

June 12, 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:

June 12 – The Most Holy Trinity - Tony Scheidler
June 19 – The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi) Nell Ann Pfeifer
June 26 – 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Tony & Rosemary Scheidler family
July 3 – 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Knights of St. John Ladies Auxiliary
July 10 – 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Rita Scheidler Bohman

Liturgical Ministers: June 12

Cross Bearer: Randy Huff
Servers: Brooklyn Ortman, Campbell Johannigman
Ushers: Mark Hermesch, Mitch & Lori Nobbe
Lector: Emily Baltus
Offertory Bread: Laura Meyer, Maria Meyer
Musicians: Men's Choir
Counters: Steve AmRhein, Alvin Hoeing

June 19

Trevor Stone
Mary Stier, Michael Stier
Mark Stier, Aaron Gault, Tim Hoeing
Jeanne Fry
Stephanie & Claire Hoeing

Josh Hornberger, Randy Huff

Church Cleaners for June: Lois Johannigman, chairperson, Jeanie Harrison, Kate Bedel, Carrie Stier, Nancy Vanderpohl.

Stewardship of Treasure: Our Sunday Collection:

	June 5
*Needed each weekend to meet budget:	\$2,000 .00
Sunday Envelopes (and loose):	\$2,199.00
Education of Future Priests:	\$415.00
Total Collections:	\$2,614.00

Special Collection next Sunday, June 19th: The Cemetery Fund

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

Dates to Remember:

June 19 – Father’s Day, and the kick -off of the Eucharistic Revival with a procession in the streets of Indianapolis. Please see detailed information in the Criterion of the past few weeks. **Corpus Christi!**

June 26 – We celebrate Fr. Jey. Coffee and doughnut reception after Mass.

The **Parish Administrator** role, beginning at noon on July 6, will be assumed by Fr. Binu Mathew, even as he continues his current role as Administrator of St. John Osgood. What that role will look like will be determined by Fr. Binu, as he balances responsibilities and time between the two parishes. Please welcome him and support him, with willingness to make the necessary changes, so that all needs can be met. He is a true pastor with great experience, and he will lead the way. Transition is difficult for all involved, parishioners as well as pastoral leaders. Please keep the whole Archdiocesan family in prayer as the next few weeks unfold.

Over the past year or two, our committee structure has been reduced in membership as terms expired, and as volunteers did not come forward to replace them. By mandate of Canon Law, a parish must maintain a Finance Council, and we were able to do that, reduced from four members to three members. This small dedicated group must review the financials each month and must budget, or approve all expenditures. As other committee work declined, this team truly functioned as a team, and saw us through a period of lessor income, at the same time moving forward with repairs, replacements, and many maintenance projects. While we can applaud many projects completed, this team facilitated that progress, and used continued good insight to prevent unneeded expenditures. At present we stand without debt, with greater combined resources than we had six years ago, and with satisfaction that our campus is in good repair. Thank you, ladies and gentlemen! We have had two positive financial audits, and just completed our second safety and maintenance audit in six years. The list of “needed repairs” this time around is much less, and does not threaten our closure due to inability to maintain our complex. Having said that, there are needed repairs that will require our immediate attention.

While recommended, the Parish Council is not a **required** committee. It is not a decision-making committee, but advises the Parish Administrator, offers ideas, and assists in the capacity needed or identified by the administrator. Both committees meet only when called together by the Parish Administrator, and only when the Parish Administrator is present. Because no one came forward to offer service on this committee in the past two years, the committee was reduced to two members, but did meet and advised as needed as issues arose. Fr. Binu will utilize this committee as he deems necessary, and he will decide how many members he may need to function well as a team.

Currently, the immediate need identified by Fr. Binu is for support in the tasks, the work, of operating and maintaining the parish. This parish has been identified as perhaps the only parish, large or small, without secretarial support, without janitorial support, and without editorial support for the bulletin, and

all communications. The Archdiocese offers workshops, classes, and offers guidelines and support for learning these parish functions and guides the hiring and job descriptions of these positions. They may be paid or voluntary, as decided by the Administrator. Please consider your abilities and skills, and communicate your willingness to serve, by **Calling the parish office and leaving a voice message for Fr. Binu, or put your desire to assist in writing and send it to the parish office. Sister Donna's cell phone cannot be accessed by Fr. Binu, and he will not be providing access to his own cell phone. He will use the parish phone exclusively, and will communicate his office hours as the date of July 6th approaches.** He is looking for committed, dependable, trustworthy, and flexible individuals who will work as a team under his direction, and adhere to Archdiocesan policies, and guidance. He will indeed supervise and manage all hiring, all employees, all volunteers, the finances, the sacramental and liturgical needs, all committees, all maintenance, all security (and keys) and all emergencies. He asks for interested and committed individuals to call the parish office, to make known your interest.

Pentecost ushered in the new life of the Spirit, the presence of God within us, last weekend, and ended the Easter Season. Jesus promised to send a companion, to be with us always on our journey, and that promise is fulfilled in the gifts of the Holy Spirit. This new season is one of ordinariness, the Ordinary Times, a time to focus on getting into Gospel mission and service. But before we step back into Ordinariness, we start the season with two big feasts: Today we celebrate the Feast of the **Holy Trinity**, and next week is the Feast of **Corpus Christi!** The vestments will be changing back to the green, and the **routine** will become our companion once again. But today, and next Sunday we jump into the celebratory White garments.

Many have been asking: **What time will we be having Mass, beginning in July?** Fr. Binu has been pondering that same question and has prayed, and pondered the ramifications of change and its impact on everyone involved. Because he has sole responsibility for two parishes. And because he will at times, need to cover for the needs of St. Maurice at Napoleon as well, he is offering an option that hopefully allows **flexibility and opportunity for everyone**, asks everyone to give a little, so that no one parish sacrifices all. This is the proposal that he is offering: Beginning on the weekend of **July 9 and 10:** Saturday evening Masses will remain as they are currently scheduled, 4:00 pm at Napoleon, and 6:00 pm at Osgood. On Sunday morning he proposes the following changes: 7:30 am at Osgood, 9:00 am at Immaculate Conception, and 10:30 am at Napoleon when he needs to cover that site. This schedule allows for travel time, and for as much continuity as possible. It still allows for our Religious Ed. program to continue on Sunday Morning following the morning Mass, and still gives everyone options for Saturday evening and early or later on Sunday morning. Everyone has options within the Cohort, to flex between parish sites, to meet their individual scheduling needs. While he knows that not everyone will be happy with the change, he is hoping that most people will be able to embrace it for the **good of all.**

Following Nursing Home visits last Sunday, and in spite of masking, Sister Donna tested positive for COVID-19 on Wednesday. She is isolating for the recommended time frame and hopes to return next Sunday.