

Congratulations! to our newly confirmed!

Candidates for Confirmation



Dwen Osterhaus



Scarlett Mosher



James Wood



Sydney Veasman

Pray
for
us



Rylan Edgington



Bennelli Lind



Camden Webb



Santos Miranda

Immaculate Conception Church of Colfax

Sunday, April 21, 2024
Second Sunday of Easter
Divine Mercy Sunday

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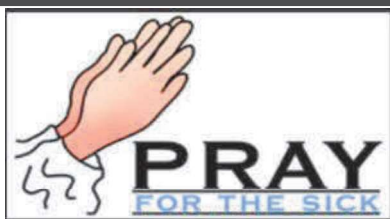
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Prayer Chain

If you would like to add someone to the prayer chain or if you have something you'd like us to pray for you can:
1) Email Deacon Joe at imcolfax@msn.com, 2) Email Fr. Ron at hodgesr@diodav.org, or 3) Call the parish



Diane Wood
Carol Swift
David Shepley, son of Deloris Shepley, Cancer
Raegan Lester: niece of Tracey Wilson, Cancer
Leland Braun: husband of Dody Braun, Good Health
George Ernst

Jamie Coady, cousin of Fr. Ron, cancer
Peggy Lester, sister of Tracey Wilson, Cancer
Bruce (Dementia) and Mary Jo (Continued Health) Stephenson,
Michelle Rebelsky, friend and former parishioner of Fr. Ron, Cancer
Matt Bell, son of Irma Bell, Recovery from Infection
Michael John Holmes, husband of Michelle Holmes, Cancer
Michael John Nelson
Terry Hilker, husband of Lori Colister Hilker
David McDowell, former parishioner of Fr. Ron, lymphoma
JoAnn Bessler, sister of Karen VanDusseldorp, cancer
Jen Scheetz, cousin of Karen VanDusseldorp, cancer
Suzie Hansen, former parishioner of Fr. Ron, colon cancer
Baby Grace Parker, newborn granddaughter of Ed and Kathleen Parker
Karen Van Dusseldorp's Mother
Karen Van Dusseldorp's Mother-in-Law

Immaculate Conception Church of Colfax

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Parish Facebook Page: Immaculate Conception Colfax

Mass Schedule

Sunday 9:00 AM

NO MASS ON MONDAY

Tuesday—Friday 8:00 AM

Confessions by appointment, call 515-674-3711

Baptisms and Weddings

For information concerning or to schedule a baptism or wedding contact the parish office. Weddings must be scheduled at least six months in advance.

Religious Education

Religious Education Classes are held September through May. If you have questions please contact the parish Office at 515-674-3711.

Bulletin Available Online

The bulletin and a calendar of events is available at our website: www.immaculateconceptioncolfax.org and on our Facebook page. A

Announcements for Bulletin

If you have something for the bulletin, email the information to the office by noon on Thursday. imcolfax@msn.com.



Liturgical Ministers

Sunday, April 28, 2024, 5th Sunday of Easter

Greeters: Lind Family

Servers: Sharon Jones

Delilah Miranda

Readers: Ed Parker

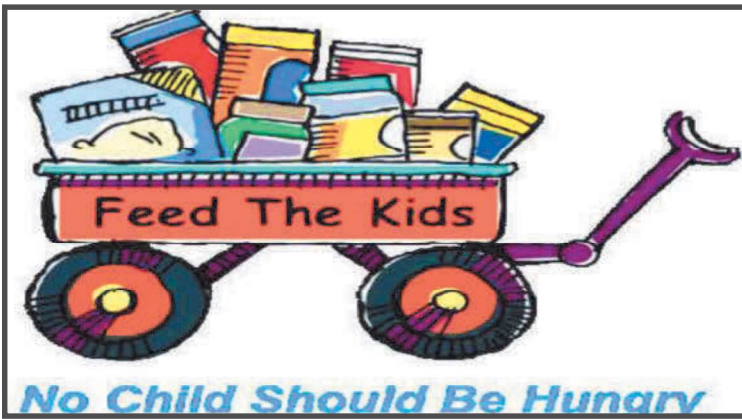
Brad Hagarty

Gift Bearers: Irma Bell and Shelbee Steir

EMHC: Irma Bell

Marcia Grimm







WOMEN 0-100 YRS.:
 YOU ARE INVITED TO THE
May Breakfast
Theme: Road Trip to Iowa Adventure



Sat, May 4th
10:00 a.m.

Immaculate Conception Church
305 E. Howard St., Colfax, IA 50054

Fellowship, food, friends, and fun!
Bring the special girls and women in your life!

Sign up today! Remember: the event is free!
 For more information, call Joann at 641-781-9210.

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The Christian Pilgrim

Pilgrimage to France
 with Fr. Marty Goetz
 Including Lourdes, Lisieux, Normandy Beaches,
 and Mont-Saint Michel, and Paris
 September 30-October 11, 2024



For More Information contact:
Ceci Triska
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Phone-979-543-8575





Landscaping Project Update

Our project will begin this spring, exact date TBD.

Have you had an opportunity to support the project? If not, there's still time.

Please put our contribution in an envelope marked "Landscaping Project" or use the Capital Improvement envelope in your packet. Just put it in the collection basket.

Thank you for your support.



IN LOVING Memory

April Wedding Anniversaries

David and Mary
May 4/20

April Baptismal Birthdays

Casey Leiker 4/13
Beau Webb 4/20
Kyle Wood 4/27

April Birthdays

Kelly Mosher 4/2
Karlee Simpson 4/2
Jean Chapman 4/4
Eli Osterhaus 4/5
Logan Aller 4/12
Mackensie Brown 4/19
Kristen Yoakum 4/22
Zachery Yoakum 4/22
Ashley Osterhaus 4/23
Lindsey Porter 4/26
Macie Porter 4/27
Mary May 4/30
Dave Shepley 4/30

In recent months, parishioners have asked what may be done, for the parish, in the way of memorial gifts given in memory of loved ones. After some thought we've composed a list of idea.

1. Due to some deaths and canceled pledges fulfilling our capital campaign pledges is going to fall \$3,200 short. A gift to decrease or eliminate that shortfall could be given.
2. A gift could be given toward the completion of the landscaping project.
3. Our holy water bucket and aspergillum need to be replaced.
4. We have a number of candlesticks and candelabra that need to be replated.
5. Our white cope and humeral veil need to be replaced. A good deal of the color of the applique is gone and the stains around the neckline no longer come out.

As much as we need funds to operate the parish we need people to fill the needed liturgical roles in the liturgy.

- We have 3 altar servers that serve most of the time. Two of them are over 70.
- We have 6 readers
- We have 5 Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion
- We need 19 ministers each Mass not counting the priest, deacon, and choir.

We need your help. We don't really have the luxury of "retiring" from ministry. S T R E T C H yourself. It's entirely possible you find a gift or talent you didn't even know you had!

We Need Liturgical Ministers, please help!

Note Regarding the July 1 Transitions

Hi everyone. Hey, there has been, understandably, conversations about what will happen when I leave and when Fr. Goetz arrives. Hopefully, to put your minds at ease, I want to let you know that there have been no decisions made about anything at this point. When decisions are made, the pastoral council will be part of the conversations. So, for now, relax and be patient and enjoy the spring. Fr. Ron

Future items:

1. Installation of a hearing loop system might be useful as our parish continues to age
2. At some point we will need to look at the stabilization of our stained glass windows.
3. It would be nice to have an automated bell ringing system like the Baptists have.

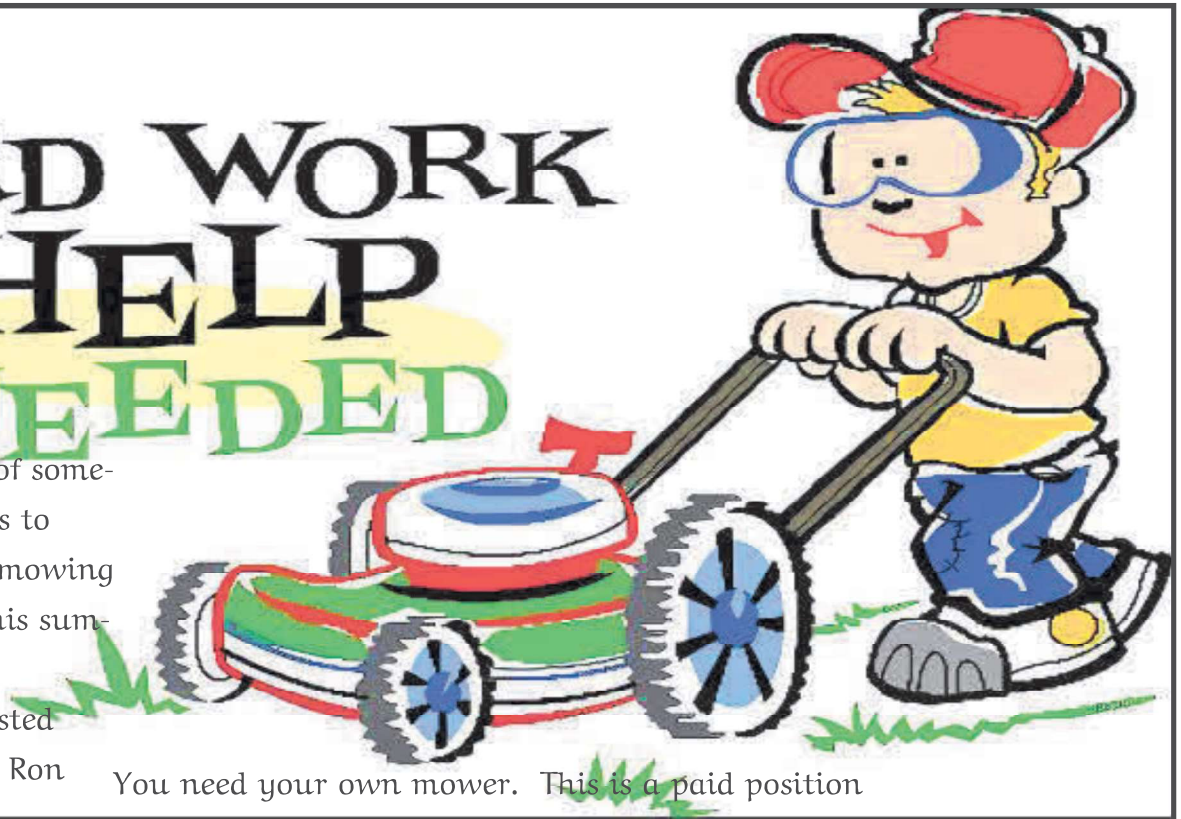
These are just some things we've thought about as a starting place. If you are interested in providing a memorial for a loved one and have other ideas, please speak to Fr. Ron.

YARD WORK HELP NEEDED

We are in need of some-
one or someone-s to
take care of the mowing
and yardwork this sum-
mer.

If you are interested
please talk to Fr. Ron

You need your own mower. This is a paid position



Husbands and Wives

RESTORE
communication

REKINDLE
romance

RENEW
commitment



Worldwide
Marriage Encounter

MARRIED COUPLES: A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend Experience is like Spring-time. It's a weekend of fresh air, the rebirth of romance and new beginnings. If you'd like to make your marriage even more special than it already is - call now! Weekend dates are September 27-29 in Dubuque, IA and November 8-10 in Holstein, IA. Call Denise & Greg for more information or sign up at www.wwme.org.

A Church that Listens

I hope you remember the Synodal Process that His Holiness, Pope Francis inaugurated in 2021. As a diocese and a Church we are still working on addressing what was heard.

In our diocese three initiatives were identified when all of the discussions were synthesized. The initiatives identified were 1) Welcoming and Belonging, 2) Youth and Family Engagement, and 3) Church teaching

Parishes have been focusing on Welcoming and Belonging initiatives during the past year. This year we will focus on Youth and Family Engagement initiatives. We are looking for 2 people to head up the coordination of our activities. Last year, Sharon Jones and Kathleen Parker coordinated our welcoming and belonging activities.

From the Diocese:

This June, we will gather to commence our second year in our synodal process, focusing on youth and family engagement. The diocesan-wide Synodal Summit will be held on **Saturday, June 22, 2024, at St. Patrick Church in Iowa City**. Once again, we ask that each parish and school identify three representatives from their community to participate. Cluster parishes may want to collaborate and share representa-

UPCOMING EVENTS

MASS INTENTIONS APRIL 14, 2024—APRIL 20, 2024

SUNDAY, APRIL 21, 2024

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

ACTS 4:8-12; 1 JOHN 3:1-2; JOHN 10:11-18

- 9:00 AM (+VINCE TOMLONOVIC BY CHRISTY DAMON)

MONDAY, APRIL 22, 2024

EASTER WEEKDAY [4]

ACTS 11:1-18; JOHN 10:1-10

TUESDAY, APRIL 23, 2024

MEMORIAL: ST. GEORGE, MARTYR; ST. ADALBERT, BISHOP, MARTYR

ACTS 11:19-26; JOHN 3:7B-15

- 8:00 AM, (PRO POPULO)

Wednesday, APRIL 24, 2024

MEMORIAL: ST FIDELIS OF SIGMARINGEN, PRIEST, MARTYR

ACTS 12:24-13:5A; JOHN 12:44-50

- 8:00 AM (+TIMOTHY SHEAFF BY THE MANLEY FAMILY)

THURSDAY, APRIL 25, 2024

FEAST: ST. MARK, EVANGELIST

1 PETER 5:5B-14; MARK 16:15-20

- 8:00 AM (+RICHARD ERICKSON BY LINDA ERICKSON)

FRIDAY, APRIL 12, 2024

EASTER WEEKDAY [4]

ACTS 13:26-33; JOHN 14:1-6

- 8:00 AM (MICHAEL J. HOLMES BY MARY HOLMES)

SATURDAY, APRIL 13, 2024

EASTER WEEKDAY [4]

ACTS 13:44-52; JOHN 14:7-14

SUNDAY, APRIL 28, 2024

CHURCH CALENDAR

Sunday, April 21	4th Sunday of Easter, 9:00 AM Conferral of the Sacrament of Confirmation ALL PARISH BRUNCH!
Tuesday, April 23	Daily Mass, 8:00 AM
Wednesday, April 24	Daily Mass, 8:00 AM Religious Ed. 6:15 PM LAST NIGHT OF RE for the spring
Thursday, April 25	Daily Mass, 8:00 AM Pastoral Council, 6:00 PM
Friday, April 26	Daily Mass, 8:00 AM
Sunday, April 28	5th Sunday of Easter, 9:00 AM
Tuesday, April 30	Daily Mass, 8:00 AM
Wednesday, May 1	Daily Mass, 8:00 AM
Thursday, May 2	Daily Mass, 8:00 AM Altar and Rosary Meeting, 6:30 PM
Friday, May 3	Daily Mass, 8:00 AM
Saturday, May 4	Women's Breakfast
Sunday, May 5	5th Sunday of Easter, 9:00 AM
Tuesday, May 7	Daily Mass, 8:00 AM
Wednesday, May 8	Daily Mass, 8:00 AM
Thursday, May 9	Daily Mass, 8:00 AM

CHURCH COUNCIL

Leadership Team	Elected Members	Commission Chairs
Tom Wilson President	<u>1st Term, 1st Year,</u> Natalie Owens (3) Tom Wilson (3)	<u>Altar & Rosary</u> Peggy Dvorak
Natalie Owen Vice President	<u>1st Term, 1st Year</u> Marcia Grimm (2) Giovanna Rodriguez (2)	<u>Buildings & Grounds</u> Karen VanDusseldorp
Marcia Grimm Secretary	<u>1st Term, 1st Year</u> David Birkenholtz (1)	<u>Faith Formation</u> <u>Finance Council</u> Brad Hagarty
Ex-Officio Fr. Ron Hodges Deacon Joe Dvorak	<u>1st Term, 3rd Year</u> Mary Dell Flattery	<u>Social Action</u> Tracy Spry <u>Technology</u> <u>Liturgy</u> Sharon Jones <u>Youth Representative</u> Delilah Miranda

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FAITH

