



5TH SUNDAY OF LENT

UNTIE HIM

The dead man came out, tied hand and foot with burial bands, and his face was wrapped in a cloth. So Jesus said to them, "Untie him and let him go." —Jn 11:44

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil6:30 p.m.
 Sunday 7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m. and 12:00 Noon
 Weekdays..... 7:30 a.m. Monday thru Friday
 School Mass9:00 a.m. on Fridays

HOLY DAY SCHEDULE: See Mass Intention Times Inside

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays: 11:00 a.m.

Anytime by calling the parish office for an appointment.

BAPTISMS: Presenting a child for Baptism is a serious obligation and requires a faith commitment on the part of the parents and godparents. This commitment is exemplified by being a practicing, active Catholic. Parents are obligated to attend a preparation session before a child's baptism if they have not attended one in the past five years. Sessions are held at 1:15 p.m. on second Sundays of January, March, May, July, September and November, in the Parish Activity Center. Baptisms are at 1:15 p.m. on the third Sunday of January, February, March, May, June, July, August, September, October, November and December and on the fourth Sunday of April.

WEDDINGS: Please phone the parish office to set-up an appointment with a priest, in order to begin the sacramental preparation. Only after this initial meeting and assessment can a date be set for the wedding. The process requires at least 6 months.

COUNSELING SERVICES: Offered by Bob Skipper at Spiritual Center of Maria Stein 1-937-299-9005.

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NEW PARISHIONERS ARE WELCOME

Please come to the parish office to register. If you have a change of address, phone number or email, please inform the parish office.

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FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT, APRIL 2, 2017

Congratulations to the young men and women from I.C. Parish who celebrated the Sacrament of Confirmation at I.C. last weekend. We pray that the gifts of the Holy Spirit may come upon them, enliven their hearts and remain with them always. Thanks to the Confirmation team from I.C., Joyce Johnson, Charlie Salway and Lindsey Lunz, for the gift of faith you have not only taught, but also witnessed. And thanks to the parents, the first and foremost teachers of their children in the ways of faith. Your witness of faith is a blessing that will flourish in your sons and daughters for years to come.

Fr. Ken & Fr. Alt

Live the Liturgy - Inspiration for the Week

As our season of Lent quickly draws to a close, we are reminded today that God's creative and life giving presence is always at work, bringing light out of darkness and new life out of death. The prophet Ezekiel reminds us that God's spirit is within us. Realizing this allows us to endure not only our eventual physical deaths but any difficulty, disappointment or crisis we may encounter. God's desire to bring all things into loving union with him is eternal.

Beginning of Holy Week

Next Sunday, April 9 is Palm Sunday. It marks the beginning of Holy Week, the most sacred time of our liturgical year. On this day the Church celebrates Christ's entrance into Jerusalem to accomplish His paschal mystery. Palm Sunday celebrations will include the blessing and distribution of palms.

Confession/Sacrament of Reconciliation

Confession will be offered Thursday, April 6 at 7:00 p.m. Confession is offered regularly on Saturday's at 11:00 a.m., with the exception of Easter Saturday, April 15. The Church does not permit confession and other sacraments prior to the Easter vigil on Holy Saturday.

✠ Vocation Cross ✠

April 9-15 -- Cal & Maria Laborde

April 16-22 -- Joe Langenkamp



Legacies and bequests help continue the faith. Please remember Immaculate Conception Parish in your will and expressions of sympathy.

Mass Intentions For The Week

Monday, April 3

7:30 a.m. Antionette Schoch

6:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross

7:00 p.m. Paul & Jon Jones

Tuesday, April 4

Saint Isidore, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

7:30 a.m. Violet Schmitz (Anniversary)

Wednesday, April 5

Saint Vincent Ferrer, Priest

7:30 a.m. Schwegman, Bertke & Hoelscher Families

Thursday, April 6

7:30 a.m. Dale & Mary Ellen Hileman

Friday, April 7

Saint John Baptist de la Salle, Priest

7:30 a.m. Delma Blanca

9:00 a.m. Carl Borger

Saturday, April 8

6:30 p.m. Roger & Margaret Flaute

50th Wedding Anniversary

Sunday, April 9

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

7:30 a.m. People of the Parish

9:00 a.m. John & Nora Mader

12:00 noon Randy Griesdorn

Church Cleaning

It is once again time for Spring Cleaning of the Church. We invite all men and women of the parish to come and help. We will be cleaning Wednesday, April 5 after the 7:30 Mass with an alternate date of Tuesday, April 11. Please bring a bucket. Remember many hands make light work. Lunch will be served in the PAC when we have finished.

Readings for the Week of April 2, 2017

Sunday: Ez 37:12-14/Ps 130:1-8/Rom 8:8-11/

Jn 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45

Monday: Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13:41c-62/

Ps 23:1-6/Jn 8:1-11

Tuesday: Nm 21:4-9/Ps 102:2-3, 16-21/Jn 8:21-30

Wednesday: Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95/Dn 3:52-56/

Jn 8:31-42

Thursday: Gn 17:3-9/Ps 105:4-9/Jn 8:51-59

Friday: Jer 20:10-13/Ps 18:2-7/Jn 10:31-42

Saturday: Ez 37:21-28/Jr 31:10-12abcd, 13/Jn 11:45-56

Next Sunday: Mt 21:1-11/Is 50:4-7/Ps 22:8-9, 17-20, 23-24/Phil 2:6-11/Mt 26:14-27:66 or 27:11-54

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Let's Get Registered

Registration forms for the 2017-2018 school year have been sent home with the students in our current kindergarten class of our Sunday School Program who will be attending first grade in our Religious Education Program on Wednesday nights next year. Students currently in grades 1-9 of the Religious Education Program will receive their registration forms on Wednesday, April 5. Forms will also be available in the Religious Education Office, Parish Office, and at the doors of church. Next year's fee is \$45.00 per child if turned in by May 10. **After May 10** the fee will be **\$50.00** per child. Register early to save a little money and help us plan for next year!

Help Needed!

The 9th grade CCD class at I.C. will be decorating and filling "Surprise Boxes" to brighten the lives of local children ages 6 to 10 as a service project. O.U.R. Home will be distributing these gift boxes locally. Small gift items can be brought to the Parish Office, School Office, Religious Ed Office, or with one of our CCD students by April 19. Some ideas are small toys, school supplies, personal care items, hard or gummy candy, t-shirts, socks, hats, sunglasses, hair clips, jewelry, watches, and flashlights (with extra batteries).

PLEASE do not include used or damaged items; toy guns, knives, or military figures; chocolate or any soft candy; out-of-date candy; food; liquids; lotions; medications; or vitamins.

PLEASE put the item(s) in a box or bag with a note indicating that the package should go to the 9th grade class. If you have any questions please call the Religious Education Office at 419-586-2370.

Eyes to See and Ears to Hear

On Tuesday, April 11 in the PAC, Room 104 at 7:00 p.m., there will be a video explanation of the Feast of Divine Mercy Sunday. This powerful Feast on April 23, requested by Jesus for us through St. Faustina in the 20th Century, is an extraordinary gift to us from our Merciful God. You are welcome to bring a Catholic friend/s from another Parish, your bottle of water, and padded seat cushion, if you like! For any questions, please call Janet Ramsey at 419-586-3881.

Liturgical Ministers

Liturgical Ministers are needed for Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Easter Vigil and Easter Sunday services. Please contact the Parish Office at 419-586-6648 or ann@celina-ic.org if you can fill one of the open positions. Thank you.

Are you spring cleaning? Could you use a hand?

There is a group of parishioners available to help you with projects on Saturday, April 29. Servant Saturday is about helping others in our parish and community. We can clean-out gutters, landscape, paint, clean windows, haul away junk... whatever we can do to help. If you could use a hand or know someone who might need a hand call the Parish Office or Tom at 419-305-0651 or Joe at 419-678-3289.

Used Item Auction Chairperson!

Joe and Connie Voss would like to invite anyone interested in learning about chairing the USED ITEM AUCTION to contact Connie at 419-586-3216; this is your invitation to get involved! After 25 years we feel it's time for others to infuse their excitement as chairperson(s). Ideal arrangement for two or more people; we have dependable helpers. Shadowing the auction this year would be a great start! (Work is finished on Friday so you are free to enjoy the rest of the festival weekend!)

Job Oportunities

The Parish Community of St. Joseph Catholic Church is seeking to fill two full-time staff positions as coordinators of religious education to children, youth and adults. Organized, hard-working and faith-filled individuals who are interested please call the St. Joseph Parish Office at 419 738-2115 for more information.

Vigil of the Two Hearts will be held on Friday, April 7 and Saturday, April 8 at St Sebastian Church at 7:00 p.m. with rosary and confessions with Fr. Alphons Minja and Fr. Charles Mullen. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will be celebrated with Fr. Alphons Minja followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. Adoration and prayers will continue throughout the night in reparation for our sins and those of the whole world.

On Saturday, April 8 at 6:30 a.m. Fr. Bill O'Donnell will process the Blessed Sacrament then at 7:00 a.m. the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will be celebrated. Try to spend some time with our Lord during the Vigil. We need to pray for guidance from the Holy Spirit and a willingness to work together for the good of our Country.

Deadline Date Change

Bulletin articles are due in writing by 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday. You may email article to: ann@celina-ic.org.

The deadline for articles for the April 16 bulletin has been changed to Friday, April 7 at 9:00 a.m.



Calendar of Events for the Week

Saturday, April 8, 6:30 p.m.

Servers: Rachael Olberding & Maddie Fleck
 Commentator: Dennis Hirt
 Lector: Gerald Vian
 Gifts: Roger Flaute
 E. M.: Rita Prenger, Denny Marbaugh, Joan Carr,
 Tara Homan, Lori Vian
 Ushers: Team E, Richard Carlin, Captain

Sunday, April 9, 7:30 a.m.

Servers: Nathan & Matthew Albers
 Commentator: Jim Poeppelman
 Lector: Jan Dues
 Gifts: Rusty Vorhees
 E. M.: Dr. Ken Schmiesing, Kathy Schmiesing,
 James Poeppelman, Diane Hunt, Myra Hileman,
 Dave Cron, Jane Cron, Rita Snider, Ruth Knapke,
 Margaret Baskett, Karen Albers
 Usher: Team F, Steve Alig, Captain

Sunday, April 9, 9:00 a.m.

Servers: Maddy Luebke & Noah Shrock
 Commentator: Chad Stolly
 Lector: Cissy Muntzinger
 Gifts: Dave Shrock
 E. M.: X Lisa Schott, Joan Wurster, Jim Miller, Christine
 Carney, Harry Coy, Carol Coy
 Ushers: Team G, Dave Cron, Captain

Sunday, April 9, 12:00 Noon

Servers: Zachary & Cayden Hirsch
 Commentator: Bev Korte
 Lector: Jan Yackey
 Gifts: Andy Darras
 E. M.: Mike Braun, Mary Ann Laughlin, Ann Hull,
 Pat Hull, Liz Muether
 Ushers: Team H, Joe Bruns, Captain

Nursery April 9, *Elaine Hinton & Marie McKirnan

Sunday, April 2

9:00 a.m. Sunday School
 9:00 a.m. Nursery available in the PAC
 10:15 a.m. "Altaration"
 7:00 p.m. Bingo at the K of C Hall

Tuesday, April 4

7:00 p.m. Bingo at the K of C Hall

Wednesday, April 5

8:00 a.m. Church Cleaning
 7:00 p.m. Religious Education Grades 1-9

Thursday, April 6

7:00 p.m. Reconciliation

Friday, April 7

10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Prayer before the Tabernacle
 5:00-7:00 p.m. K of C Fish Fry

Saturday, April 8

11:00 a.m. Reconciliation

Sunday, April 9

9:00 a.m. Sunday School
 9:00 a.m. Nursery available in the PAC
 7:00 p.m. Bingo at the K of C Hall

Bingo

Chairperson April 9 & April 11: Bob McKirnan

Crew Captain April 9: Jerry Moeder

Workers April 9: Frank & Deb Tangeman,
 Steve or Linda Seibel, Bob or Ria Schroeder,
 Stephanie Harris, Ralph & Rita Schmit

Crew Captain April 11: Bill Cook

Workers April 11: Shelley Shrock, Jeff and Lisa Schott,
 Edie Nuding, Ginny Zumberge, Trish Baucher,
 Janie Stammen

Farmer's Night at Maria Stein Shrine for Mercer

County area farmers on Tuesday, April 4, 7:30 p.m. Story of the Patron Saints of Farmers, Sts. Isidore and Maria, presentation of Relics and Blessing of soil. Speakers include Sr. Barbara Ann Hoying C.P.P.S, Br. Nick Renner C.P.P.S. and Matthew Hess. Vocals by Annette Huelskamp. Refreshments by: Moeller Brew Barn and Wagner's IGA. Legacy Fund Opportunity will be presented.

Lenten Day of Reflection

An afternoon of Prayer, Reflection, & Reconciliation on Saturday, April 8 at the Maria Stein Shrine of the Holy Relics. Starting at 2:00 p.m. there will be prayer with the Relic of the True Cross & Reflection "Seeking the Path of Life by Way of the Cross" led by Susan Jenkins, Pastoral Activities Minister. From 2:30-3:30 p.m. reconciliation & veneration of the True Cross and at 3:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross.

Stewardship Offering March 26

Envelopes/online (305)	\$ 12,307.00
Loose	<u>1,344.10</u>
Total Received	\$ 13,651.10
Weekly Offering:	\$ 13,651.10
Week Budgeted:	<u>14,304.00</u>
Over/Short:	(\$ 652.90)
YTD Total Collection:	\$536,518.49
YTD Total Budgeted:	<u>543,552.00</u>
Over/Short to date:	(\$ 7,033.51)

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