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

Bulletin information is due by Thursday before 6:00PM Office is closed on Mondays

<u>Thursday Mass</u> Holy Hour 5:00 PM Mass 6:00 PM

your wedding date.

Sunday Obligation Sunday 9:00 AM Monday – Rosary 10:30 AM Wednesday – Rosary 6:30 PM

<u>Mass Intentions:</u> February 26th – Sunday – Charles & Ruth Hamilton March 2nd - Thursday – Kenneth Runyan March 5th – Sunday – Michael Manlief March 9th – Thursday- Father Bill Ripperger

Liturgical Ministries

MARCH 12TH: THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT Cross Bearer: Brooklyn Ortman Servers: Michael Stier, Lane Asher Ushers: Jerry Fry, Don Fry, Tim Scheidler, John Johannigman Lector: Jerry Fry Offertory: Cindy Hermesch/ Kate Bedel Musicians: Karen & Rita Eucharistic Minister: Steve AmRhein Counters: Steve AmRhein, Alvin Hoeing Stewardship of Treasure: Our Sunday Collection:Needed each weekend to meet Budget: \$2000Cash483.00Envelopes2070.00Total\$ 2553.00

Special collection: Church in Central & EasternEurope479.00

<u>Remember in Prayer:</u> Irene Tebbe (Mother of Beth Schwering), 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.

Eucharistic Adoration: The Batesville Deanery is comprised of 6 counties. During the 6 weeks of Lent there will be a period of 24 hours of Eucharistic Adoration in each county to pray for revival and renewal in belief and worship of our Lord Jesus Christ in the Most Blessed Sacrament. Decatur County churches include Immaculate Conception, St. Mary Greensburg and St. Catherine of Siena Enochsburg.

Our parish, Immaculate Conception, will be hosting the 24 hours of Adoration for Decatur County, starting at 7:00 PM on Wednesday March 8 – to 7:00 PM on Thursday March 9. Adoration time is divided into one hour intervals.

At least one person must be present at all times during the 24 hour period. But anyone is welcome to join at any time that is convenient.

Thursday, March 9, at 6:30 pm there will be a gathering and Benediction for the closing of the 24 hours.

There are sign up sheets on the table in the church entryway. There is also a flyer on the bulletin board with more information. Please consider giving one hour of your time to this blessed event.

<u>Religious Education News</u>: Our students have begun a Lenten project and they invite the parish to help them in this activity. We will be raising money for "Heifer International." This is an organization that operates all over the world to supply needy families and communities with farm animals, seeds, and trees. The mission is to help families become self-reliant and improve their lives. Since we are a rural parish, we felt the students could readily identify with this mission. Each class has chosen an animal with its monetary goal to work toward during Lent. For instance, \$20 will provide a chicken for a family. The students made "Giving Jars" to use at home during Lent and we talked about ways to earn money for the jars. Each class also has a donation box on the table by the choir stairs, if any parishioners wish to support our efforts--perhaps donating to the classes of your grandchildren or neighbors, or maybe you can ask students that you know to earn some money by doing a job for you. There are also flyers containing additional information about Heifer International, if you wish to take one.

Next Sunday, March 5, the students will host a Donut and Drinks Social in the school basement following Mass. The students will be serving the donuts and drinks and will help with the clean-up. The Knights of St. John have generously offered to pay for the donuts, so all of the free-will offering collected at the social will go toward the Heifer International project. We thank the Knights for their support! Please come join us for a tasty treat and support the youth of our parish.

<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.

Lent Schedule:

Thursdays Holy Hour at 5:00 pm followed by Mass at 6:00 pm. Fridays Way of the Cross at 7:00 pm.

Fish Fry: Millhousen Fire Department will be sponsoring their annual Fish Fry. March 3rd, 17th, 31st. All You Can Eat Fish OR Breaded Tenderloin, French Fries, Baked Beans, Applesauce. Adults \$15 – Child (Fish/Tenderloin) Meal \$10 – Child (Hotdog) meal \$5.

Fish Fry: Millhousen Knights of St. John will be sponsoring their annual Fish Fry. March 10th, March 24th, April 7th. All You Can Eat White Fish, French Fries, Coleslaw, Applesauce, (Grilled Cheese also available) Dinners \$15 – Discounted prices for Children. Dine in or Carry out.

<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.

<u>Cemetery Records:</u> Our cemetery records are now digitized and easily searchable on a public map. To access the records, visit the Cemetery page under the "About" tab on the parish website.

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