# September 10, 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:**

September 10, 2017, 23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time: Melissa Moffatt September 17, 2017, 24<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time: Marie Hardebeck

**PLC Notes:** Called By Name: As the next step in this vocations awareness program for the deanery and diocese, each young person nominated will receive a personal invitation to attend a special dinner on the evening of October 4<sup>th</sup>. In an effort to support them in prayer, each parish is asked to offer an opportunity for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on October 4<sup>th</sup>, to encourage prayer for vocations. Here at Immaculate Conception, adoration will be for three hours, from 11:00 till 2:00 pm. Please sign up for 30 minutes or more as you are able. When the Blessed sacrament is exposed, it can never be without an adorer, there must always be someone in the church. Please don't leave your post until your replacement arrives. A sign-up sheet is available this morning in the entryway.

"Time & Talent": We continue the annual Time & Talent sheets and ask you to re-commit to a ministry within the parish. This is 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 thinking and praying about how to invest your talents. Again, we thank all those who have volunteered in a hundred ways this past year to serve the needs of the parish! It takes the entire Faith Community to maintain a parish! We need every single person to keep it all going.! Please place completed forms in the collection basket this morning, or use the basket in the entryway.

**Buildings and Grounds:** All are welcome to attend the annual planning meeting this morning immediately following Mass. (Office Meeting Room)

"The Shepherd Who Didn't Run: Fr. Stanley Rother, Martyr from Oklahoma" – as introduced last week, this ordinary farmer and priest made a difference in the lives of others. He is being beatified (the first step to sainthood) on September 23, in Oklahoma City, becoming the first martyr born in the United States. The book notes five qualities this missionary martyr proclaimed with his life.

- **1.) Ordinary-** Rother grew up in a close-knit farming community, and worked on the family owned farm. He attended Catholic school from first to 12<sup>th</sup> grade and learned the values of generosity, kindness, hard work, and the importance of living one's faith. He lived out these values as a missionary pastor. We draw strength from knowing and being with people who are living faithfully their ordinary life.
- **2.) Mercy-** As the country's civil war escalated into violence, he lived out the corporal works of mercy. He fed the hungry, sheltered the homeless, visited the sick, comforted the afflicted, bore wrongs patiently, and buried the dead. Fr. Rother's life reminds us that living mercy is what God calls each of us to do, right where we are today, regardless of our circumstances.
- **3.) Compassion-** With humility and love, he became one of them, to show them, not just tell them, how much God loved them. His "presence among them was to fortify them to endure the sufferings in preparation for the coming of the kingdom." His concern went far beyond sympathy, to show the depth of God's love! (More to come.)

**Save-the-date**: The fall weather reminds us that the annual **Fall Harvest Festival** is just around the corner! Saturday, October 7<sup>th</sup>, 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.

Assumption \$60.00; Religious Ed \$414.00	Adult Envelopes	\$ 2415.00
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	Maintenance Fund	S 70.00
to	Total:	\$ 3211.00

Special Collection: Next Sunday, September 17, for the hurricane victims in Texas and Florida.

### **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 10<sup>th</sup>
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Sacristan: Ann StierDana FleddermanMusicians: Youth ChoirMixed Choir

Greeters: Tony Schwering, Campbell Johannigman Dave & Cindy Stone, Craig & Paula Wullenweber

Ushers: BenStier, Colton Johannigman, Trent Nobbe,

Allie Nobbe

**Lectors:** Claire Wullenweber, Charlie Hamilton Jerry Fry, Jeanne Fry

Gifts: Caaden Gault, Kenlee Martin, Rhett Martin

Eucharistic Ministers: Dan Fledderman, Jo Fledderman, June Johannigman, Steve AmRhein, Brian Huff,

Sharon Mapes, Emery Mapes Lisa Huff

Servers: Hunter Collins, Jessica Diekhoff
Rhett Martin, Kenlee Martin, Caaden Gault
Counters: Marilyn Horan, Kate Bedel, Cindy Hermesch
June Johannigman, Pauline Schoettmer,

Gretchen Stone

**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.

#### **Dates To Remember**



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

September 13 7:00 pm Finance Committee Meeting

September 13 6:45 pm Religious Ed Classes Grades Pre-k – 5

September 17 8:00 Mass Catechetical Sunday
September 17 After Mass Parish Council Meeting

September 27, 7:00 pm Adult Bible Study

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

## **Upcoming Events**

#### **Faith Formation:**

Next Sunday, September 17, we will celebrate **Catechetical Sunday**. This year the theme is "Living as Missionary Disciples." Those who have taken on the role as catechists and aides will be commissioned for their ministry during Mass. Catechetical Sunday is a time to reflect on the role that each person plays in handing on the faith and being a witness to the Gospel.

**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:

 $DQ\ Sponsor\ Night-September\ 14^{th},\ 4:00\text{-}9:00\ pm$ 

Can Collection – September 17<sup>th</sup>-October 22<sup>nd</sup>, (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 13<sup>th</sup> of the next two months. On September 13, and October 13 there will be a Prayer Service at 7:00 pm. All are welcome.

**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.

**Holy Family Church Festival – Oldenburg** October 1, 2017, Dinners 11:00-4:00, Booths and Games. Turtle Soup available at The Village Sore, Oldenburg, September 28-30 during regular business hours.

The Batesville Knights of Columbus will be having their annual Soccer Challenge at the soccer fields just past the hall on Saturday, September 16th. The contest will start at 8AM and run until 2PM. This is for girls and boys ages 9-14. The Batesville Knights of Columbus will also be having a 1st Degree initiation on September 11th at 7PM. We ask anyone interested in joining to be at the hall around 6:30PM for registration.

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