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

Thursdays:

Holy Hour 5:00 PM Mass 6:00 PM

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

Mass Intentions:

May 14th - Sunday- Esther & Hubert Raver

May 18th - Thursday- Charles & Ruth Hamilton

May 21st-Sunday-George Koors

May 25th - Thursday- Kenneth Runyan

Liturgical Ministries

MAY 21ST: ASCENSION

Cross Bearer: Mary Jo Wenning

Servers: Oliver Hamilton, Brooklyn Ortman Ushers: Jerry Fry, Don Fry, Tim Scheidler, John

Johannigman

Lector: Jeanne Fry

Offertory: Abbey & Sage Asher Musicians: Men's Choir

Eucharistic Minister: Tim Hoeing

Counters: Josh Hornberger, Randy Huff

MAY 28TH: PENTECOST SUNDAY

Cross Bearer: Randy Huff

Servers: Will Meyer, Brynklie Ortman Ushers: Bill & Nikki Johannigman, Norb & Kate Bedel

Lector: Mary Jo Wenning

Offertory: Laura Meyer / Maria Meyer

Musicians: Kenneth Stier

Eucharistic Minister: Steve AmRhein Counters: Steve AmRhein, Kate Bedel

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

See next week!!

Remember in Prayer: Irene Tebbe (Mother of Beth Schwering), Gary Chandler (Father of Jeff Chandler), David Wessel, Stephanie Harrison, Alvin Pfeifer, Benji Ortman, Dennis DiGiusto, Amy Hermesch, and Jane (Johannigman) Faulconer.

<u>Graduates' Mass</u>: We would like to honor those students who are graduating from high school, college, or trade/vocational school during the Mass on May 28. This would involve acknowledging these students during the Mass, praying a petition for them, and Father Binu leading a blessing for them. If you or a member of your family will be graduating this spring, please fill in one of the forms available in the back of church with the information concerning your name, school, and future plans. Please return the form by May 21. Thank you!

<u>Youth Conference</u>: All Saints Parish in Guilford, IN, is sponsoring the INTENSE Youth Conference on June 9-11 in St.Leon.There will be a variety of presenters, music, and Eucharistic Adoration under the stars. It will be held IN-TENTS (literally). This event is for students in grades 8-12 (2022-2023 school year). For more information and to register, go to intenseconference.net.

<u>Congratulations</u>: Last Sunday, four young ladies whose families are members of our parish, received their First Holy Communion at St. Mary's in Greensburg. We would like to extend our congratulations and blessings to these young ladies next Sunday, May 21, here at Immaculate Conception. They have been invited to wear their First Communion outfits to Mass, and we will be recognizing them with a petition and blessing. Congratulations to: Sage Asher, Claire Hoeing, Maggie Johannigman, and Rose Schwering!

<u>Adult Spiritual Growth</u>: Oldenburg Franciscan Center has several opportunities for retreats, spiritual growth and fellowship available in the coming weeks. Please check out the notices on the bulletin board at the church entrance for more information.

<u>Decatur County Right to Life</u> will he holding their monthly meeting Tuesday, May 16th at 6:00pm and The Branch Coffee Shop. All are Welcome.

<u>May is the month of Our Blessed Mother Mary</u>. To honor her we will be collecting money and other items for the Clarity Pregnancy Center in Greensburg. There are baby bottles on the table in the back of church. Use the bottle to collect your loose change. We will collect the baby bottles on the last Sunday of the month, May 28.

If you prefer you can buy items yourself and bring them to church any time the church is open in the month of May. Items that are needed are:

Baby wipes, baby wash, baby lotion, newborn sleepers, and outfits (boys needed more than girls), onesies, baby gowns, swaddling blankets, formula (gentle soy), diapers up to size 6.

MISSION APPEAL WEEK:

Next weekend (May 21) will be our annual Mission Appeal. It's an important weekend; in addition to raising money for important, but challenging, missions in developing nations, it is a great opportunity to learn about the Church in other parts of the world. After all, we are part of a universal Church, with brothers and sisters in every corner of the globe and it is important for us to learn something about each other. Certainly, our brothers and sisters in the developing world face a lot of challenges that we don't, but they also inhabit vibrant and growing sectors of our Church, and seeing their zeal for the faith can inspire us to deepen our own commitment to living our faith each day.

This year our Mission Appeal will be preached by Fr. Paul Choorathottiyil VC, a member of the Vincentian Congregation. He will tell us about the activities of the Vincentians both in India and abroad. The Vincentian Congregation was founded in 1904 in South India, and their motto is taken from Lk 4:18: "He has sent me to proclaim Good News to the Poor." Following in the footsteps of St. Vincent de Paul, their patron saint, the Vincentians are actively engaged in the evangelization of the poor through parish missions, retreat centers, education, publications, and rehabilitation centers for socially and economically challenged populations in North India and East Africa.

The fund we will get from the mission preaching of this year is meant to complete the construction of a school run by Vincentian Missionaries at Uvinza in the diocese of Kigoma, Tanzania. This school is meant for educating children from socially and economically backward areas in that diocese. As Pope Francis has said "Each Christian and every community must discern the path that the Lord points out, but all of us are asked to obey his call to go forth from our own comfort zone in order to reach all the 'peripheries' in need of the light of the Gospel." Next week we'll get to learn about some important ways that the Vincentians are

responding to this call.

If you have the chance before the appeal, you can visit their web site. www.vincentians.in, to learn more about them.

Our Parish is always so supportive of this appeal, and for that I'm grateful in advance. Please keep Fr. Vincent Joseph VC and his religious Order in your prayers during this week and be generous during the second collection for them.