

**October 13, 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](mailto:sisterdonna@millhousenchurch.com)*

**Mass Intentions:**

October 13 – Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time – Joseph & Lenora Diekhoff  
October 20 – Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time – Alex Veerkamp  
October 27 – Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time – Urban Johannigman  
November 1 – All Saints Day (Holy Day of Obligation) – Omer Fry (Friday evening at 6:00 pm)  
November 3 – Thirty-First Sunday in ordinary Time – Fred & Lurley Scheller  
November 10 – Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time – Tony Scheidler

**Dates to Remember**

October 13 – Post Auction Meeting - immediately following Mass in the school basement.  
October 19 (Saturday) – **Fall Harvest Party!** – Beginning with Mass at 4:00 pm (Sunday Mass cancelled)  
October 20 – Confirmation meeting for candidates, parents and sponsors, 9:00 am.  
October 25, 7:00 pm – October 27, 2:00 pm, Confirmation Retreat. Please pray for candidates.  
October 26, 8:00 am to finish, “Fall Work Day,” come help clean up the grounds. Everyone welcome!  
October 31 - Eve of All Saints, Halloween!  
November 3 – Rite of Enrollment for Confirmation

**Liturgical Ministries**

October 13	October 19
<b>Sacristan:</b> Dana Fledderman	LaDonna Hoeing
<b>Ushers/Greeters:</b> Craig & Paula Wullenweber, Jerry & Dorothy Fry	Grady Scudder, Sophia Witkamper, Mary Schwering, Michael Stier
<b>Lectors:</b> Ben Stier, Mary Schwering	Maria Meyer, Claire Schoettmer
<b>Eucharistic Ministers:</b> Kathy Kohrman, Cindy Hermesch, Jeanne Fry, LaDonna Hoeing	Norbert & Timothy Hoeing, Kenny Stier, Cindy Johannigman
<b>Servers:</b> Hunter Collins, Evan Wullenweber, Grady Scudder	Colton & Campbell Johannigman, Trevor Stone
<b>Musicians:</b> Men’s Choir	Sarah & Donna Schwering, with Abby
<b>Gift Bearers:</b> Scott & Nicole Schoettmer family	Kenlee Gault, Brooklyn Ortman, Andrew Stier
<b>Counters:</b> Steve AmRhein, Margie Georgi, Sara Hermesch	Kate Bedel, Cindy Hermesch, Jeanne Fry

**Church Cleaners:** October: Amy Scudder Chairperson, Helen Schutte, Emily Baltus, Aimee Cunningham, Elizabeth Cunningham, Jane Scheidler

**Remittance 10/6/2019**

	<b>Envelopes</b>
* <b>\$2800.00 needed weekly to meet budget.</b>	
FUEL - \$1388.00 MAINTENACE: \$20.00	<b>Loose:</b> \$ 115.25
<b>Religious Ed.: \$20.00</b>	<b>Envelopes:</b> \$ 2261.00
	<b>Total:</b> \$ 2376.25

**Remember in Prayer:** Benji Ortman, John Kuzman, Wanda Barnes, Martha Fry, and a special intention.

**Burials:** On Saturday, October 12<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am, we buried the cremains of both Ruth and Alex Elmes, former parishioners who had moved to Florida. Please pray for them and for their family.

Recent news reports have made us very much aware that **Hurricane Dorian** brought about massive destruction to the **Bahamas**, leaving our brothers and sisters in these islands in dire need. Catholic Relief Services is working to provide food, emergency shelter, and safe water. Anyone wishing to support these relief efforts are asked to do so through Catholic Relief Services. Individuals may make contributions online by going to <https://www.crs.org> or they may send checks made payable to Catholic Relief Services to: Catholic Relief Services, Attn: Theresa Chamblee, 1400 North Meridian Street, Indianapolis, IN 46202.

**Background Checks and Safe & Sacred training:** All parishioners that volunteer in any capacity need this training. Please take it upon yourselves to accomplish yours as soon as possible. There are printed directions in the back of church or you can email Dana Fledderman at [dana@millhousechurch.com](mailto:dana@millhousechurch.com) for a digital copy. This includes but is not limited to teachers, council members, auction volunteers and Sunday ministries. If you have questions you may call/text Dana at (812) 212-2056. Thank you for your swift compliance in this issue. And a special thanks to those already in compliance!

Every **third Thursday** from 11:00 am to 7:00 pm several of the churches in the Archdiocese have adoration of the Blessed Sacrament to pray for an end to abortion, and all sins against life. While we might not find it easy to drive to one of those locations, we can easily join in prayer from wherever we are. Please pause for a few minutes on October 17<sup>th</sup>, November 21<sup>st</sup>, or December 19<sup>th</sup>, to pray for an end to all activity that threatens, shortens, or ends life.

Immaculate Conception Church will be **open** this Tuesday October 15, from 7 to 8 for private prayer. You can come for the whole hour or for only for a few minutes. If there is enough interest in this, we will continue it, or switch to another day and time that is more convenient for the majority. It would be nice to have this coincide with the churches who have adoration on Thursdays, to be in solidarity with them. But whatever works for us!

We are just a week away from our annual **“Harvest Party!”** Get ready to celebrate! The weather is trying to cooperate! And pretty soon the sights and smells of Harvest and Fall will be surrounding us. Apples, pumpkins, colored leaves, marshmallows roasting, scarecrows popping up, games, treats, pies, and if we are lucky even a bon-fire! The dryness has prompted a “burn-ban” at present, but with a little luck that could be changed. Even without, there will be plenty of good food and lots to enjoy! Mass begins at 4:00 pm, on Saturday, (and Sunday Mass is cancelled), followed by fun and food. Please join us! If you need a ride, or a carry out, or any kind of assistance, please call Melea (812-614-8874) or Laura (812-716-1125). And if you have creativity to contribute, the same numbers apply. Bring a side dish, join in the Euchre game, rain or shine, the feast will go on!

October is **Domestic Violence Awareness Month**. In conjunction with Respect Life Month, the US Bishops ask us to promote the dignity of each person, by speaking out against domestic violence, which may affect up to 1/3 of all parishioners. Pray for all! Pastoral letter from Archbishop Thompson “We Are One in Christ” <http://www.archindy.org/archbishop/pastoral-2018.html>

Empowering Young Families, Inc. is a new non-profit organization whose mission is to show the love and mercy of Jesus Christ to young moms, dads, and children who may be struggling. Currently, we are offering Teen Mother Choices programs which assist teen mothers (ages 13-23) to complete high school, attend college, or work full time, by helping with child care costs. We meet weekly for “Life Skill Workshops” to add tools to their toolbox, to assist them to become more functional, independent families. Each teen mom has a Christian mentor who encourages the mom in many ways as teen, mom, student, and worker. If you know of anyone in your parish that would benefit from this program or if you would like to volunteer, please call Lyn at 513-476-2863 or email her at [lyn@teenmotherchoices.org](mailto:lyn@teenmotherchoices.org). This ministry is centered in Brookville at present where Lyn lives, but could be adapted to the need.

# Season of Creation



Archdiocese of Indianapolis  
Creation Care Commission  
Week 5



## Feature: Transportation

Do you know how much fuel you use per day? Per week? Per year? In 2018 in the US, about 391.40 million gallons of finished motor gasoline were used per day! The emissions from fuel used for transportation account for about 29 percent of total US greenhouse gas emissions, making it the largest contributor to the total US greenhouse gas emissions.

Even if you can't walk or bike there are other ways to reduce fuel consumption. Share a ride with other people or use public transportation to go to work, the supermarket, mass, parish meetings, etc.

*Lord - guide our prayer and action to be a source of renewable energy for the earth. May we slow down amidst the hustle and bustle of the world to start building peace and instilling a love of creation in the hearts of those around us.*

## Take Action!



**Monday:** Go meat free all day!



**Tuesday:** Go the whole day without turning on any lights!



**Wednesday:** Turn off the faucet while brushing your teeth - every day!



**Thursday:** Start the process to go completely paperless with bills, store receipts, meeting agendas, handouts, etc.



### FRIDAY - Plant a tree

Join a parish tree planting or plant your own tree for the Feast of St. Francis. More info at [OurCommonHome.org](http://OurCommonHome.org)



**Saturday:** Relax! Enjoy nature and celebrate this Season of Creation!



**Sunday:** Read Ch 6 of Laudato Si'

This is not intended to provide medical advice. Consult your physician before starting something new!

[OurCommonHome.org](http://OurCommonHome.org)

From Sept to Oct each year, Christians around the world celebrate the Season of Creation by praying and acting together to protect our common home. View all 5 weeks and find more info and events on the website!

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