

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH

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ST. MARGARET'S CHURCH

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June 08, 2025: Pentecost Sunday (Year C)

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<i>Day, Month & Date</i>	<i><u>Mass Schedule for June 08 – June 15, 2025</u></i>
<i>Sun June 08</i>	<i>Pentecost Sunday: 9 am Mass @ ICC & 11 am Mass @ St. Margaret's. (Intention: Skip Ross RIP, R/B Staci Corder).</i>
<i>Wed June 11th</i>	<i>9 am Mass @ ICC (St. Barnabas, Apostle)</i>
<i>Thurs June 12th</i>	<i>10 am Mass @ Bluffs (St. Boniface, Bishop & Martyr).</i>
<i>Fri June 13th</i>	<i>11 am Regina Coeli, Novena and Mass @ St. Margaret's (St. Anthony of Padua).</i>
<i>Sat June 14th</i>	<i>9 am Mass @ ICC.</i>
<i>Sun June 15th</i>	<i>The Most Holy Trinity: 9 am Mass @ ICC & 11 am Mass @ St. Margaret's.</i>

Sunday Collections:

<i>June 01, 2025</i> <i>The Ascension Sunday</i>	ICC, Ft. Benton: \$ 1,378.00 + \$ 40 (Maintenance) = \$ 1,418.00 St. Margaret's, Geraldine: \$ 760.00
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Reflection by Pastor: Dear Loving Sisters, Brothers and Children in Christ!

Come to Us Holy Spirit!

And suddenly there came from the sky a noise like a strong driving wind, and it filled the entire house in which they were. Then there appeared to them tongues as of fire, which parted and came to rest on each one of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in different tongues, as the Spirit enabled them to proclaim.

Acts 2:2–4.

Happy birthday! Today, as we celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost, we also celebrate the birth of the Church. Thus, today is a celebration of your membership in

the life of the Church. As a human institution, the Church has always suffered on account of the sins of Her members. But all of us are united under Christ our Head as members of His holy Body, the Church.

We profess our faith in the Church every Sunday. We profess that we believe in “one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.” What exactly does this mean? First, it means that by the power and working of the Holy Spirit, those who profess faith in Christ are united as “one.” This oneness is a spiritual union that will endure for eternity. It is unbreakable and restores us to the life we were created to live. That is, a life of union with God and others, a communion of humanity with God.

As one family, the Church is also “holy.” Holiness is another way of saying that we are made whole by the blood of Christ, sharing in His redemption. By His mercy, our sins are forgiven and we become children of the Father in Heaven, sharing the eternal life of the Son.

The word “catholic” refers to the truth that the offer of salvation is given to all. It is a universal calling given to all people who will accept this gift. God did not come to save only a few but all, and many will accept this gift of salvation.

We are “apostolic,” in that God chose to establish His Church through the mediation of His Apostles. They were uniquely called to become instruments by which the saving Truth is proclaimed and the grace won by the Cross is distributed. The work of the Apostles continues today through their successors, the bishops, and those who are co-workers with the bishops, the priests.

As a member of the one Body of Christ, you are also invited by God to enlarge His family through the sharing of the Gospel and by your life of deep prayer. You are called and sent, and this takes place by the outpouring of the Holy Spirit that we especially celebrate today.

Reflect, today, upon the incredible privilege it is to be invited to be a member of the Family of God, the Church. And reflect, also, upon the important duty you have to extend that invitation to others. Pray to the Holy Spirit, asking for an increase in His seven-fold gifts in your life so that You can help share the saving message of the Gospel to those whom God wants to reach through you.

Sunday, June 8, Community Baby Shower for mothers in need hosted by Geraldine Community Church and St. Margaret's Catholic Church at Geraldine Community Church. Stop by the Community Church on Sunday, June 8 between 12:00-2:00pm when the items will be on display.

Sunday, June 22, 11:00 am Mass outdoors at the home of Jay and Trish Eklund, potluck to follow. Everyone is welcome to join us for Mass and/or the potluck. Meat and cheese tray, rolls, lemonade, and water will be provided. Everyone is invited to bring a side dish, a chair, and any preferred beverages.

Church Custodian-Don't forget to sign up to clean the church. It takes only 1 to 2 hours during the week you sign up for.

Reflection by Trish - Inspirational Quotes

If thank you is the only prayer you ever say that is enough. ~Meister Eckhart,

The only way to live is to accept each minute as an unrepeatable miracle. ~Margaret Storm Jameson

Love wholeheartedly, be surprised, give thanks and praise—then you will discover the fullness of your life. ~Brother David Steind-Rast

The most fortunate are those who have a wonderful capacity to appreciate again and again, freshly and naively, the basic good of life with awe, pleasure, wonder, and even ecstasy. ~Abraham H. Maslow

Every time we feel satisfied with what we have, we can be counted as rich, however little we may actually possess. ~Alain De Botton

Happiness is not ready made. It comes from our own actions. ~His Holiness the 14th Dalai Lama

Though you may not change it, you can handle an ugly situation beautifully. ~Pir Vilayat Inayat Khan

If we take the time no matter how crazy and troubled we feel, we can find something to be thankful for. ~ Terry Lynn Taylor

I do not at all understand the mystery of grace-only that it meets us where we are but does not leave us where it found us. ~Anne Lamott

The sacred is not in heaven or far away. It is all around, and small human rituals can connect us to its presence. ~Alma Luz Villanueva

Death can come at any minute, in any way. We do not know what is in store tomorrow, or, whether there is a tomorrow, or even a tonight! But still, we have the golden present.

Now we are alive and kicking. What should we do now? Love all, serve all. ~Sri Swami Satchidananda.

The darker the night the brighter the stars. ~Apollon Maykov

Some people go through life trying to find out what the world holds for them only to find out too late that it's what they bring to the world that really counts. ~Lucy Maud Montgomery

How wonderful it is that nobody need wait a single moment before starting to improve the world. ~Anne Frank

I have learnt, from experience that the greater part of our happiness or misery depends upon our disposition, and not on our circumstances. ~Martha Washington

At the height of laughter, the universe is flung into a kaleidoscope of new possibilities. ~Jean Houston

Gracious God, through the practice of gratitude

May each of us come to recognize the many treasures

And possibilities that life presents.