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Knights of Columbus, Co 3769  
**January 13TH, 2026**  
 6:30 pm ROSARY  
 7:00 pm: MEETING  
**EVERY SECOND TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH**  
*Stop Abortions ~ Pray the Rosary*

Immaculate Conception Finance Meeting  
 6:00pm — Rectory  
 Thursday, January 15th



Join Fr. Bill for a Questions and Answers Session beginning Saturday, January 3rd between 10 am to Noon at the Rectory. This is for anyone! And especially those who are searching.

Sessions will be at Immaculate Conception the 1st and 3rd Saturdays and at St. Mary's Rectory the 2nd and 4th Saturdays.

**NEXT SESSION AT IC; SATURDAY, JANUARY 17TH**

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!**

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 20TH**

Macon County Ministries monthly distribution is from 12p-6p. We are in need of volunteers for loading cars (some lifting) and to assist shoppers inside the warehouse. Volunteers needed for 2 hr. shifts from 12-2, 2-4 and 4-6pm. Thank You! — Marge Schaefer

Women's Group study beginning Sunday, January 11 on

Teresa of Avila, Teacher of Prayer is

**POSTPONED** due to unforeseen circumstances.



**MASS SCHEDULE**

*During the month of January, Mass Intention for the people of Sacred Heart, Immaculate Conception, St. Patrick's and St. Mary's will be said at St. Mary's in Shelbina.*

**Saturday January 10, 2025**

3:30 p.m. — 4:15 p.m.—Confessions  
 4:30 p.m.—Macon— **Bill Carpenter** †

**Sunday, January 11, 2025**

11:00 a.m.—Macon— **Mollie & Frank Healey** †

Wednesday Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 8am to 6pm

**Wednesday, January 14, 2026 — Sacred Heart, Bevier**

5:00 p.m. — **Mary Rivetto** †

◇ **Thursday, January 15, 2025**

8:00 a.m. — Macon — **NO MASS**

You are welcome to join ICS Students & Staff for Prayer Service.

**\*\*Confessions before and after Mass on First Fridays**

7:30 a.m. — 7:50 a.m. —Confessions

◇ **Friday, January 16, 2025**

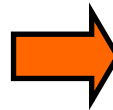
8:00 a.m. — Macon — **Faculty, Staff & Students**

**Saturday, January 17, 2026**

3:30 p.m. — 4:15 p.m.—Confessions  
 4:30 p.m.—Macon— **Charles Stokes** †

**Sunday, January 18, 2026**

11:00 a.m.—Macon — **Doris Maloney** †



There will be **No Masses** on the following dates due to Fr. Bill filling in for other Priests while they are away:

Thursday, January 15th — 8am  
 Thursday, January 22nd — 8am  
 Wednesday, January 21st — 5pm, Sacred Heart  
**Please watch the bulletin for possible ICS Prayer Services during these dates that all are welcome to attend.**



**WE ARE IN THE YEAR OF MATTHEW.**

Deacon Greg will be facilitating:  
**MATTHEW: THE KING AND HIS KINGDOM** by **Jeff Cavins and Sarah Christmyer.**

**The study will begin on Thursday, January 15, 2026 at 2 p.m.**  
 2000 West Shore Drive in Macon.

**The Bible Teaches It**  
**Malachi 3:10-12**  
**We Believe It**  
**Act 4:32-25**  
**God Honors It**  
**Genesis 14:18-20**



SACRED HEART

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP REPORT	Offertory Envelopes/ Plate
December 07	\$570.00
December 14	\$85.00
December 21	\$7,816.03
December 28	\$840.00

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<b>Budgeted Monthly Goal</b>	<b>\$38,000.00</b>		
December 07	\$6,720.00	\$1,056.00	\$450.00
December 14	\$19,477.00	\$65.00	
E/Giving	\$5,628.00		
December 21	\$6,094.00	\$105.00	\$500.00
December 28	\$12,622.75	\$10.00	



**Deacon Greg's Corner**



**Why Was Jesus Baptized?**



This Sunday we celebrate the Baptism of the Lord which is the beginning of his public ministry. But why did Jesus need to be baptized in the first place since he's God and sinless. The simple and direct answer **is because he wanted to be!** This question has been studied, pondered and debated for over 2000 years. However, there's a second question I believe that needs to be looked at first is **what is righteousness?**

**Righteousness:** In our Catholic teachings, righteousness isn't just being declared righteous but being made righteous by God's grace, meaning we receive Christ's righteousness, becoming truly holy and just, not merely having our sins covered. It involves an interior transformation, a process of sanctification where God's grace heals us, enabling us to cooperate with Him to live out a life of virtue, love, and obedience to divine will, growing in holiness over time. It's a gift from God that changes us, moving us from being sinners to being children of God, able to love and live as His disciples.

**Baptism:** The answer Jesus gave John the Baptist helps us to understand why Jesus wanted to be baptized: **"Allow it now, for thus it is fitting for us to fulfill all righteousness."** I know it's difficult to understand this answer because Jesus was already righteous. So how could his baptism fulfill all righteousness? In Pope Benedict XVI book Jesus of Nazareth: From the Baptism in the Jordan to the Transfiguration helps us to answer this question. **"Sinless Jesus did not have any sins of his own to take down into the river Jordan, therefore it could only have been our sins that he took down into the river Jordan."**

Jesus' baptism in the Jordan expressed the intention of his whole life right up to dying on the cross for us, taking our sins on himself to save us. Our baptism also expresses the intention of our whole life up to our death, leaving our sin behind and living with the life of Jesus. Every day is to be a living out of our baptism with that new life of Jesus. Every day is another opportunity to turn from sin and continue following Jesus which we began with our own baptism. Our baptism is a sharing in the effects and salvation of Jesus' death and resurrection, a sharing in the new life of Jesus we receive from his death and resurrection. Jesus was baptized so that all righteousness might be fulfilled, and this happens when we live our baptism by turning from sin to live the life of Jesus and all righteousness is fulfilled.

**God Bless! Deacon Greg**



### Immaculate Conception Church

402 N. Rollins, Macon, Missouri 63552

## Welcome...

Immaculate Conception and Sacred Heart invites you to take advantage of "belonging" to your Parish and School.

Register, ask questions, volunteer, get involved and enjoy our parish events and activities. Stop by the Rectory to register or complete a registration card available at the front entrance of church.

## Mass Schedule

M (Macon) B (Bevier) S (Shelbina) C (Clarence)

SUNDAY - 9:00 (S) & 11:00 (M)

TUESDAY - 8:00 (S) 12:00 (C)

WEDNESDAY - 12:15 (S) 5:00 (B)

THURSDAY - 9:00 (M) (12:15 Summerlime from 5/29 to 8/7)

FRIDAY - 8:00 (M)

SATURDAY 4:30 (M) 6:30 (S)

1st Saturdays 9:00 (M)

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:

Every Wednesday & 1st Friday - 9:00 am to 6:00 pm (M)



### Sacred Heart Church

301 N Macon St, Bevier, MO 63532

### Baptism & Marriage

Preparation required, please contact the rectory.

### Adult Education/RCTA/PSR:

- Watch the bulletin for opportunities and announcements for these programs
- Non-Catholic adults interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith can do so through Rite of Christian Initiation (RICA)
- Youth Ministry, Outreach and Communications

**PASTOR:** Fr. Bill Peckman

**Rectory Phone:** 660-385-3792

**Church Email:** icchurchmacon@gmail.com

**DEACONS:** Rev. Mr. Lloyd Collins

Rev. Mr. Bruce Mobley

Rev. Mr. Greg Duffley

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Deacon Collins & Deacon Mobley

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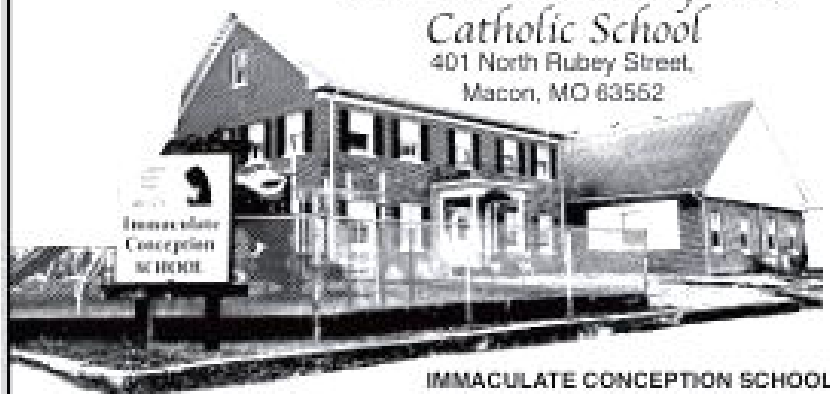
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