

Immaculate Conception Catholic Church

Millhousen, Indiana

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Sacrament of **Anointing** is available upon request. Please call the parish office to schedule.

Sacrament of **Reconciliation** is available on Sundays & Thursday 5:10 pm to 5:24 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.

Bulletin information is due by Thursday before 6:00PM

Office is closed on Mondays

Weekday Mass

Thursday – 6:00 pm

Holy Hour 5:00 pm

Confession 5:15 pm

Sunday Obligation

Sunday 9:00 AM

Monday – Rosary 10:30 AM

Wednesday – Rosary 6:30 PM

Bible Study 7:00 PM

Mass Intentions:

September 25- 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time – Mark & Cathy Wittkamper

October 2- 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time – Jerry Diekhoff

October 9- 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time – Cletus Wessler

October 16 –29th Sunday in Ordinary Time – Alex Veerkamp

Liturgical Ministries

October 2nd

Cross Bearer: Oliver Hamilton

Servers: Mary Stier, Andrew Stier

Ushers: Mark Hermesch, Mitch & Lori Nobbe

Lector: Jeanne Fry

Offertory Bread: Cindy Hermesch/Kate Bedel

Musicians: Men's Choir

Eucharistic Minister: Mark Stier

Counters: Josh Hornberger, Ann Stier

October 9th

Cross Bearer: Mary Stier

Servers: Brooklyn Ortman, Campbell

Johannigman

Ushers: Mark Stier, Tim Hoeing, Dave Stone

Lector: Jerry Fry

Offertory: Kristen Stier

Musicians: Rita & Karen

Eucharistic Minister: Norbert Hoeing

Counters: Steve AmRhein, Alvin Hoeing

Stewardship of Treasure: Our Sunday Collection:

Needed each weekend to meet Budget: \$2000

Sunday Envelopes : **\$ 2087.00**

Cash / Misc **\$ 1115.00**

Total **\$ 3202.00**

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

Liturgical Committee: We are looking for volunteers to be on the Liturgical Committee. Responsibilities include assisting Father Binu with planning liturgy for the church seasons (Christmas, Easter, Lent, Advent) and church decorating. If you are interested please let Father Binu know.

Right to Life: Join us for a Right to Life Prayer Service Sunday October 2nd, 2022, 1:00 PM at the Right to Life Memorial at St. Mary's Cemetery. This will replace our usual Life Chain.

Collection : Starting sometime in October we will be returning to having the ushers pass the baskets to collect the donations before Offertory. In order to do this we will be needing five new ushers. There will be a four week rotation. Let LaDonna know by text or email if you are interested.

New Office Hours: The Parish Office will be open the following hours:

(Monday – Office closed)

Tuesday – Father Binu 10:00 am – 1:00 pm

Wednesday – 10:30 am – 2:30 pm

Thursday – Father Binu 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Friday - 9:00 am – 3:00 pm

No Thursday Services Sept. 29 or Oct 6: Father Binu will be out of town on the next two Thursdays. There will not be Holy Hour or Mass on these dates. He will also not be in the parish office the last week of Sept. and first week of Oct. Sunday services will be as usual.



Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

There was once a very old man, whose eyes had become dim, his ears dull of hearing, his knees trembled, and when he sat at the table, he could hardly hold the spoon, and spilt the broth upon the table-cloth or let it run out of his mouth. His son and his son's wife were disgusted at this, so the old grandfather at last had to sit in the corner behind the stove, and they gave him his food in an earthenware bowl, and not even enough of it. And he used to look towards the table with his eyes full of tears. Once, too, his trembling hands could not hold the bowl, and it fell to the ground and broke. The young wife scolded him, but he said nothing and only sighed. Then they brought him a wooden bowl costing few-pence, out of which he had to eat.

They were once sitting thus when the little grandson of four years old began to gather together some bits of wood upon the ground. 'What are you doing there?' asked the father. 'I am making a little trough,' answered the child, 'for father and mother to eat out of when I'm grown up.'

The man and his wife looked at each other for a while, and presently began to cry. Then they took the old grandfather to the table, and henceforth always let him eat with them, and likewise said nothing if he did spill a little of anything.

What goes around comes around. The way we treat other people is the way we will be treated. That is especially true within the family. The boy saw how his father treated his grandfather and assumed that it was an acceptable way to treat someone who was old. In today's parable Jesus warns us that we will reap in the next world what we sow in this world.

We need to remember that sharing is the criterion of the Last Judgment: Matthew (25:31ff), tells us that all six questions to be asked of each one of us by Jesus when He comes in glory as our judge are based on how we have shared our blessings from Him (food, drink, home, clothing, mercy, and compassion) with our brothers and sisters, anyone in need, in whom He is found. Here is the message given by Pope St. John Paul II in Yankee Stadium, New York during his first visit to the U.S., October 2, 1979. "The parable of the rich man and Lazarus must always be present in our memory; it must form our conscience. Christ demands openness to our brothers and sisters in need – openness from the rich, the affluent, the economically advanced; openness to the poor, the underdeveloped, and the disadvantaged. Christ demands an openness that is more than benign attention, more than token actions or halfhearted efforts that leave the poor as destitute as before or even more so. ...We cannot stand idly by, enjoying our own riches and freedom, if, in any place, the Lazarus of the 20th century stands at our doors."

Again, we are invited through the Scriptures, to consider our use of money and where it can take us. The wealthy from the world of the prophet Amos, those lying-in luxury eating lamb chops for lunch, sipping Beaujolais from bowls, and humming along with the harp---their wealth has made them sluggish, indifferent, and insulated. "Off into exile," shouts Amos. "The love of money," St. Paul wrote to Timothy, "is the root of all evils" (1 Timothy 6:10). Though this line falls just outside the passage we hear today, it resonates powerfully with both the first reading and the Gospel. Perhaps Paul had this in mind when he advised Timothy, "Tell (the rich) to do good . . . to be generous, ready to share" (1 Timothy 6:18). Jesus taught love of God and love of neighbor. Love of money is a chasm that separates us from those ideals. Have I created a chasm between myself and poor, filthy Lazarus? How can I bridge it before it's too late?