September 30, 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 Wednesday at 10:00a.m. sisterdonna@millhousenchurch.com

Mass Intentions:

September 30, 2018 -26th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Paul Herbert October 7, 2018 - 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Marie Stier October 14, 2018 -28th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Alex Veerkamp

The traditional storm season has only just begun and already we have witnessed the devastating impact of Hurricane Florence in the Carolinas. Already thousands of homes, businesses, and churches have been severely damaged or destroyed. And we know more storms are expected over the next few months. We offer our prayers to families who have lost loved ones or are among those injured. Many will have immense unmet needs. The US Conference of Catholic Bishops has requested we take up a special collection for the humanitarian needs arising from these storms. Funds collected will be used not only in the Carolinas but wherever the needs arise over this period of disasters of 2018. They have designated October 7th as the time for this special collection. We at Immaculate Conception already had a special collection planned for that Sunday, for our own energy needs. Because our own needs can wait a bit, we will save our Energy Needs collection for October 20th or for October 28th, whichever is most convenient for each of you. Next Sunday, October 7th will be designated as Disaster Relief Sunday. Please be generous to those who are suffering.

Respect Life Sunday is October 7th this year. And on that day the Archdiocesan Office of Human Life and Dignity will celebrate a special Mass at St. Peter & Paul Cathedral at 10:30 am. The National Life Chain events held in the United States and Canada each year, is an ecumenical effort in which participants stand near streets and roads for peaceful, prayerful and public pro-life witness. More than 1,900 cities across the United States and Canada are expected to participate this year. One of those cities is Greensburg, Indiana, offering us an opportunity to take part. The Greensburg event is on N. Lincoln Street and 10th Street, from 2-3 pm. **Please join us for the Life Chain** to show respect for all LIFE. Quiet prayer and reflection are the goals from 2-3 pm. For questions call Pat Koors at 812-614-0595 or Pat Hensley at 812-614-4663.

Membership – privilege and responsibility. Two weeks ago, we reflected on **Time:** presence, and attendance. Last week we reflected on **Talent:** skills and abilities. Today let's think about **Treasure:** our monetary treasure in particular. We all know that

membership involves sharing our wealth, and each Sunday we donate to the church. Scripture tells us that the early Christians were asked to sell all their possessions and pool their resources. They shared all things in common, much like religious communities still do today. But that just goes against our American traditions! For many it is a frightening thought. We have a great need to be financially independent, to take care of our own needs, and then to maybe share what is left. We fear that our goods will not be distributed fairly, or that some will receive and not give. We might fear not having the control over our assets. We want to determine how much is given to each cause or each individual. But the bottom line is, we do give, we are generous, and we understand that giving to the church or to the poor is our responsibility. But few of us give until it hurts. Few give all that we have. Few give as the widow in the gospel, who gave her last two coins. We forget that giving is a sign of our trust in God, a God who will provide for us, and take care of us. We forget that for many others, we are the God who will feed them and save them. As members of the body of Christ, we are required to give, to share, to support one another. Sometimes we forget that all that we have, all that we possess, is gift from God. And we at times forget that it is in giving that we receive.

Parish Harvest Party Help Needed! The Parish Harvest Party is quickly approaching. Thank you to all who have volunteered so far. We are still needing help cleaning the building on Thursday, Oct. 18 at 4:45 p.m. If you can't make it until 5:30 p.m. - that is fine! We will take any help we can get. This is a big job and the more people we have to help the better! If you are available, please contact Melea Gault or Anita Fry. We are also needing people to bring corn hole sets that night. If you are coming and could bring a set, please let Melea or Anita know.

Remember in Prayer: Bailey Streiker, Gerald Hermesch, Dale Helms, Chris Mennel, Chris Owens, Thomas Powers, Steve Reen, Stephen Koors, Jim Cobb, Theresa Cobb, Joan Nobbe, Craig Simon, & Margie Herbert.

Margie Herbert is at Morning Breeze for rehab for a few weeks and would appreciate visits as well as prayers. Marieda Koors is doing much better thanks to a new pacemaker. She is home and regaining her strength. Please call the parish office with any request for home visits, Holy Communion, or anointing.

Bible Study - Wednesday, at 7:00 pm. in the Office Meeting Room. The program is titled: "Who Does He Say You Are? Women Transformed by Christ in the Gospels." Cost for this program is just \$4.00. Call Kate Bedel with any questions, 812-614-0987.

"Passion & Purpose" - the Dynamic Catholic Institute, is presenting an event with Matthew Kelly on November 16th, from 2 - 5p in St. Leon. See the bulletin board for

flyer and registration. This promises to be an awesome event as Matthew Kelley is a nationally renowned speaker and writer. Reserve your seats today!

Liturgical Ministries

September 30

Sacristan: LaDonna Hoeing

October 7

& Kathy

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Ushers/Greeters: Dave & Cindy Stone,	Mitch & Lori Nobbe, Mike
Jerry& Dorothy Fry	Kohrman

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Counters: June Johannigman, Pauline	Cindy Johannigman, Emery Mapes,
Schoettmer, Gretchen Stone	Aaron Gault

Church Cleaning: September: Laura Meyer (Chair), Kathy Kohrman, Allison Ortman, Sarah Schwering, Donna Schwering, LaDonna Hoeing.

Remittance 9/23/2018

	Envelopes
Religious Education: \$ 140.00	
	Loose: \$ 178.00
\$3,028 needed weekly to meet budget.	Envelopes: \$ 1621.00
Special Collection on Oct. 7 for Energy Needs	Total: \$ 1799.00



Dates to Remember

October 7 Respect Life Sunday - Life Chain

October 20 Parish Harvest Party- Save the Date! (Saturday evening)

October 21 No Sunday Mass at Millhousen

October 21 World Mission Sunday

Rummage Sale: St. John, Osgood is having a Rummage Sale on Thursday and Friday, October 4 & 5, 8:00 am to 6:00 pm; and Saturday 8:00 am to 12 Noon. Come take a look. You may find a treasure.