



St. Mary Immaculate Conception Church Preservation Society

Our Mission

The Mission of the St. Mary Immaculate Conception Church Preservation Society is to preserve and protect our Holy Landmark while continuing to share our Catholic faith through the use of our Chapel as a holy place of worship for future generations.

Open Letter to the SMICCPs Membership

Dear Preservation Society Members and Friends,

It's a new day! With the Covid19 Virus somewhat controlled and things cautiously opening, we are now able to make some plans for the future. We do hope you are doing well and taking advantage of the support available to you, like the extended unemployment benefits, produce boxes, the reopening of businesses and churches.

We are seeing big changes in our world. The board of SMICCPs have had to make changes too. Since large gatherings are not allowed, we are unable to have some of our fundraising activities. Therefore, we will be very dependent on our "Super Raffle" to keep us viable and provide the financial support to allow us to continue our maintenance and improvement of the property. You will soon receive your Super Raffle tickets in the mail for the October 18 drawing, please consider your commitment to the maintenance of our chapel and buy and/or sell as many tickets as possible.

We will soon be able to have Mass according to the guidelines outlined by the Archdiocese. Some of you will be eager to attend and others will feel hesitant to gather because of your personal risk factors. The decision to attend is yours and we support your choice. For those of you that wish to reconnect and receive the Body of Christ this is your opportunity. Please carefully review and follow the requirements for attending Mass in this issue.

You can request a mass for your loved one now. Just place your request in an envelope with your donation in the collection basket now located at the entrance to the chapel. We will remember them in our next scheduled mass unless a specific date is indicated.

We thank you for your spiritual support during these unusual times. We depend on each other and want to be there for you. If we can be of assistance be sure to call, text or come see us. Until we can gather again in fellowship, be safe and God bless.

Respectfully Yours,
Thomasine "Tommie" Buatte
President, SMICCPs

Mass Schedule

The Sacrament of the Holy Mass will return to our Chapel beginning July 23. At this time, Father Hayes will be officiating all Masses which will begin at 9:00 am on the following days:

Sunday, July 26

Sunday, August 16

Sunday, August 30

Sunday, September 13

Sunday, September 27

Social distancing guidelines for Mass attendance are contained in this newsletter.

Church Attendance Guidelines

Following are the Covid-19 requirements provided by the Archdiocese for attendance at public Masses at the Immaculate Conception Chapel. These requirements will remain in place until further notice:

1. Each person must wear a mask
2. Social distancing of 6 feet; Pews and aisles will be marked
3. Every other pew is used
4. Three (3) persons per pew unless family
5. Attendee(s) not ill or have had exposure to Corona virus within last 14 days
6. No offertory procession, no sign of peace, no passing of collection basket, (basket will be located at the entrance to the chapel) no books
7. Only the priest will distribute communion

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Memorials

Memorial envelopes are now available at Basler Funeral Home in Ste. Genevieve and at Ford and Sons in Perryville.

Annual Membership

Our annual Membership drive has now been rescheduled for January 2021. All memberships will now run January through December. This change will allow for us to improve our record keeping. If you have any questions about your membership because of this change please contact either Kris Ritter (573-883-0559) or Kathy Blum (573-883-5646).

Volunteer Opportunities

Our volunteers are so vital to the success of our preservation endeavor. Volunteers are needed not only to help with the cleaning and maintenance of our buildings, but also to assist at Church events and in Mass by serving, singing, or playing the pipe organ. We welcome all who want to provide their time and service. Please contact any of our Board members for more details.

The Super Raffle will be held on October 18.

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