### October 8, 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. sisterdianne@millhousenchurch.com

#### **Mass Intentions:**

October 7, 2017, 27<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time: Ed & Alma Schwering October 15, 2017, 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time: Alex Veerkamp

#### **PLC Notes:**

It is Party Time! The Annual Fall Harvest Party has just begun! Some are happy for a break from the hard work of harvesting. Others are happy to share our company. Cards, games, activities for all! And lots of tasty food and sweets! We are grateful for our co-hosts Anita and Melea who orchestrated all of it! And grateful for all blessings received!

Thanks, are in order too, for the men who turned out last Saturday for the Fall work day. Some returned on Monday and Tuesday to complete the cemetery project. Among other things, a new header was poured, and top soil used to fill several low spots. Take a walk out there and see the improvements!

Last Sunday was Respect Life Sunday and parishioners joined those of other faiths in a Life Chain to bring attention to the abortions taking place in our country. This week I want to introduce to you an organization that works diligently to support life, offering supportive services to those struggling with stressful pregnancies. It is **Clarity** of South Central Indiana (Columbus) and **Clarity** of Decatur County (Greensburg). Their motto is "Clarity Cares" and they indeed do care. The organization is almost all volunteers, and is supported only by donations from local churches and individuals who truly want to extend the gift of love and grace to others, that they themselves have been given by God. Clarity serves as the vehicle for that ministry to happen. They partner with, and work together, to meet the needs of those around us just as Jesus would do, through education, intervention, and a very restorative ministry. Services include pregnancy support, counseling, pregnancy testing, ultrasounds, child care classes, smoking cessation sessions, infant car seat training, new born nursery needs, formula, diapers, infant clothing, blankets, the full gamut! Anything needed to assist young women, or young couples, in making the choice to support the new life within them. In addition, they counsel those women suffering from the trauma of post abortion guilt and depression and bring the mercy of God into their lives once again. Volunteer positions are available with direct contact with clients, and behind the scenes supporting the staff. For information about ministry orientation, or for further information please call 866-510-5067.

**Audit**: We had another call this week from the auditor. He will be here all day on Tuesday, October 31<sup>st</sup>. It would be perfectly wonderful to begin praying now, if you haven't already had the parish in your thoughts.

**Mixed Choir:** there will be a meeting immediately following Mass on October 29<sup>th</sup> for all those who continue to be interested in membership in the Mixed Choir. Rita needs a sense of the level of commitment in order to plan. If you like to sing and are willing to be a consistent music minister, please come, or call Rita if you are unable to make the meeting.

The St. Louis and St. Anthony parishes joined forces about a year ago to serve the **Haiti Ministries**. They have invited our parish to join in their efforts. We can do so much more together than any one parish can do alone. If you have interest in joining this group, please let Sr. Donna know so that we can team up with an established project already doing much to serve the needs of those in Haiti.

October 21<sup>st</sup> -11<sup>th</sup> **Annual Silent Auction and Family Fun Night** for Haiti from 5-9 at Schad Hall in Morris. Free -will soup and salad supper, dance, snacks, and kiddie games. 200 + items in silent auction. 100 % of the money raised will go to help the poorest of the poor in Gandou, Haiti.

Earthquake Mexico \$500.00; NCYC DQ night	Adult Envelopes	\$ 2713.00
\$91.18; Faith Formation \$100.00		
	Loose cash, checks	\$ 155.00
Grateful		
\$3028 needed weekly	Total:	\$ 2868.00
Jour Jour		

Remembered in Prayer: David Bedel, Bernard Huff, Bernard Pfeifer, Gerald Hermesch, Tony Scheidler, Dale Helms, Jim Nobbe, Paul Herbert, Diana Bova, and Chris Mennel. Holy Communion is taken to the elderly and the sick regularly. Please let us know if you wish to receive.

## **Liturgical Ministers**

Sunday, October 7th Sunday, October 15<sup>th</sup>

Sacristan: Marilyn Horan Ann Stier

Musicians: Youth Choir Sarah & Donna Schwering

Greeters: Clair Schoettmer, Kenlee Martin
Ushers: Charlie Hamilton, Joshua Edwards,
Mitch & Lori Nobbe, Mark & Anita Fry

Vic Schutte, Trent Nobbe

**Lectors:** Ben Stier, Alli Nobbe Jacob Mattox, Jerry Fry

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Dan Fledderman, Cindy Johannigman, Steve AmRhein, Jo Fledderman, Mark Stier, Kathy Kohrman Brian Huff, Lisa Huff

Servers: Rhett Martin, Tony Schwering Ben Stier, Colton Johannigman, Caaden Gault

Gifts: Emily Georgi, Hope Diekhoff, Jessica Diekhoff

Counters: June Johannigman, Pauline Schoettmer, Steve AmRhein, Margi Georgi,

Gretchen Stone Sara Hermesch

**Church Cleaning Committee-** October: Anita Fry (Chairperson), Amy Scudder, Helen Schutte, Aimee Cunningham, Emily Baltus, Elizabeth Cunningham. Please call the parish office (812-591-2362) with day and time you plan to clean, so that the Church can be unlocked.

#### **Dates to Remember**



October 11 No Faith Formation classes Pre-k – Gr 5

October 15 After Mass Coffee and Doughnuts sponsored by Knights and Ladies

October 22 World Mission Sunday Collection

October 22 After Mass Faith Formation Classes Grades 6-11

October 29 After Mass Mixed Choir Meeting, all interested individuals

# **Upcoming Events**

**Faith Formation:** There will be a **parent meeting** for first Reconciliation on Wednesday, Oct. 18 beginning at 7:00 p.m. in the parish house.

There will be a meeting in the school for all **parents**, **sponsors**, **and students** planning to be confirmed, on Sunday, Oct. 22 following Mass.

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!

Can Collection – September 17<sup>th</sup>-October 22<sup>nd</sup>.

**NCYC** is calling for **volunteers**! As the host diocese we need 1000 Volunteers (not including the chaperones of which we have more than enough). We are looking for a delegation from each parish, men or women, to come and work together. Men's or Women's groups, Knights, Ladies, prayer groups, or any other parish grouping. A complete list of volunteer needs including descriptions, shifts and times can be found here: <a href="www.archindyym.com/volunteer">www.archindyym.com/volunteer</a> All volunteers, just like the chaperones, must be compliant with the diocesan safe environment policy, and the criminal background check, available online 365 days a year, 24 hours a day.: <a href="www.safeandsacred-archindy.org">www.safeandsacred-archindy.org</a>

### **Cohort & Deanery News:**

St. Maurice, Napoleon, Parish Mission, October 15, & 16. All are welcome.

**2017 Jr. High Overnight Retreat:** Camp Woodsmoke, October 27, 6:30 pm-October 28, 4:30 pm. Open to 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> graders. To register send \$50 and the registration form to: The Batesville Deanery. Please register by October 13, 2017. Questions: Call 812-932-0789. Flyer on board.

Archdiocese of Indianapolis is hosting a "Morning with Mary" on Saturday, October 14<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 am to 12:00 noon at SS Peter and Paul Cathedral honoring the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Mary's apparition at Fatima. See flyer on bulletin board.

**St. Anthony's Daycare** is **now hiring** part-time employees. Please contact St. Anthony's Daycare at 812-934-2789 or stop in and fill out an application. The facility is located next to St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church in Morris, IN.

**Save the Date**: 2/24/18, 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual E6 **Catholic Men's Conference**, East Central High School, see flyer on bulletin board. Archbishop Thompson will be the main celebrant.

St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross Parish: Annual Craft and Vendor Show, October 21, 9:00 Am - 3:00 PM. Lots of Crafters & Vendors to shop as you support the Youth

October 12, 2017: Hope and Healing Survivors of Suicide (SOS) Monthly Support Group

On October 12th, Hope and Healing, a support group for adults who have lost a loved one to suicide, struggle with thoughts of suicide, or seek to understand the causes and prevention of suicide will meet at 7:00 pm. A children's support group, Spread Our Youthful Wings, for ages 9 years to 17 years old is held in the same location and same time as the Hope and Healing SOS Group. For more information and location site, please contact Judy Proctor at (317) 851-8344 or visit Hope & Healing SOS at www.hopeandhealingsos.com.

**Annual INDY Prayer Breakfast :** Tuesday, October 24, 2017 the annual Indianapolis Prayer Breakfast will feature former WNBA star **Tamika Catchings** as a keynote speaker who will share and witness about her walk and relationship with Jesus. Details are available at IndyPrayerBreakfast.com.