS ON GIVING?

Register for the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend - it's the best gift you'll ever give to each other and your marriage! For more information contact Denise and Greg at 563-920-9419 or visit wwme.org. Upcoming Dates: February 13-15 in Dubuque, April 10-12 in Marshalltown, October 9-11 in Epworth, IA.

Stipend for Mass Intentions Is Now \$10.00

For some time, the stipend for mass intentions has been \$5.00. The Bishop and the diocese has decided to raise it to \$10.00 at the beginning of the year, January 1. Any mass intentions that have already been requested will be honored.

Pray for Vocations

It is important that we pray for vocations. As Fr. Reynolds stated earlier, we have lost four priests unexpectedly since July 1—one was called to be a bishop, one joined an order, and two died (including our Fr. Marty).

Bishop would like every parish to have a vocations committee. If you would be willing to serve on this committee, please tell Dc. Joe. **There will be a meeting in Iowa City on January 24** to discuss how to form a vocations committee and what vocation committees do. We need someone to represent our parish.

On the table in the gathering space, I have placed a card for each of our nine seminarians. Consider taking a card, “adopting” that seminarian, and praying for him daily.

Liturgical Ministers Needed

Have you considered ministering to our parish as a liturgical minister? You could serve as an altar server (any age), lector, or greeter. The liturgy committee would train you. There is no work more important than our liturgy.



Prayer for Vocations Diocese of Davenport Vocations Prayer

Almighty God, you created us to share in your Divine Life.

Pour out your Spirit on our Diocese That we may be a fruitful church.

Bless us: With zealous priests and deacons; With prayerful religious sisters and brothers; With faithful married couples; With loving persons who live for the Kingdom of Heaven.

Grant us discerning hearts, To love you more deeply And to serve as Jesus served, In whose name we pray.

Amen.

Mary, model for all vocations, pray for us!

2026 Calendars

Thank you to Coburn Funeral Home for providing us with the 2026 Catholic Calendar. They are available in the gathering space.



Baptism of the Lord

Baptized Stewards

“John tried to prevent him, saying, “I need to be baptized by you, yet you are coming to me?” MATTHEW 3:14

The Catholic Catechism states that “Jesus’ immersion in the water is a sign for all human beings of the need to die to themselves to do God’s will.” In other words, as baptized Catholic **Stewards** there is only one gift that we need to give to Jesus – the gift of ourselves. Surrender yourself to God, place your trust in Him and allow the Holy Spirit to work.

| Happy Birthday! | | |
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| <u>January Birthdays</u> | | |
| Jackson Strait | 01 | Marianne Wharf |
| Zoe Smith | 08 | Edward Parker |
| Kristen Braun | 11 | Leland Braun |
| Jocelyn Lind | 17 | Joann Carrothers |
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January Wedding Anniversaries
Lawrence and Mary Moffitt 22