

Immaculate Conception Catholic Church

Millhousen, Indiana

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December 17, 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 after Mass & Thursday 5:10 pm to 5:25 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:

December 17th – Sunday- Teresa Bruns

December 21st – Thursday- Una McDonald

December 24th -Sunday- Marcie Schutte

December 24th -Christmas Eve – Elaine & Jerry Jacobs

December 28th – Thursday- Kenneth Roberts

December 31st – Sunday – Teresa Bruns

December 24, 2023 – 9:00 O’CLOCK AM

Fourth Sunday of Advent

Cross Bearer: Trevor Stone

Servers: Mary Stier, Kate Schoettmer

**Ushers: Bill & Nikki Johannigman,
Norb & Kate Bedel**

Lector: Claire Schoettmer

Offertory: Mike & Mollie Johannigman family

Musicians: Mens Choir

Eucharistic Minister: Donna Johannigman

Counters: Steve AmRhein, Kate Bedel

**December 24, 2023 -4:00 O’CLOCK PM CHRISTMAS
EVE**

Cross Bearer: Mary Jo Wenning

Servers: Campbell Johannigman, Michael Stier

Ushers: Mark Hermesch, Mitch & Lori Nobbe

Lector: Emily Baltus

**Offertory: Kate Schoettmer, Madalyn Scudder,
Mary Stier**

Musicians: Rita, Karen, Joe, Anna

Eucharistic Minister: Tim Hoeing

December 31, 2023- Feast of Holy Family

Cross Bearer: Randy Huff

Servers: Luke Stier, Kate Schoettmer

Ushers: Mark Stier, Tim Hoeing, Dave Stone

Lector: Jerry Fry

Offertory: Laura Meyer / Maria Meyer

Musicians: Kenny Stier

Eucharistic Minister: Mollie Johannigman

Counters: Josh Hornberger, Steve AmRhein

Stewardship of Treasure: Our Sunday Collection:

Needed each weekend to meet Budget: \$2000

Friday 12/08/2023 \$ 2584.00

Envelopes & Cash

Sunday 12/10/2023

Envelopes & Cash \$ 4178.00

Remember in Prayer:

Bonnie Veerkamp, Carl Moorman, David Wessel, Stephanie Harrison, Alvin Pfeifer, Benji Ortman, Dennis DiGiusto, Amy Hermes, and Jane (Johannigman) Faulconer.

And all lapsed Catholics in our community.

Reconciliation schedules for advent:

St. John the Baptist – Osgood. Wed. Dec. 20th From 6-8 PM

St. Maurice – Napoleon. Before & After Mass at the weekend Masses- Dec. 9th, 10th, 16th, 17th, 23rd, & 24th.

United Catholic Appeal:

Parish Goal:\$10,737, Amount Pledged:\$10,385, Percentage to Goal:96.7%

Number of Donors: 40

Fruit Baskets: Last Sunday, the Confirmation candidates assembled and delivered 15 gift bags filled with fruit, candy, and handmade cards. We would like to say Thank You to the following people for their help with this project. Thank you to Clair Schoettmer for directing the assembly and delivery of the baskets. Thank you to the parents of our Religious Education students who donated the fruit and candy. Thank you to the Religious Education students for making the handmade Christmas cards that were included in each gift bag.

Giving Tree Outreach: Last Sunday, the donated items were sorted and bagged for delivery to the families. On Thursday, all the items were taken to South Decatur Elementary School. Mrs. Leann Porter will make sure that each of the families receive their Christmas gifts. Through your generosity, each child will receive pants, shirt, underwear, shoes, and an item from their wish list. Each family also is receiving a grocery gift card, gas gift card, an ornament, wrapping paper, bows and tape. Thank you to all of you who shopped, donated items or have given a monetary donation. Thank you to all of the helpers who sorted and bagged up the items. Our parish truly has a generous spirit!

Christmas Eve Mass Practice:

Sunday, December 17 -- Choir Practice following Mass

Saturday, December 23 -- 9:00-10:00 am -- Choir practice and Procession practice

Words for thought: Don't settle for angels in the heavens, stars in the sky, or a temple in Jerusalem. And don't settle for a tree, a turkey, some toys and a little tinsel. Seek the Savior like the shepherds. Worship him like the wise men. Hold him tight like Simeon. Then tell the world! "We have seen his glory." Go tell it on the mountain.

A manger. Some straw. A few shepherds. Mary, Joseph. He cries, naps, sleeps, burps and needs his mother. Christ is coming again, and when he does, we will forever bask in the presence of the eternal God.

Did you know? - The first day of the Church's year is the first Sunday of Advent, not January 1st. The Church's calendar revolves around the life, death, and Resurrection of Jesus. Throughout the course of the Church's year the whole mystery of Jesus Christ is unfolded.

In the Bible: Luke 2:1-20; 1 Corinthians 15:3-4

In the Catechism: CCC 1163, 1171, 1194

