

AUGUST 7, 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 on Thursday during the Holy Hour 5-6 pm .
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 – Monday 10:30 am: Wed. 6:30 pm in the church.

Weekday Mass & Holy Hour – Thursday Evening - Holy hour 5:00 pm; Mass 6:00 pm

Bulletin information is due by Wednesday at 10:00 a.m.
Office is closed on Mondays

Sunday Mass – 9:00 AM

Mass Intentions:

August 7 – 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time – Betty Reickel

August 14 – 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time – Dennis Schwering

August 21 – 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time – Nell Ann Pfeifer

Liturgical Ministers: August 14th

Cross Bearer: Mitch Nobbe

Servers: Michael Stier, Will Meyer

Ushers: Mark Hermes, Mitch & Lori Nobbe

Lector: Emily Baltus

Offertory Bread: Stephanie Hoeing / Olivia Hoeing

Musicians: Womens Choir

Eucharistic Minister: Norbert Hoeing

Counters: Steve AmRhein, Alvin Hoeing

August 21st

Trevor Stone

Andrew Stier, Mary Stier

Mark Stier, Tim Hoeing, Dave Stone

Mary Jo Wenning

Cindy Hermes/Kate Bedel

Womens Choir

Mark Stier

Josh Hornberger, Randy Huff

Stewardship of Treasure: Our Sunday Collection

Needed Each Weekend to Meet Budget: \$2000

Sunday Envelopes \$ 1816

Cash \$ 60

Maintenance \$ 50

Total \$ 1926

Remember in Prayer: Jennie (Schutte) Patrick, Becky Ogle, Ruth Atchley, Stephanie Harrison, Alvin Pfeifer, Benji Ortman, Dennis DiGiusto, Rylie Bennet, Amy Hermes, Drew Holzbauer, and Jane (Johannigman) Faulconer.

In Addition, please remember all those who grieve.

Dates to Remember:

August 11 (Thursday) – Set up tents for Auction

August 12 (Friday) – Receive Consigner Goods

August 13 (Saturday) – Auction 2022!!!

Say an Extra Prayer for good weather for the weekend of the Auction!!!

Religious Education:

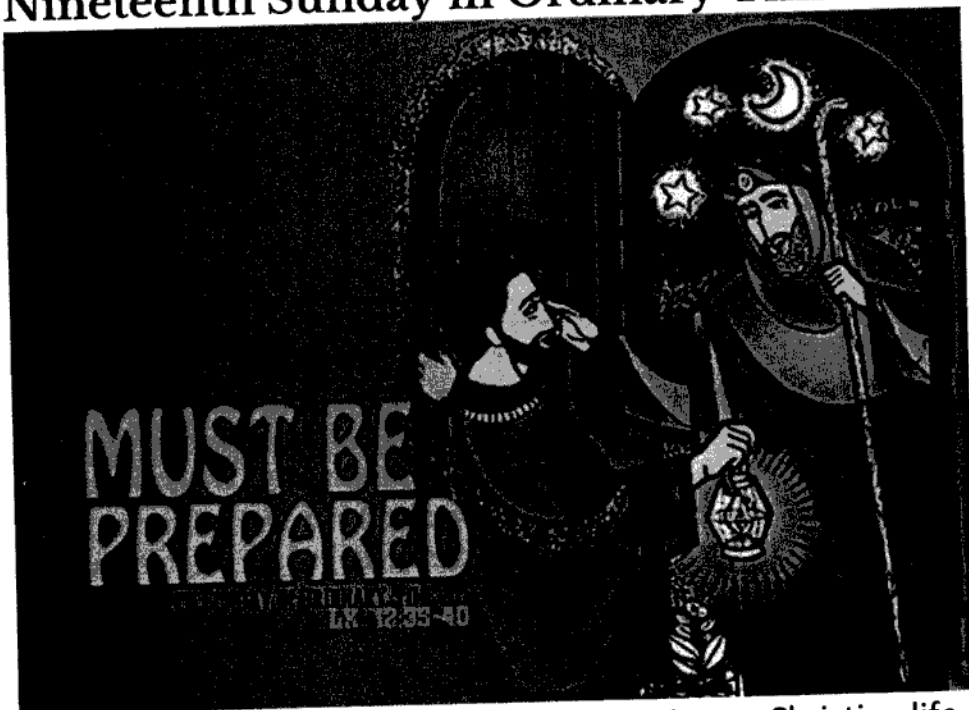
Registration Forms and Fee payment are due today! August 7th.

Help Wanted:

Can you spare a few hours each week (morning or afternoon) to spend at the parish office?

We are currently looking for volunteers for Monday and Friday. The initial goal is just to create a presence at the Church, answer the phone and meet people who may come to the office. Later it may include some secretarial duties. If you can help in this ministry, please contact Father Binu at the phone number or email address listed above and leave a message.

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time.



Discouragement is an ever-present danger in our Christian life. A discouraged Christian, like a discouraged fighter, easily give in when facing the enemy.

The reading of today speak to us about three different groups of people.

A large group of Jews, who lived outside Palestine less than a hundred years before Jesus was born. The Book of Wisdom was written for them, and today's first reading is taken from this

book. And the Jews of the time had a problem, living in the midst of people more educated than they were, many of them, especially the young abandoned their religion and started living in pagan way. So, the author of the book of Wisdom tells the people what great things God had done for their fore-fathers and how the mighty God had liberated them from the slavery of the Egyptians, calling for their loyalty and faithfulness back to God again.

The second group of people are the Jews who had become Christians who lived some 40 years after the resurrection of Jesus. They too had been compelled to abandon their faith who were surrounded by non-Christians (Jews & pagans). Since they were persecuted, they were tempted to go back Judaism. The author of letter to the Hebrews is helping them to deepen their faith, and thus prevent them from taking the wrong step of going back to Judaism. The author recalls how their ancestor Abraham kept his faith in God, in spite of many adversities and difficulties. Because of the Abraham's extraordinary trust in God, God fulfilled his promise far beyond the expectation of Abraham. God not only made him the father of a nation, but the spiritual father of all those who down the ages would come to faith in Messiah.

Third group of Christian communities made up mainly of people who had been pagans before, for whom Luke wrote his gospel possibly at about the same time the letter to the Hebrews was written. They convinced that the second coming was imminent, and were eagerly waiting for Him to take them to Heaven. So, Luke wrote his gospel to help those Christians understand God's plans, to deepen their faith in Christ, and to give them courage. He wisely adapted the sayings of Jesus to the needs of those Christians. who become discouraged due to the apparent delay of Jesus' second coming. He wants the believer to remain alert and watchful to be ready to welcome Jesus when he comes in his glory. By means of examples taken from everyday life, he exhorts the followers and us, to live with this inner disposition, like those servants in the parable who were waiting for their master's return. "Blessed are those servants", he said, "whom the master finds awake when he comes" (Lk 12:37). We must therefore watch, praying and doing good. Luke wanted his Christians to realize that they had no reason for discouragement; Jesus was fulfilling in them his every promise. Let them keep their faith in him unshaken, let them be faithful, and Christ would never fail them.

Mission appeal thanks you!

The Spiritans (Congregation of the Holy Spirit) send their thanks for the generous response by the people of Immaculate Conception Church to their mission-sharing visit on the weekend of July 24, 2022 and the gracious welcome given to Father Francis Tandoh CSSp representing the Spiritans.

Be assured of the prayers of the Spiritans worldwide for you, and for your intentions, and we ask for your continued prayers for us and for our shared ministries to God's people everywhere.

Do please continue to keep the missions of the Church in your hearts, the work of the Spiritans in mind, and the never-ending need to proclaim and witness to the Gospel in your own lives.