April 17, 2022 IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH, MILLHOUSEN, IN

Parish Life Coordinator (Administrator) – Sister Donna Prickel, OSF Coordinator of Liturgical Ministries – LaDonna Hoeing Coordinator of Religious Education - Melea Gault Sacramental Ministers – Fr. Jeyaseelan Sengolraj, and Fr. Binu Mathew sisterdonna@millhousenchurch.com513-410-2600ladonna@millhousenchurch.com812-614-9224melea@millhousenchurch.com812-614-8874

April 24

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. Rosary – Mon.10:30 am; Wed. 6:30 pm in the church.

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

Office is closed on Mondays.

Mass Intentions:

April 17 – Easter Sunday – Cathy Witkamper

April 24 – Second Sunday of Easter – Sy Kohrman

May 1 – Third Sunday of Easter – Albert Naderman

May 8 - Fourth Sunday of Easter - Cathy Wittkamper

May 15 – Fifth Sunday of Easter – Nell Ann Pfeifer

May 22 – Sixth Sunday of Easter – Sy Kohrman

May 29 - Solemnity of the Ascension - Tony & Rosemary Scheidler family

Liturgical Ministers: EASTER

Cross Bearer: Trevor StoneSophia WittkamperServers: Michael Stier, Mary StierCaaden Gault, Kate SchoettmerUshers: Mark Stier, Aaron Gault, Tim HoeingJerry Fry, Don Fry, Tim ScheidlerLector: Emily BaltusLaDonna HoeingOffertory Bread: Kate Bedel, Jessica DiekhoffCindy HermeschMusicians: Men's ChoirWomen's ChoirCounters: Josh Hornberger, Randy HuffSteve AmRhein, Kate bedel

Stewardship of Treasure: Our Sunday Collection:	April 10
*Needed each weekend to meet budget:	\$2,000.00
Sunday Envelopes (and loose):	\$852.00
Maintenance:	\$145.00
Total Collections:	\$997.00

**Please return "Sacrifice Jars" this week in the entry way.

"Sacrifice Jars" – Thank you so much for your generous contributions to the "Sacrifice Jars" during this Lenten Season. Your Lenten Almsgiving will offer the gift of life to people fleeing Ukraine!

Remember in Prayer: Ruth Atchley, Stephanie Harrison, Alvin Pfeifer; Benji Ortman, Dennis DiGiusto, Rylie Bennett, Amy Hermesch, Drew Holzbauer. In addition, please remember all those who grieve.

Dates to Remember: *April 23 - Spring Work Day - 8:30 am

April 24 - the last day of Religious Ed. for this season. Thank you to Melea Gault and our dedicated Catechists!

May 1 – May Crowning

May 8 – Mother's Day! Special Collection for Clarity to support troubled mothers.

May 22 – Mass to honor our 2022 graduates.

United Catholic Appeal Update: We have done a tremendous job with this campaign this year! Actually, this is the best response that we have seen in a long while. The goals are set high, and usually we fall short. However, our pledges this year are higher than usual. For the first time in many years, we are less than \$150 from reaching our goal!! Please help push us over the top! Thank you for your generosity in serving the needs of the poor in our Archdiocese, through Catholic Charities, and the needs of our retired and aging priests.

A **Spring Workday**, scheduled for Saturday, April 9, was cancelled due to weather, but rescheduled for **Saturday**, **April 23**. Jerry and Tim will head up that project, but all volunteers are welcome and needed. The gusty winds have blown flowers and wreaths in all directions and most are no longer on shepherd's crooks or on the actual monuments. Come prepared to collect a lot of debris. All parishioners can help by cleaning up the graves of relatives and loved ones.

The **insurance coverage** for our Decatur County Pee-Wee and Little League teams is now in place. Coaches are free to begin using our parish ball diamond for practices and games. Please thank Mike Gasper for securing this coverage. Play Ball!

St. Anthony of Padua, Morris, is inviting participation in their upcoming **Blood Drive** on Tuesday April 26, 2022, 12-6, please schedule on-line at <u>www.hoxworth.org/groups/stanyhony</u> or call Hoxworth at 1-800-830-1091.

Life Restored – Residents Encounter Christ, the Christian ministry at the Decatur County jail, will be holding a men's weekend April 22-24, and a women's weekend April 29-May 1. Would you be willing to pray for the residents there for a length of time during the days of each weekend? If so, please contact Kate Bedel at 812-614-0987. She will add your first name only to a prayer chart. The residents are extremely moved when they see the outpouring of love for them through the prayers of the community. Let's show them the unconditional love that God has for each of His precious children, by signing up to keep them covered in prayer. Thank you.

Time Off – Each Priest, Deacon and PLC working for the Archdiocese is entitled by contract to be away from the parish for four weekends during the year. Generally, they take a week for retreat or spiritual renewal, two weeks of vacation, and have another weekend as needed for personal business, or health issues. Some lump it all together and take a month off once a year. Fr. Jey will be away for the **month of May**. Because his absence will impact all three parishes that he contributes time to, Fr. Stan negotiated with the Archdiocese to have him replaced. We have been blessed to receive the substitution list, all covered by retired and elderly priests for the month of May, each week a different person. We will introduce each one as the time comes. Please thank them for their generous contribution of time during their much-deserved retirement.

Sister Donna will be taking some time off as well, to celebrate her 50th Jubilee in Religious Life. She is planning a Mass of Thanksgiving, on Saturday May 28, at 4:00 pm at the Convent Chapel in Oldenburg, followed by time with family and friends. All are welcome to attend the liturgy, if vaccinated and observing COVID precautions, required by the Motherhouse. She will not be present that weekend in Millhousen, and there will be no bulletin published that weekend.