## October 17, 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:**

October 17 – 29<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time – Alex Veerkamp October 24 – 30<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time – Martha Fry October 31 – 31<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time – Velma Ortman November 1 – All Saints Day – Linda Hollis & Justin Johannigman November 7 – 32<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time – Charlotte Redelman November 14 – 33<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time – Harold Klosterkemper November 21 – Christ the King – Jeremy Ronsheim November 24 – Thanksgiving Mass – Rita Scheidler Bohman November 28 – First Sunday in Advent – Marie & Ed Stier

Liturgical Ministers: Oct. 17	Oct. 24
Cross Bearer: Mitch Nobbe	Tim Hoeing
Ushers: Mitch & Lori Nobbe, Mark Hermesch	Mark Stier, Aaron Gault, Tim Hoeing
Sacristan: Sister Donna	LaDonna Hoeing
Lector: Jeannie Fry	LaDonna Hoeing
Musicians: Men's Choir	Women's Choir
Counters: Josh Hornberger, Randy Huff	Steve AmRhein, Kate Bedel

Stewardship of Treasure: Our Sunday Collections: October 10, 2021

<b>Total Collections:</b>	\$1,080.00
Energy (fuel)	\$170.00
Sunday Envelopes (and loose):	\$910.00
*Needed <b>each</b> weekend to meet budget:	\$2,000.00

**Remember in Prayer:** Benji Ortman, completed his radiation treatments in Indy, and is now exploring other options in Nashville to start another clinical trial. Kalen Wolfe, is off the vent, but having difficulty

in lots of areas. Unable to wake up. After double pneumonia, it has taken a huge toll on his lungs. He has chronic kidney failure now and will need to stay on dialysis the rest of his life. Still in critical care at Good Sam, with little chance of recovery. Colin Jones, (22-year-old, dying of cancer) is declining rapidly, and is now at home on Hospice. Please pray for both of these families. Rosemary Albright, has few options left, but is currently in Houston for treatments, which she hopes will put her into remission for a second bone marrow transplant. This treatment is said to be promising, so they are praying for a cure! Dan Knoche, receiving chemo and radiation for comfort, not for cure. Dennis DiGiusto, Rylie Bennett, a special intention, for the families and loved ones grieving losses, and for 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 continue to suffer from COVID and related issues.

A reminder again, to please stay home if you are sick or have any symptoms of COVID. All are encouraged to mask, hand sanitize and safe distance out of respect for one another.

## Dates to Remember:

**Rosary** for our Parish – in the School Hall, each Monday morning at 10:30 a.m., and each Wednesday evening at 6:30 p.m.

- October 17 Third Sunday of the month, confessions before Mass (2 East classroom)
- October 17 Living Rosary, following Mass
- November 1 (Mon.) All Saints Day Mass at 6:00 pm (following Mass we will remember those who have died this past year.)
- November 7 United Catholic Appeal weekend.
- Nov. 24 Thanksgiving Mass, 6:00 pm

**Wedding Bells!** On Saturday, October 23, parishioner Christopher Mathias Johannigman, and Katlin Audale Schmittler will be joined in holy matrimony, at St. Catherine of Siena Church (Enochsburg location), at 2:30 pm, followed by a reception at the Knights of St. John Hall, here in Millhousen. Please join in congratulating them on this most happy occasion!

**Painting Project:** The scaffolding remains in place, and one area is finished (above the organ). Everything else is still quite unsightly. But progress is being made. Scraping and patching, mudding and sanding, and painting continue. Stage one, with scaffolding, is scheduled to be finished by late in the day on Monday. Each worker goes about their tasks with purpose and skill. And for the most part they work in silence respecting the quiet of our sanctuary. A reminder to pray for the safety of our crew, and for a satisfactory completion to the project. We received our first bill. And they claim to be right on schedule, so still aiming for Thanksgiving. But you wouldn't guess it by looking.

The **Centers for Disease Control** and Prevention's (CDC's) Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices reviewed the U.S. FDA's amended Emergency Use Authorization of Pfizer's COVID-19 vaccine for booster doses, and has approved it. A "booster dose" refers to another dose of a vaccine that is given to people who have built enough protection after vaccination, but then that protection decreases over time (this is called waning immunity). It is similar to what happens to us after a Flu vaccine.

The CDC has issued Pfizer booster eligibility guidance. Based on these recommendations, the Indiana Department of Health supports the administration of **Pfizer vaccine booster** doses to

- People at least 18 years and older,
- Who have previously received the Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine as their primary series,
- And are at a minimum of six months after the second dose,
- And can attest to meeting the CDC guidelines as listed above.

People who sign up for a booster dose are attesting that they meet these criteria, (that is, they are over 65, or have underlying medical conditions, or have jobs or responsibilities that put them at high risk), and it is **NOT** necessary for people to confirm or prove their eligibility. The guidelines include all those over 65, and all long-term care facility residents. Vaccines are available immediately. To find a location ready to serve you, go to **www.ourshot.in.gov** or call your family physician for further assistance.

The Pfizer booster is **not recommended** at this time for those who received Moderna or Johnson and Johnson vaccines initially. That research is not yet complete. The important thing is that we all get the initial vaccines.

**Mass intentions:** for the past few years, we have been inundated with requests for Mass intentions. It is customary, following the death of a friend or relative, for folks to offer Mass Stipends for the repose of the soul of their loved one. The stipend, generally \$10.00, is the fee for the priest offering the Mass. We had a long stretch of many, many funerals and could not keep up with the load, having only one Mass per week. It is customary, when a parish has more intentions than it can use, to have those Masses sent to a Missionary to be said at the distant location. However, we did not do that. We kept our paid stipends and have been using them one by one. Then COVID began, and churches closed, and all of the scheduled Masses had to be rescheduled. In addition, we had many more deaths during that time. It looked like a mountain, waiting . . .

But time has passed, and the Masses have all been rescheduled and for the most part, we are catching up. For the first time in a long time, we have openings again, beginning in **June of 2022**. So, if you would like to have a Mass said in memory of a loved one, we can now accept and schedule your intention. We have very few reservations for June and thereafter, but we are filled until that time.

The **Daughters of Isabella** of St. Mary's Circle #75 in Greensburg are planning to serve the **"Tasty Tuesday"** meal at St. Mary's on October 19<sup>th</sup> from 5-7 pm. Please see the flyer on the bulletin board.

St. Agnes Parish in Nashville is planning a Christmas Bazaar Friday November 5 & Saturday November 6 all day in the church basement. No admission fees. Free parking. Elevator accessible. Featuring holiday crafts, gift baskets, silent auction items, homemade holiday cookies, candies, collectibles, and concessions. A quilt will be raffled. See flyer on Bulletin board. A fun weekend in scenic Brown County!