September 3, 2017

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH, MILLHOUSEN, IN

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH COMMUNITY STRIVES TO LIVE THE GOSPEL BY WORSHIPPING GOD, LEARNING AND SHARING THE CATHOLIC FAITH AND SERVING THE NEEDS OF OTHERS

Bulletin information is due by Tuesday at 9:00 a.m. Send information to sisterdianne@millhousenchurch.com

Mass Intentions:

September 3, 2017, 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time: Bill Hardebeck September 10, 2017, 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time: Melissa Moffatt

PLC Notes:

"Time & Talent": This weekend we will again circulate the annual Time & Talent sheets and ask you to re-commit to a ministry within the parish. There will be an opportunity to let go of current ministries, continue current ministries, or try out an entirely new ministry, whatever and wherever the spirit leads. Spend a few minutes this morning thinking and praying about how to invest your talents. This activity was planned for Labor Day weekend, since it is all Labor intensive. We want to thank everyone who volunteered hours and days of time this past year to serve the parish needs. You have heard it said that "it takes a community to raise a child," and we know that it "takes an entire Faith Community to maintain a parish!" We need every single person to keep all of it going! Please take a few minutes to complete the forms this morning. The basket for dropping off completed forms is in the entryway.

Buildings and Grounds: Calling all current and future members of the buildings and grounds committee to gather for the annual planning and organizational meeting, Sunday September 10th following Mass, in the office meeting room. All are welcome, and all are needed.

The Auction: This is a reminder that **all bills** need to be turned into the office by the end of the weekend. If you made purchases for food or drink or supplies or any other thing used for the auction, and still need to be reimbursed, now is the time. We are hoping to have a final wrap up for you next weekend.

"The Shepherd Who Didn't Run: Fr. Stanley Rother, Martyr from Oklahoma" is the story of the life of the first martyr born in the United States. The Archdiocese of Oklahoma City announced in March that Father Stanley Rother will be beatified September 23 in Oklahoma. Pope Francis recognized the martyrdom in 2016, and the process is moving forward. This book, the story of his life, is now available and highlights the five qualities this missionary martyr of mercy proclaimed with his life. Stanley Francis Rother was an average farmer and priest from a small town in flyover country. He wasn't anybody's MVP. He didn't excel at anything in particular. He didn't win any honors or set any world records before being murdered in his parish rectory at the Oklahoma mission in Guatemala, at the age of 46. Yet in a very real way, this humble, hard-working, diocesan priest continues to inspire. Not only because

he died as a martyr, but perhaps even more significantly, because 35 years after his death, his life and his priestly service remain a testament to the difference one person can, and does, make. We need the witness of holy men and women who remind us that we are all called to holiness – and that holy men and women come from ordinary places like Okarche, Oklahoma, (or Millhousen, Indiana). The author states: It is true that the Church has always depended on the lives of holy men and women to renew the People of God . . .

It is by God's providence that Stanley Rother lived when he did, at a time when, perhaps more than ever, we need a zealous witness to what the priesthood is – and what it can be." Pick up the book if you have a chance. Look for the five qualities he exemplified, next week.

Save-the-date: A little fall weather jumped in to greet us on Friday! A good reminder that the Fall Harvest Festival is not far away, Saturday, October 7th, beginning with 4:00 pm Mass. Again, we are hoping for everyone to join in the celebration! More details coming soon. (No Sunday Mass).

FREE SMOKE ALARMS! The American Red Cross is offering free smoke alarms and free installation to all households regardless of age or financial situation. They just want everyone to be protected! Smoke alarms are only guaranteed to work for ten years. So please test your smoke alarms monthly, and change batteries every six months. Any alarm older than 2007 should be replaced! To schedule an appointment for installation please call the Greensburg Fire Department at 812-663-8671.

| Coffee & Doughnuts \$45.00 | Adult Envelopes | \$ 1295.00 |
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| Grateful to God | Loose cash, checks | \$ 249.55 |
| | Faith Formation Fee | S 110.00 |
| | Total: | \$ 1654.55 |

Remember in Prayer

Remembered in Prayer: David Bedel, Bernard Huff, Bernard Pfeifer, Gerald Hermesch, Tony Scheidler, Dale Helms, Jim Nobbe, Paul & Marjorie Herbert, and Diana Bova. Please call the parish office with any request for home visits, Communion, or anointing.

Liturgical Ministers

Sunday, September 3rd 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sacristan: Marilyn Horan Musicians: Men's Choir

Greeters/Ushers: Tom & Lois Johannigman ,

John & Cindy Johannigman

Welcome: Jake Mattox **Petitions:** Ben Stier

Lectors: Melea Gault, Anita Fry

Eucharistic Ministers: Mark Stier, Joe Diekhoff, Julie

Diekhoff, Cindy Hermesch, Jeanne Fry

Servers: Kenny Stier, Adam Hermesch, Mary Schwering

Counters: Steve AmRhein, Margie Georgi, Sara

Hermesch

Sunday, September 10th 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ann Stier Youth Choir

Greeters: Tony Schwering, Campbell Johannigman **Ushers:** Ben Stier, Colton Johannigman, Trent Nobbe,

Alli Nobbe

Claire Wullenweber, Charlie Hamilton

Gifts: Caaden Gault, Kenlee Martin, Rhett Martin Dan Fledderman, Jo fledderman, Sharon Mapes,

Emery Mapes

Hunter Collins, Jessica Diekhoff

Marilyn Horan, Kate Bedel, Cindy Hermesch

Church Cleaning Committee- September: Sarah Schwering (Chairperson), Donna Schwering, Alison Ortman, Laura Meyer, LaDonna Hoeing and Kathy Kohrman. Please call the parish office (812-591-2362) with day and time you plan to clean, so that the Church can be unlocked.





September 6 6:45-8:00 p.m. Pre-k – Grade 5 Faith Formation Class

September 10 8:00 a.m. Youth Mass

September 10 After Mass Building & Grounds Meeting
September 10 After Mass Grades 6-12 Faith Formation Class

October 7 Sat. 4:00 pm Mass and Harvest Festival!! (No Sunday Mass)

Upcoming Events

Faith Formation:

Adult Bible Study Group: Our Adult Bible Study Group will soon be meeting again. We will be sharing "Believe! Meeting Jesus in the Scriptures", a six-week program. We will meet on Wednesday evenings at 7:00 p.m. starting September 27. We will finish up before Thanksgiving. This program has individual lessons so if you miss a night you could fall right back in without having to catch up. If you would be interested in joining this group or have any questions, please call Cindy 812-614-0802, or Kate 812-614-0987, by September 6 so we can order materials.

New Servers for Mass: We are beginning the process of training new servers. Please contact Emery Mapes, 812-591-4194, if you are interested.

National Catholic Youth Conference (NCYC) November 16-18, 2017 – Indianapolis IN Please continue to pray for us to make this trip to NCYC, a great experience for all! Fundraising continues: DQ Sponsor Night – September 14th, 4:00-9:00 pm

Can Collection – September 17th-October 22nd, (Please donate your cans after the mowing season)

Cohort & Deanery News:

Our Lady of Fatima 100 Year Anniversary will be celebrated at St. Louis Church in Batesville on the 13th of the next two months. On September 13, and October 13 there will be a Prayer Service at 7:00 pm. All are welcome.

St. Catherine of Siena, Enochsburg will have their 80th Annual Church Picnic on Sunday, September 3rd. Famous Fireside Inn Fried Chicken and tender Roast Beef Dinners served from 11-3. Carry outs available. Beer Garden, Mock Turtle Soup, Prizes, Variety Stands, Quilts, Games, Country Store. Fun for all! Call 812-934-2880 for questions. Lic. # 144606.

Please join **St. Anthony Parish in Morris** Celebrating the **100th Labor Day Church Picnic!** Entertainment and Historic Memorabilia! Games Raffle, chicken dinner. More to come. Monday, Labor Day!

Natural Family Planning Classes: Artificial Birth Control is a moral wrong. Come learn the Christian Way. A Natural Family Planning class will be held Sunday, September 3rd, from 9 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. at St. Louis Parish, Batesville, in the Deanery Resource Center Building across from the Church. This class is taught in one session. The Sympto-Thermal method is 98% effective, natural and safe. There is a \$40.00 fee for books and materials. For reservations call 812-934-4054 or 934-3338.

Comfort by Candlelight: Concert by Kathy Troccoli, Tuesday, September 12, 6:30 pm, St Mary's Catholic Church, Greensburg, Free event, tickets needed - obtain tickets from iTickets.com/Kathy Troccoli or St. Mary's Parish Office 812-663-8427 Ext 204.