

April 24, 2022

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.
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 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: April 24

Cross Bearer: Sophia Wittkamper
Servers: Caaden Gault, Kate Schoettmer
Ushers: Jerry Fry, Don Fry, Tim Scheidler
Lector: LaDonna Hoeing
Offertory Bread: Cindy Hermesch
Musicians: Women's Choir
Counters: Steve AmRhein, Kate bedel

May 1

Randy Huff
Campbell Johannigman, Paul Schoettmer
Mark Hermesch, Mitch & Lori Nobbe
Melea Gault
Kristen Stier
Men's Choir
Josh Hornberger, Ann Stier

Church Cleaners for May: Paula Wullenweber (Chairperson), Alice Chandler, Ann Stier, Abby Asher, Pat Klene

Stewardship of Treasure: Our Sunday Collection:

April 17

*Needed each weekend to meet budget:	\$2,000 .00
Sunday Envelopes (and loose):	\$3,259.00
Maintenance:	\$225.00
The Holy Places (Good Friday)	\$220.00
Total Collections:	\$3,704.00

Special Collection Today: Catholic **Home Missions** Appeal, Strengthen the Church at Home

Special Collection on Mother's Day: Clarity Support Services – to support the choice for life!

“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! This is the last call. Check will be mailed this week.

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

Dates to Remember:

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, to support the choice for life!

May 22 – Mass to honor our 2022 graduates.

Graduates: If you would like to participate in this annual event, please call the office, and submit your future plans, school you will be attending, and what you will be studying. Also, if you have cap and gown you may wear them in procession.

90th Birthday: The Sister-in-law of Pauline Schoettmer, extends an open invitation to all parishioners to gather at the Knights Hall for an “Open-House” to honor Pauline on her 90th birthday! Sunday May 8th, 2:00 – 4:00 pm.

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.

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 www.hoxworth.org/groups/stanyhony 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.

Thank you to our parishioners who gathered yesterday to clean up the cemetery, and do other spring maintenance. We appreciate your efforts! And thank you to LaDonna for the fresh spring flowers that grace our front steps.