### May 27, 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 10:00 a.m.sisterdianne@millhousenchurch.com

#### **Mass Intentions:**

May 27, 2018 – Feast of the Most Holy Trinity: Ambrose & Elizabeth Volk June 3, 2018 – Feast of Corpus Christi – Paul Herbert

PLC Notes: Administrator of Religious Education (ARE): I am pleased to announce to you that Mollie Johannigman has accepted this very important position within our parish, an awesome responsibility! Mollie has already been involved in our Faith Formation program for 10 years, most recently teaching the pre-school class, and has additionally assumed responsibility for the Vacation Bible School program. She is a daughter of the parish, is married to Mike a son of the parish, and they have two very active young children growing in their faith, guided by the parents as first and most important teachers! Mollie is a graduate of South Decatur High School and has continued her education through night classes in addition to taking in several early childhood conferences and workshops. Simultaneously with this new position, she will work to complete her undergraduate degree. Her work experience includes six years at a daycare and preschool, and currently she cares for her own children during the day, in addition to several others, adding to her ability to organize and manage her time, to set priorities, and to develop good relational skills. Mollie is no stranger to lesson plans, classroom organization, teacher-parent conferences, and daily reports on each child. She brings a high level of energy and excitement to us and is embracing the challenge to lead us all into change and growth as we realign with the Archdiocesan standards and practices. Please join me in welcoming Mollie to our pastoral team and offer your prayers and support as she transitions into her new role.

Change: is not easy; is inevitable; is needed and necessary for our growth; is all around us; is part of our daily lives; effects all of us; effects each one differently, depending on our history with change. Change is the **only indicator** that we have of life, of growth. If a seed doesn't change, a plant will never grow. Our parish too, will inevitably change as new members are added, as other members move or change their patterns of participation, as new leaders emerge, as old practices are replaced with new approaches. Hopefully, as we embrace the change, we grow, our faith grows, and our parish is re-energized. But we need to positively embrace the change. Our natural response to change is to resist it. That is human nature. Initially we are hesitant, we want more information, we want time to consider it, we want to be able to control the rate or pace of change. But if we trust God is leading us, and if we want our relationship with God to grow, then we need to embrace the changes that growth requires.

We have choices. We can resist. We can object. We can cause discomfort for others. We can scream and shout . . . . but ultimately change happens, and the world moves on. If we don't embrace change, we stop growing, stop attracting newness, and usually are left behind. The world goes on, with us, or without us. So, a better option may be, to step back and take a look at how we can positively influence change, how we can adapt, and grow, and add our own creativity, and insight and challenges to the new that is developing. Change is easier to accept if we contribute to it, if we take an active role, if we can add our wisdom, and take some ownership. Nothing will ever be "the way it used to be." So, let's **embrace Life!** 

Calling all **Catechists and Aides:** On Wednesday evening, June 20<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm. we invite all catechists and aides to gather to discuss the new school year at Immaculate Conception. This is an opportunity to make a positive influence on change. Bring your comments, concerns, ideas, energy and solutions. And don't forget your Intention Forms. They will be arriving in your mailbox. Please spend a little time in prayer this week looking at your personal circumstances and changes, and then share with Mollie how you will be able to contribute to our ongoing program. We will limit the meeting to an hour or less, as we know your time is precious. But please mark your calendars now. Your opinions are very important to us.

**Office Closed**: a reminder that the office will be closed for the following two weeks, as Sister Donna is away on Pilgrimage to Assisi. All of you will be remembered in prayer as she moves around the sacred space where Francis of Assisi grew up and lived his life. Your immediate needs will not be neglected: many are standing in to cover the gaps. Please call directly to Sister Shirley Gerth for any emergencies that may arise before June 10<sup>th</sup>. Her phone numbers are Home and office: 812-852-4237, and cell phone: 812-621-7420. Please notify Mary Jo Wenning if access to any building is required. She will open and lock up again. Ken Stone will tend to any maintenance needs. And LaDonna Hoeing will coordinate any liturgical needs, or announcements.

**Parish tee-shirt:** The deadline for submitting T-shirt designs is past. Thanks to all participants. The winning design will be chosen at the initial Auction Committee meeting. And we will display the new shirt as soon as it is printed.

**Remember in Prayer:** Bailey Streiker, Gerald Hermesch, Dale Helms, Chris Mennel, Chris Owens, & Thomas Powers.

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

#### May 27, Most Holy Trinity

Sacristan: Jo Fledderman Musicians: None

Ushers/Greeters: John & Cindy Johannigman,

Jerry & Dorothy Fry

Lectors: Jerry Fry, Melea Gault

Eucharistic Ministers: Daniel Fledderman,

Jo Fledderman, Joe Diekhoff, Julie Diekhoff

**Servers:** Michael Stier, Evan Wullenweber **Counters:** Steve AmRhein, Margie Georgi, Sara

Hermesch

## June 3, Corpus Christi

Marilyn Horan Men's Choir

Don & Jeanne Fry, Bill & Niki Johannigman

LaDonna Hoeing, Jacob Mattox

Cindy Hermesch, Norbert Hoeing, Jeannie,

Fry, Timothy Hoeing,

Trent Nobbe, Allison Nobbe

Marilyn Horan, Kate Bedel, Cindy

Hermesch

**Church Cleaning: June:** Lois Johannigman (Chairperson), Jeanne Harrison, Mary Ann Fry, Tina Hoeing, Carrie Stier, Nancy Vanderpohl, Kate Bedel, Niki Johannigman

#### **Collection Remittance**

		Envelopes	\$1990.00
\$3,028 needed weekly to meet budget.		Loose	179.00
	Total		\$2169.00

# **Dates to Remember**



May 27	8:00 am	Baptism infant daughter of Allison & Jake Mattox
May 27	After Mass	S. Donna leaves for pilgrimage to Assisi, birthplace of Francis
May 28	10:30 am	Cemetery service to honor our Veterans – cemetery
June 11	9:00 am	S. Donna returns to office.
June 20	7:00 pm	Catechist meeting

Coming: Collection for Future Priests: The Vocations Office receives funds each year from a second collection taken up throughout the Archdiocese to cover the expenses of educating our future priests. The Archdiocese anticipates having about 25 seminarians in formation this fall. Thank you for your spiritual and financial support which provides the necessary education and formation for our priests. Please be generous in support of this collection and please continue to pray for vocations! This year the collection is June 17, 2018.

If you know of a young man or woman you believe would serve well in **priesthood or religious life**, please call (317) 236-1496 and leave the individual's name and contact information with the vocation director, Fr. Eric Augenstein.

**Rummage Sale:** St. Louis School annual Rummage Sale will take place Friday. Sat. and Sun. June 8,9, and 10. Held in the Activity Center which is air-conditioned and handicap accessible, everyone is invited and welcomed. Donations are accepted June 3: 9am - 4 pm, and June 4-6: 8am - 8 pm. Sale hours are June 8: 8am - 6 pm;

June 9: 8 am – 4 pm (12 pm – 4 pm everything half price)

June 10: 8 am - 1 pm \$2.00 for a provided Kroger bag of goods.

**Your shopping matters:** Shop for Father's Day at <a href="http://smile.amazon.com/ch/35-0876357">http://smile.amazon.com/ch/35-0876357</a> and Amazon donates to Immaculate Conception Catholic Church Millhousen Inc.

**Remember and Honor** all those who have served our country and protected out freedoms. Cemetery Service provided by the American Legion and VFW at cemetery on Monday around 10:30 am.

