

January 28, 2018

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:

January 28, 2018 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time: Melissa Moffett

February 4, 2018: 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time: Irvin Hardebeck

PLC Notes:

On Wednesday of this week God called **Bernard Huff** to eternal life. He will be greatly missed by his family and friends. Visitation will be at Porter-Oliger-Pearson Funeral Home on Monday January 29th from 4:00-8:00 with rosary at 3:30. Funeral Mass will be here at Immaculate Conception on Tuesday morning at 10:00 a.m. with burial at St. Denis Cemetery. Because of the renovation project in our school kitchen, the luncheon will take place at The Knights Hall immediately following the burial. Please remember Darlene, Bryan, Randy, and all the family in your prayers.

60th Wedding Anniversary - On April 22, 2018, Jim and Marieda Koors will be celebrating and would like to invite the parish to join them for this special occasion. What a witness to their marriage vows! They have invited Fr. Dan Bedel to offer a Sunday Mass at 3:00 pm, here at Immaculate Conception, followed by a reception at the Knights of St. John Hall. Please mark your calendars now and plan to join them! The date happens to coincide with the Confirmation of our youth that same afternoon, at St. Mary's Greensburg at 2:00 pm. If you plan to go to Mass at St. Mary's, please join Jim and Marieda after. Even if you have other commitments, please stop in to congratulate them. They request no gifts, but a card shower will honor them. Please find a basket for that purpose in the entry way.

On Saturday of this week, Feb. 3rd, we will celebrate the feast of **St. Blaze**, noted for healing a youth who was choking on a fishbone. Our tradition of blessing throats and asking for his intercession, will take place next Sunday at the end of Mass.

The Sisters of St. Francis, once every six years, take an extended time to be together as a congregation, for meeting and planning together for their future. 2018 is the year, and the time will be broken into two parts, the first being in February. Sisters Donna and Dianne (and Sister Shirley) will be at Oldenburg, and unavailable, **February 7th through 11th**, and again for a period in April. There will be no bulletin published that weekend, and the parish office will be closed. Please note the February calendar and ministry schedule in this week's bulletin. And please keep us in your prayers.

Lent is almost upon us, and **Ash Wednesday**, February 14th, while not a Holy Day of obligation, will be celebrated by an evening Mass at 6:00 pm and distribution of ashes. Stations of the cross will be on Friday evenings at 7:00 pm, on the dates posted. If you do not drive in the dark and need a ride, please call the office and one will be arranged. We have multiple volunteers.

Remember in Prayer: Gerald Hermes, Dale Helms, Chris Mennel, Chris Owens, Thomas Powers and Velma Ortman.

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

Liturgical Ministers

Sunday, January 28th

Sacristan: Dana Fledderman

Musicians: Anna & Joe Johannigman

Greeters/Ushers: Bill & Nike Johannigman,
Steve and Diane AmRhein

Lectors: Ben Stier, Jerry Fry

Eucharistic Ministers: Kathy Kohrman, Cindy Hermes,
Jeanne Fry, Cindy Johannigman

Servers: Anna Johannigman, Mary Schwering

Counters: Cindy Johannigman, Emery Mapes,
Aaron Gault

Sunday, February 4th

LaDonna Hoeing

Men's Choir

Mark & Cindy Hermes

Tom & Lois Johannigman

Jeanne Fry, LaDonna Hoeing

Ann Stier, Norbert Hoeing, Mark Stier,
Steve AmRhein

Colton & Campbell Johannigman,

Steve AmRhein, Margie Georgi,
Sara Hermes

Church Cleaning Committee- February: Diane AmRhein (Chair), Beth Schwering, Donna Schwering, Sheila Diekhoff, Cindy Stone.

Collection Remittance

\$3,028 needed weekly to meet budget.
Thank you! We are most grateful!

Adult Envelopes	\$ 1733.00
Loose cash, checks	\$ 70.50
Christmas	\$ 20.00
New Year's	\$ 85.00
Total:	\$ 1908.50

Special Collection: Collection for Propagation of the Faith, today, an opportunity to assist in taking our faith into unchurched lands.

United Catholic Appeal: The report from this appeal shows us that only 71 households contributed to this most important appeal. We owe a huge thank you to those families! They have lifted us to 69 % of our goal. It is not too late to contribute. Please call or mail in your pledge today.

Contribution Envelopes: a few Contribution (Collection) Envelopes for 2018 remain in the entryway of the church. Please pick them up as you come or go, to save the parish postage. They are in alphabetical order for your convenience. If anyone is a registered parishioner but does not find a box labelled for you please let Sister know. The envelopes are the best way to track giving for tax purposes.

Contribution Statements (a summary of your giving during 2017) have been processed and are available for you as you work on filing your tax returns. Like the envelopes, they are in alphabetical order in the back of church. Please stop to pick up your envelope.

Dates To Remember



January 28	After Mass	Religious Ed Grades 6-11
January 31	6:45 pm	Religious Ed Pre-K – Grade 5
February 7	6:45	Religious Ed Pre-K – Grade 5
February 14	6:00 pm	Ash Wednesday Mass & distribution of ashes

Save the Date : Evening with Father Dan, February 25, 2018, 7:00 pm Lenten Reflection called “Catholic Imagination” in which we explore the practice of seeing God in literature, movies, art, etc. It is a fun talk that can make Lent a time to convert worldly things to heavenly goods. Mark your calendars now! And invite your friends.

Confirmation Date! Scheduled at St. Mary’s Greensburg, on Sunday April 22nd at 2:00 pm.

St. Mary’s School – Prospective Preschool/Kindergarten Open House – Monday, January 29, 2018
See Bulletin Board for further information.

Oldenburg Academy and the RAA will be hosting the Christian band “The Lasting hope” on Friday, February 2, at 7pm in the OA auditorium. Admission is free. Prior to the concert, the Knights of St. John, Oldenburg, will host a ham dinner in the Holy Family cafeteria from 5-7pm. Free will offering. Carry outs available.

St. Louis Parish, Batesville: invites us to **Celebrate Love** and marriage! Saturday, February 10, 2018, 5:00 – 11:00 pm. The celebration begins with Mass at 5:00pm at St. Louis Church, and will continue at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Batesville. Festivities include: Dinner, Dessert & Dance, Champagne Toast, Blessing of Married Couples, and a presentation on Love and Marriage. Reservations due by February 4th. \$15/person; cash bar available. St. Louis Parish: 812-934-3204.

Community Blood Drive: Napoleon, St. Maurice Church Hall on Monday February 5th from 1:00 – 6:30. Donors must be in good health, at least 17 years old, over 110 pounds, and must have picture ID. Appointments are preferred, but walk-ins are welcome. Call Arlene Gehl, 812-852-4394, or visit the donation website: www.hoxworth.org/groups/napoleon.

Bible Study: “With Jesus to the Cross: Year B.” A seven-session guide that has insightful discussion questions on the Mass readings that draw participants into a personal relationship with the Lord. Encourages readers to continue their scripture reading and prayer throughout the week. Books are \$10.00 each. If interested in joining this discussion group or even in just ordering the book for personal reflection, please call Cindy Johannigman 812-614-0802, or Kate Bedel 812-614-0987 by Feb 7th. Group will begin February 21st.

Annual Indiana Catholic Women’s Conference: Saturday, March 10, 2018, Indiana Convention Center, 8:30 am – 4:45 pm. To register online visit: www.indianacatholicwomen.com. Or call 317-888-0873. Music, speakers, lunch included. See flyer on board.

Annual E6 Catholic Men’s Conference set for February 24th at East Central High School in St. Leon. 8:00 to 3:00. For more information or to register online, visit: e6catholicmensconference.com
If interested in pooling rides please contact Mark Stier, 812-614-1176. Flyer on board.