

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH

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Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick

For a sacramental emergency, in case of imminent death, please call Fr. Jeffrey at 419-675-1162 x.8, or Fr. Ed in Ada at 419-634-2626 x.7.

For non-emergency anointings, or for communion visits to the sick, please notify the office.

Sacrament of Penance

First Saturdays from 9:30-10:30am or by appointment with Fr. Ed at eshikina@columbuscatholic.org

Baptisms

To arrange for instructions for the Sacrament of Baptism, call the Office.

Marriages

Please make initial arrangements at the Office at least 9 months before the intended wedding date to begin marriage preparation.

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekends

Saturday Evening – 4pm

Sunday – 9am

Last Sunday of the month at 7pm (Spanish)

Holy Days

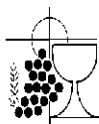
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Weekdays

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday, 9am

STEWARDSHIP

In today’s Gospel reading we hear Jesus referring to himself as “the good shepherd.” His sheep know him, trust him, listen to him and follow him; having faith that no harm will come to them as long as they stay close to him. We reaffirmed our faith in Christ when we renewed our baptismal promises at Easter. As stewards of our relationship with Jesus Christ, are we, like the sheep, willing to listen to Jesus, follow him, trust him?



**Masses
for the Week**

Monday	April 26 9:00am	Charlotte Scharf
Tuesday	April 27 9:00am	Walter & Evelyn Johnson
Wednesday	April 28 9:00am	St. Peter Chanel, Priest Jim Mahoney
Thursday	April 29 9:00 am	St. Catherine of Siena, Virgin Michael & Ann Quinn
Saturday	May 1 4:00pm	Fifth Sunday of Easter For the Parish
Sunday	May 2 9:00am	Fifth Sunday of Easter For Vocations Livestream from ICC at 9am



**Weekly Readings for
Masses April 26 – May 2**

Monday	Acts 11:1-18 & John 10:1-10
Tuesday	Acts 11:19-26 & John 10:22-30
Wednesday	Acts 12:24-13:5a & John 12:44-50
Thursday	Acts 13:13-25 & John 13:16-20
Friday	Acts 13:26-33 & John 14:1-6
Saturday	Acts 13:44-52 & John 14:7-14
Sunday	Acts 9:26-31 1 John 3:18-24 John 15:1-8



Please remember to keep our Nursing Home Parishioners and the Home Bound and the sick in your prayers:

Lydia Hickey, Charlene Hilty, Diane Jaeger,
Bernie Zoeller, Rita Scharf, Mary King,
Ivan Dick, Carol Lowery, Richard Vanderwerf.

Bishops Annual Appeal ~ 2021



Living the Joy of the Gospel Throughout this challenging year, the Bishop’s Annual Appeal (BAA) has provided more than \$1 million back into our parishes for their most urgent and pressing needs. We pray that we will continue to strengthen the partnerships built through the BAA and pray that we may successfully provide financial support to our parishes, Catholic schools, seminarians, and the many other diocesan ministries in the upcoming year. The BAA Kickoff is the weekend of May 1 & 2. The Financial Goal for our parish (set by the diocese) this year is \$16,152.61; our ‘Participation Goal’ remains at 100%. Any amount you can give will help us to reach both goals! As always, any amount over our goal is returned to our parish.

Week of April 18, 2021

Regular (42 env)	\$1578.00
Loose	256.36
Capital	155.00
Total	\$1989.36

Weekly Goal	\$ 2,986.00
Year to Date	\$107,057.09
Year to Date Budget	\$130,299.00

Online giving

Go to <https://icckenton.org/give>

Remember there are separate options to give online to the designated collections throughout the year.

Missionary Co-op

The weekend of May 15 & 16 is our Missions Appeal Weekend. Due to the COVID we still will not be having an actual missionary come and speak; however, we will be taking a collection for the Little Sisters of Mary Immaculate of Gulu (LSMIG). Therefore, a second collection will be taken up that weekend. Please be generous in your donations for the missions. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

Scholarships Available

Immaculate Conception Scholarship

If you are a senior in high school or attending a university or college and are a parishioner of Immaculate Conception you may apply for a scholarship. Applications can be found in the back of church. Completed applications must be received in the office by May 13.

Knights of Columbus Scholarship

The Knights of Columbus Council 1597 are calling for applications for the 2021 Christine Stahler Memorial Scholarship. This scholarship is for graduating high school seniors and continuing ONU students. The award amount will depend on number of applicants. Please submit your application by May 5, 2021 for consideration. Applications can be picked up in the back of church or apply online at <https://forms.gle/b9avXKkoVTipWXXa9>.

TODAY IS WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

Today the Holy Father has asked all Catholics to intercede for vocations. Will you make a special effort to ask the Lord for more vocations to the priesthood and religious life?

- Pray for the priests who have ministered to you throughout your life, both living and dead.
- Keep our parish priests and deacons in prayer throughout the week.
- Encourage your children or grandchildren to consider a vocation as a priest or religious brother or sister.
- Pray a rosary for more young men and women in our diocese to respond to God's call.

The Catholic Foundation

"I am the good shepherd...and I lay down my life for the sheep...and they will heed my voice."

- John 10:14-16

When you pray, do you only ask Jesus for the things that you want? Do you ever ask Him what He wants from you? How do you listen for His response? Many times, Jesus responds in "quiet whispers" that are not so obvious. So, take time every day, in silence, to actively listen for His voice.

Learn how you can share the gifts of Jesus and support your parish and contact The Catholic Foundation.

Visit www.catholic-foundation.org/development for more information.

RealPresenceRealFuture

In today's Gospel, Jesus describes Himself as a good shepherd, leading, caring for, and protecting His sheep. Knowing the flock intimately, a good shepherd claims them as his own just as Jesus does for us. A good shepherd is always present, never abandoning the flock, even in the midst of danger. He sacrifices out of love, just as Jesus sacrificed Himself for our salvation! Jesus is *the Good Shepherd*, always present in our lives, inviting us to trust in Him. As members of his flock, may we respond in faith, listening to and following Him as he guides us into the future.

To read more about how we are growing together in the life of faith and discipleship in the Diocese of Columbus, visit www.RealPresenceRealFuture.org.



Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Wednesdays

Wednesday, April 28

Eucharistic Adoration after the morning Mass at 9am and ending with benediction at 1pm. If you are interested in volunteering for a time slot, please sign up on the sheet in back of church. We would like to have more volunteers for some other slots and try to extend adoration to 3pm. Please prayerfully consider helping out in this great ministry.



We welcome into the fellowship of Christ through baptism, Clara Grace Stacklin, daughter of Victoria Stacklin, who was recently baptized at Immaculate Conception. Congratulations to the proud mother.

Knights of Columbus Super Cash Bonanza

The Kenton K of C will be having their "Super Cash Bonanza" tickets for sale again this year. See Brad Lautar, Tom Sprang, or Chris Spiese for a ticket or call Brad at 419-675-0822 and leave a message.

Thank you.

Soup Board

Requesting volunteers

Soup Kitchen is looking for new volunteers to help provide hot meals the last full week of each month. They will teach you to cook, serve, and clean up afterwards. They begin cooking by 8:30 and serve from 11:30 to 1. Their crew are past their prime and need to enlist younger people to help contribute to their community. If you are interested contact Mary Rayl at 419-673-9586 or Dorothy Hogue at 419-775-5236.

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