

September 24, 2017

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH, MILLHOUSEN, IN

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH COMMUNITY STRIVES TO LIVE THE GOSPEL BY WORSHIPPING GOD,
LEARNING AND SHARING THE CATHOLIC FAITH AND SERVING THE NEEDS OF OTHERS

Bulletin information is due by Tuesday at 9:00 a.m. sisterdianne@millhousechurch.com

Mass Intentions:

September 24, 2017, 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time: Thomas Merkel

October 1, 2017, 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time: Bill Hardebeck

PLC Notes:

Called By Name: On Wed., Oct. 4th, Archbishop Thompson will be having Mass and dinner with young people from our deanery who were invited through the “Called By Name” program. In order to support these and all young people in discerning their vocations, “Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament” times will be available that day in different parishes throughout the deanery. You are invited to stop by and pray for our youth, for vocations to the priesthood and religious life, and for all those suffering in our world! Here at Immaculate Conception Adoration will run from 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM. Also available is a list of adoration times and places throughout the Deanery. If another time or location fits better into your schedule, please avail yourself of the opportunity. A reminder: When the Blessed Sacrament is exposed, it can never be without an adorer, there must always be someone in the church. Please don’t leave your post until your replacement arrives. A sign-up sheet is available this morning in the entryway.

“Time & Talent”: Our re-commitment process continues. Please place completed forms in the basket provided in the entryway. One of the areas of real need in our parish is that of cleaning volunteers. While we have many folks volunteering for many ministries, cleaning is not a popular ministry. But in order to maintain our other ministries, we need to maintain our buildings. Multiple people have asked to be taken off the church cleaning lists. While some teams are very organized and dedicated, others have poor attendance and little to no organization. The discussion has come up several times now at parish council and we recognize that some reorganization will need to take place. At present, it is not feasible to hire a janitor. But if you can think of other options, please let us know. For a very small parish, we have a lot of building space! Due to a few dedicated individuals, we have made a lot of progress in the cleaning process, but some areas are still in need. The gym is one of those areas. The gym has been closed since early spring, and not in any condition to be rented or used by our own parishioners much less visitors. Guidelines for use, maintenance, rental fees and heating expenses are being reviewed.


Mixed Choir: there will be a meeting immediately following Mass on October 29th for all those who continue to be interested in membership in the Mixed Choir. Rita needs a sense of the level of commitment in order to plan. If you like to sing and are willing to be a consistent music minister, please come, or call Rita if you are unable to make the meeting.

Going the extra mile: Two people need to be thanked for going well beyond the call of duty. One is Jessie Hamilton. She started out trimming a few bushes, and has ended up with a whole landscaping project! Yes, she has a few helpers, but Jessie has truly donated many hours, generated many ideas and has applied great

talent and skill to beautify our premises. In addition to the new stone in the front of the church, she also power washed the walls. What a tremendous difference it all makes! And she isn't finished yet. Continue to watch for the improvements!

The second person to acknowledge for extreme service is Jerry Fry (known to some as Gerard). Jerry took it upon himself to collect, and appropriately dispose of all hazardous chemicals that have accumulated over the years. Quite an endeavor all on its own, but then came the unexpected hurdles. Who would know that state and federal laws would involve not only the Indiana Department of Environmental Management, and even the Office of Science and Technology for Homeland Security? What seemed like getting rid of a few old paint cans turned into a federal case! But Jerry persisted, and accomplished the task! Thank you to both of these parishioners for their dedication to the environment as well as to our parish! We are grateful for your service!

Annual Parish Harvest Party: VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! We are currently looking for volunteers for the party on Saturday, Oct. 7, 2017. We need assistance in the kitchen area, decorating, games, and a few other areas. If you are interested in helping, please call or text Anita Fry at **812-614-3588**, or Melea Gault at **812-614-8874**.

Hurricane Collection - \$956.00, Catholic Home Missions - \$25.00	Adult Envelopes	\$ 2195.00
 \$3028 needed weekly	Loose cash, checks	\$ 82.00
	NCYC	\$100.00
	Total:	\$ 2377.00

Special Collection for Mexico's earthquake victims, **October 1.**

Remembered in Prayer: David Bedel, Bernard Huff, Bernard Pfeifer, Gerald Hermes, Tony Scheidler, Dale Helms, Jim Nobbe, Paul Herbert, Diana Bova, and Chris Mennel.

Please call the parish office with any request for home visits, Communion, or anointing.

Liturgical Ministers

Sunday, September 24th

Sacristan: LaDonna Hoeing

Musicians: Donna & Sarah Schwering

Greeters/Ushers: Mike & Mollie Johannigman,
Evan & Claire Wullenweber

Lectors: Donna Johannigman, Niki Johannigman

Eucharistic Ministers: June Johannigman,
Ann Stier, Norbert Hoeing, Mark Stier

Servers: Trent Nobbe, Anna Johannigman,
Campbell Johannigman

Counters: Steve AmRhein, Margie Georgi,
Sara Hermes

Sunday, October 1st

Jo Fledderman

Men's Choir

Tim Scheidler, Dan Schutte, James Hamilton,
Ed Johannigman

Mary Jo Wenning, LaDonna Hoeing

Joe Diekhoff, Julie Diekhoff, Cindy Hermes,
Jeanne Fry

Evan Wullenweber, Tony Schwering,
Mary Schwering

Marilyn Horan, Kate Bedel, Cindy Hermes

Church Cleaning Committee- October: Anita Fry (Chairperson), Amy Scudder, Helen Schutte, Aimee Cunningham, Emily Baltus, Elizabeth Cunningham. Please call the parish office (812-591-2362) with day and time you plan to clean, so that the Church can be unlocked.

Dates To Remember



September 24	After Mass	Holy Land Travel Experience -School Hall Doughnuts and Coffee Faith Formation Grades 6-11
September 27	7:00 pm	Adult Bible Study
September 27	6:45 pm	Faith Formation Grades Pre-k – 5
***September 30	9:00 am	Men’s Work Day – Lunch provided
October 1	After Mass	Faith Formation Grades 6-11
October 4	11 am – 2 pm	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament for vocations
October 7	Sat. 4:00 pm	Mass and Harvest Festival!! (No Sunday Mass)
October 15	After Mass	Coffee and Doughnuts sponsored by Knights and Ladies

Upcoming Events

Faith Formation: Reminder to parents of students in our religious education program: the "Mysteries of the Rosary" contest. Each family should pick out a mystery of the Rosary and create a display. These will be displayed at our Harvest Party on October 7 and voted on. The winner will receive a gift certificate. Flyers were passed out at the start of the school year. If you did not get a flyer or you have any questions regarding this please contact Mark Stier.

Holy Land Travel Experience: Recently some of our parishioners visited the Holy Land. Their experience was so uplifting they wish to share the experience with you. They will be showing pictures and telling you about the trip on Sunday, September 24th after Mass in the lower level of the school. Coffee and doughnuts will be provided. Come share the experience of the Holy Land. All are invited!

National Catholic Youth Conference (NCYC) November 16-18, 2017 – Indianapolis IN

Please continue to pray for us to make this trip to NCYC, a great experience for all!

Can Collection – September 17th-October 22nd, (Please donate your cans after the mowing season)

Cohort & Deanery News:

St. Maurice Church in Napoleon is having a **Fall Rummage Sale** on Friday, Oct. 6th from 8 AM ‘til 6 PM and Saturday, Oct. 7th from 8 AM until noon at their Parish Hall. \$2 Bag Day on Saturday!

Our Lady of Fatima 100 Year Anniversary will be celebrated at St. Louis Church in Batesville on the 13th of October with a Prayer Service at 7:00 pm. All are welcome.

Holy Family Church Festival – Oldenburg October 1, 2017, Dinners 11:00-4:00, Booths and Games. Turtle Soup available at The Village Sore, Oldenburg, September 28-30 during regular business hours.

2017 Jr. High Overnight Retreat: Camp Woodsmoke, October 26, 6:30 pm-October 28, 2:30 pm. Open to 6th-8th graders. To register, contact the parish office OR send \$50 and the registration form to: The Batesville Deanery. Please register by October 13, 2017. Questions: Call 812-932-0789.

Hurricane Harvey & Irma Evacuees Coming to Indiana: HELP IS NEEDED

Catholic Charities Disaster Response, Archdiocese of Indianapolis needs volunteers for Disaster Case Management for victim of hurricanes Harvey and Irma. Training for Case Managers will be held at the O’Meara Catholic Center on October 4th from 9:00 am – 4:00 pm. Lunch will be provided. If you can help, please contact Jane Crady,

jacci@tds.net, 317-642-7322

Archdiocese of Indianapolis is hosting a “Morning with Mary” on Saturday, October 14th from 9:00 am to 12:00 noon at SS Peter and Paul Cathedral honoring the 100th Anniversary of Mary’s apparition at Fatima. See flyer on bulletin board.