

September 12, 2021

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH, MILLHOUSEN, IN

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Sacrament of **Anointing** is available upon request. Please call the parish office to schedule.
Sacrament of **Reconciliation** is available every third Sunday of the month, at 8:10 AM
Sacrament of **Baptism** is scheduled by appointment. Please call the parish office for sacramental preparation.
Sacrament of **Marriage** requires at least six months of preparation. Please call the parish office prior to setting your wedding date.

Bulletin information is due by Wednesday at 10:00 a.m.

Mass Intentions:

September 12 – 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time – Harold Klosterkemper
September 19 – 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time – Martha Fry
September 26 – 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time – Velma Ortman
October 3 – 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time – Charlotte Redelman
October 10 – 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time – Harold Klosterkemper
October 17 – 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time – Alex Veerkamp
October 24 – 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time – Martha Fry
October 31 – 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time – Velma Ortman

Liturgical Ministers: Sept. 12

Cross Bearer: Steve Stone
Ushers: Mark Stier, Aaron Gault, Tim Hoeing
Sacristan: LaDonna Hoeing
Lector: Jeanne Fry
Musicians: Women’s Choir
Counters: Steve AmRhein, June Johannigman

Sept. 19

Randy Huff
Jerry Fry, Don Fry, Tim Scheidler
Sister Donna
LaDonna Hoeing
Men’s Choir
Josh Hornberger, Randy Huff

Stewardship of Treasure: Our Sunday Collections: September 5, 2021

*Needed each weekend to meet budget:	\$2,800.00
Sunday Envelopes (and loose):	\$2,503.00
Religious Education:	\$50.00
Painting Project:	\$100.00
Mission Appeal:	340.00
Total Collections:	\$2,993.00

Special Collection today: for the Catholic University of America; envelope is in your box.

And a note from **Fr. Paul Gins, O.S.M.** was received today: “on behalf of the Servite Friars and our Missions in Kwa Zulu, I would like to thank you for your generosity to the appeal I made last weekend.”

Remember in Prayer: Continued prayers for Benji Ortman, who will begin radiation on Thursday, for parishioner Joseph Diekhoff, for Rosemary Albright, Dan Knoche, Dennis DiGiusto, Rylie Bennett, and all those for whom we have promised to pray. In addition, please pray for a safe vaccine for our children, and for all those in our community who are suffering again from COVID.

A reminder again to please stay home if you are sick or have any symptoms of COVID.

Dates to Remember:

*Rosary for our Parish – each Monday morning at 10:30 a.m., and each Wednesday evening at 6:30 p.m. Since all parish space has been reallocated due to the painting project and the beginning of Religious Ed., the School Hall has become our temporary worship space. Rosary will be in the School Hall.

*September 19 – Catechetical Sunday Our Catechists and Classroom aides will be commissioned.

*September 25 – Fall Work Day, 8:00 AM, clean up the property, trim around trees, cut up and dispose of downed tree.

Painting Project: A huge thank you to ALL those who stayed last Sunday to help us remove furniture, books, and all movable items from our church building. The organ tuner came on Monday morning (even though it was a holiday), to direct the shut down and cover for the organ. He spent about two hours getting protection in place. On Tuesday morning the man from the sound system was on site to finish installation. He will place the electronics when the painting is complete. The painters, with crew foremen, spent most of Thursday outlining their plan in detail, and planning their space and moves. They now have a key and total liability for safety, for their crew, and for all who enter the “construction site.” They ask for our prayers as they proceed, and for our understanding if the projected time frame is extended due to COVID. But our current goal is to be finished and moved back into our **refurbished space by Thanksgiving.**

As we removed the **Stations of the Cross** last Sunday, Mike Ortman noted multiple missing wood pieces on the frames of the stations. He has worked tirelessly this week to measure, cut, and replace the wood pieces, and to reinforce the crosses on the top of each one. Thank you, Mike!

Note: At the direction of the County Health Commissioners, both St. Anthony, Morris (last weekend), and Holy Family, Oldenburg (Oct. 3) have been directed to reduce their parish festivals to drive through only. Morris had only a three-day notice. Due to timing, we were blessed! Pray for our neighbors!

The **KSJ Ladies Auxiliary** meeting for September has been changed to **Tuesday, Sept. 14th** at 7:00 pm at the Knights Hall. All able members are urged to attend since a few items of importance need our attention. Light refreshments will be served.

The Care of Creation Task Force offers for the **“Season of Creation” Sept. 1-Oct. 4**, weekly prayer sheets. Week 2 is attached. Thank you Missie and LaDonna for the **lovely fall flowers** for our entrance!

“Season of Creation” prayers are provided by the Care of Creation Task Force



Season of Creation Week Two: PRAYER FOR OUR COMMON HOME

Father of all, Creator and ruler of the universe,

You entrusted your world to us as a gift.

Help us to care for it and all people, that we may live in right relationship-- with You, with ourselves, with one another, and with creation.

Christ our beloved, both divine and human, you lived among us and beckoned us to live in an inclusive community. Help us to imitate your love for the human family by recognizing that we are all connected to our brothers and sisters around the world. To those in poverty impacted by environmental devastation and to future generations. To all species who are under threat of extinction. For those displaced and those who suffer health and disease due to pollution and flooding.

Holy Spirit, giver of wisdom and love, You breathe life in us and guide us.

Help us to live according to your vision, stirring to action the hearts of all individuals, families, and communities of faith, civil and political leaders and corporations.

Triune God, help us to hear the cry of those in poverty, and the cry of the earth, so that we may together care for our common home. Amen.

A reading from Laudato Si' 217

“The ecological crisis is also a summons to profound interior conversion. Christians all need an “ecological conversion”, whereby the effects of their encounter with Jesus Christ become evident in their relationship with the world around them.”

“At stake, then, is not only a “physical” ecology that is concerned to safeguard the habitat of the various living beings, but also a “human” ecology which makes the existence of creatures more dignified, by protecting the fundamental good of life in all its manifestations and by preparing for future generations an environment more in conformity with the Creator’s plan.” (Pope John Paul II in 2001 was the first pope to use the term “ecological conversion”).

It is even more imperative that we pray for world leaders who are meeting Nov.1 -Nov.12, 2021 at the COP26 (UN Climate Change Conference of the Parties) in Glasgow, Scotland. Pope Francis is expected to attend offering spiritual wisdom and environmental justice concerns. Please continue to keep this important meeting in your prayers.