

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CATHOLIC CHURCH

Est. 1789—the oldest Parish in Southeast Missouri

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ONE CHURCH, EAST TO WEST : LOVING JESUS, SERVING JESUS, SHARING JESUS

May 1 — 6th Sunday of Easter

Sacrament of Reconciliation — Saturday, 4 to 4:45 p.m.

Confessing our sins may be difficult for us, but it brings us peace. We are sinners and we need God's forgiveness. *Pope Francis*

Mass Schedule				Intention
Apr 30	Sat	5 pm	Vigil, 6th Sunday of Easter	+Robert Retz
May 1	Sun	11 am	6th Sunday of Easter	+Sam & Patti Hunter
May 2	Mon	8:15 am	MAY CROWNING	+Ralph Straker
May 3	Tue	8:15 am	NO MASS	
May 4	Wed	12:10 pm	Sts Philip and James	+Margariete Shibley
May 6	Fri	12:10 pm	First Friday	+Glenn Alexander
May 7	Sat	4 pm	Vigil, 7th Sunday of Easter <i>RiverFest</i>	+Jane Ann Bennett
May 8	Sun	11 am	7th Sunday of Easter <i>Mother's Day</i>	Parish Family

Date	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers	Collection Counters
Apr 30	Renee Smith	Renee Smith, Peter Rost	Ashley Long
May 1	Tammy Bennett	Malinda Darter, Malinda Grunwald	Emily Carlisle
May 7	David Crouthers	Ann Evans Copeland, Jo Crouthers	Katie Helmes
May 8	Kevin Carlisle	Gail Shy, Lydia Baker	Morgan Nesselrodt

RiverFest Updates

- **Toy & Cake Walk:** If your last name begins with A-G please bring a toy, game or \$10 donation. Please have toys to school or church by May 1. If your last name begins with H-Z, please bring a baked item for the Cake Walk.
- **Movie Night** will be Friday, May 6 at 8 pm at the school grounds. \$5 per person
- Please make every effort to sell your raffle tickets and return them to the Church office.
- On May 7th, Saturday Mass will be at 4 pm due to RiverFest.



Our Bereavement Meal Fund is low. All of us benefit from this fund; whether in the past or in the future. We are asking each family to make a generous donation of \$50 **or more**. You may put your donation in an envelope labeled "Bereavement" and place in the Collection basket at Mass or drop off at the Parish office. The family and friends of the deceased appreciate this time together after the funeral service. Your generosity will allow us to continue to provide this service. Thank you for your support. *The Bereavement Committee*



TODAY IS DDF SUNDAY

Thank you to Morgan Nesselrodt for chairing this program again this year.

Across the diocese, 86 people were Baptized, Confirmed, and received First Holy Communion in the Catholic Church during the 2016 Easter Season.

Among the diocese's 85 parishes and missions, some do not possess all of the necessary resources in order to serve their faith communities. These parishes are where DDF supplements and assists our priests and parish leadership in providing ministries and outreach to the faithful. Each of us is part of a larger family, joined together to form our One Church, East to West: Loving Jesus, Serving Jesus, Sharing Jesus. The Diocesan Development Fund is vital to the life of the Church in southern Missouri. Please complete and return your DDF pledge card by next Sunday if you did not do so today.



MAY CROWNING will be at The Grotto on Monday, May 2, after the 8:15 am Mass. This is always a beautiful service. The May crowning is an act of popular devotion in honor of our Blessed Mother that is repeated every year. Everyone is welcome to attend. *There is no 12:10 pm Mass on Monday, May 2 and no 8:15 am mass on Tuesday, May 3.*

Giving Summary

MONTHLY	
Collections	Amount
Apr 24	\$3,372.00
Apr 17	\$2,025.00
Apr 10	\$2,668.77

	TOTAL COLLECTIONS	TOTAL EXPENSES
Apr	\$13,845.27	\$17,505.86
Mar	\$12,380.13	\$14,434.66
Feb	\$14,030.07	\$21,499.89