



25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
*The last will be first,
 and the first will be last*
 MATTHEW 20:16

Immaculate Conception Catholic Church

500 East Seventh Street - Auburn, Indiana 46706

Weekend Mass Times www.iccauburn.com

SATURDAY (VIGIL) 5:00 PM

SUNDAY 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM

Weekday Mass Times

12:05PM TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY & FRIDAY

Adoration in the Chapel

Tuesdays 7am-5pm, Wednesday 9am-8pm,
 Thursday 7am-5pm

Open Prayer in Church 7:00am—5:30pm

Holy Days of Obligation

SEE CURRENT BULLETIN / CALENDAR

Sacrament of Penance

Tues, Wed, Thurs, Fri 11:30-11:55am,
 Tuesday 5-5:30pm,

Saturday 3:30-4:30 pm or by
 appointment call the Parish Office

Hospital/Homebound

PLEASE INFORM THE PARISH OF YOUR STATUS

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MISSION STATEMENT

"As a Catholic community,
 we commit ourselves to
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 likeness of Jesus."

September 20, 2026

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

MON, SEPT 21	SAINT MATTHEW NO MASS
TUES, SEPT 22	WEEKDAY 12:05 p.m. +Spencer Penland — Mike & Sandy Hayes
WED, SEPT 23	SAINT PIUS OF PIETRELCA 12:05 p.m. +Will Reynolds—Steve & Chris Grogg
THURS, SEPT 24	WEEKDAY 12:05 p.m. +Joseph, Clara and Edward Ellert—Ben & Bev Ellert
FRI, SEPT 25	WEEKDAY 12:05 p.m. Special intentions for Adam Brady—Emily Brammer
SAT, SEPT 26	WEEKDAY 5:00 p.m. (vigil) +Deanna Shull — Jill Cessford
SUN, SEPT 27	TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 8:00 a.m. +Carole McConnell — Greg & Phyllis Jehl 10:30 a.m. For the Parish Community



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Please request a substitute through
Ministry Scheduler Pro
if you cannot honor your scheduled date.

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Adult	\$ 6592.50
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ARE YOU REGISTERED?

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**If you do not currently receive envelopes
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Please be sure to take a few minutes to register. This can be done online at www.iccauburn.com, pick up a registration form in the gather space or stop by the parish office.

It is very important for all Catholics to be registered. This is especially important when you request letters of testimony to become a sponsor for baptism or confirmation or wishing to be married. Young adults over 18 years of age who are living at home and in the working world should be registered on their own. College students or those who are mentally or physically challenged are the exception.

REGISTER AND BE A PART OF OUR PARISH FAMILY!

**PLEASE KNOW THAT FATHER JAKE AND STAFF WILL NEVER ASK FOR FINANCIAL HELP, GIFT CARDS, ETC.
ALWAYS CHECK WITH THE PARISH OFFICE BEFORE YOU RESPOND TO ANY TEXTS, PHONE CALLS OR EMAILS.**

THE WEEK AHEAD

MONDAY 9:00 a.m.	Monday Morning Prayer Group
TUESDAY 12-5pm	Blood Drive / Parish Hall
THURSDAY 6:00 a.m.	Men's Prayer Group
SUNDAY 9:00 a.m.	Knights of Columbus Breakfast



American Red Cross Blood Drive
Tuesday, September 22
12:00 - 5:00 pm



Carpet Cleaning
Monday & Tuesday
September 21 & 22

CHURCH WILL BE CLOSED MONDAY

Adoration will be in the church
Tuesday & Wednesday
September 29 & 30



The Knights of Columbus Fund Raiser
September 26/27 & October 3/4 after all Masses
DOG TREATS

Locally made by Levi's Barkery, LLC. We will have a variety suitable for both large and small dogs. They are homemade with natural ingredients and are free from artificial preservatives, fillers, and by-products.



Breakfast in the parish hall
Sunday, September 27 at 9:00am
Hosted by the Knights of Columbus



Rest
in
Peace

We wish to express our
sincere sympathy and condolences
to the families and friends of

HAROLD STAFFORD

Father of Tom (& Tammy) Stafford

May perpetual light shine upon him and
may all the souls of the faithful departed,
through the mercy of God, rest in peace.
Amen.

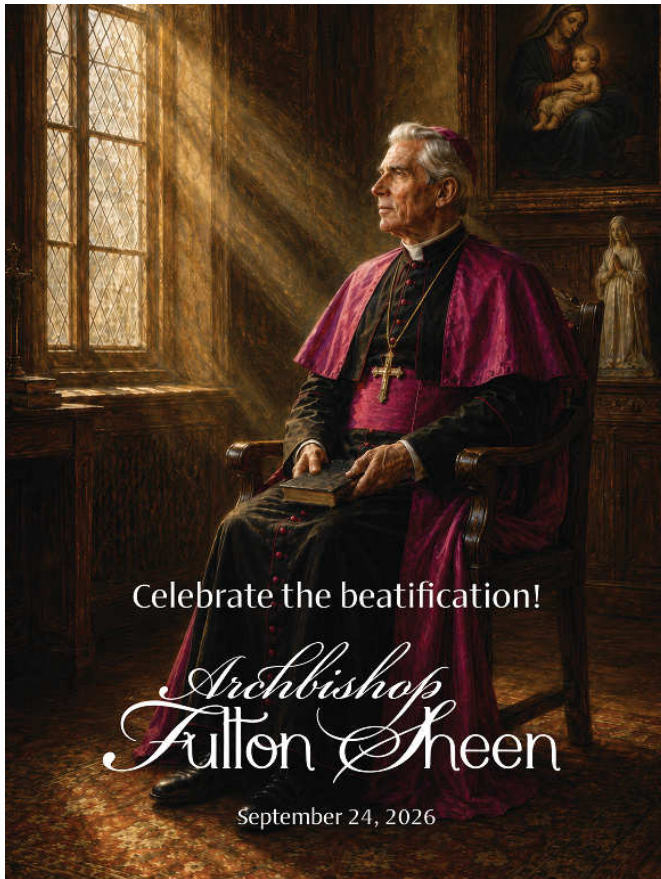


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you are not a registered parishioner. Please call the parish office.

For emergencies such as anointing of the sick and last rites,
please call Father Jake anytime at 260-232-2367.

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



September 23 – November 1

40 Days of Life is an internationally coordinated 40-day campaign that aims to end abortion locally through prayer and fasting, community outreach, and a peaceful all-day vigil in front of Planned Parenthood.

Join us at Planned Parenthood for an end to abortion.

Saturday, October 10 and Monday, October 12.

9:00 – 11:00 a.m.

All are invited to **“Prayers for Priests,”**

Monday, October 5 here at ICC.

Join us in prayer, especially for our DeKalb County priests

7:00pm to 8:00pm.

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Father Jake's Column

We Celebrate Together

This weekend we gather for our parish picnic. There will be food, games, conversation, laughter, and hopefully some beautiful weather. But underneath all of these good things is something even more important: **we have something worth celebrating.**

We are a parish family. It is easy to think of the parish simply as the place where we come to Mass. We arrive, worship, and then return home. But the Catholic Church has never understood the Christian life as something lived alone. We were not created to be isolated Christians who happen to attend the same church. At Baptism, God made us members of a body. St. Paul reminds us, “You are the body of Christ and individually members of it.”

That means that when we gather as a parish, we are doing more than having a party. We are celebrating a gift that God has given us: **one another.**

And there is much to celebrate. We can celebrate those who have recently entered the Church and those who have returned to the practice of their faith. We can celebrate marriages, baptisms, First Communions, Confirmations, and all the little victories of grace that often go unnoticed. We can celebrate the friendships that have been formed here, the meals that have been shared, the prayers that have been offered, and the burdens that have been carried together.

And perhaps most importantly, we can celebrate the fact that **God has not left us alone.**

The Christian life is not merely “me and Jesus.” Christ gives us Himself, but He also gives us His Body. He gives us a family. There are people here who need us, and there are people here whom we need. Sometimes the person sitting next to us at Mass may be carrying a burden we know nothing about. Sometimes a simple conversation, a smile, an invitation, or a shared meal can be the very means by which God reminds someone that they belong.

So when you come to the picnic this weekend, perhaps consider asking someone a question you would not normally ask. Don't simply ask, “How are you?” Ask something that allows you to know the person a little more :

What brought you to this parish?

What is something you are grateful for in our parish?

What is one way God has blessed your family this year?

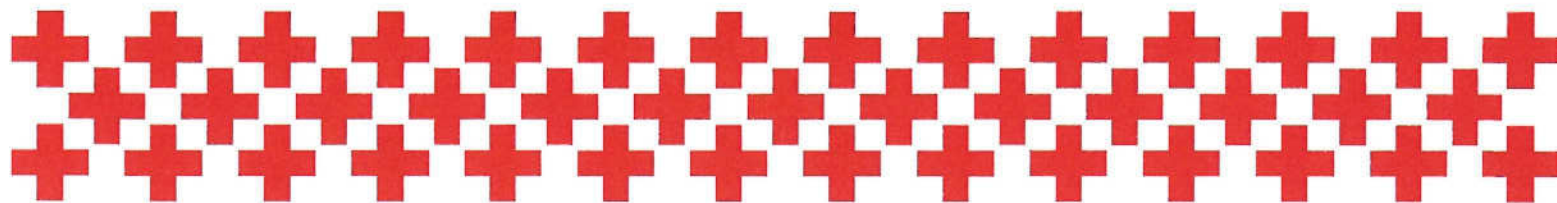
Who has helped you grow in your faith?

What is one thing you hope our parish can accomplish together?

What is something you wish more people knew about our parish?

We may discover that there are many stories sitting around the picnic tables—stories of conversion, struggle, friendship, perseverance, forgiveness, and grace. **The parish is a people whom Christ has gathered to Himself.** And when that people comes together in charity, we catch a glimpse of what heaven will be: not strangers standing beside one another, but a family rejoicing together in the goodness of God.

American Red Cross



Every 2 seconds, someone in the U.S. needs blood.
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Blood Drive **Immaculate Conception Catholic Church**

Main Room
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Tuesday, September 22
12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Please call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit
RedCrossBlood.org and enter: immccc to schedule an appointment.



**Fall into the habit of donating! Get a \$15 e-gift card
when you come to give blood Sept. 21-Oct. 18.**



HELP STAFF OUR BOOTH!

**AT THIS YEAR'S
DEKALB COUNTY**

FREE FALL FAIR

SEPTEMBER 28-OCTOBER 3

MONDAY-THURSDAY 6PM-10PM

FRIDAY 12PM-10PM

SATURDAY 12PM-9PM

WHAT WE'RE LOOKING FOR

The three county parishes of Immaculate Conception, St. Michael the Archangel, and St. Joseph are interested in having a booth at the DeKalb County Fair as a way to share that the Catholic Church is alive and present.

And we need your help staffing the booth during the times above!



Scan this QR code to learn more about the DeKalb County Free Fall Fair!



Scan this QR code to share your availability in helping us with the booth!

Questions? Please contact St. Joseph Church Pastoral Associate for Formation, Paul Rivera, at privera@stjosephgarrett.org.



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missionaries for DeKalb
County. Even from these
very pews.

Our Lady
of Guadalupe,
Pray for us.



THE MISSIONARY CHILDHOOD ASSOCIATION
Invites elementary schools in the United States to

PRAY THE WORLD MISSION ROSARY

Join us virtually on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday as we pray the World Mission Rosary in honor of Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen, leading up to his long-awaited beatification on September 24.

Together, we will unite in prayer for the Church throughout the world, reflecting on Archbishop Sheen's deep love for the missions and his unwavering witness to the Gospel. Come pray with us as we prepare our hearts for this historic moment for the Church in the United States!

MONDAY 9/21

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TUESDAY 9/22

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WEDNESDAY 9/23

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1:00 PM ET | 12:00 PM CT | 11:00 AM MT | 10:00 AM PT

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Contact Ali Holden at 212-563-8709
or aholden@pontificalmissions.org
to sign your school up to lead a
decade of the rosary





Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen

*"Charity is to be measured not by what one has given away, but by what one has left."
— Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen (attributed)*

Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen was born Peter John Sheen on May 8, 1895, in El Paso, Illinois, to a farming family. From an early age, he showed a deep interest in the Catholic faith and a strong desire to serve God.

As a young altar server, he once assisted Bishop John L. Spalding of Peoria during Mass. At one point, Sheen accidentally dropped a wine cruet, which shattered. After Mass, the bishop spoke to the anxious boy in a calm and encouraging way. According to accounts of the moment, Bishop Spalding told him two striking things: first, that he would one day study at the University of Louvain in Belgium, and second, "someday you will be just as I am." This encounter left a lasting impression on the young Sheen.

Sheen went on to study at Spalding Institute in Peoria, then at St. Viator College in Illinois, and later at Saint Paul Seminary in Minnesota. He was ordained a priest on September 20, 1919.

After ordination, he continued his academic formation, first at The Catholic University of America and then at the Catholic University of Louvain in Belgium, where he completed advanced studies in philosophy. He returned to Catholic University as a professor, where he would spend more than two decades forming seminarians and students in theology and philosophy.

During his years at the university, Father Sheen became known as an exceptional lecturer and orator. His courses, covering topics such as the philosophy of religion, God and society, and modern philosophical thought, drew large audiences of students and visitors.



FUN FACT!: He was one of the first Catholic priests to become a major television personality in the United States. In the 1950s, his show *Life Is Worth Living* reached millions of viewers each week—and he famously won an Emmy Award in 1952, even beating out popular entertainers of the time.



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Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen

His ability to communicate complex theological ideas with clarity and conviction quickly set him apart.

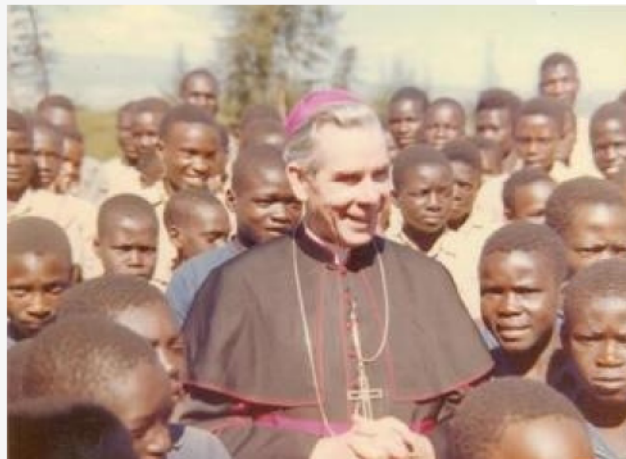
His reputation as a preacher grew beyond the classroom. In 1926, he was invited to record Lenten sermons for radio, marking his first experience with broadcasting. By 1930, he became a regular speaker on The Catholic Hour, where his talks reached a national audience. His reflections addressed both spiritual themes, such as devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary, and pressing social concerns of the time, including the rise of communism and moral relativism.

As his influence expanded, so did the volume of correspondence he received. He once wrote that he was receiving between 75 and 100 letters a day requiring personal attention, in addition to his teaching duties. Despite the demands, he considered the work a form of apostolate and continued faithfully.

Sheen was also a prolific writer, publishing dozens of books and pamphlets during his lifetime. His writings and broadcasts made Catholic teaching accessible to a broad audience across the United States and beyond.

In 1940, he participated in one of the earliest Catholic television broadcasts, speaking on the spiritual meaning of the new medium.

A decade later, after being consecrated a bishop in 1951, he launched his most famous television program, Life Is Worth Living. The program reached millions of viewers weekly and made him one of the most recognizable religious figures in America. He received an Emmy Award for Outstanding Television Personality.



Throughout his life, Sheen remained deeply committed to missionary work, especially through his leadership of the Society for the Propagation of the Faith, where he helped raise millions of dollars for global missions.

He also played a significant role in guiding people into the Catholic Church, including intellectuals, public figures, and cultural leaders.

He attended all sessions of the Second Vatican Council and remained active in preaching and writing well into his later years. A consistent theme of his spiritual life was daily Eucharistic adoration, which he called essential to his priesthood.

Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen died on December 9, 1979, while praying before the Blessed Sacrament in his private chapel. His life of prayer, teaching, and evangelization led to the opening of his cause for canonization. He is now recognized as "Venerable Fulton J. Sheen," and is remembered as one of the most influential Catholic voices of the 20th century. His beatification is scheduled to take place on September 24, 2026.





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Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception

7:30 am: Sacramental Confession

8:00 am: First Saturday Devotions & Holy Rosary

9:00 am: Holy Mass: Bishop Joseph Perry,
Fr. Glenn Kohrman & Fr. Robert Garrow

After Holy Mass:

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DAVID SCOTTON

We're excited to welcome **David Scotton** as our testimony speaker! David is a practicing attorney and adoption advocate who was seconds away from not having life. He is also the subject of the award-winning adoption documentary, *I Lived on Parker Avenue*.



Religious Crafts/Art Expo

Calling all local Religious Artist and Craft Makers to join us for the Art Expo 2026. Artists and Crafters should feature religious items only for this expo. Concessions and wine flights available in designated area.

Date

Oct 24, 2026
9am-12pm

Location

**2222 Lower
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Contact Us

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