

Prayer to Our Lady of the Rosary

O Virgin Mary, grant that the recitation of the Rosary may be for me a sweet refreshment and an encouragement in my faith. May the Rosary form in my soul, little by little, a luminous atmosphere, pure, strengthening, and fragrant, which may penetrate my understanding, my will, my heart, my memory, my imagination, and my whole being. I ask this through Christ Our Lord. Amen.

Greetings!

From the Pastor's Desk

This month I asked several Parish Staff members to describe how their department lives out the call to Christian discipleship. This week we hear from our Faith Formation department.

To be a disciple is to be a follower and learner of a master. Every program put forth by the Faith Formation department, whether for children or adults, is an opportunity to learn more about our master and Lord, Jesus Christ—to re-encounter or to encounter Him for the first time. From the beginning, baptism parents hear of their responsibility to be the first and foremost educators of the faith—to teach their children about Jesus. By involving the whole family in our youth Faith Formation programs, all are encouraged on the path of becoming lifelong learners. The learning continues through such offerings as Bible studies, the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, and Intercessory Prayer Ministry. All of these activities challenge participants to see themselves in relationship with Jesus Christ, the all-Holy One.

— Mary Nawrocki, Director of Faith Formation

God Bless You,
Father John Mitchell

**Immaculate Conception School
is "Business of the Week"**



Next week Immaculate Conception School is the “Business of the Week” on Twin Cities radio station AM 1280, The Patriot. Principal Jane Bona recorded two interviews about our School that will air at 9:04 am and 6:04 pm each day, Monday – Friday. Be sure to listen for them, and thank you to AM1280 for this generous gift of airtime.

faithful+beginnings
at Immaculate Conception Catholic School



Play Date & Open House

Saturday, November 4, 2017



Play Date 9:30—11:00 am

Enjoy a morning of fun with your preschool or kindergarten student and get to know other parents and staff at ICS. We'll have crafts, gym time and snacks. No charge to attend!



*Know a family looking for a new school?
Please let them know about this event.
All are welcome at ICS!*

Open House 9:30 am—Noon

Come learn about our award winning preschool through grade 8 school. Parents and children will have the opportunity to explore classrooms, learn about Personalized Learning, chat with our principal and more!



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Give to the Max for Immaculate Conception School at GiveMN.org between November 1-16. New this year, donations are being accepted any time from November 1 - 16. We once again have a very generous donor who will match donations up to \$10,000.00 total, so please consider making a donation.

*“Give to the Max”
for ICS!*



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will be matched by a generous donor!

Your gift will make a BIG difference!

Funds raised will be used to enhance our Personalized Learning curriculum, technology, and for general operating expenses.

Please help us by making a tax-deductible donation November 1st – 16th!

It's easy to do:

- Visit ICCSonline.org and click on “Give To The Max” or
- Visit GiveMN.org and in the search box type ICS to find our page.

If you prefer to donate “offline” we would be grateful to receive your gift in the mail or in person as well.



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Fun for the
Whole Family!



Bingo

& Turkey Raffle

Sunday, November 19, 2017

Immaculate Conception Church and School
40th & Jackson, Columbia Heights
In Fellowship Hall - Lower level of the Church



12:30 pm - 3:30 pm

Snacks & Beverages Available For Purchase

\$\$\$ Play for CASH! \$\$\$
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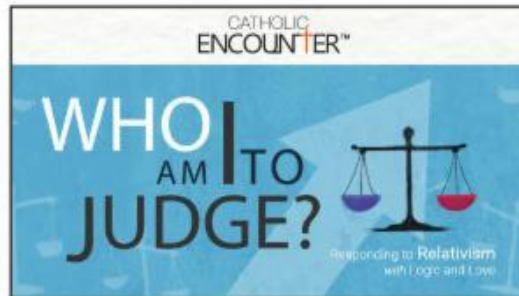
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Who Am I to Judge?

Presented By Dr. Edward Sri

How can we stand up for truth in a world that says there is no truth?

How can we explain our moral convictions without being labeled “judgmental?” Join Dr. Edward Sri as he explores what the Church teaches about truth and learn how to better explain it without fear of being “intolerant.”



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—Chuck S, Wichita, KS



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Video of the Week

“Pope Francis: List of tips to make a marriage work”



Trivia Question of the Week

All Saints Day is November 1 and All Souls Day is November 2.

TRUE OR FALSE

See the bottom of this newsletter for the answer.



Books I Am Reading

“Catholicism: A Journey to the Heart of the Faith”, by Father Robert Barron.

“The Centurion’s Wife, (Acts of Faith, Book 1)”, by Davis Bunn and Janette Oke
For a free checkout of “The Centurion’s Wife” on a parish-owned Kindle, contact Mary Beth Pfeifer, Director of Discipleship and Advancement, at the parish office (763-788-9062, x 203, mbpfeifer@immac-church.org).

(Kindle, is a trademark of Amazon.com, Inc.)

Books I Have Read This Year

“He Leadeth Me” by Father Walter Ciszek. (Audiobook)

“My Sisters the Saints” by Colleen Carroll Campbell

“7 Secrets of the Eucharist” by Vinny Flynn

“Joan of Arc” by Mark Twain

Will You Pray for a Priest Each Day?

Prayer Suggestion: Dear Jesus, hear my prayer on behalf of your priest, Father [N]. Give him a deep faith, a bright and a firm hope. Be his comfort, his joy, and his strength. Amen.

October 27 – Rev. Marc Paveglio
October 28 – Rev. Mark Pavlak
October 29 – Rev. Mark Pavlik
October 30 – Rev. Patrick Peach
October 31 – Archbishop Bernard Hebda
November 1 – Pope Francis
November 2 – Rev. John Mitchell
November 3 – Rev. Bryan Pedersen

Answer to the Trivia Question of the Week

TRUE

Upcoming Feast Days:

Wednesday, November 1
All Saints Day
Mass at 7:30 am, 8:30 am, 7:00 pm

Thursday, November 2
All Souls Day
Memorial Service: 7:00 pm

Thursday, November 23
Thanksgiving Day
Mass at 9:00 am

Friday, December 8
Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception
Mass at 7:30 am, 8:30 am, 7:00 pm

Saturday, December 23
Fourth Sunday of Advent
Mass at 5:00 pm

Sunday, December 24
Fourth Sunday of Advent
Mass at 8:00 am, 10:00 am

Sunday, December 24
Christmas Eve
Mass at 5:00 pm

Monday, December 25
Christmas Day
Mass at 8:00 am, 10:00 am

Saturday, December 30
Solemnity of the Holy Family
Mass at 5:00 pm

Sunday, December 31
Solemnity of the Holy Family
Mass at 8:00 am, 10:00 am

Sunday, December 31
Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God
Mass at 5:00 pm

Monday, January 1, 2018
Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God
Mass at 9:00 am



God Bless You,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Fr. John Mitchell".

Father John Mitchell

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