

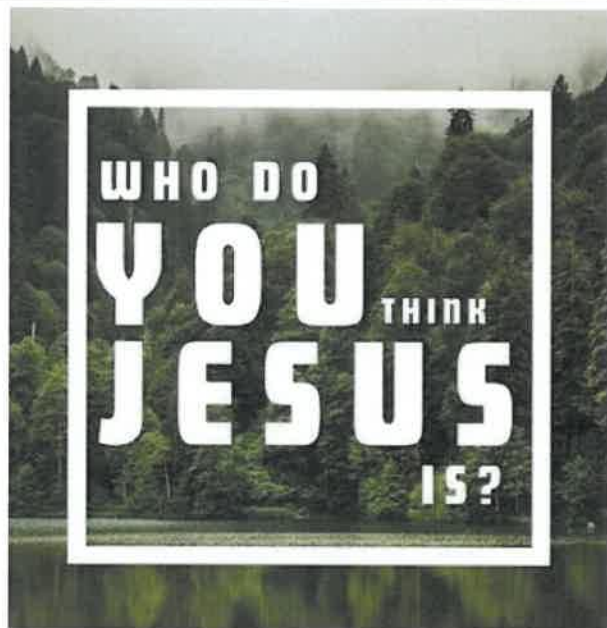
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MASS SCHEDULE

TUESDAY - 12:00 p.m.
WEDNESDAY - 8:00 a.m.
THURSDAY & FRIDAY - 8:00 a.m.
SATURDAY - 4:00 p.m.
SUNDAY - 10:30 a.m.

BULLETIN ARTICLES SHOULD
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ON WEDNESDAY.



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Mass Intentions

08/22 (Saturday)	4:00 p.m.	Gebhard Gasser
08/23 (Sunday)	8:00 a.m.	Mass at St. Barbara's
	10:30 a.m.	Fr. Jerry Schetter
08/24 (Monday)		No Mass
08/25 (Tuesday)	12:00 p.m.	Jerome Turnwald
08/26 (Wednesday)	8:00 a.m.	Hilarius Koester, Don & Monica Miller, Art & Delores Schimmoeller
08/27 (Thursday)	8:00 a.m.	Norb & Bernie Miller;
	6:00 p.m.	Bud & Julie Hemker
08/28 (Friday)		Mass at St. Barbara's
08/28 (Friday)	8:00 a.m.	Dorothy Ruen—7th Day Tom Burgei
08/29 (Saturday)	4:00 p.m.	Camryn Mansfield
08/30 (Sunday)	8:00 a.m.	Mass at St. Barbara's
	10:30 a.m.	Jerome Turnwald

Next Weekend's Readings - August 29-30, 2026

Jeremiah 20:7-9 Romans 12:1-2
Matthew 16:21-27

WEDDING BANNS III:

Abigail Hilvers &
Logan Ridenour



WEDDING BANNS I:

Lillian Burkhardt &
Adam Berryman



MEMORIAL FLOWERS ON
THE ALTAR
Gebhard Gasser



PRAYER FOR THE BEGINNING OF THE SCHOOL YEAR



God of wisdom and might, we praise you for the wonders of our being, for mind, body and spirit. Be with our children as they begin a new school year. Bless them, their parents, and their teachers and staff. Give them strength and grace as their bodies grow; wisdom and knowledge to their minds as they search for understanding; and peace and zeal to their spirits. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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EXPLORING
THE FAITH

Curious about the
Catholic Church and
want to learn more



NEW TO
THE FAITH

Thinking about becoming
Catholic and want to
take the next step



ALREADY BAPTIZED
CATHOLIC

Need to receive
Confirmation and/or
First Communion



SEEKING A
DEEPER FAITH

Desire a closer
relationship with God
and His Church



CLASSES START IN
September!



EVERY JOURNEY
BEGINS WITH A *Yes.*

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INTERESTED? WANT TO LEARN MORE?



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419-230-6415



Or email
icadulministry@
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WE CAN'T WAIT TO WELCOME YOU!



Come and see



Religious Education classes begin on
Wednesday, September 23 for grades 1-12!
If you have not registered yet, now is the time!

You can go online from the website
www.icchurchottoville.org, scan the QR code, or stop by the office.



Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

Hello Friends,

Blessings to students of all ages and to their families (including college students) as they return to school! Prayers for a happy, productive, and safe school year. Also, prayers for all students (and their families) to overcome any challenges during the school year. As we know, "Life is not easy". School (academically and socially) can be difficult. We are fortunate in Putnam County to have good schools (Go Big Green!), but no place is perfect. And students these days have the additional pressure put upon them by social media. There are always challenges in life but may God, our guardian angels, and the saints be a source of grace and protection for all!



This week the church will celebrate a saint who's impact and legacy is felt in our nation, St. King Louis IX of France. Yes, he is the very one whom St. Louis, MO is named after. (You may have seen *The Apotheosis of St. Louis* statue in St. Louis. Thankfully it survived the iconoclasm movement of the Summer of 2020! Catholic lay people united to save it.)

From the earliest days of his childhood, when his mom, the famous Blanche of Castile (as regent) governed in his stead, Louis had as much of a saintly bearing as he had a kingly disposition. He came across, always, more as a saint than a person of near absolute power (he lived as much like St. Francis of Assisi as he could!) Some people are simply that way. (In saying this, he was resolute and nobody's pushover.) He tried his best in what mattered with the faith and charity.

Born to be king, he was known as "The Poor Person's King". He and his wife Queen Margaret and their children (eight of their eleven children survived into adulthood) were known for their attention to the poor. The King made it a point to seldom eat much better than the poor of the city (Paris); and he and his family would often welcome an ever-rotating assemblage of poor people into the palace and even personally serve them at the table and occasionally even wash their feet! This was King Louis' way; daily charity was normal to him. And even more than this, he was pious in prayer and devotion. He may have been king, but Christ was always his King. He honored the Lord in many ways, including commissioning the famous neighboring chapel to Notre Dame called Sainte-Chapelle which is known for its relics and for its towering and colorful stained-glass windows. He is also the king who brought the Crown of Thorns to Paris. Louis processed into the city with it, barefoot, and wearing but a tunic. His piety, sanctity, and charity is forever exceptional for a national leader.

Yet, in saying this, he was not perfect. He was a man of his times and had his suspicions and mistrust of non-Christians. And he participated in war, the Crusades. He spent years away from home and the Crusades ended up costing his life (due to sickness).

As the school year begins, we remember one of his greatest desires for his children: That they be good, moral and faithful people. When one of his son's asked him to write down his advice, King Louis said: "The first thing I advise you, fix your whole heart on God, and love God with all your strength, for without this no one can be saved and no one can have worth." Among the many laudable goals students can pursue this school year and beyond, we pray that they are encouraged and supported to be such good people. —Fr. George Mahas—

Raffle Booth Donations

We are seeking donations for the Parish Festival Raffle Booth! If you would like to contribute, you may donate an item or make a monetary donation, and the committee will purchase an item on your behalf.

- **Item Donations:** Drop off at the Parish Office by **Monday, September 21st**. If you would like your item picked up, please contact **Dawn Schnipke** at **419-513-9835**
- **Monetary Donations:** Please make checks payable to **Immaculate Conception Church—Raffle Booth** mail to the IC Parish Office, P.O. Box 296, Ottoville, OH 45876

Donations may also be dropped off at the Parish Office during business hours (M-Th: 8am-3pm)

Thank you for your generous support!



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YOUTH GROUP



Mum Sale

BEAUTIFUL MUMS • BIG IMPACT • SUPPORT OUR YOUTH

Amherst Greenhouse in Harrod, OH has partnered with our Immaculate Conception Youth Group for a mum fundraiser!



ORDERS DUE:

Monday, September 7th



PRICE:

\$10.00 each



PAYMENT:

Money is due when placing order. Checks payable to Ottoville ICY.



DELIVERY:

Monday, September 14th



ALL ITEMS
\$10.00
EACH

MUMS WILL BE DELIVERED:

Monday, 9/14

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING OUR YOUTH!



*Your support helps us grow in faith
and serve our community.*



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ICY GROUP

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION YOUTH

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HS STUDENTS
invited!

JOIN US FOR SNACKS, FUN AND LOTS OF LAUGHS!

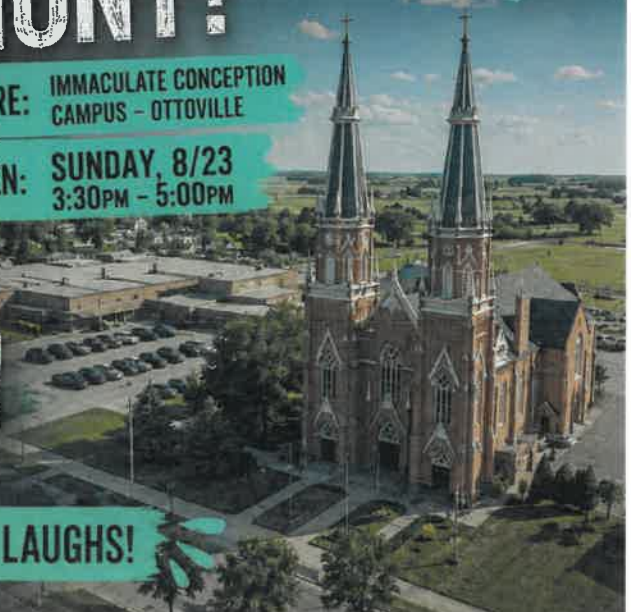
SCAVENGER HUNT!



WHERE: IMMACULATE CONCEPTION
CAMPUS - OTTOVILLE



WHEN: SUNDAY, 8/23
3:30PM - 5:00PM





Love Our Park? Come Help Us Out!



If you enjoy using and supporting our park, please consider volunteering for the **Ottoville Park Carnival!** We're looking for volunteers to help in the **lunch stand** and at the **money wheel**.

Please see our **Facebook page** for a signup sheet or contact **Stacie Warnecke** at **419-769-3025**.



Every volunteer makes a difference and helps make the carnival a success!

If you can spare some time, we'd love to have you join us.
Thank you for supporting our park and our community!



IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH

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PARISH OFFICE

★ CLOSED ★

in observance of

Labor Day

★ MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2026 ★

*Thank you to all who work hard and serve our communities.
Have a safe and blessed Labor Day!*



Improved Hearing Assistance Coming Soon!

We are investing in a technology upgrade for our **"Listen Assist"** system! In addition to our portable receivers, we will soon offer **Auracast™**, a new technology that works directly with many modern hearing aids.

Watch for the **Auracast™** logo at the church entrances in the coming months. Most modern hearing aids support this technology, and we are excited to offer this option for an **improved listening experience!**



Donations toward the installation of this new technology are greatly appreciated. Thank you for helping us make our church more accessible to everyone!



CYO 5th & 6th Grade Volleyball Schedule

August 29th @ Continental

9:00 Ottoville 6th vs Continental 6th
12:00 Ottoville 5th vs Continental 5th

September 12th @ Ottoville (Parish Center)

9:00 Ottoville 6th vs Glandorf 6th
10:00 Ottoville 5th vs Glandorf 5th

September 19th @ Columbus Grove

9:00 Ottoville 6th vs Kalida Gold ***Court 2***
11:00 Ottoville 5th vs Grove 5th ***Court 1***

September 26th @ Ottoville (Parish Center)

9:00 Ottoville 6th vs SPPS Green 6th
12:00 Ottoville 5th vs Kalida 5th

October 3rd @ Kalida

9:00 Ottoville 5th vs SPPS White 5th ***Court 4***
11:00 Ottoville 6th vs Kalida Maroon 6th ***Court 1***

October 10th @ Ottawa

10:00 Ottoville 6th vs SPPS White

**5th grade tournament @ Continental
Saturday, October 10th.**

**6th grade tournament @ Continental
Saturday, October 17th**

Thank you!!

We would like to express our deep appreciation for all the prayers so many of you have said for Carol over the years. All those involved in her funeral, mass, and meal preparation, thank you; it was everything Carol wanted.

Celebrate Life

Steve Hoersten

Brent & Family, Stephanie & Family



Fall Festival

Help Keep Our Parish Festival Tradition Alive!

Our Annual Immaculate Conception Parish Festival is a beloved tradition that brings our parish family, friends, and community together each year. We are looking for **new co-chairs as overall leaders to help continue this wonderful tradition!**

This is a temporary leadership commitment (**likely a 3-year term**), and you won't be on your own! New co-chairs will have the opportunity to observe and work alongside our current co-chairs, receive training and guidance, and learn everything needed to make the festival a success. A detailed festival "**playbook**" is also available to help guide you through the process—much of the work simply involves following the steps that are already in place.

If you enjoy working with others, helping our parish, and being part of a great tradition, we would love to have you consider this opportunity. Please prayerfully consider sharing your time and talents!

To express your interest, please contact the parish office.



Fort Jennings Blood Drive

**Wednesday, September 2 •
Noon–6:00 p.m.
Fort Jennings Legion Hall**

Help save lives by donating blood!

To schedule an appointment:
Visit www.redcrossblood.org, sign in, and enter ZIP code **45844**.

Or contact: **Alice Wiegand**: 491-234-7293 or
Dianne Miehl: 419-863-0067

Walk-ins are always welcome!

THE OTTOVILLE PARK CARNIVAL

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IT'S BACK AFTER YEARS AWAY!

1,500 DUCKS. ONE RACE. BIG CASH PRIZES!

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or message our Facebook page

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THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING THE OTTOVILLE PARK CARNIVAL!



JOIN US FOR THE THIRD ANNUAL DIOCESE OF TOLEDO

WALK FOR VOCATIONS

EACH STEP A PRAYER FOR MORE PRIESTS.

Please consider joining us — for all five days or even part of one day — on a pilgrimage to pray for more vocations to the Diocesan Priesthood.

Msgr. Tad Oxley, Fr. David Kidd, and Fr. Joseph Mominee will be walking 70+ miles over the course of five days in prayer and sacrifice for an increase in vocations to the Diocesan priesthood.

If you can walk with us...

- Meet at the departure location for that day.
- Bring water and a packed lunch.
- Wear comfortable walking shoes.
- Plan for transportation back to your vehicle at the end of the day.

If you cannot walk with us...

- Take your own prayer walk in your neighborhood, parish, or community—at whatever distance your abilities allow—and unite your steps with this intention.
- Join us in prayer and fasting for vocations to the Diocesan priesthood throughout these five days.
- Join us for the Closing Mass at Our Lady of Consolation in Carey.



Diocese of Toledo



Scan the code or visit toledodiocese.org/walk to find route details, and more!

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

Start: 2:00pm | Rosary Cathedral, Toledo
End: 7:00pm | St. Joseph, Maumee

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

Start: 9:00am | St. Joseph, Maumee
End: 5:30pm | St. Thomas More, Bowling Green
Mass offered upon arrival

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

Start: 9:00am | St. Aloysius, Bowling Green
End: 6:00pm | Holy Family, North Baltimore
Mass offered upon arrival

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

Start: 8:00am | Holy Family, North Baltimore
End: 5:00pm | St. Michael, Findlay
Mass offered upon arrival

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 1

Start: 8:00am | St. Michael, Findlay
End: 5:00pm | Our Lady of Consolation, Carey
6:00pm | Closing Mass

Praying of the Rosary Saturdays at 3:30 p.m.

August 22nd
Peggy Pohlman

August 29th
Sara Beining

September 5th
Deb Burgei

September 12th
Adam & Beth Schnipke

September 19th
Peggy Pohlman

September 26th
Sara Beining



OUR GIFTS TO GOD!

For the week of August 8-9, 2026

Sacrificial Offering—\$ 2,520.00
Loose Cash—\$ 748.50
Parish Center—\$ 185.00
Energy—\$ 652.00
Religious Education—\$ 190.00
Assumption of Mary—\$ 1.00

For the week of August 15-16, 2026

Sacrificial Offering—\$ 2,716.00
Loose Cash—\$ 1,39.11
Parish Center—\$ 140.00
Energy—\$ 50.00
Religious Education—\$ 30.00
Assumption of Mary—\$ 407.00

Thank you for your generosity!



KNIGHTS NEWS

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2nd Sunday of each month at 9:00 a.m.
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New Members Always Welcome!

PICK 3 LOTTERY WINNERS:

\$100.00 drawing for Wednesday, August 19, 2026:
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MINISTERS OF MASS

If you are unable to fulfill your scheduled service, please do your best to find a replacement.

SERVERS

Aug 29 4:00 pm	(Saturday)	Sophia Druckemiller, Leah Maenle, Henry Schnipke
Aug 30 10:30 am	(Sunday)	Jenna Suever, Kate Turnwald, Ava Turnwald

LECTORS

Aug 29 4:00 pm	(Saturday)	Beth Schnipke
Aug 30 10:30 am	(Sunday)	Cheryl Beining

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

Aug 29 4:00 pm	(Saturday)	Host Front/Center: Theodore Herman Host Handicapped/Choir: Chase Furley Cup-Mary's Side: Adam Schnipke Cup-Joseph's Side: Gretta Schnipke
Aug 30 10:30 am	(Sunday)	Host Front/Center: Sheila Miller Host Handicapped/Choir: Kay Langhals Cup-Mary's Side: Bryleigh Napao Cup-Joseph's Side: Linda Knippen

USHERS

Aug 29 4:00 pm	(Saturday)	Evan Altenburger, Brian Altenburger, Matt Eickholt, Jerry Kaverman
Aug 30 10:30 am	(Sunday)	Kyla Ellerbrock, Julie Schimmoeller, Gene Turnwald, John Vetter

FAMILY TO BRING UP OFFERTORY GIFTS

Aug 29 4:00 pm	(Saturday)	Family of Camryn Mansfield
Aug 30 10:30 am	(Sunday)	Family of Jerome Turnwald

LADIES TO PRAY THE ROSARY

Aug 24	(Mon)	Cathy Looser
Aug 25	(Tues)	Sue Luersman
Aug 26	(Wed)	Connie Looser
Aug 27	(Thurs)	Darcy Looser
Aug 28	(Fri)	Judy Looser
Aug 29	(Sat)	Sherrie Looser
Aug 30	(Sun)	Theresa Looser



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