

# Immaculate Conception Catholic Church

## Millhousen, Indiana

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Dec. 8, 2024

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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**

### Thursday:

**Holy Hour: 5:00 PM**

**Mass : 6:00 PM**

### Sunday Obligation

**Sunday 9:00 AM**

**Monday – Rosary 10:30 AM**

**Friday – Adoration**

**12:00 Noon – 3:00 PM**

### Mass Intentions:

**December 8<sup>th</sup> – Sunday – Charles & Ruth Hamilton**

**December 9<sup>th</sup> - Feast of IC- Marieda Koors**

**December 12<sup>th</sup> – Thursday- Barbara Hoeing**

**December 15<sup>th</sup> – Sunday-Anthony Scheidler**

**December 19<sup>th</sup> -Thursday- Dale Herbert**

**December 22<sup>nd</sup> – Sunday- Barbara Hoeing**

**Dec. 9, 2024 Feast of Immaculate Conception**

**Cross Bearer: Mary Jo Wenning**

**Servers :Oliver Hamilton / Mary Stier**

**Ushers: Jerry & Don Fry/ Tim Scheidler**

**John Johannigman**

**Lector: Jerry Fry**

**Offertory: Kristen Stier/ Jessica Diekhoff**

**Musician: Kenny Stier**

**Eucharistic Minister: B Donna Johannigman**

**W Steve AmRhein & Jeanne Fry**

**Dec. 15, 2024 3<sup>RD</sup> Sunday of Advent**

**Cross Bearer: Grady Scudder**

**Servers: Andrew & Luke Stier**

**Ushers: Bill & Niki Johannigman/Norb & Kate Bedel**

**Lector: Ben Stier**

**Offertory: Stephanie Hoeing & Daughter**

**Musicians: Kenny Stier**

**Eucharistic Minister: B Donna Johannigman,**

**W Mollie Johannigman & Cindy Hermes**

**Counters: Josh Hornberger/Randy Huff**

**Stewardship of Treasure: Our Sunday Collection:**

*Needed each weekend to meet Budget: \$2000*

**Cash & Checks**    \$ 2846.00

**Maintenance**    \$ 1176.00

**Giving Tree**        \$ 291.00

**Total**                \$ 4313.00

**Remember in Prayer:** Joan Nobbe, Hallie Crane, Evelyn Johannigman, Shannon Stenger, Eileen Moorman, Scott Gabbard, Bonnie Veerkamp, Carl Moorman, David Wessel, Alvin Pfeifer, Benji Ortman, Dennis DiGiusto, Amy Hermesch, and Jane (Johannigman) Faulconer.  
And all lapsed Catholics in our community.

**Student Advent Activities:**

December 15 -- Children's Choir practice following Mass - 10:00-11:00

Fruit Basket Assembly and Delivery. Students in grades 7-9 are  
Asked to help with this outreach.

\*\*\*\*\*All students are asked to make homemade Christmas cards and to donate candy and fruit. There will be a box in the back of church for the cards and fruit/candy donations on Dec. 8 and 15.

Kindergarten--cards and candy    2/3 grade--cards and chocolate.    5/6/7 grade--  
cards and apples

8/9 grade-- cards and oranges

December 22 -- Children's Choir practice and Christmas Eve Procession practice  
following Mass -- 10:00-11:00

**Christmas Giving Tree 2024:** The ornaments for this year's Christmas Outreach Giving Tree are now available on the tree in the back of church. We will be helping 9 SDES families with their Christmas needs by providing shoes, shirts, pants, underwear and an item from each child's wish list. The school nurse at South Decatur chooses the families based on need, and collects the information for us on the sizes and wish list items. If you wish to help, choose one or more ornaments from the tree and purchase the items. Bring to church the **UNWRAPPED** gift with the ornament tag attached and place it under the tree. We need to have the donated items by Sunday, **December 15**. If you prefer not to shop and still wish to help with this project, there is an envelope in your parish envelope box marked "Giving Tree". A monetary donation can be placed in the envelope and put in the collection. The money collected helps us to make sure all the gifts are purchased, as well as giving each family a gift card for groceries and for gas.

Thank you so much for your generosity and for giving your time to help these families to have a special Christmas!

**Advent Reflection Booklets:** Last week each Religious Education family received an Advent Family Prayer and Activities Booklet. There are several extra booklets in the back of church available to any other families who would like to have additional ideas for observing Advent. There are also booklets available for Adult Daily Advent Reflections.

**The feast of the Immaculate Conception:** falls on a Sunday this year so it will be celebrated as a **Holy Day of Obligation on Monday, Dec. 9<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM.**

**Please mark your Calendar: Sunday December 22<sup>nd</sup> following Mass: We will be decorating the Church for the celebration of Christmas**

Any and all help is appreciated.

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:** Father will be available for Confession on-  
Wednesday, Dec. 11<sup>th</sup> , 6-8 PM Napoleon

Thursday, Dec.12<sup>th</sup>, following Mass 6:30 – 8:00 PM Millhousen

Wednesday, Dec. 18<sup>th</sup> – 6-8 PM Osgood

There is a printout on the bulletin board listing all the penance services in the Deanery.

**Wreaths Across America:**

There has been a tremendous response to the Wreaths Across America project. The Wreaths will be placed in the cemetery on **December 15<sup>th</sup>, following Mass.** If you have a relative you requested a wreath for you may set the wreath for them. But everyone and anyone is invited to help place the wreaths

**Bambinelli Sunday December 15, 2024:**

Bring your Baby Jesus from your Nativity for a special Christmas Blessing.

**Lights of Christmas open door tour:** The annual tour of churches in the deanery will be on Sunday, December 29<sup>th</sup>. 1:00-5:00 PM. Bask in the sacred spaces of our adored Savior dressed in their finest during the Christmas Season. A list of all the deanery parishes participating is on the bulletin board. If you are willing to spend an hour at the Church to welcome visitors please let LaDonna know.

**A word from Pope Francis:**

Trust in God

"The Lord does not give the same things to everyone in the same way: He knows us personally and entrusts us with what is right for us".