

Assumption of the
Blessed Virgin Mary
Roman Catholic Parish

195 South Kankakee Street
Coal City, IL 60416

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Immaculate
Conception
Parish

110 South School Street
Braidwood, IL 60408

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4TH SUNDAY OF LENT

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Eucharistic Adoration Chapel**Assumption** - The Adoration Chapel is open daily from 5:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m.**Immaculate Conception** - The Adoration Chapel in Fr. White Hall is open daily from 6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Please call Anita Harding at (815) 739-9767 for the entry code before or after hours or to make an Adoration commitment.**Sacraments****ANOIDTING OF THE SICK** Please call the parish office.**BAPTISMS** Parents are required to attend a baptismal preparation meeting prior to the baptism. Please contact the parish secretary to register.**Assumption** - Second and fourth Sundays of the month after 11:30 a.m. Mass**Immaculate Conception** - First and third Sundays of the month**FUNERALS** Funeral liturgies are ordinarily celebrated at 10:00 a.m. The funeral director will contact the parish office regarding arrangements.**MARRIAGE** Arrangements must be made at least six months in advance. Marriage preparation classes are required to be completed before the Sacrament of Marriage can be celebrated. Please contact the parish office before making wedding arrangements.**RECONCILIATION (Different on Holy Days & Holidays)****Assumption** - Tuesday - 6:00 p.m. to 6:20 p.m., Wednesday & Friday - 8:00 a.m. to 8:20 a.m., Saturday - 3:15 p.m. to 3:45 p.m.**Immaculate Conception** - Thursday following the 8:30 a.m. Mass & Sunday following the 9:30 a.m. Mass**ST. PEREGRINE DEVOTIONS** In honor of St. Peregrine, the patron saint of those who suffer with cancer or any illness, a special devotion is held on the first Tuesday of each month following the 6:30 p.m. Mass at Assumption Church, with Adoration and Benediction.

Mass Intentions

SATURDAY March 9	
4:00 PM Mass (AP)	†Deceased Members of the Sitar & Johnson Families (Frank & Lee)
SUNDAY March 10 Fourth Sunday of Lent	
7:30 AM Mass (AP)	†Lucille Wolfe (Joe & Pam Turk)
9:30 AM Mass (IC)	†Pat Scubic (Pam Tessler & Family) †Teresa Slanicky (Family)
11:30 AM Mass (AP)	†Mary Bono (Family) †Pauline Fornelli (Family) †Jack Riley, Sr. (Riley Family) †Lucille Quayle (Ralph & Lela Haldorson)
TUESDAY March 12	
6:30 PM Mass (AP)	Intention of the Celebrant
WEDNESDAY March 13	
8:30 AM Mass (AP)	Intention of the Celebrant
THURSDAY March 14	
8:30 AM Mass (IC)	†Ronald Brown (Joan Senko)
FRIDAY March 15	
8:30 AM Mass (AP)	†William R. Murphy (Murphy Family)
SATURDAY March 16	
4:00 PM Mass (AP)	†Thomas Fedash (Ann & Merle Elam) †James Watters (Family) †Paul Ruffatti (Mom & Family)
SUNDAY March 17 Fifth Sunday of Lent	
7:30 AM Mass (AP)	Intention of the Celebrant
9:30 AM Mass (IC)	†Callie Smith Tatroe (Tatroe Family) †Ron Dye (Anita Harding)
11:30 AM Mass (AP)	†A. J. Manietta (Susan & Family) †Megan Riley (Riley Family) †John J. Lestina (Lestina Family)

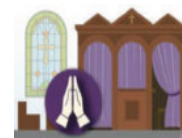
In Your Charity, Please Pray for the Sick of Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary and Immaculate Conception Parishes:

Sharee Beeler, Linnea Buban, Tom Buban, Ryan Collins,
Mary Lou Cobb, Charlotte Curtis, Bradley Davis,
Charita Dillon, Michael Dillon, Richard Fenoglio,
Anita Harding, Stanley Jerz, Karin Kendzora, Donna Meyer,
Jim Micetich, Marilyn Offerman, Frank Peters, Jean Peters,
Ellen Rogers, Ed Scasny, Cecelia Schimandle, Marie Swanson,
Jake Veronda, Gary Wallerich

*Names will remain on the prayer list for six months. If you would
like your name to remain on the list, please contact us.*

Sacrament of Penance Confession Schedule

TUESDAY (AP) - 5:00 p.m. to 6:20 p.m. (Expanded during Lent)
WEDNESDAY & FRIDAY (AP) - 8:00 a.m. to 8:20 a.m.
THURSDAY (IC) - Following the 8:30 a.m. Mass
SATURDAY (AP) - 3:15 p.m. to 3:45 p.m.
SUNDAY (IC) - Following the 9:30 a.m. Mass
(Different on Holy Days & Holidays)



EXPANDED CONFESSION TIME

**~All Tuesdays During Lent~
Through March 26
5:00 p.m. to 6:20 p.m.
Assumption Church**

This Week's Events

AP: Assumption Parish **IC:** Immaculate Conception

Sunday March 10

9:45 am - 11:15 am - Family Faith Formation - Berst Hall
 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm - YM Living Stations Practice - IC

Monday March 11

8:30 am - Communion Service - IC
 4:45 pm - St. Vincent Meals - Immaculate Conception Braidwood
 Coal City Food Pantry Open - 815-216-3288

Tuesday March 12

8:30 am - Communion Service - IC
 6:15 pm - 7:45 pm - Family Faith Formation - Berst Hall
 Braidwood Community Care Food Pantry Open - 815-325-0779

Wednesday March 13

Assumption Food Pantry Open - 815-518-2000

Thursday March 14

4:00 pm - 7:00 pm - St. Patrick's Day Dinner - IC/Fr. White Hall
 6:00 pm - 6:30 pm - Stations of the Cross Chaplet - IC
 Coal City Food Pantry Open - 815-216-3288

Friday March 15

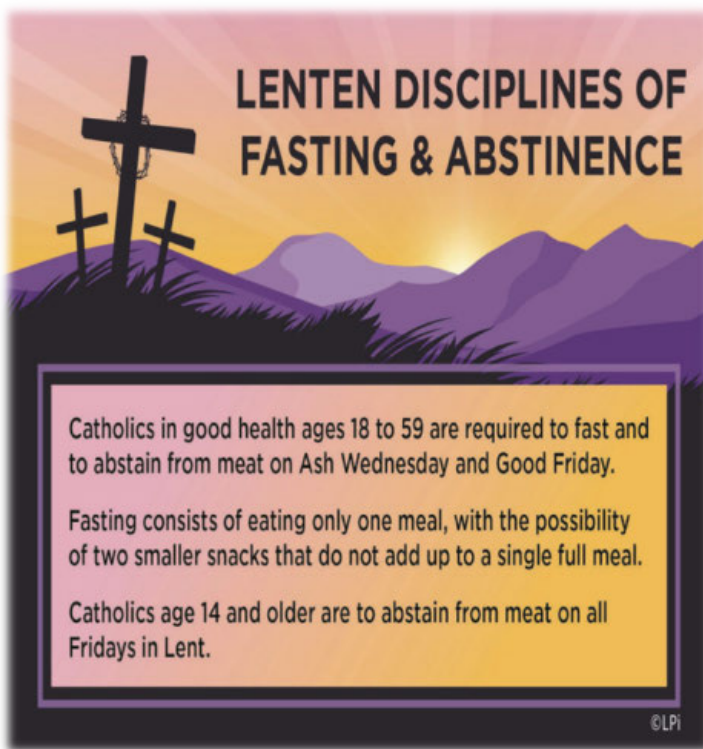
6:30 pm - 7:00 pm - Stations of the Cross - AP

Saturday March 16

No Events

Sunday March 17

6:00 pm - 7:30 pm - YM Living Stations Practice - IC



LENTEN DISCIPLINES OF FASTING & ABSTINENCE

Catholics in good health ages 18 to 59 are required to fast and to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.

Fasting consists of eating only one meal, with the possibility of two smaller snacks that do not add up to a single full meal.

Catholics age 14 and older are to abstain from meat on all Fridays in Lent.

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Little Black Books For Lent

Spend some quiet time with our Lord each day during the Lenten season reading the short daily entries within this book.

A free will offering of only \$1 is suggested for each book, and they are still available in the narthex of Assumption Church.

Holy Week and Easter Schedule

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord - March 24

7:30 a.m. - Mass - Assumption Church

9:30 a.m. - Mass - Immaculate Conception Church

11:30 a.m. - Mass - Assumption Church

Holy Thursday - March 28

7:00 p.m. - Mass of the Lord's Supper - Assumption Church

Good Friday - March 29

11:30 a.m. - Living Stations of the Cross

- Immaculate Conception Church

3:00 p.m. - Veneration of the Cross - Assumption Church

4:15 p.m. - Confessions - Assumption Church

Holy Saturday - March 30

12:00 p.m. - Blessing of Easter Baskets - Assumption Church
(Kankakee Street Entrance)

7:15 p.m. - Easter Vigil Mass - Assumption Church

Easter Sunday - March 31

7:30 a.m. - Mass - Assumption Church

9:30 a.m. - Mass - Immaculate Conception Church

11:30 a.m. - Mass - Assumption Church

The Way of the Cross (Stations)

Every Thursday
at 6 PM

February 15 to
March 21, 2024

Immaculate
Conception Parish



Lite meal served after in Fr. White Hall

Dear Brothers and sisters, a happy and holy Lenten Season!

The message which Christians bring to the world is this! Jesus, Love incarnate, died on the cross for our sins. But God the Father raised him and made him the Lord of life and death. In Jesus, love has triumphed over hatred. Mercy over sinfulness. Goodness over evil. Truth over falsehood. Life over death.

-From the Urbi et Orbi Message of Pope Francis
Easter 2014

This is why we come to do the Stations of the Cross.
To walk the path Jesus walked to his death
and resurrection on the cross.

Please come join us on Jesus' path this Lenten Season!


STATIONS OF THE CROSS

ASSUMPTION CHURCH

Please join us on all Fridays in Lent | 6:30 p.m.

FEBRUARY 16	FEBRUARY 23
MARCH 1	MARCH 8
MARCH 15	MARCH 22

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**Assumption Church choir rehearsal
for Holy Week will begin on
Wednesday, March 13 at 6:30 p.m.**



IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH
BRAIDWOOD, ILLINOIS

CHRIST'S PASSOVER
Reflection and Prayer
Wednesday, March 27, 2024
6:30 PM in Fr. White Hall

We will explore the connection between the Jewish Passover meal and the Last Supper that Jesus shared with His Apostles, and how it relates to Mass and the Holy Eucharist today.

For questions or to volunteer please call (815) 600-3718

*This is a sampling of food items shared at the Last Supper.
Sandwiches will be available right after this event. Free will donation.



Breakfast
WITH FATHER JOSH

Thursday, March 21st
after 8:30 AM Mass

Join Fr. Josh at the Whistle Stop Cafe in Diamond for a delicious breakfast while enjoying a morning of fellowship! Everyone is welcome!

No reservations needed! Just meet us in the back dining area around 9:30 AM.
Pay for your own meal.

Whistle Stop Cafe
Restaurant & Pub

Thursday
March 14th
Corned Beef & Cabbage
Dinner



4-7PM

*Corned beef,
cabbage, carrots
& potatoes.*



Fr. White Hall
110 S. School St.
Braidwood, IL



Stations of the Cross
at 6pm in the church

Free will donations for dinner
to benefit Immaculate
Conception Braidwood &
Council Functions.

Weekly Prayer

Sunday's Readings

First Reading:

Early and often did the LORD, the God of their fathers,
send his messengers to them,
for he had compassion on his people and his
dwelling place.

But they mocked the messengers of God,
despised his warnings, and scoffed at his prophets,
until the anger of the LORD against his people was
so inflamed
that there was no remedy. (2 Chr 36:15-16)

Psalm:

Let my tongue be silenced, if I ever forget you! (Ps 137)

Second Reading:

God, who is rich in mercy,
because of the great love he had for us,
even when we were dead in our transgressions,
brought us to life with Christ. (Eph 2:4-5)

Gospel:

For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son,
so that everyone who believes in him might not perish
but might have eternal life. (Jn 3:16)

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Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

Out of love for us, God sent His son into the world, to illuminate the truth that brings salvation. But light can be blinding to eyes that have only seen darkness. Pray that God will teach us to walk bravely in the light.

Observances for the week of March 10, 2024

Sunday: 4th Sunday of Lent, Daylight Saving Time begins

Next Sunday: 5th Sunday of Lent



Saint of the week

St. Margaret Mary Alacoque was a French nun who had visions of Jesus and his Sacred Heart. She devoted her life to promoting Eucharistic adoration and the Feast of the Sacred Heart. Her Thursday night holy hours are still a common practice among modern Catholics!

Prayer for Laetare Sunday

Dear Jesus,

We've been in this season of Lent for a few weeks now. I want to re-commit myself in this time — renew and strengthen my resolve. Help me to use these last few weeks to grow closer to you. Amen.

Worship & Meditation

Readings for the week of March 10, 2024

Sunday:

2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23/Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6 (6ab)/Eph 2:4-10/Jn 3:14-21 *Scrutiny:* 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 (1)/Eph 5:8-14/Jn 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38

Monday:

Is 65:17-21/Ps 30:2 and 4, 5-6, 11-12a and 13b/Jn 4:43-54

Tuesday:

Ez 47:1-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9/Jn 5:1-16

Wednesday:

Is 49:8-15/Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18/Jn 5:17-30

Thursday:

Ex 32:7-14/Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23/Jn 5:31-47

Friday:

Wis 2:1a, 12-22/Ps 34:17-18, 19-20, 21 and 23/Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

Saturday:

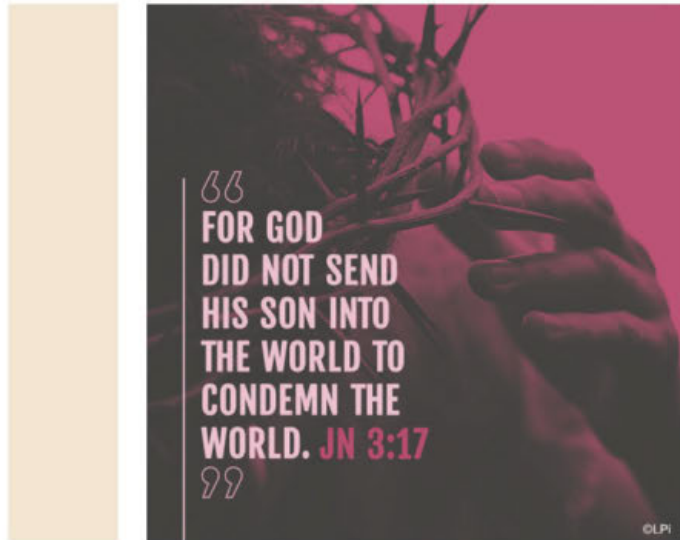
Jer 11:18-20/Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-10, 11-12/Jn 7:40-53

Next Sunday:

Jer 31:31-34/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 14-15 (12a)/Heb 5:7-9/Jn 12:20-33 *Scrutiny:* Ez 37:12-14/Ps 130: 1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 (7)/Rom 8:8-11/Jn 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45



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Gospel Meditation

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

Our national pastime isn't baseball. It's what the Bible calls "condemning the world." We generally enjoy pronouncing curses upon those whom we see as trouble, wrong, or evil. Don't believe me? Listen to almost any podcast, cable news network, or social media platform to hear it. It will be some version of: "We all agree that if *they* are eradicated, things will be great." Condemning is almost always clothed in virtue. It basks in its good intentions. That's why it is so attractive. Condemning seems like our best path to saving what is good.

What a shock, then, to hear Jesus announce: "**For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him**" (Jn 3:17).

He comes to save the world, as we all want, but he will accomplish it *without an act of condemnation*. How hard it is to accept this! Condemning feels godlike. I judge who and what must be lost to protect the good. But in the light of Jesus' endless mercy and love, this is the least godlike thing we can do.

Lenten challenge: This week, I invite you to give up the delicious experience of condemning whomever in the world you most would like to see gone. Perhaps write down their names. Secondly, I invite you to consider fasting from any media that feeds the tasty but deadly tendency to condemn.

— Father John Muir

Liturgical Life

(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC

The Uncomfortable Life in The Light

If you have ever been a woman over the age of 30 who stayed in a budget motel, you know the horror of awakening in a dark room, switching on the bathroom lights and screaming at the shriveled-up she-witch you find hiding there.

And you know the feeling of disappointment that blooms in the pit of your stomach as you realize the shriveled-up she-witch is your own reflection staring back at you beneath the merciless glare of overhead fluorescent lighting.

You may also know the relief of visiting a nice restaurant after dark and catching sight of yourself in the mirror. You lean forward, mesmerized by how different — how matte! How smooth! — the contours of your face look in what we call “forgiving light.” But this turn of phrase is simply not correct. It is not light, and it does not forgive. It is darkness, and it merely conceals.

But it feels so much better, doesn't it? Salvation can feel like condemnation, when being lost is all you know. Sometimes it is so much more comfortable to live lost in the shadows.

It is possible to yearn for darkness. Darkness gives cover to so many things. The light has a harshness that can almost seem demanding, exposing. Light can bleach. Light can burn.

“Is this really me?” you think in that budget hotel bathroom, examining acne scars you never saw before and crow's feet that seem to have developed overnight. The answer is yes. Yes, that is really you, all of it, every inch. There's nothing to be afraid of, just step into the light and own it.

“And this is the verdict, that the light came into the world, but people preferred darkness to light, because their works were evil.” — John 3:19

Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Why do we do that? Catholic Life Explained

Question:

What's the difference between priests and brothers, friars, etc.?

Answer:

The distinctions titles and categories used for priests and the male members of religious communities can be confusing, especially since the categories can sometimes be intertwined as a man can be both a priest and a monk, or a brother and a friar. So, to help to piece the puzzle together, it's important to begin by noting some basic distinctions:

The distinction between priests (who are ordained for sacramental ministry) and brothers (who are non-ordained members of religious communities and who are committed to lives of prayer and service).

Priests: A priest is a man who has been ordained for sacramental ministry and these fall into two categories: A) Diocesan (or Secular) Priests can either be attached to a diocese and who serve under a bishop. Their ministry is usually oriented toward pastoral service. B) Religious Priests are members of religious communities (like the Franciscans, Jesuits, Salvatorians, or Carmelites) and their lives are guided by the special mission and charism of their community. While both kinds of priest practice sacramental ministry, their spirituality and how they live out their priesthood can be very different.

Brothers: Brothers are non-ordained members of religious communities (such as those mentioned above) who live lives committed to prayer and service. Religious priests and brothers serve together in their communities and their ministries include much more than the care of parishes.

Monks, Friars, and Canons: These are broad categories that include religious priests and brothers, and each of these is connected to specific ways of life and spiritualities.

Liturgical Life

"For everyone who does wicked things hates the light and does not come toward the light, so that his works might not be exposed. But whoever lives the truth comes to the light, so that his works may be clearly seen as done in God."

- Jn 3:20-21

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Questions of the Week

Invite Parishioners to Reflect and Respond to Scripture

First Reading

We hear how God reacted strongly against Israel's disobedience and infidelity, ultimately sending them to exile in Babylon. But God also showed mercy to Israel in sending king Cyrus of Persia to rescue them. As we enter the fourth Sunday of Lent, for what do you need God's mercy in your life?

Second Reading

Paul taught the Ephesians that by God's mercy and grace, we have been saved through Christ for the good works that God has prepared for us. Where in your life do you feel like you are doing God's work?

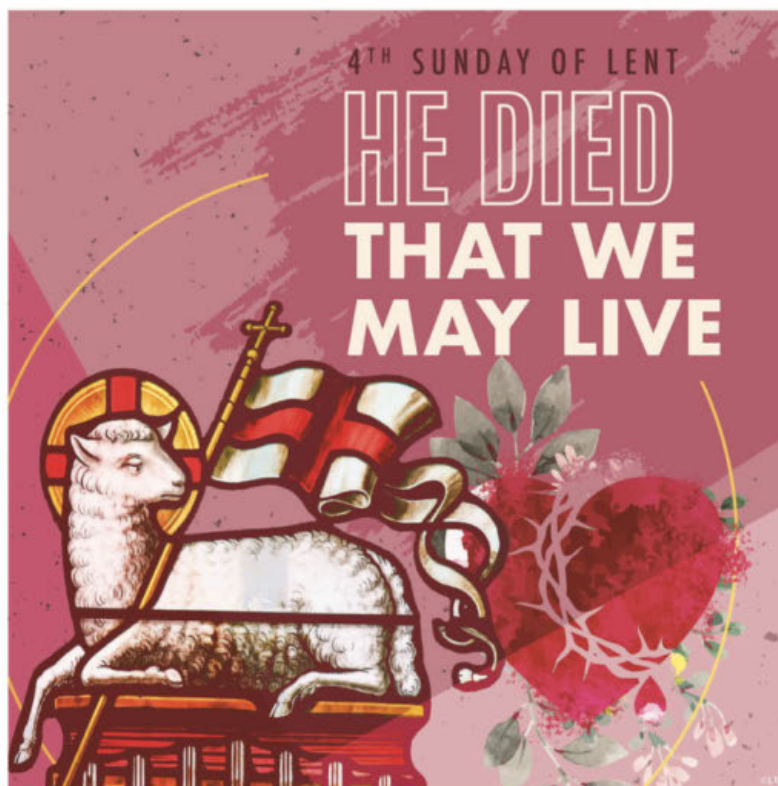
Gospel Reading

Jesus taught Nicodemus that God loves the world and desires to save it. In what ways do you show love and respect for our world?



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Ministry Schedule



Assumption Church - Mar. 15 - 17

If you are interested in assisting us at our weekend Masses, please sign up through the volunteer link on our website, which contains the most up-to-date schedule, or call or email Laura at the parish office. Confirmed volunteers for our upcoming services are below:

Friday, March 15 - 6:30 p.m. - Stations of the Cross

Server - John Boylan

Saturday, March 16 - 4:00 p.m.

Extraordinary Ministers - **Volunteers needed**

Lector - **Volunteer needed**

Server - Rick Marizza

Ushers - Ron Henke, Bob Jacovec, Doug Letterly, Bob Schmitt, Fran Schmitt

Sunday, March 17 - 7:30 a.m.

Extraordinary Ministers - **Volunteers needed**

Lector - Jim Jacobek

Servers - Ron Marketti, Pete Collins, Rick Marizza

Sunday, March 17 - 11:30 a.m.

Extraordinary Ministers - **Volunteers needed**

Lector - Amy Seeley

Server - Hannah Krull

Immaculate Conception Church - March 17

Sunday, March 17 - 9:30 a.m.

Extraordinary Ministers - Cheryl Chasensky, Fred Hejna, Rita Werner

Greeters - Jim Peters, Dan Wilson, Dave & Sara Wollgast

Lector - Mary Tatroe

Servers - Emmett Scheer, Dave & Sara Wollgast

Thank you for sharing your time and talents with us!

Assumption Weekly Offering + E-Giving

Annual Offering Budget (7/1/2023 - 6/30/2024)	\$341,590
YTD Offering Budget	\$236,484
YTD Actual Offering	\$236,327
Last Week's Mass Offering	\$5,161
Last Week's E-Giving Offering	\$2,488
Last Week's Total Offering	\$7,649
Weekly Goal	\$6,569

Assumption Church Building Loan Balance Through January, 2024

Original Note Amount	\$796,607
Current Loan Balance	\$463,580

Immaculate Conception Weekly Offering

Annual Offering Budget (7/1/2023 - 6/30/2024)	\$115,440
YTD Offering Budget	\$79,920
YTD Actual Offering	\$92,030
Last Week's Total Offering	\$2,409
Weekly Goal	\$2,220



Daylight Saving Time begins at 2 a.m. on Sunday, March 10, when everyone moves their clocks forward one hour. All cell phones should automatically advance on their own to the new time.



Cards & Collectibles Show

Sunday, April 21st

Berst Hall



Please plan to join us at Immaculate Conception on Saturday, April 27th for Trivia Night!



Please mark your calendars for a fun-filled evening of family bingo in Berst Hall on Saturday, May 18th! Additional details will be published soon...

Can We See The Goodness Around Us?

Today we have the story of a man born blind. In Jesus' time, blindness was viewed as a punishment for sin. Lent is all about looking inward and rooting out sinful desires and actions. So this story of a blind man and Jesus restoring his sight is a story about the forgiveness of sin.

How often do we hold on to sinful ways or thoughts? Do we need Jesus to give us something in our lives to see again? Or do we need to concentrate on something we do well so that our "sight" may be improved?

This week, let us look through eyes of faith and attempt to see goodness around us. Also, let us help each other to remove sin so that we might see God more clearly.



2024 Humanitarian Scholarship

Introduction:

In memory of all former members who exemplified the pillars of Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism in Council 1574, we have established a scholarship program for high school seniors seeking financial assistance for continuing their education. Scholarships are awarded primarily on the basis of merit. However, financial need and other circumstances may be considered. The scholarship award will be \$500 and this scholarship is **renewable annually** throughout the recipient's educational tenure up to 4 years contingent on continued service to others and ability to maintain adequate standing in their schooling (maximum awarded through 4 years of studies will be \$2,000 per recipient).

Eligibility:

Scholarship applications will be accepted from individuals who meet the following requirements:

1. Must be planning on attending college, trade, or vocational school in Fall of 2024
2. Must be a member of one of the following parishes: Braidwood-Immaculate Conception, Coal City-Assumption BVM, South Wilmington-St. Lawrence, Kinsman-Sacred Heart, or Reddick-St. Mary

Application:

Applicants must submit the following material:

1. A completed and signed application. Applications will be made available on our Knights of Columbus 1574 FaceBook Page, <https://braidwoodkoc.yolasite.com> and by emailing KofCBraidwood@gmail.com or text/call 815-651-1963
2. Two signed letters of recommendation concerning the applicant's character. These must be from persons other than family members.
3. A typed and signed essay, of not more than 500 words on: "Describe, in your own words, what it means to "serve others" and explain why this is important to you, your parish, or the community in general."

The sealed Application must be received at the address below no later than:

4:00 PM / TUESDAY – APRIL 16, 2024

Applications received after this date and time will not be considered.

MAIL TO: Knights of Columbus

195 E. Main St.

Braidwood, IL 60408

OR Emailed to KofCBraidwood@gmail.com

The Scholarship Committee will review all applications. Decision will be made by: **APRIL 30, 2024**. Selections of the Scholarship Committee will be final. Please provide an email address.

YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS



Upcoming Dates

- ✦ 3/10 - Living Stations Practice
6:00 - 7:30 pm Braidwood
- ✦ 3/17 - Living Stations Practice
6:00 - 7:30 pm Braidwood
- ✦ 3/24 - Living Stations Practice
6:00 - 7:30 pm Braidwood

LIVING STATIONS OF THE CROSS

E.P.I.C. Youth Ministry will again be sponsoring this year's Living Stations. We are looking for ALL children and teens (from both parishes) ages 5-18 to be a part of this special presentation. Our first practice will be on Sunday, March 10th from 6:00 - 7:30 PM at Immaculate Conception. The presentation will take place on Good Friday, April 29th at 11:30 AM. We look forward to continuing this wonderful tradition!

Practices

March 10, 17 and 24 - 6:00 - 7:30 pm
at Immaculate Conception Church,
Braidwood

For questions: Sara Wollgast (815) 341-5946

Kids Corner

Prayer

God, thank you for sending Jesus to wash away my sins.

Mission for the Week

Help your parents wash dishes. As you take dirty dishes and wash them clean, talk about how Jesus washed our sins away on the cross.

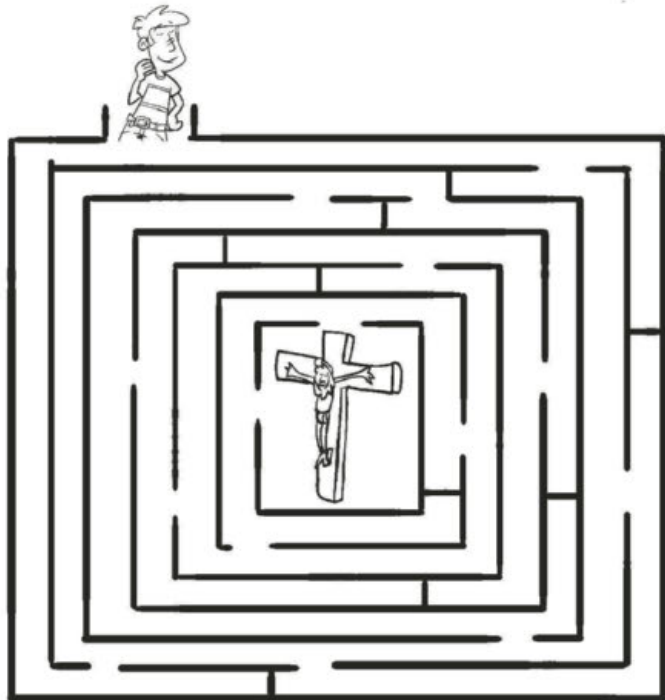
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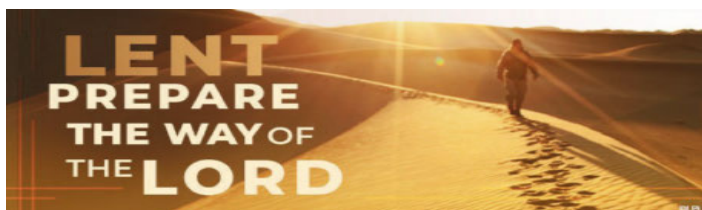
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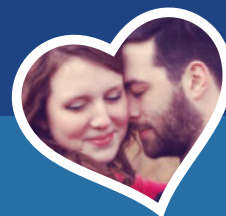
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