

February 18, 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 18, 2018 – 1st Sunday of Lent: Robert Horan

February 25, 2018 – 2nd Sunday of Lent: Irvin Hardebeck

PLC Notes: Lenten opportunities for communal prayer, sacrifice, and almsgiving abound. Note **Fr. Dan's** reflection next weekend, the **Stations of the Cross** on most Friday evenings, the **Bible Study Group** convening. Add to that a **Cohort Penance Service** on March 11th at 1:30 pm, at Napoleon, and the opportunity for **Perpetual Adoration** at St. Mary's Greensburg. In addition, we remind you of the Annual **Indiana Catholic Women's Conference**, and the **Annual E6 Catholic Men's Conference** coming up, all posted on the bulletin board or in this newsletter. Offered for our prayer, reflection, and study is a **Pastoral Letter from Archbishop Thompson**, printed in the Criterion this week, and posted on the board. If you would like a personal copy of this challenging letter, just call the office and one will be provided. In the almsgiving department, multiple opportunities jump from this page: The special collection today for the **Home Missions, the United Catholic Appeal, Food for the Poor**, and the **Catholic Community Foundation**, to name a few. And then there is the **Sacrifice Jars** project. Please pick up a jar as you leave Mass this morning. The 40 days of sacrifice will be reflected in the change that adds up and eventually goes to local charities. Thank you to Jeannie Fry for organizing this event.

Concerning our use of the **Adoration Chapel** at St. Mary's. Fr. Meyer is more than happy to give us access if anyone would enjoy an hour, or even a few minutes during lunch hour, praying for the many needs of our world. For security reasons, (the increase of drugs and crime in our location), the doors of St. Mary Church and the Adoration Chapel are kept locked at all times. There is a push button entry system that can be accessed at any time. For an access code, please call the parish office during Office Hours and the code will be shared. We are asked not to publish the code nor share it with others, but use it as it is helpful in securing quiet time before the Blessed Sacrament.

Lent is probably not the ideal time to provide coffee and doughnuts after Mass, but at your next convenience, stop in to see the new look in the **kitchen** of the school. For two years we have been talking about **lowering that ceiling**, and the project is finally complete, with florescent lighting! Thanks to Mike for his hard work! It is so much more inviting!

Tiling Project- the first, of a four-part tiling project is now complete. The cemetery had a sink hole which was growing, and water is now flowing underground and into the wooded area. Jessie Hamilton spent long hours on an icy cold day to resolve that dilemma. Thank you Jessie! The next area to be considered is the "Auction field."

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 nearer to that date. 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.

Emergencies: Call Offs - 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.

Remember in Prayer: Gerald Hermes, 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 18th

Sacristan: Marilyn Horan

Musicians: Mixed Choir

Greeters/Ushers: Jerry & Dorothy Fry
Evan & Claire Wullenweber

Lectors: Donna Johannigman, Niki Johannigman

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

Servers: Trent Nobbe, Allison Nobbe

Counters: June Johannigman, Pauline Schoettmer, Gretchen Stone

Sunday, February 25th

Ann Stier

Donna and Sara Schwering

Mike & Mollie Johannigman, Kyle Johannigman,
Anna Johannigman

Claire Wullenweber, Jacob Mattox

Ann Stier, Norbert Hoeing, Mark Stier,
Steve AmRhein

Evan Wullenweber, Adam Hermes

Cindy Johannigman, Emery Mapes, Aaron Gault

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

Collection Remittance

(Two weeks, Feb. 4th and 11th)

Propagation of the Faith - \$50.00, Criterion - \$450.00	Adult	\$3,018.00
	Loose	224.50
\$3,028 needed weekly to meet budget.	Fuel	180.00
Thank you. We are most grateful.	Total	\$3,422.50

February 18th: Special Collection: Home Missions

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.

Dates To Remember



February 21	6:45	Religious Ed Pre-K – Grade 5
February 21	7:00 pm	Parent Meeting for 1 st Communion
February 21	7:00 pm	Bible Study Discussion Group
February 23	7:00 pm	Stations of the Cross
February 24	8:00 – 3:00	Men’s Retreat, East Central High
February 25	After Mass	Religious Ed Classes, Grades 6-11
February 25	7:00 pm	Father Dan, “Catholic Imagination,” Lenten Reflection

Lenten Reflection: an evening with Father Dan, here at I.C. 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. Invite your friends.

Fish Fry: All You Can Eat – March 2nd, March 16th, March 30th

Millhousen Knights of St. John invite you to their Fish Fries – Adult Dinners \$10, Ages 10-3 \$5 and Under age 2 Free. Dinner includes white fish, french fries, coleslaw, applesauce, and dessert. To-go orders are available.

Fish Fry: - February 23rd, March 9th, March 23rd

Millhousen Volunteer Fire Department invite you to their Fish Fries – 5:00 – 8:00 PM. Fish, Tenderloins, French Fries, Baked Beans, Applesauce, Hot Dogs, Drinks, Desserts.

Food for The Poor: The weekend of March 4th, Father Robert White will speak at all services for the Cohort about a ministry providing direct relief to the poor throughout Latin America and the Caribbean. He will share personal witness about “Food for The Poor” and their mission to care for the destitute as a means of living out the Gospel mandate to love one another.

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.

Batesville Knights of Columbus: The Batesville Knights of Columbus will be hosting a 1st Degree Initiation on February 26th starting at 7:00 PM at the hall. We ask anyone interested in joining to be at the Knights hall by 6:30 PM for registration.

Catholic Community Foundation: Warm Many Hearts

Warm the hearts of many this winter, by memorializing a loved one with a gift to support your Catholic faith. Make a contribution to an endowment in support of your parish. Take time to learn more during the Catholic Community Foundation’s 30th anniversary year, by contacting Joanna S. Feltz, J.D., Director of Planned Giving at jfeltz@archindy.org, 800-382-9836 (ext.1482). For God. For others. Forever.