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**December 22, 2024**

**Fourth Sunday of Advent**

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Tuesday 5:45 - 6:05pm  
Saturday 4:00 - 4:45pm



## FROM FATHER RANDY

Sunday - Novena & Confessions at 6:30 PM

Monday - Novena & Confessions at 6:30 PM

Tuesday - NO 8:00 AM or 6:30 PM Mass, NO Adoration; 5:00 PM Vigil Christmas Mass in the Gym

Wednesday - Christmas Masses - Midnight, 8:30 & 10:00 AM

Thursday & Friday - NO Mass

Sunday - KC Mass at 10:00 AM

\*2025 Calendars are in the back of Church. Please help yourself!

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\*\*\*If you are parking in the gravel lot and are needing to come to the office or Fellowship Room, come down all the steps and you'll see the a/c unit. The door right by the a/c unit will be unlocked for easy access to everything.

### INSPIRATION FROM THE NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS

Tune into great presentations from the Eucharistic Congress. Here is Tony Melendez, the man with no arms who plays the guitar with his feet. Tony lives in our diocese and his wife Lynn is the Diocesan Director of Evangelization and Family Life for our Springfield-Cape Girardeau Diocese. Tune in at:

<https://manna.eucharisticcongress.org/discover/item/02-mendez-friday-encounter>

### Mass Intentions

#### MONDAY, December 23rd

8:00 AM † Shane Callow

#### TUESDAY, December 24th

5:00 PM Living & deceased members of  
Albert & Hilda Beussink Family

#### WEDNESDAY, December 25th

12:00 AM Parish Family

8:03 AM † Jim Willenbring

10:00 AM Pastors Intentions

#### THURSDAY, December 26th

No Mass

#### FRIDAY, December 27th

No Mass

#### SATURDAY, December 28th

5:00 PM † John & Regina Donaldson

#### SUNDAY, December 29th

7:00 AM † Kevin Eftink

8:30 AM † Charlie Seyer

10:00 AM Parish Family

**Weekend Holy Mass Schedule: Saturday 5:00 pm Sunday 7:00, 8:30, 10:00 am**

# PARISH CALENDAR

## **MONDAY, December 23rd**

7:30 AM Rosary

8:00 AM Mass

6:00 - 8:30 PM LIFT Women's Fellowship - *Parish Center*

## **TUESDAY, December 24th**

**Office Closed**

5:00 PM Mass - *Gym*

## **WEDNESDAY, December 25th**

**Office Closed**

12:00 AM Mass

8:30 AM Mass

10:00 AM Mass

## **THURSDAY, December 26th**

**No Mass**

## **FRIDAY, December 27th**

**No Mass**

## **SATURDAY, December 28th**

7:00 - 8:30 AM Cursillo Small Groups - *Fellowship Room*

4:30 PM Rosary

5:00 PM Mass

6:30 PM - 6:30 AM KC'S 4th Saturday Adoration

## **SUNDAY, December 29th**

The Holy Family

Masses at 7:00, 8:30, 10:00 AM

### **Fourth Sunday of Advent**

*"Blessed are you who believed that what was spoken to you by the Lord would be fulfilled." (Luke 1:45)*

Like Mary, you are called to trust in God's plan for your life. If you feel that God is asking you to serve as a priest or religious brother or sister, believe in His promise and follow with courage. Talk to your priest or reach out to the Vocation Office at 417-866-0841 or email [icdeaconal@gmail.com](mailto:icdeaconal@gmail.com).

# COLLECTIONS

Due to the holidays and the early submission dates of the bulletin, collection totals for December 15th and December 22nd will be in next weekend's bulletin.

*Numbers include online giving*

*If you are tithing online and want to cancel your envelopes, please email Karen at [secretary@icjacksonmo.com](mailto:secretary@icjacksonmo.com) or call the parish office (573) 243-3182*

## **Spiritual Reflections**

Readings for the week of December 22nd, 2024

- Sunday: Mi 5:1-4a/Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19 (4)/Heb 10:5-10/Lk 1:39-45
- Monday: Mal 3:1-4, 23-24/Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-9, 10 and 14/Lk 1:57-66
- Tuesday: Morning: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 and 29/Lk 1:67-79
- Wednesday: Vigil: Is 62:1-5/Ps 89:4-5, 16-17, 27, 29 (2a)/Acts 13:16-17, 22-25/ Mt 1:1-25 or 1:18-25 Night: Is 9:1-6/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 11-12, 13 (Lk 2:11)/ Ti 2:11-14/Lk 2:1-14 Dawn: Is 62:11-12/Ps 97:1, 6, 11-12/Ti 3:4-7/Lk 2:15-20 Day: Is 52:7-10/Heb 1:1-6/Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4, 5-6 (3c)/Jn 1:1-18 or 1:1-5, 9-14
- Thursday: Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59/Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 and 8ab, 16bc and 17/Mt 10:17-22
- Friday: 1 Jn 1:1-4/Ps 97: 1-2, 5-6, 11-12/Jn 20:1a, 2-8
- Saturday: 1 Jn 1:5—2:2/Ps 124:2-3, 4-5, 7b-8/Mt 2:13-18
- Next Sunday: 1 Sm 1:20-22, 24-28/Ps 84:2-3, 5-6, 9-10 (see 5a)/1 Jn 3:1-2, 21-24/Lk 2:41-52

### SICK AND HOSPITALIZED

**Dorcis Bonnagent,**  
daughter of Judy Beussink

### BAPTISM

**Marian Brugger**

**Amy Elfrink & unborn child,**  
daughter of Michele Kilhafner

### NEW MEMBERS

**Eldon & Velda Thorne,**  
parents of Stacey Heisserer

### REST IN PEACE **Robert Wilson**

**Gail Smith,**  
sister of Andrea Sachse

# PARISH NEWS

## Help Wanted!

We will be decorating the gym and the church for Christmas Mass on Monday, December 23rd after the 8:00 AM Mass. We need men to help place the tarps on the gym floor, set chairs and move trees/decorations for decorating. Then we will decorate in the gym and then the church. If you have any questions or need more info, you can contact Barbie Gibbs at 573-587-1271. We will then take down all the decorations in the gym on Friday, December 27th.

## Help Marian Charities & Foster Adopt Connect (formerly Hope Children's Home) in Southeast MO

A semi-trailer will be in the Church parking lot November 25th – January 5th to receive any donations of good clothes & coats (adult, children & infant), cookware (pots, pans, glasses, cups, bowls, plates, silverware), canned goods, knick-knacks, toys, furniture, appliances in working order, bed sheets, blankets, towels, carpets, rugs or household items. Please take your donated items to the very front of the trailer & stack them to the ceiling so we can fill the trailer. These items will then be distributed & shared with people in Southeast Missouri. Your giving and sharing are appreciated.

## Feed My Starving Children

Looking for a way to donate to the poor this Advent Season? IC church is collecting money to send to Feed My Starving Children for the Jackson community packing event. We are collecting money at this time and it will be sent to the company in the name of IC school/parish. Then, in March during the Lenten Season we encourage our parishioners to help pack food. In order to be able to pack the most amount of food possible for those children in need, we need to raise money now. We have been participating for the last 2 years and donated over \$3,000. Thank you for your support and please consider donating again this year! You can donate with cash, check, or venmo(Lindsey Gross-13). All questions can go to Lindsey Gross, 573-579-5255.

# SCHOOL NEWS

## IC Cash Drawing

IC School is starting up their 2025 Cash Drawing. Each ticket is \$10 and are valid for every Friday drawing. The winner from these drawings receives \$20. Your name will be put in each drawing, even if you win. There are 3 extra big drawings too. Tickets can be purchased in the school or church office during office hours.

## IC Restaurant Night/KC Fish & Chicken Fry

On Friday, January 17th at the KC Hall in Jackson from 4:30 - 7:00 PM. There will also be desserts to purchase.

# FAMILY MINISTRIES

## Birthright Donations for the Advent and Christmas Season

Many churches in our area collect items for Birthright over the Christmas season, please know that we DEPEND on these collections. They sustain us for at least the 1st quarter of the new year, especially the items that are collected for our Layettes (baby baskets that we give to our new moms). There is a list of numerous items needed posted in the back of church on the bulletin board. Please drop items off at either the Cape or Marble Hill Center. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me. Thank you ALWAYS for your support.

Kim Sellers, Director of Birthright, Cape Girardeau

## Save The Date

St. Ann's Sodality Rummage Sale will be held on Friday, June 6th and Saturday, June 7th, 2025. Thanks to all that worked & donated this past year. Over \$20,000 was raised. Please start collecting items for the June sale now. Also, if you would like to serve on any of the sale committees (overall, finance, plant, advertising, clothing or food), text 573-579-8414 with your name, number and desired committee.

## YOUTH NEWS

**“Be who God meant you to be and you will set the world on fire.”**  
- St. Catherine of Siena

Youth Spirit - High school aged youth

**December 22nd - Tonight-No Youth Group**

**December 29th - Life Night- We will meet in the Fellowship Room from 6:30-8:00pm**

**January 5th - Life Night** - We will meet in the Fellowship Room from 6:30-8:00pm

**January 12th - Faith and Floats** - See below for more information

**LIFE TEEN** - All our spots are filled and we have a waiting list. Please pray for those who will be going on this life changing experience!

Kaboom 6th - 8th grade students

Thank you to Monica Nugent for suppling us with a yummy meal for our December meeting!

**January 18th** - We will meet in the Fellowship Hall from 6:00-7:30 PM for prayer, fun and food. Supper will be provided by Marsha Buchheit.

## Regional Events

**January 12th - FAITH and FLOATS** - It will be held

here at IC this month. **6th-8th graders** meet in the Fellowship Room from 6:00-7:25pm. **High School students** meet in the Fellowship Room from 7:30-9:00pm. Our guest speaker this month is our very own **Sarah Bess!** Come join us as she shares how God has blessed her and her soap making business. Please RSVP as soon as possible so Sarah knows how many supplies she needs to bring with her.



See the Youth bulletin board in the back of church for future activities and additional information.

Please contact Karen Engelen at [icyouthspirit@gmail.com](mailto:icyouthspirit@gmail.com) with questions or to volunteer.

# COMMUNITY NEWS

## Worldwide Marriage Encounter

presents weekend experiences for married couples to rekindle romance, enhance meaningful communication, and deepen and renew commitment. For more info or to apply, go to [wwme.org](http://wwme.org), or call Terry & Eric Engholm at 314-649-7317.

1/31/2025 - 2/2/2025, St. Peters, MO

4/4/2025 - 4/6/2025, St. Peters, MO

6/13/2025 - 6/15/2024, St. Peters, MO

The Marriage Encounter Community will meet the 3rd Sunday of every month at 2 PM at the KC Hall on Spanish Street in Cape.

## Semo Area Ultreyas

are held the 3rd Saturday of each month. Morning prayers begin in the church at 9:00 AM with grouping, refreshments, and socializing to follow. Come share the joy with fellow Cursillistas. De Colores!

## St. Padre Pio Secular Franciscan Order

Meetings are from 1:00 - 3:00 PM at St. Francis Hospital, in the St. Agatha room every 4th Sunday of the month.

## The Holy Rosary

will be prayed at 1:30 PM on the 3rd Sunday of the month at the St. John Henry Newman Center in Cape Girardeau.

## Jackson KC #6405

Knights meet at 7:00 PM in the Clubroom on the 2nd & 4th Wednesday of each month.  
4th Degree meet at 7:00 PM in the Clubroom on the 2nd Monday every other month.  
Ladies Auxiliary meet at 6:30 PM in the Lower Hall on the 4th Wednesday of each month - except in November & December.

## Catholic Man Night

are held every other month from 6:30 - 9:00 PM. An evening of Adoration, Confessions, & a Manly Meal with discussion to follow.

## Parish Bulletin Inserts and Flyers

<https://www.icjacksonmo.com/bulletins/>



## ND News and Events

Lots of updates about Notre Dame can be found at <https://icjacksonmo.com/notredame> including: March With Me at March For Life, ND Athletic Tickets & ND Freshman Placement Test.

## Camp Re-NEW-All Registration

Registration started Wednesday, December 11th for the summer of 2025. Camp is open to kids going into 5th - 9th grade in the fall, high school staff going into 10th - 12th grade, and adult staff. Campers are placed on a first-come-first-served basis. Brochures are available on the center bulletin board in the vestibule. You can also apply online at <https://dioscg.org/camp-re-new-all>, or call the Catholic Center at 417-866-0841.

## Immaculate Conception/American Red Cross Blood Drive

On Thursday, January 9th, 2025 from 12:30 - 5:30 PM at the **Knights of Columbus Hall, Lower Level, Jackson**. Please call **1-800-RED-CROSS** or visit [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org).

## IC School Restaurant Night Fundraiser/KC Fish Fry

On Friday, January 17th, 2025 from 4:30 - 7:00 PM in the lower hall at the Jackson KC Hall. Fried fish and chicken with all the fixings.

## National Shrine Named Sacred Pilgrimage Site for Jubilee Year of Hope

The Archdiocese of St. Louis has designated the National Shrine of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal in Perryville, Missouri, as a Sacred Pilgrimage Site for Pope Francis's Jubilee Year of Hope. Please join us for a special Mass at the National Shrine on Sunday, December 29th, at 11:00 AM. The Jubilee Year of Hope begins December 24th, 2024, and continues through January 6th, 2026. When making a solemn, prayerful visit to the National Shrine and/or any designated sacred site, the faithful can obtain a Jubilee Indulgence:

- by participation in Holy Mass or another liturgical service such as Morning or Evening Prayer or acts of piety such as Stations of the Cross, praying the Rosary, or visits to the Blessed Sacrament;
- and there, for a suitable period of time, engage in Eucharistic adoration and meditation, concluding with the Our Father, the Profession of Faith from Mass, and a prayer to the Blessed Virgin Mary.

For more information, please contact our office at 1-800-264-6279 or e-mail us at [ammfather@amm.org](mailto:ammfather@amm.org).

## Magnify 90 - A Spiritual Exercise for Women

January 20th - April 20th, 2025 This 90-day journey asks us to foster a deeper relationship with God and others. Through prayer, spiritual readings, mortifications, and offerings we can link arms as desert sisters, and set the world ablaze with Christ's light by being the saints we were created to be! We hope you'll join us!

Simply scan the QR Code to register. For more information visit [www.mag90.com](http://www.mag90.com) or contact Melanie Diebold ([melaniecowell@gmail.com](mailto:melaniecowell@gmail.com)), Laura Enderle ([lenderle@staangels.eduk12.net](mailto:lenderle@staangels.eduk12.net)) Stacey Welter ([swelter.4christ@gmail.com](mailto:swelter.4christ@gmail.com)), Alicia Schumer ([arsachse@yahoo.com](mailto:arsachse@yahoo.com)), Leah Shrum ([director@optionsforwomenscape.com](mailto:director@optionsforwomenscape.com)), or Rachael Bremer ([rachaelbremer@stmarycape.org](mailto:rachaelbremer@stmarycape.org))

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**Liturgical Ministers (December 28th & December 29th)**

	<b>Lectors</b>	<b>Usher/Greeters</b>	<b>Eucharistic Ministers (C) Cup</b>	<b>Mass Servers</b>
5:00 pm	David Coe Amy Moore	Mark Elfrink, Richard Knaup Linda Martin, Vickie Webb	Kenny & Joyce Loos - C Richard Horrell, Jack Martin, Donna McLain	Ryder Broch Logan Moore Nolan Moore
7:00 am	Joe Bullinger	Ronnie & Patti Eftink James & Gail Gosche	Andrea Sachse & Gerald Stoverink - C Gary Beussink	Catherine McNeely Xavier Thomas
8:30 am	Brian Bauknecht Betty Jones	Phillip & Sarah Bess Benedict & Stephanie Starke	Terri Kahle & Sam Wise - C Kim Baker, Marilyn Sievers, Marlene Strieker	Mia Litzelfelner Joseph Ruch Madison Thompson
10:00 am	<b>KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS</b>	<b>KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS</b>	<b>KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS</b>	<b>KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS</b>



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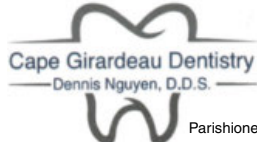


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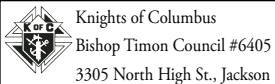
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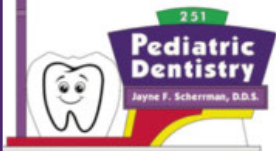
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