

November 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 Wednesday at 10:00 a.m. sisterdonna@millhousenchurch.com

Mass Intentions:

November 4, 2018 – 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time – Ben Huff

November 11, 2018 – 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time – Living & Deceased Members of the Ladies Auxiliary

November 18, 2018 – 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time – Tony Scheidler

November 21 – Thanksgiving Mass – For our Parish Family

November 25th – Feast of Christ the King – Darlene Huff

Vocation Awareness Week begins today and runs through Nov. 10th. Each of us is called to one vocation or another. The work of this week is to discern God's calling. No one should agonize over discerning their vocation. But all of us should rest in the peace that comes from following God's voice, his call to love. Your vocation is the answer to the question, "In what specific way is God calling me to love?" Remember that God calls the weak, flawed ones among us. One does not need to be perfect to be a priest or religious. But one needs to be courageous, willing to strive for virtue, and burning with desire to bring God's love to others. Is love evident in your moral life? In your commitment to prayer? In your service to others, especially the poor? Double your efforts to love and God will reveal your vocation.

On Wednesday morning, November 7, at 11:00 am, the **Sacrament of Anointing** will be offered to anyone who would like to attend our Mass of Healing. As we remember the faithful departed this month, we are reminded that life is short, and the hour of death is unknown. The sacrament of anointing helps prepare us for whatever is to come. It is strength and healing and offers us hope and consolation. The sacrament is not reserved for the dying as we once thought. It is a sacrament for the living. Come and join us as we prepare for life to come! Following Mass, we invite you to join in a simple meal. This invitation is opened to the Cohort, and you may invite your friends and relatives. Please call the office to let us know you are coming so that we can have enough food prepared. If you are in need of transportation, that too will be provided. Just give us a call.

I would like to draw your attention to two Bulletin inserts this morning: the first is a letter from the **Archbishop**, addressing the commitment of prayer and fasting, leading up to the bishops' General Assembly, scheduled in November. The intentions for this period of prayer and fasting are threefold, for healing and support of all victims, for conversion and just punishment of the perpetrators, and for the strength of the bishops to be true shepherds.

On the flip side of the paper insert is printed a letter received this week from The Leadership Team of the Sisters of St. Francis, Oldenburg. While there are many sides to every issue, this

letter offers a compassionate approach to the “caravan” of immigrants, calling us to the “love” described in our scripture readings today. I offer both for your consideration and prayer.

Safety Committee: We would all like to think that school violence will never happen here, but history has shown that it does happen, usually in small communities, to people who would never have guessed or expected it. No one (and no place) is immune. We want to be proactive. We need the support of the adults in the local community. Once again, we are looking for **volunteers**. We are in the process of creating a “**Safety Committee**” for our parish, with the guidance of the Archdiocese, to look at ways we can continue to create a safe environment for all. If you have ideas or think you would like to serve in this capacity, please call the office to extend your service.

Liturgical Ministries

November 4

Sacristan: Jo Fledderman
Ushers/Greeters: Steve & Diane AmRhein,
 Mark & Cindy Hermesch
Lectors: Niki Johannigman, Mary Jo Wenning
Eucharistic Ministers: Cindy Hermesch, Jeanne
 Fry, Cindy Johannigman, Steve AmRhein
Servers: Trent & Allison Nobbe, Hunter Collins

Musicians: Men’s Choir
Counters: Cindy Johannigman, Emery Mapes,
 Aaron Gault

November 11

Marilyn Horan
 Brian Wittkamper, Emily Georgie, Allison
 Nobbe, Tony Schwering
 Maria Meyer, Mary Schwering
 Brian Huff, Melea Gault, Timothy Hoeing,
 Kenny Stier
 Evan Wullenweber, Caaden Gault,
 Campbell Johannigman
 Youth Choir with Abby
 Steve AmRhein, Margie Georgi, Sara
 Hermesch

Church Cleaning: November: Chair: Dana Fledderman, Julie Diekhoff, Lisa Huff, Susan Hamilton, Jeanine Scheidler, Marcie Johannigman.

Remittance 10/28/2018

	Envelopes
WORLD MISSIONS: \$ 65.00	Loose: \$ 201.25
\$3,028 needed weekly to meet budget.	Envelopes: \$ 2112.00
All Saints Day: \$763.75	Total: \$ 2313.25

Next Sunday, November 11, special collection for Energy Needs.

Remember in Prayer: Bailey Streiker, Dale Helms, Chris Mennel, Chris Owens, Stephen Koors, Jim Cobb, Theresa Cobb, Joan Nobbe, Craig Simon, Nicholas Asher.

Dates to Remember

November 7, Healing Mass with anointing, followed by lunch, 11:00 am, all are welcome.

November 11, United Catholic Appeal, Coffee & Doughnuts after Mass

November 14, Finance Committee 7:00 pm

November 18, Parish Council Meeting after Mass

November 19, Buildings & Grounds Committee 7:00 pm

November 21, Thanksgiving Mass (anticipatory – 6:00 pm)

Faith Formation Commission: On Tuesday, February 26th from 7:00 – 9:00 pm at Immaculate Conception (Millhousen), Ken Ogorek, Archdiocesan Catechetical Director, will offer a workshop on Faith Formation Commissions. The workshop is suitable as a refresher for long-time commission members, an orientation for new members, or an info session for prospective members. Please email kogorek@archindy.org to register and/or ask any questions you might have about this opportunity. While Immaculate Conception is sponsoring, hosting this event, it is being presented by the Office of Catechesis, and being offered multiple times throughout the Archdiocese. This February event will be offered to all members of the Batesville Deanery. Please register in advance so that accommodations can be made.

Cohort Advent Penance Service – and “First Penance” for our second graders, will be combined as it was last year, taking place on Wednesday evening, December 5th from 7:00-8:00 pm in the Church, here at Immaculate Conception. We have four priests committed to us that evening, Frs: John Geis, Bill Turner, Frank Eckstein and Joe Nelson. All four will be hearing private confessions, behind closed doors. As in years past, we will host the priests for supper prior to the service, and all Religious Ed. students will attend this service in place of their usual class. We are hoping many parents will also attend to support their children in this spiritual exercise and sacrament. The Cohort offers two Penance Services each year, one during Advent hosted by Immaculate Conception, and one during Lent hosted by St. Maurice. This is a very special evening for our second graders who will be making their First Confession. Please join us for this evening of preparation for the Coming of Christ!

Second graders are: Laykin Baltus, Brynklie Ortman, Andrew Stier, and Luke Stier.

Pro-Life Chicken Dinner, Saturday November 17, Knights of Columbus in Batesville, serving 5-8 pm. Adults: \$10, Children: \$5, 3 and under: FREE. Proceeds will go to **March for Life** trip to Washington, D.C.

13th Annual **Indiana Catholic Men’s Conference** – “**Walking with Christ & the Cross**” November 10, 2018 at the Indiana Convention Center. Join men from across Indiana and nationally known Catholic speakers, Rev. Dwight Longenecker, Fr. Ben Luedke and Tom Peterson. Mass will be celebrated at St. John the Evangelist. For more information, or to register go to www.indianacatholicmen.com. Please register now for this wonderful spirit-filled day.