

February 4, 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:

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

February 11, 2018: 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time: Dorine Rosfeld

February 14, 2018: Ash Wednesday: Robert Horan

PLC Notes:

Thank You – the family of **Bernard Huff** wants to thank everyone who supported them with calls, cards, prayers and presence this week. They are especially grateful for those ladies who took time to help prepare food for the luncheon, and to the Knights for opening the Hall for this occasion.

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. Because we expect that most everyone in the parish will want to attend one of these two celebrations, the 8:00 a.m. Mass at Immaculate Conception will be cancelled for this day. As always you are welcome to join any of our neighboring parishes for liturgy that morning.

On Saturday of this week, Feb. 3rd, we celebrated 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 today 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.

We recently had to call off Mass on Sunday morning due to a coating of ice on the parking lot and sidewalks and steps. Safety will always be a big concern. We have worked to create a system of communication so to reach each and every one of you when these occasions arise. Closures are announced

*On three TV stations: Ch.4 -WTTV; Ch.8 - WISH TV; & Fox 59 - WXIN

*On two radio stations: WRBI 103.9FM; & WTRE 1330 AM/104.3 FM

* on Facebook and our website : www.millhousechurch.com;

* and now we are introducing a text messaging notification as well. The name of it is “**Remind**”

To sign up for “Remind” and receive the text message in the comfort of your home, text “@icchurch” to 81010. Please see the flyer on the board or contact Kenny Stier for assistance.

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 Hermesch, Dale Helms, Chris Mennel, Chris Owens, & Thomas Powers.

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

Liturgical Ministers

Sunday, February 4th

Sacristan: LaDonna Hoeing

Musicians: Men’s Choir

Greeters/Ushers: Mark & Cindy Hermesch
Tom & Lois Johannigman

Lectors: Jeanne Fry, LaDonna Hoeing

Eucharistic Ministers: Ann Stier, Norbert Hoeing,
Mark Stier, Steve AmRhein

Servers: Colton & Campbell Johannigman,

Counters: Steve AmRhein, Margie Georgi,
Sara Hermesch

Sunday, February 11th

Jo Fledderman

Youth Choir

Ushers: Gabby Edwards, Joshua Edwards,
Brian Wittkemper, Hunter Collins

Greeters: Kenlee Martin, Evan Wullenweber
Kenny Stier, Alli Nobbe

Petitions: Claire Wullenweber

Gifts: Mary Schwering, Clair Schoettmer, Caaden Gault
Donna Johannigman, Brian Huff, Lisa Huff,
Emery Mapes

Rhett Martin, Tony Schwering

Marilyn Horan, Kate Bedel, Cindy Hermesch



Sacristan: La Donna Hoeing

Musicians: Men’s Choir

Ushers: John and Cindy Johannigman, Dave and Cindy Stone

Lectors: Mary Jo Wenning, Melea Gault

Eucharistic Ministers: Dan Fledderman, Joe Fledderman, Joe and Julie Diekhoff

Servers: Ben Stier, Caaden Gault

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

Collection Remittance

Propagation of the Faith - \$353.00, Criterion - \$80.00	Adult	\$2,662.00
	Loose	110.00
\$3,028 needed weekly to meet budget.	Fuel	235.00
Thank you. We are most grateful.	Total	\$3,007.00

United Catholic Appeal: The report from this appeal shows us that 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. The contributions of the other 70 households are still needed.

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.

Dates To Remember



February 7	6:45	Religious Ed Pre-K – Grade 5
February 7-11	Wednesday-Sunday	Office Closed
February 11	After Mass	Religious Ed Grades 6-11
February 14	6:00 pm	Ash Wednesday Mass & distribution of ashes
February 14		No Religious Ed Classes

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.

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. We hope you can join us! If you are able to attend, we would love a copy of your wedding photo. Email it to mosters@frontier.com, or bring it by the Parish Office so we can scan a copy for the Celebration.

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.