

We remember in prayer:

Lori Arp, Christine Atterbury, Paul Buchanan, Rodney Butterfield, Fred Carpenter, Fallon Carter, John Casey, Mary Casey, Sandy Cross, Donna Davis, Gail Dobbs, Marjorie Ellison, Kathy Enderle, Andy Fowler, Bridget Gillespie, Holly Gladbach, Belinda Goff, Ron Hamilton, Rosanne Hamilton, Lynn Ellen Haugh, Emmett Hertal, Charlie Higinbotham, Mark Hoyt, Sarah Jackson, Keeley LeBleu, Jeremy Lodder, Emma & Larry Ludwig, Fallon Milford, Mike Morris, Linda Owens, Ron Paalhar, Bobby Parker, Jewell Phillips, Olivia Robinson, Carl Schreiner, Sybil Schreiner, Ron Sears, Bob Sims, Margi Speichinger, Regan Tate, Jim Timmons. People of Ukraine, Gaza, Israel. All affected by natural disasters For all care givers.



We know that our prayer for others help!!!

If you know of people who need our prayer, let us know. We will be happy to include them on our list.

There are many needs to pray for: hurricane and tornado devastation, those suffering from fires, peace in many places around the world, everyone we promised to pray for.....

Note: If you asked us to put someone on the prayer list... please let us know when they can be taken off the list.

Why Catholic (continued)

Christians, for Catholics, the crucifix represents the complete story of Jesus' Passion, death, & the resurrection that follows.

*The Sign of the Cross:

The crucifix is also the basis for the Sign of the Cross, a prayerful gesture that reminds Catholics of God's love, the Trinity, and the sacrifice of Jesus. It is thus that all Christians proudly wear & display the cross as a symbol of their faith.

* Catholics are unique in that they also portray the body of Christ on the cross, as opposed to

The Children's Division is grateful for the donations of hygiene products. The items have been delivered. Thank you so much!

The Food Pantry has been having to purchase additional food. They will welcome any donations of non-perishable food items.



Immaculate Conception Church

313 N Livingston St Brookfield MO 64628 660- 258-2507

Cemetery website: <https://www.cemify.com/cem/immaculate-conception-church>

email rectory@icbrookfield.org

Website icbrookfieldchurch.org

OUR MISSION:

TO PROCLAIM CHRIST...TO BE COMMUNITY...
TO SERVE...
TO CELEBRATE

Parochial Administrator-

Rev. Fr. C. Paschal Ihediohamma

Pastoral Associate-Sister Mary

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Sacraments: Contact Sr. Mary for preparation

New Parishioners: We are happy to welcome you to our parish. Contact Fr. Pascal, Sister Mary or fill out the registration paper on the desk in Church

Pastoral Council Members

Meets 1st Wed. of month

Donna Barger

Catherine Black

Brian Brockman

Darlene Gordon

Roger Hulett

Jane Walgren

Kathy Seckington- Secretary

Bill Paalhar-Vice President

Linda Shaw-President 660-734-3935

Finance Council Members

Meets every other month

Chair- Roger Hulett 816-616-5034

Susie Abeln 660-412-2010

Tyler Gordon 660-734-1278

Clydene Loyd 600-258-9000

Pat O'Kane 660-895-5440

September 21 2025

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time



We are encouraged in our pursuit of holiness by Jesus' words. Instead of clinging to material wealth, we should be good stewards of whatever material wealth we have been given. Material goods and God cannot hold the same place of importance in our priorities.

We need to decide which one will be our life's pursuit.

True wealth does not refer to material goods but to the gift given to us by God, a gift that does not fail us when we die.

Mass Times

Sunday 9:00 a.m.

**Rosary at 8:25

****Reconciliation:** Sundays 8:30-8:55

The Wednesday Mass is at 8:30

Mass Intentions

Sept 21 Francis Clark

Sept 24 Jon Jansen

Sept 28 Lorene Meissen

Oct 1 Charles Tillman

Oct 5 Larry Wattenbarger

Church Attendance

Aug 31 214

Sept 7 158

Sept 14 250

Birthdays & Anniversaries

9-21 Matthew Gladbach

9-23 Randy Holloway

9-24 Lindsay Neal

9-28 John Casey



The Parish Library is in the breeze-

way (through the glass doors at the top of the ramp)

There are many great books to choose from. Browse, take what appeals to you....read...bring back for others to read



Mark your calendars!

Our Turkey Dinner will be November 9th

Baby Quilt Raffle

Ronda Paalhar has em-

broidered two cute

baby quilts and has

donated them to be

raffled for the cemetery fund! Tickets are available now until the end of September.

The tickets are \$1 or 6 for \$5. Get your tickets in Church or from the rectory.



Congratulations!!!

Amara Allen, daughter of Joseph and Dana Allen, will be baptized on September 21.

OCIA: Are you thinking about joining the Catholic Church?

Do you know someone who would like to learn more about the Catholic Church? ***There is a group ready to begin the OCIA process. Contact Sister Mary to join the group.***

(OCIA=Order of Christian Initiation for Adults) Please let Sister Mary or the office know as soon as possible.



Knights of Columbus and Ladies' Auxiliary meetings Monday, September 22 Meal at 6:30 followed by the

meetings. Hope to see you there!

Stewardship of Treasure

Needed for Sept . . \$13,468

Sept 7 \$5,220

Sept 14 \$2,803

Sept 21. \$

Sept 28 \$

Still Needed for Sept \$5,445

Improvement Fund.....\$

Cemetery.....\$197



<https://cccnmo.diojeffcity.org/>
Catholic charities needs your help!

Your voice is key to making a difference by taking this survey!

It is a community needs assessment survey.

The insights you share will directly shape the next three-year strategic plan, helping them better understand the real challenges families face across our 38-county region, so they can design programs that truly empower our neighbors to move from crisis to stability. Additionally, by taking the short assessment, you can remain anonymous and still enter to win one of forty \$25 gift cards.

Why Catholic: September 21

Father's homily last Sunday elaborated on the cross so let's know more about Why Catholics focus on the crucifix in place of the cross. Catholics focus on the crucifix (a cross with Jesus' body) as a central symbol because it represents Jesus' ultimate sacrifice for humanity's sins, His immense love, and His victory over sin and death. The crucifix serves as a powerful reminder of the price Christ paid, offering both consolation in suffering and a hope for the resurrection that followed His passion. Key Reasons for the Crucifix

***Sacrifice and Love:** The crucifix emphasizes the price Jesus paid for humanity's sins & the depth of His love for all people, a love so great it led Him to suffer and die on the cross.

***Victory over Sin and Death:** By entering into death, Jesus won His victory over sin and death, a triumph that is symbolized in the crucifix.

***Consolation in Suffering:** For Catholics, the crucifix can provide comfort & strength when facing their own hardships. It reminds them that Christ shared in and understood human suffering, making it easier to bear their own.

***The Complete Story:** While sometimes misinterpreted by other
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