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 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 Hour5:00 PMMass:6:00 PM

Sunday Obligation Sunday 9:00 AM Monday – Rosary 10:30 AM Friday – Adoration 12:00 Noon – 3:00 PM

Mass Intentions:

May 25th – Sunday- Deceased Members of the Picker family

May 29th – Thursday- Carl Moorman

June 1st – Sunday Ascension – Theresa Koester

June 5th – Thursday – Anthony Scheidler

June 7th –First Saturday - Charles & Ruth Hamilton

- June 8th Pentecost Sunday- Marieda Koors
- June 12th Thursday- Marieda Koors

June 1, 2025

Cross Bearer: Oliver Hamilton Servers: Andrew Stier/Katherine Stier Ushers: Mark Stier/Tim Hoeing/ Dave Stone Lector: Ben Stier Offertory: Melissa Stier/ Karen Hardebeck Musicians: Men's Choir Euchristic Ministers: B Tim Hoeing/ W/Stephanie Hoeing/Steve AmRhein Counters: Josh Hornberger/ Ann Stier June 8, 2025

Cross Bearer: Brooklyn Ortman Servers: Luke & Jake Stier Ushers: Jerry & Don Fry; Tim Scheidler John Johannigman Lector: Niki Johannigman Offertory: Mike & Mollie Johannigman family Musician: Ken Stier Eucharistic Ministers: B Cindy Johannigman W/Donna & Mollie Johannigman Counters: Steve AmRhein/ Alvin Hoeing

Stewardship of Treasure: Our Sunday Collection:	
<i>May 11th</i> :	\$2616.30
May 18 th :	2956.00
Mother's Day Breakfast	423.00
Catholic Communications	397.00
Votive Candles	103.00

Remember in Prayer: Pauline Schoettmer, Lauren Huffmeyer, Doug Huffmeyer, Wendell Thackery, Hallie Crane, Evelyn Johannigman, Eileen Moorman, Scott Gabbard, Bonnie Veerkamp, David Wessel, Alvin Pfeifer, Benji Ortman, Dennis DiGiusto, Amy Hermesch.

And all lapsed Catholics in our community.

School Rental: The school is rented for a reunion on 6-14-2025.

6th Sunday of Easter:

Renewal implies continuity, yet it outgrows the old. The founder of the Ford Motor Company, for example, would hardly recognize his own first assembly line if he could see the Ford plants now. Yet basically it is the same. His successors have renewed the process of producing constantly in the spirit of the founder. They would be unfaithful to his great visiion if they were still working as he did so many years ago. The early leaders of the Church, commissioned by our Lord to continue his work on earth, faced a similar problem of renewal and continuity.

Should Christianity be a renewal movement in the framework of existing Judaism? There should indeed be continuity, for Jesus had said that he did not intend to do away with the law and the prophets. Yet should Gentiles, who joined the Church be forced to observe so many Jewish laws, especially those conditioned by time and culture?

Guided by the Spirit, the gift of the risen Lord to his people, the Church has renewed itself over the centuries, and is still doing so. Today's Bible readings deal with this issue.

Paul and Barnabas had baptized Gentiles without having them first circumcised and telling them to observe the law of Moses. Some Christians from Jewish backgrounds did not agree. Hence, Paul and Barnabas decided to go up to Jerusalem and ask the apostles for a decision. There was a lengthy discussion on the issue now brought out in the open. The decision of the apostles "It is the decision of the Holy Spirit and of us not to place on you any burden beyond the necessities.......(Acts 15)

Our new Pope:

US Vice-President JD Vance has invited Pope Leo to make an official visit to Washington following a "cordial" meeting at the Vatican, the White House has confirmed.

Vance handed the Pontiff a letter from President Donald Trump and First Lady Melania Trump inviting him to visit "as soon as [he] possibly can", White House spokesperson Karoline Leavitt said.

In a statement, the Holy See said both sides had expressed satisfaction with relations between the US and the Vatican during face-to-face talks on Monday.

The meeting comes after Vance - a practicing Catholic - joined other dignitaries and worshippers at the Pope's inaugural Mass on Sunday.

Religious freedom and cooperation between church and state were also discussed on Monday, it was reported, with US Secretary of State Marco Rubio also taking part.

"Finally, there was an exchange of views on current international issues with a shared call for respect for humanitarian and international law in conflict zones, and support for negotiated solutions among the parties involved," reads the Holy See's statement.

Annual collection for Education of Future Archdiocesan Priests:

The weekend of June 8th is the annual collection for the Education of Future Archdiocesan Priests. This collection supports our seminarians currently studying for future priestly ministry in the Archdiocese of Indianapolis. Your contributions help cover the expenses involved in the education and formation of these future priests. We anticipate having about 28 seminarians this coming fall, including 8 new men who will be entering formation. We are blessed to have these men in formation in two seminaries right here in the Archdiocese, Bishop Simon Brute College Seminary and Saint Meinrad School of Theology.

The average cost per seminarian for educational expenses is about \$55,000 per year. Funds from the United Catholic Appeal and proceeds from designated endowments support the formation of our seminarians, but those sources do not fulfill the entire need. All donations to this special annual collection will go directly toward the payment of these expenses. Most Reverend Charles C. Thompson Archbishop of Indianapolis

(There is an envelope in your box for this collection. It is dated June 1st. You can donate on either Sunday. Thank you for your generosity)