February 16, 2020 IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH, MILLHOUSEN, IN

Immaculate Conception Parish Community strives to live the Gospel by worshipping God, deepening our understanding of 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:

February 16 – Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time – Ralph Bruns

February 23 – Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time – Warren Oliver

February 26 - Ash Wednesday - Marie & Ed Stier

March 1 – First Sunday in Lent – Urban Johannigman

March 8 – Second Sunday in Lent – Cathy Witkamper

March 15 – Third Sunday in Lent – Ralph Bruns

March 22 – Fourth Sunday in Lent – Arnold Bokelman

March 29 - Fifth Sunday in Lent - Marie & Ed Stier

April 5 – Palm Sunday – Jim Meyer

Dates to Remember

February 22 – E6 Men's Conference

February 23 – Coffee & Doughnuts (Mardi Gras), with 5th grade presentations in the Hall. Please come!

February 26 – Ash Wednesday, Mass at 6:00 pm (This is not a Holy of Obligation)

March 4 – Parent Meeting for First Communion, Parish Meeting Room in the Office Building at 7:00 pm

March 6, 13, 20, 27 and April 3, Stations of the Cross at 7:00 pm (Friday evening)

March 22 – Finance Committee following Mass, (Begin budget process for new fiscal year.)

March – 29 – Parish Council following Mass

March 29 – Cohort Lenten Penance Service at Napoleon, 1:30 pm

April 5 – Parent Meeting for Confirmation, 2nd floor West Classroom, following Mass

April 7 – Tuesday in Holy Week, Chrism Mass, 2:00 pm at Cathedral, all are welcome.

April 25 – Confirmation (Saturday) 11:00 am St. Mary Church

May 3 – First Communion (Sunday)

Liturgical Ministries

February 16 February 23

Sacristan: LaDonna Hoeing

Ushers/Greeters: John & Cindy Johannigman, Craig & Paula Wullenweber, Jerry & Dorothy Fry

Dave & Cindy Stone

Lectors: Ben Stier, Emily Baltus

Eucharistic Ministers: Kathy Kohrman, Cindy

Hermesch, Jeanne Fry, Cindy Johannigman

Servers: Michael Stier, Brooklyn Ortman, Mary Stier

Musicians: Men's Choir

Gift Bearers: Nick & Abby Asher family

Counters: June Johannigman, Pauline Schoettmer,

Gretchen Stone

Jo Fledderman

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Jerry Fry, Maria Meyer

Ann Stier, Norbert Hoeing, Mark Stier, Steve

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Hunter Collins, Ben Stier, Grady Scudder Sarah & Donna Schwering with Abby

Jedd & Alison Ortman family

Cindy Johannigman, Emery Mapes, Aaron Gault

Stewardship of Treasure: Our Sunday Collections: February 9, 2020

Needed each weekend to meet budget: \$2,800.00 Sunday Envelopes (and loose): \$2,658.00 Energy/Fuel: \$00.00

Criterion \$ 165.00

Total Collections: \$2,823.00

United Catholic Appeal: Our Goal for this Annual Appeal to support the Ministries of the Archdiocese is set at \$15,057, based on the number of active households, 144, and on our total income of the past three years. We have done well thus far with our pledges reaching 86% or \$12,885. But we seem to be at a plateau. We've had 42% participation thus far, so if you have not yet sent in your Intention Card, please do so to help us meet our goal. If you have lost your intention card and need another, there are more in the entryway.

Remember in Prayer: Pat Schwering, Barb Hoeing, John Kuzman, Marilyn Horan, Martha Fry, Elizabeth Downey, Nell Ann Pfeifer, Velma Ortman, Judy Zapfe, Sherry Weberding, "John & Mother" and a special intention.

Church Cleaning: February: Beth Schwering (chairperson), Sheila Diekhoff, Donna Schwering, Cindy Stone, Diane & Steve AmRhein (scheduled for Feb. 29 at 9:00 am).

Religious Education Coordinator – Please prayerfully consider your gifts and talents, and to what ministry God may be calling you. This is one of multiple ministry opportunities available in the parish, but one that is vital to our future. If you would like to discuss requirements for this position please call the parish office. The position will be posted throughout the Deanery.

The students have been busy learning about love, ways to be loving, and activities related to loving each other and their neighbors. Paper **Valentines** have been created, and will be distributed to parishioners after Mass this morning by the students in honor of St. Valentine's Day. In addition, they will mail Valentines to our home bound parishioners. Thank you to Dana for coordinating this event!

The fifth grade are super achievers! They have also created homemade replicas of artifacts significant to our faith. The artifacts are too good not to share! On Sunday morning February 23, coupled with a Mardi Gras party, coffee and doughnuts will be served in the school hall after Mass and the artifacts will be displayed! Please plan to join the students and support their learning.

Remember our **Confirmation Candidates**? How have you supported them? Please call, text, or write a note to the candidate whose name you drew from the bowl a few short weeks ago. They need your prayer and kind words of support. Their letters to the Archbishop are due on Sunday February 23rd or sooner. And some are still in need of service hours. **Confirmation** is scheduled for Saturday morning, April 25th at 11:00 am at St. Mary Greensburg, with Archbishop Charles C. Thompson. Please support them in this last leg of the journey!

The **Lenten Bible Study** will begin on Wednesday March 4. We will be studying "No Greater Love: A Biblical Walk Through Christ's Passion." Contact Cindy Johannigman, 812-614-0802, or Kate Bedel, 812-614-0987.

Rosary – Led by Mark Stier, a group will gather on Saturday mornings during Lent to pray the rosary. 8;00 am, in the Parish Meeting Room, Office Building.

With the Lenten Season approaching, the **Sacrament of Penance** should be on our minds. Our custom is to offer a **Cohort** Penance Service during Lent, at St. Maurice in Napoleon. That gathering is scheduled for Sunday afternoon at 1:30 pm on March 29th. Please make use of this opportunity, or see the list of all Penance Services scheduled throughout the Deanery, posted on Bulletin Board.

The Daughters of Isabella, of All Saints Circle #1384 are sponsoring a **Mardi Gras Celebration** on February 22, 2020 from 4:00 to 7:30 pm at Holy Family Cafeteria, Oldenburg. It is a family affair. Free will offering. All are welcome. More information on the board.

Millhousen, Knights of St. John - All-You-Can-Eat Fish Fry, 5:00 to 7:30 pm, To-Go orders available. Please see the bulletin board for details. Dates: February 28, March 13, & 27, April 10.

All Saints Parish **Lenten Fish Fries** ~ St Martin Campus ~ 4:30 pm-7:00 pm, 8044 Yorkridge Rd, Yorkville, IN. \$10 for adults/\$5 for children. Carry Outs Available. Please contact the parish office at 812-576-4302 with any questions (Flyer on the Board).

All Saints Parish **Lenten Mission** - March 1,2,3 ~ St Paul Campus. All are welcome! Guest speaker is Fr John Hollowell. Soup supper will be served Sunday, March 1 at 5:30pm in the gym followed by Fr Hollowell's talk in the Church at 6:30pm. Monday, March 2 & Tuesday, March 3 will begin with Fr. Hollowell's talk in the Church at 6:30pm followed by refreshments in the gym. Please contact the parish office at 812-576-4302 with any questions.

Chicken Dinner, Saturday, March 7, 5:00 - 8:00 pm, Knights of Columbus Hall, Batesville, to benefit the St. Louis/St Anthony **Haiti Ministry.** Supplies for twice yearly medical mission trips. See details on bulletin board.

2020 Summer Camp Brochures – Information on the CYO Summer camp available to students ages 7-19, Camp Rancho Framasa in Nashville, Indiana. Please pick up a brochure in the entryway.

5th Annual E6 **Catholic Men's Conference** February 22, 2020; 8-4pm, registration is ending due to being sold out! If you haven't registered yet, don't delay! Go to https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2020-e6-catholic-mens-conference-tickets-74532549863. See Board for prices and more details. Location: East Central High School, Performing Arts Center, St. Leon. Be part of the largest and most dynamic gathering of Catholic men in the tristate area!

The 13th annual **Turkey Noodle Drive-thru Dinner** Fundraiser is Thursday, March 5. Drive -thru pick -up is from 4-7pm. Get your tickets in advance. Information on board. Benefit "**Bread of Life**"

St. Louis Super Sunday Bingo - Sunday, March 8, 2020, 17 E St Louis Pl, Batesville, IN, **\$15,000 Total Pay Out** Cash Raffle, Door Prizes & Pull Tabs, Ticket Package: Play ALL DAY for \$50. Includes paper games, door prizes, raffle ticket and a meal! Doors open at 11am, Early Bird games begin at 1pm. Visit www.STLBingo.org to register online or Call 812-93-BINGO. **All proceeds benefit St. Louis School.** Remember that we are called to support Catholic Education!

Faith Formation Fish Fry – St. Anthony/ St. Nicholas parishes; Free Will Offering Dinner, Schad Hall, Friday March 13, 4:30 – 7:30 pm. Cake Walk, Games, Carryout. See bulletin Board for details.

All your favorite **Princesses AND Pirates** are coming to the St. Louis Parish Activity Center in Batesville on March 1st! There are two magical opportunities to attend the **Royal Ball and Pirate Cove** (12:30-2:30 or 3:30-5:30). Tickets are \$10 in advance and \$12 at the door. Tickets can be purchased through any TriForce Mission Team member, or can be picked up at Joan's T-shirt Printing in Batesville, at FCN Bank in Batesville and Sunman, at Civista Bank in Osgood and Milan. To ordered tickets online go to TriForceMissionTeam.org/royalball. All proceeds from this event help fund the TriForce Mission Team's mission trip to East Bank, WV this summer.

Reminders: Coughing & Sneezing, hygiene etiquette involves practices that prevent the spread of illness and disease. A critical time to practice good hygiene etiquette is when you are sick, especially when coughing or sneezing. Serious respiratory illnesses are spread by coughing and sneezing, and unclean hands. To help stop the spread of germs: cover your mouth and nose with a tissue when you cough or sneeze. Put used tissues in a waste basket. If you don't have a tissue, cough or sneeze into your upper sleeve, not your hands. Then get a tissue ready for the next cough or sneeze. Remember to wash your hands after coughing or sneezing with soap and water! If soap and water are not available, then use alcohol-based hand sanitizer. Most healthy adults may be able to infect others beginning one day before their own symptoms develop and up to seven days after becoming sick. Avoid close contact with people who are sick. And if you are ill, try to distance yourself from others so you do not spread your germs. This includes staying home from work or school, or church.