

Supplement to

St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception

Parish Handbook

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St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception Catholic Parish

Forming saints for Christ and the Church since 1857

08 December 2017

Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Welcome! Welcome to St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception Parish. Welcome to the Catholic community of Rush County. Welcome to our faith family striving to be *formed as saints for Christ and the Church*. Welcome to the People of God working to build God's kingdom in our midst by spreading His Word, celebrating His Sacrament, and extending His Service. Welcome!

We are blessed with a rich Faith Tradition as Catholics, and a rich local tradition as St. Mary Parish. While we are not always perfect, we are striving together to do our best and to encourage each other in our Christian discipleship. Active participation in one or more of the many ministries, committees, or activities of the parish will certainly enliven your faith and help you to grow spiritually, intellectually, and emotionally.

You hold in your hand our parish handbook. In it, you will find helpful information and descriptions of the life and ministry of our parish community. These are opportunities for you to engage your personal relationship with Christ in the communal context of the Church. These are openings for you to live for and with Christ in Word and Deed. Our Catholic Christianity challenges us to express our interior love of God by exterior engagement and involvement in love of neighbor. It is you and your fellow brothers and sisters in Christ who give flesh to the truth and love of Triune God in our community.

As your pastor, I pray you will allow the Grace of Baptism to move you to an ever-deeper engagement in the life of the parish and the Church. It is my expectation that each person of the parish participates, according to the blessings they have received and the talents they have been given by God. Your willingness to be faithful stewards of our Catholic community and to give sacrificially of yourself allows God to be glorified as together we do greater good for God in Rush County and beyond. *“Give and gifts will be given to you; a good measure, packed together, shaken down, and overflowing, will be poured into your lap. For the measure with which you measure will in return be measured out to you”* (Luke 6:38).

In Christ through Mother Mary,
Rev. Jeremy M. Gries
Pastor

Weekend Masses

Saturday: 5:30 p.m.

Sunday: 7:30 a.m., 10:00 a.m.

Weekday Masses: 8:30 a.m., Wednesday through Friday,
Tuesday 6:30 p.m.

Adoration: 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m., First Friday of each month

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday 4:30 – 5:15 p.m.,
Tuesday 6:00 – 6:25 p.m.

Thank you for your support of St. Mary Parish by your active participation in worship, ministries, prayers, and donations. Through the generous sharing of time, talent, and treasure, we will continue to grow together in Christ and help to spread His Kingdom on Earth.

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