Immaculate Conception Catholic Church Millhousen, Indiana

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December 31, 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

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

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

<u>Mass Intentions:</u> December 28th – Thursday- Kenneth Roberts December 31st – Sunday – Teresa Bruns January 7^{th-} Sunday-Betty Heger January 14th-Sunday – Charles & Ruth Hamilton January 21st-Sunday – Cletus Wesseler

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 January 7th, 2024 Cross Bearer: Mary Stier Servers: Brooklyn Ortman, Will Meyer Ushers: Jerry Fry, Don Fry, Tim Scheidler, John Johannigman Lector: Jeanne Fry Offertory: Karen Hardebeck / Melissa Stier Musicians: Mens Choir Eucharistic Minister: Mark Stier Counters: Josh Hornberger, Ann Stier

Stewardship of Treasure: Our Sunday Collection:		
Needed each weekend to meet Budget: \$2000		
Envelopes & Cash Sunday Dec	:. 24:	\$4412.90
Envelopes & Cash Christmas	:	2847.00
Cemetery fund	:	200.00
Maintenance	:	100.00
Bldg & Grounds	:	2000.00
Total	:	\$9559.90

Remember in Prayer:

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

And all lapsed Catholics in our community.

Religious Education Schedule:

Sunday, January 7 -- Class for Grades 1-8 -- !0:00-11:15 Confirmation Class -- 10:00-12:00 Sunday, January 14 -- Class for Grades 1-8 -- 10:00-11:15 Sunday, January 21 -- Class for Grades 1-8 -- 10:00-11:15 Confirmation Class -- 10:00-12:00 Sunday, January 28 -- Class for Grades 1-8 -- 10:00-11:15

United Catholic Appeal:

Parish Goal:\$10,737, Amount Pledged:\$10,585, Percentage to Goal:99% Number of Donors: 44

<u>Thursday Mass</u>: There will be **no** Thursday Mass on Jan. 4th, Jan.11th, or Jan 18th. Father will be taking a vacation and returning to India to visit his family. Sunday Masses will be as usual.

<u>**Thank you :**</u> To everyone who added so much to our Christmas Mass. To Jeannie Fry who worked with the children and to the children themselves who portrayed the Christmas story; to Karen Platt and Rita Peters who worked with the children's choir. To Melissa Stier for the beautiful decorations.

<u>**Prayer Shawls:**</u> Prayer Shawls are still available at the entrance to church on the table or in the tub under the table. Please help yourself in picking out one to give to someone in need of prayers and comfort. Or for yourself to use when you are in need of prayer and comfort.

<u>A gift from the parish:</u> The book <u>'Beautiful Eucharist'</u> by Matthew Kelly is on the table in the entrance. It is a quick read but is filled with beautiful and thoughtful passages and wisdom concerning the Eucharist. It is free to everyone.

Pope's prayer intention for January: For the gift of diversity in the Church - We pray that the Holy Spirit may help us to recognize the gift of different charisms within the Christian community and to discover the richness of different traditions and rituals in the Catholic Church.

<u>Thank you to the Knights of St. John:</u> For the generous donation of \$1100 from the proceeds of the December breakfast held at the Knights Hall. This will go to the Buildings and Grounds Fund.

Coffee and Doughnuts: There will be Coffee and Doughnuts after Mass next Sunday, January 7th. This is also the first day back for Faith Formation classes.

Open house at Deanery Churches: Once again this year the Churches in the Deanery will be open on Sunday, Dec. 31st from 10:00 am to 5:00 pm for visitation to view the Nativity scenes in the Churches. Everyone is welcome.

Did you know? - The sacred liturgy is the Church's public worship of God. When we participate in the sacred liturgy, we should have the attitude of reverence in our hearts and respect in our actions and appearance.

In the Bible: John 4:23-24; Hebrews 12:28 In the Catechism: CCC 1069, 1070, 2097

