## April 21, 2019

## 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:**

April 21 – Easter Sunday - Lorene Brankamp April 28 – Second Sunday of Easter – (First Communion) – Marie Hermesch May 5 – Third Sunday of Easter – Darlene Huff May 12 – fourth Sunday of Easter – Delores Redelman May 19 – Fifth Sunday of Easter – Joe & Lenora Diekhoff May 26 – Sixth Sunday of Easter – Ed & Virginia Bedel

#### **Dates to Remember**

April 21 – Easter celebration with coffee & doughnuts and egg hunt – 8:00 am

April 28 – First Communion

May 8 - Wed. Catechist Meeting 7pm

May 12 - Mother's Day, May Crowning

May 14 - Buildings & Grounds Meeting 7pm

May 16 - Finance Committee, Thurs. 7pm

May 19 - Parish Council Meeting after Mass

May 26 - Graduation Mass - Coffee & Doughnuts

**Remember in Prayer:** Bailey Streiker, Dale Helms, Chris Mennel, Chris Owens, Jim Cobb, Theresa Cobb, Craig Simon, Stephanie Hoeing. Nell Ann Pheifer, Teresa Bruns, Bernice & Alfred Diekhoff.

**First Communion** is just one week away. Don't forget to pray for our four young candidates: Lakin Baltus, Brinkley Ortman, Andrew Stier, and Luke Stier. Please congratulate them on making this first independent step in their faith journey.

#### **Liturgical Ministries**

April 21 - Easter Sunday	April 28 – First Communion
Sacristan: Marilyn Horan	Ann Stier
Ushers/Greeters: Don & Jeanne Fry, Mike and	Dave & Cindy Stone, John & Cindy
Kathy Kohrman	Johannigman
Lectors: Mary Jo Wenning, Claire Schoettmer	Maria Meyer, Emily Baltus
Petitions: Sister Donna	Kristen Stier
Eucharistic Ministers: Tim Hoeing, Kathy Kohrman,	Ann Stier, LaDonna & Norbert Hoeing,
Jeanne Fry, Mark Stier	Aaron Gault
Servers: Evan Wullenweber, Campbell Johannigman, Luke Diekhoff	Kenny, Ben & Michael Stier
Musicians: Men's Choir	Sarah & Donna Schwering with Abby
Gift Bearers: Jedd & Alison Ortman family	Andrew Stier, Luke Stier, Brinkley Ortman, Lakin Baltus
<b>Counters</b> : Cindy Johannigman, Emery Mapes, Aaron Gault	Steve AmRhein, Margie Georgi, Sara Hermesch

Remittance 4/14/2019	
	Envelopes
* \$3,028 needed weekly to meet budget.	<b>Loose:</b> \$ 206.10
Maintenance \$150.00, Catholic Relief \$35.00, Church in Africa \$255.00, Church in Eastern Europe \$50.00	<b>Envelopes:</b> \$ 1761.05
	<b>Total:</b> \$ 1967.15

**Sacrifice Jars** were due back at the end of Lent, and many have been returned with lots of change! If you still have one and want to return it with your contribution to "Bread of Life" please drop it in church today or in the office one day this week to be included in our annual contribution. Your sacrifices are helping others to eat!

### Happy Easter!

**Easter Sunday** - the most important, and solemn celebration of the entire liturgical year! Yes, bigger than Christmas! Easter is the Foundation of our faith. The resurrection celebrates Christ's triumph over evil, and death, and celebrates our redemption! Without Eater there would be no eternal life! The promise of Easter, and new life, and fresh hope, have come in the risen Christ! It is the same celebration that begins for us at baptism, and is celebrated again and again, each Sunday, and continues as the central theme for each Catholic funeral. It is our VICTORY Party! We celebrate with a renewal of baptismal promises to reject sin and evil, to love God and follow Jesus. Followed by Coffee and doughnuts, and a special **Easter Egg Hunt**. Please gather in the parish hall following this Mass, rain or shine! We have alternate plans for bad weather. This is the day that the Lord has made. Let us be glad and rejoice. **Alleluia!!** 

For alternate celebration times, Father John Meyer has invited us to **St. Mary's** for Easter Sunday Masses at 7:00, 9:00, and 11:00 am.

**Raffle and Auction** – Please mark your calendars for our annual Auction and Fundraising Day, this year **August 10<sup>th</sup>!** We received our official license to operate this week from the Indiana Gaming Commission, and very soon will be beginning preparation and meetings. Please lend your time and support to this vital fundraiser! Volunteer! Many hands make light work!

Kindergarten Registration has begun for new families at St. Mary's School. Details on board.

**Daughters of Isabella** Scholarship Fund – Tasty Tuesday Dinner April 23, 2019, 5:00 to 7:00 pm, St. Mary's School Cafeteria, Bar-B-Que Beef Sandwiches, see bulletin board. Free Will Offering.

Vacation Bible School – St Mary's, June 24-28. 9:00 – 11:30 each day. Mark your calendars and register!

**Knights of Columbus** – Annual Mother's Day Brunch, Sunday May 12, 2019, 8:30-10:30 breakfast menu; 10:30 – 1:30 lunch menu added. All for **Free Will Offering** at the Knights Hall, Delaware Road. Celebrate and honor all Mothers. Come out and enjoy! Skip the reservations and hassle of waiting for that large table to open up and bring the whole family out and enjoy some quality time with Mom!!! There will be a raffle for unique gifts and a free gift for mothers (while supplies last).

The Batesville Knights of Columbus will be having a **1**<sup>st</sup> **degree initiation** on Monday, April 22<sup>nd</sup> starting at 7pm. If you are interested in joining please be at the hall by 6:30 pm for registration. Questions: contact Scot Harmeyer at 812-933-9046.

# Easter Watch

Look for light piercing the gloom. Receive little joys inside old troubles. Hold on to love in bleakest of times. Keep faith alive when filled with doubt. Accept help from whomever it comes. Pray in spite of strong resistance. Laugh amid the tattered tears.

Stand at Easter's emptied tomb.
Remember what the message is.
Shake off what holds you back.
Cast your gaze inside your journey.
Meet the Risen One on the road.
Let renewed hope enter every step.
Watch how Love surprises you.

Joyce Rupp