Immaculate Conception Catholic Church Millhousen, Indiana

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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

Thursday Mass

Sunday Obligation Sunday 9:00 AM Monday – Rosary 10:30 AM

<u>Mass Intentions:</u> January 29th – Sunday – Bernard Pfeifer February 5th – Sunday - Alfred Diekhoff February 12th- Sunday – Cletus Wesseler

Liturgical Ministries

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

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Jan. 22, 2023	Jan. 15, 2023
350.00	2280.00
1890.00	1907.00
200.00	30.00
\$2440.00	\$4217.00
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<u>Remember in Prayer:</u> Gary Chandler (Father of Jeff Chandler), David Wessel, Jennie (Schutte) Patrick, Stephanie Harrison, Alvin Pfeifer, Benji Ortman, Dennis DiGiusto, Rylie Bennet, Amy Hermesch, and Jane (Johannigman) Faulconer.

<u>The Prayer Shawl Ministry needs your help:</u> If you knit or crochet please consider helping out. Shawl patterns can be any shape – rectangle, triangle, crescent and any size, since they are given to men, women and children. This is no set stitch pattern or color.

As the shawl is being created prayers are said. Maybe say a prayer at the beginning of a row, listen to the rosary or think about the love and healing you want the recipient to feel.

Shawls can be placed in the tub under the table in the entrance to church that is labeled 'Shawls NOT Blessed'. I will have Father bless them and put them out as they become available. Feel free to call or text Jane Scheidler at 812-614-3677 or <u>scheidlerjane@gmail.com</u> with any questions.

<u>**Tax time:**</u> Year end tax statements for 2022 are on the table in the entry way. If you haven't already please pick up your statement as soon as possible. This saves the parish the expense of postage.

<u>Community Blood Drive:</u> St. Maurice Church in Napoleon is hosting a Community Blood Drive in their Parish Hall on Tuesday, February 7th from 11:00 AM until 5:00 PM. Appointments are strongly encouraged and may be scheduled online at www.hoxworth.org/groups/napoleon or by calling Arlene Gehl: 812-852-4394. All donors will receive a Hoxworth wearable blanket and the heartfelt gratitude of patients in need of life-saving blood.

<u>Youth Minister:</u> The parish is in need of a Youth Ministry Coordinator volunteer. Events can be coordinated with St. Maurice, Napoleon and St. John, Osgood. If you are interested, please call the parish office and leave your name and phone number.

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Sermon on the mount: Today's Gospel passage from the beginning of the fifth chapter of Matthew opens a reading of Jesus' Sermon on the Mount that will continue for the next several Sundays in Ordinary Time. Jesus' inagural preaching event takes place on a Galilean hillside to which crowds were coming from near and far. When Jesus sees the crowd, he gathers his disciples closest to him and begins with the pronouncement of the beautitudes, telling them what it means to be counted among the 'blessed' in God's kingdom.

While Luke portrays Jesus proclaiming four beatitudes, Matthew's version contains nine. A major difference between them is that Luke focuses on a preferential option in this life for the poor, and hungry, and those who mourn, while Matthew broadens these categories to make them more about a spirituality centered on the kingdom of heaven. For example, in Matthew, it is not simply the "poor" who are blessed, but the "poor in spirit". It is not simply the "hungry" who are blessed, but those who "hunger and thirst for righteousness."

In all the beatitudes, those who are deemed "blessed' are those favored by God because their suffering in this world will be overturned under the reign of God. Keeping the attitudes of the kingdom in this life will lead to a reward in the heavenly kingdom. S.W.

How can I say, "*I can't*" when the Bible says, "I can do everything through him who gives me strength." Philippians 4:13