

October 6, 2019

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 Wednesday at 10:00 a.m. sisterdonna@millhousenchurch.com

Mass Intentions:

October 6 – Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time – Albert Scheller
October 13 – Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time – Joseph & Lenora Diekhoff
October 20 – Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time – Alex Veerkamp
October 27 – Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time – Urban Johannigman
November 1 – All Saints Day (Holy Day of Obligation) – Omer Fry (Friday evening at 6:00 pm)
November 3 – Thirty-First Sunday in ordinary Time – Fred & Lurley Scheller
November 10 – Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time – Tony Scheidler

Dates to Remember

October 6 – **Respect Life Sunday** - 32nd National Life Chain; Greensburg 2:00 – 3:00 pm
October 13 – Post Auction Meeting - immediately following Mass in the school basement.
October 19 (Saturday) – **Fall Harvest Party!** – Beginning with Mass at 4:00 pm (Sunday Mass cancelled)
October 20 – Confirmation meeting for candidates, parents and sponsors, 9:00 am.
October 25, 7:00 pm – October 27, 2:00 pm, Confirmation Retreat. Please pray for candidates.
October 31 - Eve of All Saints, Halloween!
November 3 – Rite of Enrollment for Confirmation

Liturgical Ministries

October 6	October 13
Sacristan: LaDonna Hoeing	Dana Fledderman
Ushers/Greeters: John & Cindy Johannigman, Dave & Cindy Stone	Craig & Paula Wullenweber, Jerry & Dorothy Fry
Lectors: Melea Gault, Kenny Stier	Ben Stier, Mary Schwering
Eucharistic Ministers: Daniel & Jo Fledderman, Joe & Julie Diekhoff	Kathy Kohrman, Cindy Hermes, Jeanne Fry, LaDonna Hoeing
Servers: Ben, Michael, & Mary Stier	Hunter Collins, Evan Wullenweber, Grady Scudder
Musicians: Men's Choir	Men's Choir
Gift Bearers: Jedd & Allison Ortman family	Scott & Nicole Schoettmer family
Counters: Cindy Johannigman, Emery Mapes, Aaron Gault	Steve AnRhein, Margie Georgi, Sara Hermes

Remittance 9/29/2019

		Envelopes	
* \$2800.00 needed weekly to meet budget.		Loose:	\$ 208.00
ENERGY - \$40.00		Envelopes:	\$ 1934.00
		Total:	\$ 2142.00

Remember in Prayer: Benji Ortman, John Kuzman, Wanda Barnes, Martha Fry, and a special intention.

On Saturday, October 12th at 10:00 am, we will celebrate the life of **Ruth Feldman Elmes**, former parishioner who died this week in Florida. Please pray for her and her family.

“Prayer Shaw Ministry?” We had a good meeting, and a very good turnout. You will be hearing more about this as the “products” begin to materialize. If you are interested in joining the group, please make direct contact with Angie Maloney, 812-593-0478.

Recent news reports have made us very much aware that **Hurricane Dorian** brought about massive destruction to the **Bahamas**, leaving our brothers and sisters in these islands in dire need. Catholic Relief Services is working to provide food, emergency shelter, and safe water. Anyone wishing to support these relief efforts are asked to do so through Catholic Relief Services. Individuals may make contributions online by going to <https://www.crs.org> or they may send checks made payable to Catholic Relief Services to: Catholic Relief Services, Attn: Theresa Chamblee, 1400 North Meridian Street, Indianapolis, IN 46202.

Background Checks and Safe & Sacred training: All parishioners that volunteer in any capacity need this training. Please take it upon yourselves to accomplish yours as soon as possible. There are printed directions in the back of church or you can email Dana Fledderman at dana@millhousechurch.com for a digital copy. This includes but is not limited to teachers, council members, auction volunteers and Sunday ministries. If you have questions you may call/text Dana at (812) 212-2056. Thank you for your swift compliance in this issue.

Holy Family Church, Oldenburg, Fall Festival October 6, 2019. Today! Please see bulletin board for flyer.

Respect Life Sunday is today! Remember our bulletin insert from last weekend. So many issues to be aware of and to pray for! The Decatur County Life Chain will be held today from 2:00 – 3:00 pm on Lincoln Street in Greensburg. Please see the flyer on bulletin board, or contact Kate Bedel, at 812-614-0987.

Every **third Thursday** from 11:00 am to 7:00 pm several of the churches in the Archdiocese have adoration of the Blessed Sacrament to pray for an end to abortion, and all sins against life. While we might not find it easy to drive to one of those locations, we can easily join in prayer from wherever we are. Please pause for a few minutes on October 17th, November 21st, or December 19th, to pray for an end to all activity that threatens, shortens, or ends life.

To celebrate the Feast of **Our Lady of Fatima** – a living rosary will be prayed on Saturday October 12th at noon at St. Mary’s old church campus on SR 421 in Greensburg. Immaculate Conception Church has been invited to lead one decade, so we are looking for ten participants. If you can attend, please contact Kate Bedel at 812-614-0987.

We are just two weeks out from our annual **“Harvest Party!”** Get ready to celebrate! The weather is trying to cooperate! And pretty soon the sights and smells of Harvest and Fall will be surrounding us. Apples, pumpkins, colored leaves, marshmallows roasting, scarecrows popping up, games, treats, pies, and if we are lucky even a bon-fire! The dryness has prompted a “burn-ban” at present, but with a little luck that could be changed. Even without, there will be plenty of good food and lots to enjoy! Mass begins at 4:00 pm, (and Sunday Mass is cancelled), followed by fun and food. Please join us! If you need a ride, or a carry out, or any kind of assistance, please call Melea (812-614-8874) or Laura (812-716-1125). And if you have creativity to contribute, the same numbers apply. Bring a side dish, join in the Euchre game, rain or shine, the feast will go on!

SEASON OF CREATION – WEEK 4: We pray in thanksgiving for Mother Earth in whom all life is rooted, Brother Sun whose energy radiates life, Sister Water who nurtures and revives us, and co-creatures with whom we live and for whom we are called to till and keep this garden. We ask you Lord, to help us to become healers of your beautiful creation. What one healing thing can we do this week? Choose one action, and tell someone about it. Do the impossible one step at a time. Be aware of all the “single-use” plastic items that come your way this week. Choose one of those items to reuse or to do without. October is also **Domestic Violence Awareness Month**. In conjunction with Respect Life Month, the US Bishops ask us to promote the dignity of each person, by speaking out against domestic violence, which may affect up to 1/3 of all parishioners. Pray for all!

Season of Creation



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Week 4



Feature: Reduce, Recycle, Reuse

We live in a culture of having and buying, where it is often easier to get something new rather than take care of all that we have.

Let's try to **reduce** by simplifying the consumption of certain products that may be unnecessary (whether water, energy, food, or household products), **reuse** by looking for another purpose for our things or sharing them with others, and **recycle** in the appropriate manner once a product has fulfilled its functions in every way. When we do this in our homes, workplaces, churches, and schools, we not only help our earth but initiate a culture of giving in our communities.

Lord - in Your mercy, You have designed an earth that can provide enough for all. And in Your wisdom, You have created an earth that also requires our care to preserve it. Give us strength to joyfully fulfill our responsibility.

Take Action!



Monday: Go meat-free if you dine at a restaurant today or this week



Tuesday: Investigate insulating the first 3 feet of pipe that enter/exit your water heater to maximize efficiency



Wednesday: Save your cup of water in the fridge for your next meal instead of pouring it down the drain



Thursday: Reuse glass bottles and jars as vases, to store bulk pantry items, or as bathroom/office organizers



Friday: Walk, bike, or share a ride to work or school



Saturday: Visit Brown County State Park (all levels of trails, biking as well)



Sunday: Read Chapter 5 of Laudato Si'

This is not intended to provide medical advice. Consult your physician before starting something new!

OurCommonHome.org

From Sept to Oct each year, Christians around the world celebrate the Season of Creation by praying and acting together to protect our common home. View all 5 weeks and find more info and events on the website!

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