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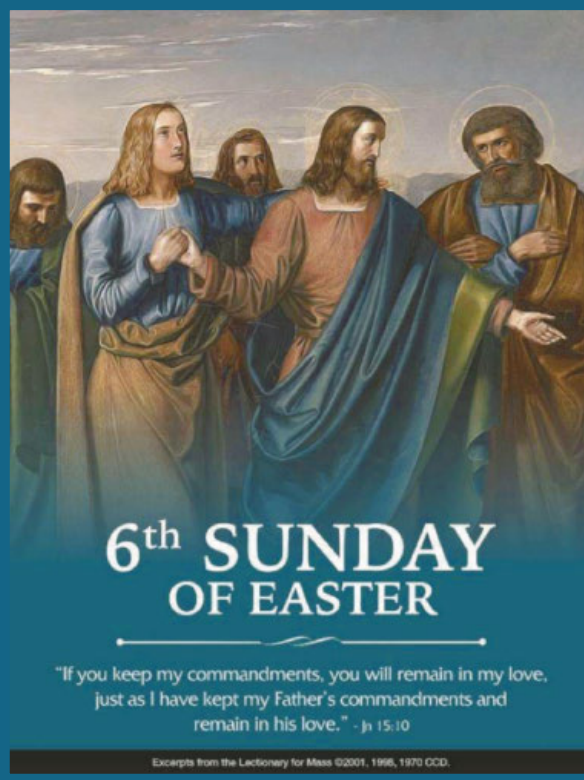
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MASS TIMES

SATURDAY VIGIL

St. Clare (St. Clair): None
Immaculate Conception (Union): 4:15pm
(Confessions from 3:15 – 4:00pm)
St. Joseph (Neier): 5:00pm
(Confessions from 4:00pm – 4:40pm)

SUNDAY MORNING

Immaculate Conception (Union): 7:00am
St. Clare (St. Clair): 8:30am
Immaculate Conception (Union): 10:00am
St. Joseph (Neier): 10:30am

WEEKDAYS

Immaculate Conception (Union)
– 8:00am – Tuesday – Friday
St. Clare (St. Clair)
– 8:00am – Tuesday & Wednesday
St. Joseph (Neier)
– 6:30am – Thursday & Friday

Pastor's Column

Today we celebrate the **6th Sunday of Easter**. We continue a theme heard last weekend in the 1st Letter of St. John, namely, to love. Today's second reading continues John's exhortation to love. He writes, "**Beloved, Let us love one another, because love is of God...**" As beloved sons and daughters we are called to show our identity by imitating our loving Father. In the Gospel, Jesus spells out the reason why it is so important to love. He says to the apostles, and to us, "**As the Father loves me, so I also love you. Remain in my love.**" How do we do this? By following the great commandment, loving God with all our heart, mind, soul, and strength, and our neighbor as ourselves. He kept the Father's commandment at the price of His own life shed for us on the wood of the Cross. Now He instructs us saying, "**I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and your joy may be complete.**" Love and Joy! Challenging sometimes for sure, but our call as disciples and beloved children of God.

Congratulations to our 2nd Grade students at I.C. who made their First Holy Communion this weekend. It was a special blessing to not only each of them, but to their parents, grandparents, siblings, and all who attended. The joy in their faces as they receive Jesus for the first time in the Eucharist reminds us of how privileged we are to have this Sacrament readily available to us. According to tradition, the 2nd Graders at St. Joseph, Neier will be making their First Holy Communion next **Sunday, May 12th on Mother's Day at the 10:30am Mass**. Please keep them in your prayers.

We are continuing the **Annual Catholic Appeal** in our parishes, and I am grateful to our parish chair people who are coordinating this annual appeal for the Archdiocese. It is important to sign your pledge card whether you are able to give or not as it reflects our overall parish participation in the ACA. If you haven't signed your card, or made your pledge to this year's ACA, please do so **TODAY**. Thank you and God Bless You!

There are now just two weeks to place your name in nomination for the **Parish Council Selection** in our parishes. Selection will take place at the morning masses on **Pentecost Sunday, May 19th**. Relying on help from the Holy Spirit, the names of those who will serve will be drawn at random, much as the early Church did to find a successor to one of the Apostles. If you're thinking about serving, **God Bless You!** If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to ask. We are in need of several more candidates at St. Clare Parish, and I.C., and a couple more for St. Joseph, Neier.

Next weekend we will celebrate **Ascension Sunday**. It is the next to the last Sunday in our Easter season. We close the Easter season the following Sunday as we celebrate the promised gift of the Holy Spirit at **Pentecost**. We return to Ordinary Time on Monday, May 20th.

God Bless, Happy Easter!
Please remember to pray 3 Hail Marys
Fr. Pete

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MAY 5, 2024 – 6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

GENERAL FUNDS:

Offertory Envelopes	\$ 5,404.00
Loose Collection	\$ 589.00
<u>Online Giving</u>	<u>\$ 2,623.85</u>
Total	\$ 8,616.85
Monthly Offertory Total - April	\$ 41,621.65

ST. JOSEPH

GENERAL FUNDS:

Offertory Envelopes (60)	\$ 2,493.00
Loose Collection	\$ 25.00
<u>Online Giving (10)</u>	<u>\$ 603.86</u>
Total	\$ 3,121.86
Monthly Offertory Total - April	\$ 16,521.69
April Collection Goal	\$25,000.00

RESTRICTED FUNDS:

Capital Improvements (1)	\$ 1,335.00
Rental Income(1)	\$ 150.00

ST. CLARE

GENERAL FUNDS:

Offertory Envelopes	\$ 3,033.00
<u>Loose Collection</u>	<u>\$ 246.00</u>
Total	\$ 3,279.00
Monthly Offertory Total - April	\$ 17,439.00
April Collection Goal	\$ 14,500.00

RESTRICTED FUNDS:

Cemetery Care	\$ 30.00
Parish Improvements	\$ 85.00

Mass Intentions

Saturday, May 4

4:15pm - IC	Lomax Family
5:00pm - SJ	Parish Family of St. Joseph

Sunday, May 5

7:00am - IC	Pro Populo
8:30pm - SC	Dupree Heard
10:00am - IC	John M. Linde, Jr.
10:30am - SJ	Ronald Salvino

Monday, May 6

NO MASS

Tuesday, May 7

8:00am - IC	Kathleen Esslinger
8:00am - SC	St. Clare Purgatorial Society

Wednesday, May 8

8:00am - IC	Charles & James West
8:00am - SC	Lori Mayer

Thursday, May 9

6:30am - SJ	Dennis Noelker
8:00am - IC	Rick & Janice Klenke

Friday, May 10

6:30am - SJ	Louis & Rose Schmuke
8:00am - IC	Herbert & Viola Rose Klenke

Saturday, May 11

4:15pm - IC	Amy O'Dea
5:00pm - SJ	Parish Family of St. Joseph

Sunday, May 12

7:00am - IC	Pro Populo
8:30pm - SC	Josh Garrett
10:00am - IC	Fred & Odelia Gildehaus
10:30am - SJ	For the intentions of June, Rhet & Elly Hidritch

Congratulations to the following family

August Roy Kessels

Son of
Jared & Stormie Kessels
was Baptized at
Immaculate Conception!

Please submit bulletin information, before
9am on Mondays, by emailing
ic.neier.clare@gmail.com

THANK YOU!

Please PRAY for those who are sick in our Parishes and Families:

<p>Immaculate Conception</p> <p>Rosa Linda Bazan Dcn. Jerry Becker Larry Brown Mary Crews Joshua Dickinson Linda Frick Virgil Frick Barb Harden Angie Haynes Marge Heimann Patsy Klenke Judy Lindauer Peggy Lippert John Merriman Don Meyer Paul Meyer</p> <p>St. Clare</p> <p>Harold Dulworth Jake Goodman Katherine Haynes Jossie Hopkins Lisa Hults</p> <p>St. Clare prayer chain contacts: Joyce Willis 629-2573 Sherry Reed 629-7535</p>	<p>St. Joseph</p> <p>Christy Baker Shirley Beckman Anna Marie Brueggemann Chris Elbert Cynthia Faust Linda Frick Zachery Goosage Janice Holland Benny Hammer Andrew Hellebusch Brandon Huels Olivia Jasper Rick Just Dave Kimminau Ashley Koelling John Merriman Vincent Mueller Jean Oldavi Lilly Mae Randolph</p> <p>The current prayer lists will run through May 26th. After that date, please contact your parish office to include someone on the JUNE PRAYER LIST.</p>
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Jesus, Divine Physician and Healer of the sick, we turn to you in this time of illness. O dearest comforter of the troubled, alleviate our worry and sorrow with your gentle love, and grant us the grace and strength to accept this burden. Dear God, we place our worries in your hands. We place our sick under your care and humbly ask that you restore your servant to health again. Above all, grant us the grace to acknowledge your will and know that whatever you do, you do for the love of us. Amen.

Vincent's Closet is in need of men's clothing. Donations may be dropped off Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. Thank you!

When you donate to the closet, you help the IC Conference of SVDP promote charity, which binds communities to God and persons to one another.

Your donations and contributions are very much appreciated!

Youth Ministry Social Night
Year end event
May 15, 2024



5th-8th grade 6pm-8pm

High School 8pm-10pm




Lava Rush Water Slide
2 lanes
22 feet tall

\$5 per person

Looking for a great way to support our Grade School and have a lot of fun too?
Sign-Up for our Twenty-Fifth Annual
Tee-Off for TIGERS!
Golf Tournament



Get a team together or we will team you up with other golfers.
Friday, May 10th, 2024 at Birch Creek Golf Club • Union, MO
Check-in: 9:00 am • Shotgun Start: 10:30 am Prompt

The proceeds of the tournament go a long way to improve the quality of education we offer at our parish grade school. Over the last twenty five years, this tournament has raised over \$240,000! Please review the information on the back and let us know what you can do to help in this wonderful cause. THANK YOU!

Great Corporate Sponsorships Available!
For More Info call: 636-744-4633

If you are unable to attend this event or do not play golf, there is still an opportunity to help. You can make a donation to the Tee Off for Tigers benefit tournament by mailing a donation to:
Tee Off For Tigers • 518 Rock Creek Drive, Washington, MO 63090

Please PRAY for those serving our Country:

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 Jeff Arent
 Jamie Brueggemann Murphy
 Nathan Brune
 Jamie Bucher
 Jason Burton
 Jacob Carman
 Gionna Casatelli
 Scott Daugherty
 Andy Davis
 Chelsi Davis
 Coty DeClue
 Taylor Donner
 Cameron Earley
 Tyler Earley
 Clay Fisher
 James Taylor Gragg

Tyler Grogan
 Emily Guenther
 Jeffrey Haynes
 Hannah Hoest
 Trevor Kelly
 Caleb Logsdon
 Matthew Martin
 Michael Miller
 Logan Moore
 Michael Murphy
 Reese Pellin
 Matthew Reidel
 Dalton Roller
 Justin Rudolph
 Bradley Smith
 Sam Smith
 Andrew Snodgrass
 Nathaniel W. Stark
 Owen Struckhoff
 Luke Stuesse
 Emma Wildhaber



*Mother's Day
 Breakfast*

Sunday, May 12th

7:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

700 Clearview Dr.

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Eggs, Sausage, Ham, Biscuits and Gravy,
Potatoes, Pancakes, and Cinnamon Rolls

Adults - \$12 / Children - \$6

The public is welcome

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION
 IS
HIRING

Contact the Parish office at 636-583-5144, option 3

COME JOIN OUR TEAM

Full time custodian for our school. Duties include:
clean & sanitize restrooms; sweep/mop/vacuum
floors; dusting; empty trash; strip/wax floors, etc.

REQUIREMENTS

- Evening shift during school year, day shift during summer months.
- Must be in good physical shape to navigate/cover a large area of 3 full floors, gym and cafeteria.
- Experience in School or Commercial Cleaning, have knowledge of custodial procedures, ability to operate equipment



**PARISH
 COUNCIL
 SELECTION**

We are looking for members of the Parish to serve on our Parish Council. If you are interested in becoming a Parish Council Member, please fill out a selection form available in the back of Church. Place your form in the collection basket or return it to the parish office. Thanks!

MAY 5, 2024 – 6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Date	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers	Servers	Gift Bearers
Saturday, May 4				
4:15pm - IC	A. Westhoff	D. Keence, C. Breeden	A. Arand, M. Bailey, R. Bailey	K. Guidry & M. Gumpenberger
5:00pm - SJ	K. Gerlemann	T. Straatmann, K. Feth, C. Grus	VOLUNTEERS	VOLUNTEERS
Sunday, May 5				
7:00am - IC	A. Mullen	B. Vondera, M. Vondera	B. Collins, J. Stuesse	Mr. & Mrs. Russell Rost
8:30am - SC	Ava Horton	J. Lewis, S. Freeman	VOLUNTEERS	Art & Ruth Cordia
10:00am - IC	L. Cartwright	C. Brune, G. Brune	P. Orf, D. Zweifel, C. Painter	Chris & Gina Brune
10:30am - SJ	A. Kohlbusch	P. Greife, J. Baker, D. Schmidt	VOLUNTEERS	VOLUNTEERS
Saturday, May 11				
4:15pm - IC	L. Carter	M. Davis, K. Guidry	J. Broeker, G. Ennis, C. Ennis	Jim & Debbie Kelley
5:00pm - SJ	Jim Noelker	V. Schroeder, T. Straatmann, VOLUNTEER	VOLUNTEERS	VOLUNTEERS
Saturday, May 12				
7:00am - IC	G. Parmentier	J. Mullen, A. Stuesse	G. Huxel, M. Klenke, T. Ash	Bob & Michelle Vondera
8:30am - SC	Mary Ann McNally	Art Cordia, Matt Horst	VOLUNTEERS	G. Martin, D. Smith, H. Scammel
10:00am - IC	J. Henderson	J. Henderson, R. Bazan	A. Hoeckelman, E. Morgan, A. Cartwright	Ed & Betty Coleman
10:30am - SJ	M. Young	C. Baker, J. Kissinger, G. Johnson	VOLUNTEERS	VOLUNTEERS



A message from Dale & Connie Schmuke @ I. C.

We thank all that have stopped by and signed their card over the last 2 weeks. We will be in the main vestibule or outside (weather permitting) the weekend of May 4th & 5th. If you haven't had a chance before now, please stop by and sign. Your completed card will add to our participation goal. The video for this year's appeal is available at aca.archstl.org. Please reach us at 636.583.5225 with any questions. Thank you for your prayers and continued support.

A message from Jim & Jo Noelker @ St. Joseph Neier

If you haven't already filled out a pledge card for the Annual Catholic Appeal, please do so this weekend. This will help reduce the number of follow up phone calls that will have to be made. Thank you for your support and assistance with this year's appeal. If you have any questions, please contact us at 636.283.1100

A message from Joyce Willis & Linda Kurz from St. Clare

Someone will be available after Mass for you to sign your pledge card. Please stop by before you leave. If you have any questions, please contact the parish office at 636.629.0315

2024

May

St. Clair
Knights of
Columbus
Events & Mtgs

Union
Knights of
Columbus
Events & Mtgs

Immaculate
Conception
Events & Mtgs

St. Clare
Events & Mtgs

St. Joseph
Events & Mtgs

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2 Messy Play 5:30pm Dare Graduation 11:30am	3 1st Friday Fish Fry 4pm - 7pm	4 First Communion 10am Cemetery Clean Up 8am - noon
5	6 Fall Festival Mtg 7pm Board Mtg 7:30pm - Lounge	7	8 LAST PSR CLASS Council Mtg 7:30pm - Hall	9 May Crowning 8am ALL School Mass	10 Tee Off for Tigers Golf Tournament	11
12 Breakfast 7:30am - 11:30am First Communion 10:30am	13	14	15 LAST YOUTH MINISTRY NIGHT	16	17 Field Day	18
19 8th Grade Graduation 1pm High School Youth Ministry 5pm	20 Home & School Mtg 6:30pm	21 Kindergarten Graduation 9am LAST DAY OF SCHOOL	22	23	24	25 Pro-Life Rummage & Bake Sale 8am - 1pm
26	27 ALL Parish Offices Closed for Memorial Day	28	29	30	31	

Immaculate Conception

Mondays **Tuesdays** **Wednesdays**
 1st Monday Weekly Youth Ministry 6:30pm - 8pm
 WCU Mtg - 7pm Adoration 8:30am - 6pm
 2nd Monday SVDP Mtg - 11am
Thursdays
 4th Monday Weekly Quilting 1pm - 3pm
 SVDP Mtg - 7pm
 3rd Wednesday School Board Mtg - 5pm

St. Joseph


Tuesdays **Wednesdays** **Thursdays**
 3rd Tuesday Weekly Quilting 8am - 1pm
 Parish Council Mtg - 6:30pm - 7:45pm
Sundays 1st Thursday Adoration 7am - 1pm
 1st Sunday Forever Young Club - 1pm
 Ladies Sodality Mtg 9am
 Weekly Quilting will return in September
 2nd Thursday Finance Mtg 5:30pm

St. Clare

Tuesdays **Wednesdays**
 Weekly Adoration 8:30am - 2pm
 PSR is finished for 2023/2024

Have an amazing May!

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