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

Holy Hour- 5:00 pm Thursday – 6:00 pm Confession 5:15 pm Sunday Obligation
Sunday 9:00 AM

Monday – Rosary 10:30 AM

Wednesday - Rosary 6:30 PM

Mass Intentions:

November 27th -First Sunday of Advent-Jerry Diekhoff

December 1st- Thursday – Justin Johannigman

December 4th- 2nd Sunday of Advent – Cletus Wesseler

December 8th- Immaculate Conception- George & Leona AmRhein

Liturgical Ministries

Dec. 4th: 2nd Sunday of Advent

Cross Bearer: Mary Stier

Servers: Lane Asher, Campbell Johannigman

Ushers: Jerry Fry, Don Fry, Tim Scheidler,

John Johannigman Lector: Nikki Johannigman

Offertory: Laura Meyer / Maria Meyer Musicians: Joe & Anna Johannigman Eucharistic Minister: Mark Stier Counters: Josh Hornberger, Ann Stier Dec. 8th: Feast of the Immaculate Conception

Cross Bearer: Trevor Stone

Servers: Will Meyer, Michael Stier

Ushers: Bill & Nikki Johannigman, Norb &

Kate Bedel

Lector: Kenny Stier

Offertory: Melissa Stier / Katherine Stier

Musicians: Women Choir

Eucharistic Minister: Norb Hoeing

Stewardship of Treasure: Our Sunday Collection:

Needed each weekend to meet Budget: \$2000

Sunday Envelopes: \$1390.00 Cash / Misc \$306.00 Energy (Special collection) \$570.00 Total \$2266.00

<u>Remember in Prayer:</u> 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.

2022 Christmas Outreach: The ornaments for this year's Christmas Outreach Giving Tree are now available on the tree in the back of church. We will be helping 9 SDES families with their Christmas needs by providing shoes, shirt, pants, underwear and an item from each child's wish list. This is sure to be a blessing to these families! Please return all gifts, UNWRAPPED and with the Giving Tree ornament ATTACHED. This will help us to know which child the gift is intended for. All gifts will need to be turned in by Sunday, December 11. If you would prefer not to shop, feel free to place your monetary donation in an envelope marked "Giving Tree" in the Sunday collection. Our elves will do the shopping for you! If you have any questions, please reach out to Jeanne Fry, Laura Meyer, or Stephanie Hoeing. Thank you for all you do for these SDES families!

<u>Religious Education Reminder</u>: Please bring in your homemade Christmas cards and fruit basket items next week, December 4. 1st gr.-candy, 3/4th gr.-chocolate, 5th gr.-apples, 6/7th gr.-apples, and 8/9th gr.-oranges. Baskets will be assembled by the 8th/9th grade students on Dec. 11 after Mass. December 4th will be our last class before Christmas Break. Thank you!

Holiday Schedules:

Feast of the Immaculate Conception – Holy Day of Obligation- Thursday December 8th- Holy Hour 5:00 PM followed by Mass at 6:00 PM.

Reconciliation -Wednesday December 14th – 6:00 -8:00 P.M.

Christmas Eve – December 24th - Mass 4:00 PM – Hymns preceding Mass 3:30

January 1st- Sunday- Soleminity of Mary – Mass will be at 8:30 am instead of 9:00 am for this Sunday Only.

<u>Santa's Coming to Town!!</u> Sunday December 4, 2022, Breakfast at the Knight's of St. John Hall – Millhousen. 8:00 – 11:00 am. Santa arrives at 9:00 am! Sausage, Eggs, Pancakes, Biscuits & Gravy and Coffee Cakes, Milk, Orange Juice, Coffee. Free will offering benefiting Immaculate Conception Church. It's never too early to give Santa your list!!

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Today we begin the Advent season. Advent means coming. We are invited to meditate on Jesus' first coming in history as a baby in Bethlehem, his daily coming into our lives in mystery through the Sacraments, through the Bible and through the worshipping community and finally his Second Coming at the end of the world to reward the just and to punish the wicked.

We see the traditional signs of Advent in our Church: violet banners, vestments and the Advent wreath. These signs remind us that we must prepare for the rebirth of Jesus in our hearts and lives, enabling him to radiate his love, mercy, compassion and forgiveness around us.

But today we get a bracing reminder that he will come in a different way at the end of time. Advent urges us to prepare for both comings. It is one thing to prepare for an event that falls on the same date every year. It is quite another to prepare for something whose timing is totally uncertain. Jesus warns his disciples, going so far as to compare himself to a thief, breaking into homes in the middle of the night. In fact, this image captures a third way that we should prepare. We should prepare for Jesus coming into our hearts and changing our lives, changing our lives as Isaiah prophesies and Paul preaches. Jesus is like a thief, taking away our swords and spears, our rivalries and jealousies, whatever stands between us and our neighbor. This Advent, while preparing for the baby Jesus and the judge Jesus, let us prepare also for the thief Jesus, who can remove whatever prevents us from loving God and loving our neighbor with all our heart. What needs to be removed from your heart to prepare a home for Jesus?

To make this holy season of grace fruitful, we will have our penance service on December 14, at 6:00 p.m. to 8 p.m. As we prepare for Christmas materially, let us prepare ourselves spiritually too. Please come to celebrate the sacrament of reconciliation. It is important that we make our Christmas Holy and Grace filled. Happy Advent.