

June 19, 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 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 19

Cross Bearer: Trevor Stone

Servers: Mary Stier, Michael Stier

Ushers: Mark Stier, Aaron Gault, Tim Hoeing

Lector: Jeanne Fry

Offertory Bread: Stephanie & Claire Hoeing

Musicians: Kenny Stier

Counters: Josh Hornberger, Randy Huff

June 26

Tim Scheidler

Trevor Stone, Caaden Gault

Jerry Fry, Don Fry, Tim Scheidler

Mary Jo Wenning

LaDonna Hoeing/ Karen Hardebeck

Men's Choir

Steve AmRhein, Kate Bedel

Church Cleaners for June: Lois Johannigman, chairperson, Jeanie Harrison, Kate Bedel, Carrie Stier, Nancy Vanderpohl. Plan to meet Monday morning at 9:30.

Stewardship of Treasure: Our Sunday Collection:

	June 12
*Needed each weekend to meet budget:	\$2,000 .00
Sunday Envelopes (and loose):	\$1,923.00
Education of Future Priests:	\$50.00
Total Collections:	\$1,973.00

Special Collection today, June 19th: **The Cemetery Fund**

Special Collection next Sunday, June 26: **Peter's Pence Collection**

Congratulations are in order for all those (a total of 55 parishioners) who contributed this year to the United Catholic Appeal! We have but two weeks left, but have finally reached our goal! This is the first time in many years that we realized success!! Because our numbers have been dropping

across the Diocese, the goals also had to be adjusted proportionately. Our parish goal was dropped to \$13,507. Our pledges were very promising from the beginning, but then some of those promised funds did not materialize. The amount pledged was \$15,345. But we lagged behind for a few months. This week we finally received word that we have met our goal! The grand total taken in from Immaculate Conception was \$13,745. A job well done!! Thank you all. This is all very important, because without meeting our goal, we are not eligible for available grants and Archdiocesan funding. We need to do our part, and this year we have done it. Now we are in good standing to make grant application.

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

This week we lost another “gem” from our parish, **Elaine Jacobs**. While Elaine has not been present with us of late, her heart was still at Immaculate Conception. She was so grateful for cards, calls and visits from parishioners. Thank you, ladies, for pulling together a meal on such short notice. We remember and pray for her children, and other family members who grieve her loss. Elaine was buried on Saturday.

Happy Father's Day to all new Dads, and older Dads, and Granddads, and Great-Granddads! May each one of you celebrate with Grand style! On this special occasion we especially congratulate our “oldest and wisest Father,” Ralph Hermesch!! Imagine how many kids and grandkids he has listened to, celebrated, bailed out, scolded, treated, worried about, played with, help in his arms, and prayed for every day! May all of our Fathers, know kindness, and respect, and honor and praise today, for all they have given!

June 19 – Today is 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. Hoping our parish has good representation for this event, demonstrating to the world how important the Eucharist is in our hearts, as all come together to celebrate the Body of Christ, **Corpus Christi!** The pulpit announcement was read aloud last weekend, and won't be repeated, but the Criterion has lots of information. Please join in!

June 26 – We celebrate Fr. Jey. Coffee and doughnut reception after Mass. Fr. Jey has assisted us, and those at Batesville, and Morris as well, for over a year, and now goes forward to take on a new role of parish administrator. We are most grateful for his time with us. Our prayers go with him! A basket will be provided for your cards and good wishes next Sunday.

The **Peter's Pence Collection**, is an annual world-wide collection which provides essential support for our Holy Father, Pope Francis, to respond to the emerging, critical needs of our world. This year, he focuses on folks needing housing and medical support in the Ukraine, Haiti, and Tanzania, among others. Our contributions can be light and hope for those who suffer!

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. May we hold one another in prayer.

Over the past three to four weeks we have reviewed here, the parish committee structure, and will not repeat that again.

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. This work, and these positions, are not the job or the responsibility of the PLC or Parish Administrator, as some would like to think. They are positions, in every parish, assumed by parishioners or hired employees. They may be paid or voluntary, as decided by the Administrator. And the folks involved **report to 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 and availability. He is preparing to hire.

****This last item is a repeat** from last week, but a very important one for all to become aware of: Many had 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**.

Sister Donna continues to recover, from COVID-19, continuing to isolate, as the laryngitis has not resolved, but hopes to return next Sunday.