November 26, 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:

November 26, 2017: Feast of Christ the King: Irvin Hardebeck

December 3, 2017: 1st Sunday of Advent: Irvin Hardebeck

December 8, 2017: Feast of the Immaculate Conception, *Holyday*: Melissa Moffett (Friday, 6:00 pm)

Parish Office closed November 23-29. Sister will be away. For emergencies contact Kathy Westrick.

PLC Notes:

We received an **urgent** request for prayer for Emily Mennel, three-year old great-granddaughter of Martha Fry, who is in critical condition at Riley Children's' Hospital. Please keep Emily, Martha, and the Fry family in prayer! Emily's father is Chris, who has advanced cancer and is undergoing chemotherapy.

Breakfast with Santa: this event is an annual one, sponsored by the Knights of St. John. All proceeds go to Immaculate Conception Parish. Please support their tremendous effort in our name. Note the change in location: the breakfast will now be served in our own school hall.

United Catholic Appeal. In one week we have jumped from 30% to 47%! Good job! Let's keep it going!

The **Youth Group** outreach project for Christmas will again be **fruit basket distribution** to our parish shut-ins. The date to assemble baskets and deliver to the elderly of our parish is set for December 10th immediately following Mass. Please see more details on a note sent home with your children. We need assistance from all of you in identifying who needs this support within our parish. Who are the people you may be aware of who are alone, elderly, or infirmed, homebound, or limited in mobility and in need of a visit and small gift? We have a short list of those who have requested communion visits, but please expand our giving by identifying who else may benefit from this outreach effort. You may call the parish office anytime and leave a name and number of those you think would enjoy the holiday spirit.

Save the date: **Decorating the Church** for Christmas is always an event to look forward to. Please join other families on December 17th immediately following Mass to bring our sanctuary alive!

Looking ahead at the December schedule, clarification may be needed for the **Christmas weekend**. Christmas falls on Monday this year, which means our Eucharistic celebrations fall on Sunday evening. As usual, the Christmas Masses are scheduled for 4:00 and 6:00 pm. Remember that these two Masses are Christmas Masses, not the Sunday Mass. The Fourth Sunday of Advent will be celebrated at Immaculate Conception on Saturday evening at 4:00 pm. Other churches in the area will be posting their schedule changes as well, trying to accommodate everyone's need and obligations. Please mark your calendars for these events before planning your holiday parties.

Speaking of Calendars: Bass and Gasper Funeral Home has once again blessed us with a complimentary calendar for every home. Please pick one up in the church entry way while supplies last. We thank them for their generosity!

Choir Practice: Youth Choir practice 12/3 after Mass, and, Mixed Choir practice 12/10 after Mass.

Campaign for Human Development \$283.00;	Adult Envelopes	\$ 2120.00
Cemetery Fund \$110.00		
	Loose cash, checks	\$ 167.00
Grateful	Fuel Fund	\$ 454.00
\$3028 needed weekly	Total:	\$ 2741.00
Thank you! We are most grateful!		

December 10: Special Collection – Retirement Fund for Religious

Remembered in Prayer: David Bedel, Bernard Huff, Bernard Pfeifer, Gerald Hermesch, Dale Helms, Diana Bova, Chris Mennel, Emily Mennel, Chris Owens, and Thomas Powers. Please call the parish office with any request for home visits, Communion, or anointing.

Liturgical Ministers

Sunday, December 3rd Sunday, November 26th

Jo Fledderman Sacristan: LaDonna Hoeing Musicians: Donna and Sarah Schwering Men's Choir

Greeters/Ushers: Tim Scheidler, Dan Schutte, James Mitch and Lori Nobbe, Mike and Kathy Hamilton, Ed Johannigman

Kohrman

Lectors: La Donna Hoeing, Jeanne Fry Niki Johannigman, Mary Jo Wenning Daniel Fledderman, Jo Fledderman, **Eucharistic Ministers:** Norbert Hoeing, Mark Stier, Donna Johannigman, Emery Mapes Joe Diekhoff, Julie Diekhoff

Servers: Hunter Collins, Jessica Diekhoff Kenny Stier, Anna Johannigman

Counters: June Johannigman, Pauline Schoettmer, Cindy Johannigman, Emery Mapes, Gretchen Stone Aaron Gault

Feast of the Immaculate Conception

Friday, December 8, 6:00 pm (Holy Day of Obligation)

Sacristan: Marilyn Horan

Greeters/Ushers: Joe and Donna Johannigman, Bill and Niki Johannigman

Lectors: Anna Johannigman, Claire Wullenweber

Eucharistic Ministers: Kathy Kohrman, Cindy Hermesch, Cindy Johannigman, Ann Stier

Servers: Trent Nobbe, Allison Nobbe Musicians: Men's Choir

Church Cleaning Committee- December: Mollie Johannigman (chairperson), Lori Nobbe, Nichole Schoettmer, Kathy Westrick, Amy Hermesch, Sara Hermesch, Cindy Johannigman, Kim Johannigman, Jessica Hamilton. 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



November 29	6:45 pm	Faith Formation Grades Pre-k – 5
December 3	_	Breakfast with Santa – School Hall
December 6	7:00 pm	Cohort Advent Penance Service at IC
December 8	6:00 pm	Mass Feast of Immaculate Conception
December 10		Fruit Basket Delivery (youth)
December 10		Giving Tree Gifts due today

Upcoming Events

CYO Volleyball - If any girls in the parish are interested in playing volleyball this winter, please contact Joe Johannigman (812-593-5243) to begin the registration. The details have not all been worked out, but the intention is for a Cohort team involving all three parishes. Currently we are trying to determine the interest level, commitment, and will look at expense and scheduling after we formulate the team. All young ladies 7th - 12th grades are invited to participate on this team.

2017 Christmas Outreach: *The Giving Tree!* Thank you for your generosity and thoughtfulness in the past years in supporting our community through giving to struggling families at South Decatur Elementary School. Plan to pick ornaments off the Giving Tree in the back of church. All gifts are to be returned and placed under the tree UNWRAPPED and with the Giving Tree ornament ATTACHED. This will help us to know for which child the gift was intended. Money placed in an envelope and marked "Giving Tree" would also be graciously accepted and used to shop for any "missing" items! Place such envelopes into the collection basket. All gifts will need to be turned in by Sunday, Dec. 10th. If you are interested in helping sort, shop, or deliver, please contact Anita Fry, Melea Gault, Laura Meyer, Kristin Stone, or Dana Fledderman.

Cohort & Deanery News:

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

Pro-Life Chicken Dinner Saturday, Dec. 2, 2017 Serving from 5:00 -8:00 P.M. at Knights of Columbus, Batesville, Indiana Adults: \$10.00; Children: \$5.00; 3 and under: FREE *Proceeds will go towards the March for Life trip to Washington, D.C. for the St. Nicholas 7th and 8th grade students.

Save the Date! The Celebration of Love will be held Saturday, February 10, 2018 from 6:00-11:00pm at the Batesville K of C's. Gather your friends as we celebrate LOVE! The night will include dinner and a keynote speaker. A dance, wedding cake and a champagne toast will complete the evening! Reservations will be taken in the New Year. Stay tuned for more details! Sponsored by St. Louis Parish.

Healing Mass: St. Nicholas-6461 E. St. Nicholas Dr., Sunman, Indiana 47041, on Tuesday, December 12th (Feast day of our Lady of Guadalupe) at 7pm. Fr. Richard McAlear, (OMI) will be presiding. Father believes that the greatest healing comes through the Eucharist. With the Holy Eucharist within us and the Holy Eucharist exposed before us we are embraced by the Merciful Heart of Jesus. You will have an opportunity to receive prayer from Father McAlear after the mass. Praise and worship music starts at 6:30pm and confessions are available. "The Spirit of God is on me. He anointed me to bring Good News to the poor, to heal the brokenhearted and to free the oppressed." (Is. 61, 1)