

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

Mass Intentions:

December 24th – Christmas – Jerry & Elaine Jacobs

December 29th -Thursday- Feast of the Holy Family_- Craig Simon

January 1st –Sunday - Don Wilmer

January 5th – Thursday-Florence Evans Merkel & Alton Evans

Liturgical Ministries

January 1: Solemnity of Mary

Cross Bearer: Mary Jo Wenning

Servers: Oliver Hamilton, Andrew Stier

Ushers: Bill & Nikki Johannigman,

Norb & Kate Bedel

Lector: Jeanne Fry

Offertory: Kristen Stier/ Jessica Diekhoff

Musicians: Mens Choir

Eucharistic Minister: Norb Hoeing

Counters: Josh Hornberger, Steve AmRhein

January 8: Epiphany

Cross Bearer: Randy Huff

Servers: Campbell Johannigman, Lane Asher

Ushers: Mark Hermes, Mitch & Lori Nobbe

Lector: Nikki Johannigman

Offertory: Laura Meyer / Maria Meyer

Musicians: Rita & Karen

Eucharistic Minister: Kenny Stier

Counters: Steve AmRhein, Alvin Hoeing

Stewardship of Treasure: Our Sunday Collection:

Needed each weekend to meet Budget: \$2000

Sunday Envelopes : \$ 3095.00

Cash / Misc \$ 566.00

Total \$ 3661.00

Remember in Prayer: David Wessel (brother of Jane Scheidler), Jennie (Schutte) Patrick, Stephanie Harrison, Alvin Pfeifer, Benji Ortman, Dennis DiGiusto, Rylie Bennet, Amy Hermes, and Jane (Johannigman) Faulconer.

Open House: Once again this year the Churches in the Deanery will be hosting an open house on Sunday, Jan. 1st, 1-4 PM. You are welcome to visit area Churches to view their Nativity scenes and Christmas decorations.

Thank You : The flowers for the Blessed Mother were donated by B. J. Ault in memory of her Mother Doris Frey .

And the poinsettias decorating our church were donated by Roger & Cheryl DuMond – Parents of Nicole Schoettmer.

Fruit Baskets: On December 11, a group of junior high and high school students from our parish assembled and delivered fruit baskets to older and/or home-bound members of our parish. Thank you to Clair Schoettmer for organizing this project, and to Nichole Schoettmer and Amy Scudder for helping with the delivery. Thank you to all the Religious Education families who donated the fruit and candy for the baskets. This is a wonderful way to share the joy and giving of Christmas!

Holiday Schedules:

Thursday – December 29th – Mass 6:00 PM- Feast of the Holy Family (Holy Hour 5:00 PM)

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

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Come let us
Adore
Him



There is a beautiful poem by the mystic poet of India, Rabindra Nath Tagore, extolling the reward of generous giving. It tells the story of a king who regularly visited his people, passing through the streets in a chariot.

One morning as the king was passing by, a beggar woman who planned to ask him for alms, stood on the road side with her begging bowl. As the king approached her, however, he descended from his chariot and stretched out his hand as though he was expecting a gift from the woman. Excited and surprised, the woman put her hand in the cotton bag on her shoulder, took out a pinch of rice, and with trembling hands gave it to the king.

The king was well pleased; he smiled at her, put her offering in his pocket and gave her back a pinch of grains from his other pocket. When the woman returned to her small hut that evening and examined the grains she got that day, she was surprised to find a few grains of gold in the rice.

You can imagine both her surprise and despair when she realized she should have given all her rice grains to the king.

We are here to offer our gifts to Child Jesus in the manger as his birthday gift. Let us remember that Jesus does not want our material gifts as much as he wants ourselves, with all our weakness and temptations, our merits and demerits.

Let our Christmas gift to him be a heart full of love and a strong and sincere resolution to share it generously with others.