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Immaculate Conception Catholic Church
Parish Life
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This book is lovingly dedicated to those stewards who sacrifice their time, talent and treasure to build up the kingdom of God and who so willingly demonstrate their love for their faith, for their family, for the people of Immaculate Conception Parish and for all our brothers and sisters in Jesus Christ.

Everyone is encouraged and cordially invited to take active roles in the life of the parish. Please call the parish office, 222-0255, for more information on the ministries of your choosing.





PARISH STAFF

Reverend A. L. Chandler, Pastor
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Mass Schedule

Monday through Friday, see bulletin.

Saturday, 5:00 p.m. Sunday, 8:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 12:30 p.m.

(12:30 p.m. Sunday Mass is celebrated in Spanish.)

Holydays are as scheduled in the bulletin.

Eucharistic Adoration

6:00 a.m.-Midnight, Monday-Friday 7:00 p.m.-Midnight, Sunday

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WORSHIP

WORSHIP COMMITTEE

As Catholics we are centered on the Eucharist and the importance of worship in our lives. The Worship Committee deals with all aspects of worship for Immaculate Conception Parish. The goal of this committee is to develop objectives and to coordinate liturgies that speak to the hearts of the people.

ALTAR SERVER

Assist celebrant during Mass. Boys and girls must be at least in the third grade and have received First Communion. Training is available and is announced in the parish bulletin when scheduled.

ART AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

This committee enhances the worship space with banners, flower arrangements, etc. If you have artistic ability or can do the artistry if directed, this committee is for you.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Children's Liturgy, held during the Liturgy of the Word at the 10:30 a.m. Sunday Mass, is a special time for children, ages 4 through grade 2, to learn more about the Sunday readings. Volunteers help the Children's Liturgy Coordinator with group activities, stories and songs.

CHOIR

An energetic group of fun-loving people who enjoy praising God through music. A choir member should have a pleasant singing voice and a willingness to commit 1-2 hours weekly for practice. They should also be willing to commit to special liturgical services and major feasts. Open to adults and young adults.









COMMUNION MINISTER

Communion Ministers assist the celebrant in the distribution of Holy Eucharist at all Masses. To be a Communion Minister, a parishioner must be at least 18 years of age, have received the Sacrament of Confirmation and be a participating member of the parish.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Offers parishioners the opportunity to honor and adore the real presence of Jesus Christ in the Blessed Sacrament and to provide opportunity for private prayer.

GIFT BEARER

Presenting the gifts of bread and wine at the offertory of the mass is symbolic of the fruits of our labor which will become the body and blood of Christ.

INSTRUMENTALIST

Contributes to the worship life of the parish through the use of their musical talent by playing organ, keyboard, guitar or other musical instruments.

LECTOR

Lectors proclaim the Word of God at Mass through readings from the Old and New Testaments at Sunday and Holy Day Masses. Parishioners of high school age and older, with a good speaking voice, may become lectors.

LINEN CARE

Helps wash and iron linens used for Liturgies.

USHER/GREETER

Greeters offer a warm welcome to all who have come to worship; often, they are the first contacts visitors and new parishioners have with our parish. They hand out our weekly worship aids and answer questions and offer direction. Ushers assist those who come to worship, helping with the orderly reception of Communion and handling any emergency that may arise. Ushers take up the collection and make sure the assembly area is cleaned up after Mass.

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BAPTISM

Our parish family rejoices with you as you bring your child to new life in Christ through Baptism. Baptism is scheduled during Sunday liturgies throughout the year. No Baptisms take place during Advent or Lent. To schedule a baptism, please contact the parish office.

FIRST RECONCILIATION AND FIRST EUCHARIST

Our parish sacramental programs for Reconciliation and Eucharist are two-year preparation programs beginning in first grade and continuing through second grade. All registered parishioners, including children in public and private schools, and those who are home-schooled, will be enrolled in our parish sacramental programs for First Reconciliation and First Eucharist.

CONFIRMATION

Our parish sacramental program for Confirmation is a twoyear program beginning with students in seventh grade. All registered parishioners, including children in public and private schools and those who are home-schooled will be enrolled in the parish sacramental program for Confirmation.

MARRIAGE

We extend prayerful congratulations on your engagement and forthcoming nuptials. To prepare for this lifelong commitment, Archdiocesan policy requires you to contact the parish at least six months prior to the wedding. Please do not schedule any dates until after contacting the parish office.



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Religious education classes are offered to those children of our parish attending public school, pre-K through sixth grade. By offering your time and talent to teach our children the fundamentals of our faith you become a Catholic role model for future generations.

HISPANIC MINISTRY

As a volunteer for this ministry, you will be a vital member in the organization of the many faith formation programs needed for our Hispanic community.

HOME SCHOOL FAMILIES

As a parish we respect and support your choice to educate your children within your home and family. We want to encourage you to have your children take part in parish life by attending our parish religious education programs in preparation for the sacraments of Reconciliation, Communion and Confirmation.

SCRIPTURE STUDY

Through the study of Sacred Scripture, our parish family is given opportunities to deepen their knowledge, practice and love of their faith.

YOUTH MINISTRY

Allows middle and high school youth to share faith, fellowship, and social outings directed to lead them to greater understanding of the faith and their role in the Church and our parish mission. The High School Youth Group meets weekly on Sunday evenings; the Middle School Youth Group meets as announced in the bulletin.







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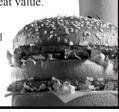
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PASTORAL CARE AND OUTREACH

AGAPE SHOP

Provides clothing and household items at minimal cost to our brothers and sisters in Oldham County and surrounding communities who are in need. Volunteers are needed to work in the shop. Donations of clothing and household goods are needed throughout the year. Proceeds from the Agape shop are used to assist those in the community at large with rent, utilities, medical needs, etc.

BEREAVEMENT COMMITTEE

Responds to those who are experiencing grief due to the loss of a loved one. Immediate concerns are offering our prayers to nourish grieving spirits; and to provide meals to nourish grieving hearts. Providing continuing grief support is crucial to our Bereavement Ministry. Through handwritten notes and other gestures of concern, we reach out to keep in touch with families to enrich and heal them during this most difficult time.

BREAD MINISTRY

Drivers are needed to deliver food to various shelters and organizations in Oldham and surrounding counties.

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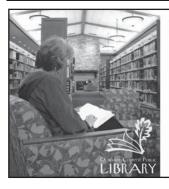
Offers parishioners an opportunity to share the joy of Christ's birth by providing Christmas present for the children of the Oldham County community who are in need. Volunteers are needed once a year to sort and transport packages.

PRAYER LINE

Parishioners volunteering to pray for the needs of anyone who requests prayer.

PRAYER SHAWLS

Encourages fellowship among parishioners by way of knitting and crocheting "prayer" shawls (and other items) which are given to the sick and homebound who may need special thoughts and prayers.



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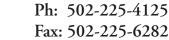
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PRISON MINISTRY

Ministers to the men who are incarcerated at Roederer Correctional Complex through scripture readings, praying the rosary, and a monthly Mass. Our goal is to assist and support the rehabilitation process by bringing God's light into their world.

RESPECT LIFE

Through prayer, education, acts of service, and legislation, works to ensure the sanctity of life from conception until death.



You are a light of the world. - Matthew 5:14

PARISH LIFE SUPPORT

FALL FESTIVAL

Held on the second Saturday in November, this annual event provides all parishioners an opportunity to showcase our parish to the Oldham County Community. Volunteers are needed to plan and coordinate this event; to act as booth chairpersons; to work the day of the event in the booths, the kitchen and the dining rooms.

HEALTH MINISTRY AND PARISH NURSING

This ministry has, as its primary role, the provision of health and wellness education and support to parishioners. It includes monthly blood pressure screenings and the providing of age-appropriate health and wellness information.



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PRIME TIME CLUB

Promotes friendships among parishioners 50 years and older who are willing to have fun, go on trips and enjoy the prime years of life. Meetings held second Wednesday of the month. Minimum age waived for spouses.

And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

-Colosssians 3:17

ADMINISTRATION

PARISH COUNCIL

Coordinates and plans for the development of the parish as a faith community under the guidance of the pastor. Parishioners are nominated from the parish at large and selected through a lottery process for position on the council.

The community of believers was of one heart and mind, and no one claimed that any of his possessions was his own. . ."

-Acts, 4:32



Safe Environment Training

All staff, certified and classified personnel, and volunteers who work with children and youth of our parish are required to have a background check and to attend a session of the Archdiocese of Louisville "Safe Environment Training."

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