Immaculate Conception Catholic Church Millhousen, Indiana

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Jan. 1, 2023

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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:

January 1st -Sunday - Don Wilmer

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

January 8th - Sunday - Kenneth Runyan

January 12th –Thursday - Gilbert & Anna Mae Young

Liturgical Ministries

January 8: Epiphany

Cross Bearer: Randy Huff

Servers: Campbell Johannigman, Lane Asher Ushers: Mark Hermesch, Mitch & Lori Nobbe

Lector: Nikki Johanniaman

Offertory: Laura Meyer / Maria Meyer

Musicians: Rita & Karen Eucharistic Minister: Ken Stier

Counters: Steve AmRhein, Alvin Hoeing

January 15: 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Cross Bearer: Mary Stier

Servers: Michael Stier, Will Meyer

Ushers: Mark Stier, Tim Hoeing, Dave Stone

Lector: Mary Jo Wenning

Offertory: Melissa Stier / Katherine Stier

Musicians: Ken Stier

Eucharistic Minister: Tim Hoeing

Counters: Josh Hornberger, Randy Huff

Stewardship of Treasure: Our Sunday Collection:
Needed each weekend to meet Budget: \$2000

 Sunday Envelopes :
 \$ 1371.00

 Christmas
 \$ 3657.00

 Buildings & Grounds:
 \$ 2500.00

 Cash / Misc
 \$ 653.00

 Other:
 \$ 500.00

 Total
 \$ 8681.00

Ukraine Mission \$370.00

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

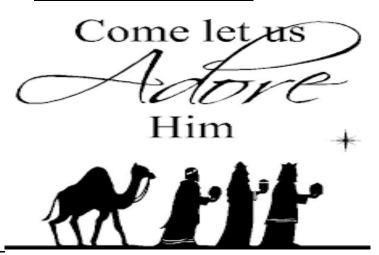
<u>Open House:</u>Once again this year the Churches in the Deanery will be hosting an open house on Sunday, Jan. 1st, 1-4 PM. You are welcome to visit area Churches to view their Nativity scenes and Christmas decorations.

Religious Education: Classes resume on Sunday, January 8, following Mass

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Happy New Year: Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God.

The end of one year and the beginning of another is usually a time to look back to what has been and to look forward to what can be. To look back includes both the positive as well as the negative things. To look forward to what can be or should be possible is also an important exercise.

Since we celebrate the Feast of Mary, the Mother of God on New Year's Day, may I take this opportunity to wish you all a Happy and Peaceful New Year. I pray that the Lord Jesus and His Mother Mary may enrich our lives during the New Year with an abundance of Divine blessings.

In 1970, Pope Paul VI instituted the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God to be celebrated on January first. This celebration reminds us that the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of God, is also our Heavenly Mother. The Church puts the feast of this solemnity on the first day of the New Year to emphasize the importance of Mary's role in the life of Christ and of the Church. She has a special role and mission given to her by God. As Mother of our Redeemer and of the redeemed, she reigns as Queen at the side of Christ the King. She is a powerful intercessor for all of our needs here on earth.

The Church observes this day also as the World Day of Peace and invites us to pray specially for lasting peace in the world throughout the New Year.

Mary's faithfulness to God is evident in all three of these things. Her reflection upon the events in her life indicates that she was a person of prayer. This prayer made possible her obedience to God and God's will, even if the outcome was not clear. Finally, her faithfulness to a community of faith grounded her relationship with God and enabled her to participate in God's plan of salvation.

Our call to discipleship also includes these three aspects. First, discipleship means prayer and reflection on the events of our lives that we might see God's presence and work in our lives. Second, discipleship means obedience to God and God's will. Third, discipleship includes fidelity to a community of faith.

On the threshold of the New Year 2023 wishing you once again a happy new year and a grace-filled and spirit-filled year. "But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. Mt.6:33."