

*February 25, 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](mailto:sisterdianne@millhousechurch.com)*

**Mass Intentions:**

February 25, 2018 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Lent: Irvin Hardebeck

March 4, 2018 – 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Lent: Marie Stier

**PLC Notes:** Lenten Reflection: an evening with Father Dan, here at I.C., tonight, February 25, 2018, 7:00 pm Lenten Reflection titled “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.

There is a group gathering to pray the **rosary** each Saturday morning during Lent, at 7:00 am in the Parish Office. Everyone is welcome!

This morning we welcome two new members of our faith community: **Cooper Dillon Compton**, infant son of Jessica Cunningham and Dillon Compton; and **Emma Melissa Hoeing**, infant daughter of Tim and Stephanie Hoeing. We promise our prayers of support to these two couples as they embrace this awesome responsibility of passing on our faith to their children. While the parents are the first and most important teachers, each of us shares in the responsibility of modeling our Christian Faith. Congratulations to both families!

Also asking for our prayers of support, are Jake and Allison Mattox, our new **Youth Ministers**. The couple has spent many months exploring the responsibilities of their new role, planning goals and objectives and outlining an awesome program. I think they would agree that this it is an awesome responsibility as well! As they embark on a new pathway on their journey of faith, we offer our prayers and support their efforts. Following Mass this morning they plan to circulate through all the Religious Ed. classrooms to meet all our youth. They bring a positive outlook, a load of enthusiasm, and a ton of energy. Once again, we thank Sharon Mapes for her years of service to our youth in this same capacity.

Speaking of our youth, how many of you continue to pray for and support our **Confirmation Candidates?** Lent is a great time to send them a quick note, or text, or check in with them about their journey of faith. Let them know they don't walk alone. Please remember their retreat on April 14<sup>th</sup>.

You may be aware that our **Clavenova** (piano) has been causing some problems for our musicians. While the keyboard works well, the recording mechanism has a mind of its own. Joe Johannigman has taken the initiative to research possible resolutions of this problem. If you are aware of any service organizations that might be helpful to this end, please call the parish office, or let Joe know of your information.

Though it might seem hard to believe, March is quickly approaching, and **March is budget month**. Each committee or group that might seek funding during the next fiscal year for any project, or work, or occasion, is asked to submit their projected needs at this time to the Finance Committee. Part of the role of the Finance Committee is to assist you in these efforts, but they can't help if you don't ask. Throughout the

year, they cannot approve spending that has not been budgeted. So please, submit your projected expenses, and they will do their best to lead us to a sound financial future.

Lenten opportunities for communal prayer, sacrifice, and almsgiving abound. Note: The **Stations of the Cross** on most Friday evenings, the **Bible Study Group** convening on Wednesday evenings, and the rosary group on Saturday mornings. Add to that a **Cohort Penance Service** on March 11<sup>th</sup> and the opportunity for **Perpetual Adoration** at St. Mary's Greensburg. In addition, we remind you of the Annual **Indiana Catholic Women's Conference** coming up. Offered for our prayer, reflection, and study is a **Pastoral Letter from Archbishop Thompson**, printed in the Criterion last 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 beg for our support. Remember the **Sacrifice Jars** project. Please pick up a jar as you leave Mass this morning, if you have not already done so. 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.

**60<sup>th</sup> 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** - To sign up for "Remind" and receive emergency text messages 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.

**Fish Fry: All You Can Eat – March 2nd, March 16th, March 30<sup>th</sup>**

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

## Liturgical Ministers

### Sunday, February 25<sup>th</sup>

**Sacristan:** Ann Stier  
**Musicians:** Joe and Anna Johannigman  
**Greeters/Ushers:** Mike & Mollie Johannigman,  
 Kyle Johannigman, Anna Johannigman  
**Lectors:** Claire Wullenweber, Jacob Mattox  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** Ann Stier, Norbert Hoeing,  
 Mark Stier, Steve AmRhein  
**Servers:** Evan Wullenweber, Adam Hermesch  
**Counters:** Cindy Johannigman, Emery Mapes,  
 Aaron Gault

### Sunday, March 4<sup>th</sup>

Dana Fledderman  
 Men's Choir  
 Mitch & Lori Nobbe, Mike & Kathy  
 Kohrman  
 Kenny Stier, Anna Johannigman  
 Donna Johannigman, Brian Huff, Lisa Huff,  
 Emery Mapes  
 Hunter Collins, Michael Stier  
 Steve AmRhein, Margie Georgi, Sara  
 Hermesch

**Church Cleaning Committee- March:** Kimberly Hoeing (Chairperson), Margie Georgi, Sharon Helms, Kristen Stone, Mary Jo Wenning, Carol Helms, Linda Mazingo, Bailey Mazingo

## Collection Remittance

Propagation of the faith - \$120.00, Criterion - \$187.00		
Home Missions - \$270.00, Church in Europe - \$175.00	Adult	\$3,297.00
	Loose	111.00
\$3,028 needed weekly to meet budget.		
Thank you. We are most grateful.	<b>Total</b>	\$3,408.00

## Dates To Remember



February 25	After Mass	Religious Ed Classes, Grades 6-11
February 25	7:00 pm	Father Dan, "Catholic Imagination," Lenten Reflection
February 28	6:45 pm	Religious Ed classes, Pre-K – Grade 5
March 4	After Mass	Religious Ed Grades 6-11
March 2 & 9	7:00 pm	Stations of the Cross
March 11	1:30 pm	Cohort Penance Service at Napoleon
April 14	All Day	Retreat for Confirmation Candidates.

### **Fish Fry: - March 9<sup>th</sup>, March 23<sup>rd</sup>**

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](http://www.indianacatholicwomen.com). Or call 317-888-0873.

Music, speakers, lunch included. See flyer on board.

**Batesville Knights of Columbus:** The Batesville Knights of Columbus will be hosting a 1<sup>st</sup> Degree Initiation on February 26<sup>th</sup> 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.