# October 27, 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:**

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 25, 7:00 pm – October 27, 2:00 pm, Confirmation Retreat. Please pray for candidates.

October 31 - Eve of All Saints, Halloween! Trick-or-Treating!

November 3 – Rite of Enrollment for Confirmation. (Remember to set clocks back one hour.)

November 6 – Parents meeting for First Penance

## **Liturgical Ministries** Please see new Ministry list attached.

October 27 November 3

Sacristan: Jo Fledderman LaDonna Hoeing

Mitch & Lori Nobbe, John & Cindy Johannigman

Ushers/Greeters: Ed Johannigman, James Hamilton, Tim Scheidler, Dan Schutte

Lectors: Niki Johannigman, LaDonna Hoeing Ben Stier, Emily Georgie

Daniel & Jo Fledderman, Joe & Julie Diekhoff Eucharistic Ministers: Ann Stier, Steve AmRhein,

Brian Huff, Emery Mapes

**Servers:** Tony, Mary, & Sam Schwering

Musicians: Sarah & Donna Schwering, with Abby

Gift Bearers: Mike & Mollie Johannigman family

Men's Choir

Colton Johannigman, Tony Schwering, Brian

Wittkamper

Envolonee

Hunter Collins, Campbell Johannigman, Allison Nobbe

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

Gretchen Stone

Church Cleaners: November: Dana Fledderman (chair), Julie Diekhoff, Susan Hamilton, Jeanine Scheidler, Marcie Johannigman.

### **Remittance 10/19/2019**

	Envelopes	
* \$2800.00 needed weekly to meet budget.		
	Loose:	\$ 163.00
FUEL - \$20.00	<b>Envelopes:</b>	\$ 1197.00
World Mission Sunday: \$170.00		
	Total:	\$ 1360.00

Remember in Prayer: Benji Ortman, John Kuzman, Hubert Raver, and a special intention. Note: Hubert Raver is the father of Sara Hermesch and Kate Bedel, now residing at Aspen Place.

Please also remember in prayer, the families of former parishioners who were buried this week: at St. Denis on Tuesday, Lisa Ann Corbin, daughter of Rose Ann (Schwering) Heath; and here at Immaculate Conception, on Wednesday, Albert F. Naderman. May they rest in peace.

**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@millhousenchurch.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!

Immaculate Conception Church will be **open** this Tuesday October 29, from 7 to 8pm. The rosary will be prayed for the faithful departed, followed by quiet prayer. Please join us.

**Parish Harvest Party** – A HUGE thank you to Melea Gault and Laura Meyer for coordinating and organizing our annual Parish Harvest Party! Because of their planning, and many hours of hard work, we enjoyed a wonderful and fun evening of celebration and comradery. Many cooks added to the wonderful country meal, and games as well. Special thanks to Mike Bedel for lighting and maintaining the bon-fire, to Mary Jo for donating the pumpkins, and to Linda Mozingo and daughter Bailey, for decorating the church for this special occasion.

Giving Tree - HELP NEEDED - We are beginning to plan the Giving Tree Outreach for SDES families this year and need your help! We are looking for another committee member or two to help with the planning process and/or do early prep work. We are also looking for someone to make the ornaments for the tree (completed labels would be provided), and submit bulletin entries regarding the project to keep the parish updated with progress. Please contact Laura Meyer or Melea Gault if you are interested.

Remember in prayer our **Confirmation** candidates who are in retreat this weekend, Fri., Sat., & Sun. Next Sunday we will celebrate **the Rite of Enrollment for Confirmation**. The candidates will be introduced, they will sign a commitment form, and the parish will support their preparation period by choosing the name of a candidate to pray for.

**All Saints Day** – Friday of this week we celebrate All Saints Day with Mass at 6:00 pm. Please join us as we read aloud the names of all those faithful departed over the past year. We will also raise up in prayer **ALL** those who have gone before us, and now wait for the resurrection on the last day! Our "**Book of Remembering**" will be open in the entry way today, for names to be added. Please write in the name of a loved one.

**Christmas** is less than two months away, and some have already begun the preparations. We have been doing some planning of our own. Because the second Mass on Christmas Eve has been so poorly attended, and because, as our numbers decline, we are now able to all fit nicely into our church without over flowing, we are decreasing our Christmas Masses to just one, at 4:00 pm. Please come join us and the entire community of Immaculate Conception, as the children offer their homemade ornaments to the new born king, and sing hymns, accompanied by our very own Ryan Stone. All children and youth of the parish are invited to join in the **Christmas choir!** Practices will be on Wednesday evenings before Religious Education, beginning on Dec. 4<sup>th</sup> at 6:15 pm., led by Carrie Stier. All of our youth are encouraged to join in this special occasion!

Next Sunday, November 3, is **Vocation Awareness Sunday**. The new Vocation posters are hanging on the bulletin board to remind all of us to pray for the young candidates in our Archdiocese. We would also like to initiate a new activity to focus and remind us of vocations prayer: Beginning next Sunday we will have a traveling crucifix. The crucifix will be a reminder to us to pray for vocations, and will travel from home to home, each month. On the first Sunday of each month, a family will come forth at the end of Mass to receive the crucifix and take it home for the month, displaying it in a prominent location so that all family members will see it and pray for vocations. Any family open to taking and praying, please contact LaDonna for scheduling.

Anyone interested in playing CYO Basketball please contact coach Ben Harlemert (812-756-2124).



## Archdiocese of Indianapolis



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A relationship rooted in prayer
Disciples have a real relationship with Jesus including genuine, two-way communication with Him. Our Lord speaks in Scripture, Church teaching and several other ways. We reach out to Him, sharing our thoughts and feelings, asking Him to fulfill our needs and the needs of others. Through daily prayer we learn to love Jesus more and more, living as His beloved disciples.

Joy for all to see

We all show joy in different ways. Sometimes joy is obvious; other times it underlies an appearance of peace, of happiness with or without many material pleasures. Disciples of Jesus know that the joy of heaven awaits those who persevere in faith; this foretaste of heavenly joy helps disciples rejoice amidst life's ups and downs.

Embrace the cross

It might seem like an odd selling point for Jesus to say, "Be my disciple and you will suffer." But Jesus, who suffered and died for us, is very close to us in life's inevitable hardships. We can unite our suffering to His, experiencing His intimate presence while carrying our crosses. Disciples don't just accept a cross; with persevering faith, we embrace whatever sorrow God permits us to experience.

4"It's about forgiveness"
Loving and respecting everyone aren't optional for disciples of Jesus. When our Lord proclaimed the Kingdom of God, He made clear that God's children make repentance and reconciliation high priorities. Acknowledging our sins, we forgive those who sin against us, echoing the words of our Savior from the Over, please. cross, "Father, forgive them..."

A listening ear

Disciples of Jesus are attentive to each neighbor—in their neighborhood and beyond. We listen both to God and to those He places in our daily path. One of our deepest needs is be acknowledged—to be heard. Like Jesus, who always listens to those He encounters, we focus on those who reach out to us. listening attentively and authentically.

6Will you let me be your servant?
Our calling from God—our vocation—always involves serving others. Disciples of Jesus engage in works of mercy, living virtuously in service of our fellow women and men. Service doesn't have to be showy; oftentimes it is a little act of love that benefits our neighbor by our small sacrifice and God's boundless grace.

Tencountering Jesus in the Sacraments

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8 Honoring His Mother
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Good news is hard to contain. Jesus clearly wants us to share what God has done for us-inviting friends, coworkers, relatives, neighbors-to start or deepen a disciple relationship with Him. While the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit inspire discipleship, we have a role to play in growing God's family. One thing disciples of Jesus do for sure is make disciples by God's grace and mercy.

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