



Immaculate Conception CHURCH

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil 6:30 p.m.
Sunday 7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m. and 12:00 Noon
Weekdays..... 7:30 a.m. Monday thru Friday
School Mass 9:00 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, April, May, June, August, September, October, November and December and on the second Sunday of July.

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.

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.

PASTORAL STAFF

Fr. Kenneth Schnipke, C.P.P.S., Pastor
Fr. Kenneth Alt, C.P.P.S., Parochial Vicar
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PASTORAL COUNCIL

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Fifth Sunday of Easter April 24, 2016

First Communion will be celebrated at Immaculate Conception, Sunday, May 1, 2016 at the 12 noon Mass. Our young boys and girls, along with their families have been preparing for this sacrament throughout the year. Let us pray that they may be united more closely to the Lord Jesus through the gift of His body and blood and reverence the gift of the Eucharist all the days of their lives.

With these children, their parents, sponsors and relatives in attendance, seating at the 12 noon Mass will be limited. If some parishioners who usually attend this Sunday Mass are able to attend one of the other weekend Masses on May 1, that would help ease possible congestion and overcrowding. Thanks for your understanding and thanks for your prayers and concern for our children receiving First Holy Communion.

Fr. Ken, Fr. Alt & Joyce

Gospel Reflection

"This is how all will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another." When people watch us, do they know that we are the disciples of Jesus?

As Christians, we are called to do more than love the Lord. We are called to be his witnesses in the world by loving others as well. In today's Gospel reading, he gave us a new commandment, "As I have loved you, so you also should love one another." Anyone, everyone, should be able to look at us and see this love in action. If we are not witnesses to this love, then we are falling short of our mission.

So, how did Jesus love us? Selflessly. His love was never motivated by personal gain. On the contrary, he often suffered for us, and not just on the cross. He faced rejection and animosity for loving those who were considered "unlovable" in his culture. He lived a life of poverty and simplicity, never focused on amassing things for himself, but always willing to give of himself. This is the love we are called to imitate.

The task can feel daunting. We are not perfect people, and being witnesses to Christ-like love can strike us as a lofty challenge. Of course, it's easier to be selfless and generous with people who love us in return, or with those who stir our compassion. But to be consistent witnesses to loving one another in all circumstances--like Jesus does for us--that takes it to another level. Thankfully, however, Jesus doesn't expect us to do this on our own. He promises us his Spirit to live in us and love through us. Through our baptism, we have his Spirit dwelling in our hearts, along with the supernatural gifts of faith, hope, and love. May we make these gifts flourish.

Mass Intentions For The Week

Monday, April 25

Saint Mark, Evangelist

7:30 a.m. Mary Lou Homan

Tuesday, April 26

7:30 a.m. Warren, Brent, Chris &
Monte Anderson

10:00 a.m. Mass at The Gardens

Wednesday, April 27

7:30 a.m. Fr. Mathias Schmit, C.P.P.S.

Thursday, April 28

**Saint Peter Chanel, Priest and Martyr, Saint Louis
Grignon de Montfort, Priest**

7:30 a.m. John Hierholzer

Friday, April 29

**Saint Catherine of Siena, Virgin and Doctor of the
Church**

7:30 a.m. Don Winkeljohn (Anniversary)

9:00 a.m. Margaret Winans

Saturday, April 30

6:30 p.m. Ethel Klosterman

Sunday, May 1

7:30 a.m. Kyle Wendel

9:00 a.m. Mary Evelyn Kohlen

12:00 noon First Communion

People of the Parish

Rest In Peace

Remember in your prayers those who have died, especially Bill Albright, Martha Claxton and Rita Fisher.

✠ Vocation Cross ✠

May 1-7 -- Carl & Judie Braun

May 8-14 -- Janeen Braun



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

Readings for the Week of April 24, 2016

Sunday: **Acts 14:21-27/Ps 145:8-13/Rv 21:1-5a/**

Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35

Monday: **1 Pt 5:5b-14/Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17/Mk 16:15-20**

Tuesday: **Acts 14:19-28/Ps 145:10-13, 21/Jn 14:27-31a**

Wednesday: **Acts 15:1-6/Ps 122:1-5/Jn 15:1-8**

Thursday: **Acts 15:7-21/Ps 96:1-3, 10/Jn 15:9-11**

Friday: **Acts 15:22-31/Ps 57:8-10, 12/Jn 15:12-17**

Saturday: **Acts 16:1-10/Ps 100:1-3, 5/Jn 15:18-21**

Next Sunday: **Acts 15:1-2, 22-29/Ps 67:2-3, 5-6, 8/**

Rv 21:10-14, 22-23/Jn 14:23-29

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Congratulations to the following who were recently Baptized: Hudson Thomas, son of Jeremy & Mandy Mihm and Connor Robert, son of Eric & Jamie Nieberding.

The *Endowment Fund* received \$1,744.00 in memory of John Hierholzer.

School News

Immaculate Conception Preschool is currently accepting enrollments for the 2016-2017 school year. Preschool 2, for 4-5 year olds, will meet Monday-Thursday from 8:30-11:15 a.m. Preschool 1, for 3-4 year olds, will meet Tuesdays and Thursdays from 8:30-11:15 a.m. Call the school office at 419-586-2379 with questions, to schedule a tour, or to enroll your child.

Our 5th grade class recently went on an overnight trip to Camp Willson with a stop on the way home to Ohio Caverns! Thanks to Mrs. Reineke for organizing the trip and also to the parents who went along to chaperone!

Dues Nursery visited our school and met with our first and second grades to teach them more about planting seeds. Each student had the opportunity to plant sunflower seeds and now we are waiting for them to sprout! Thank you Dues Nursery!

A special thanks to everyone who supported our recent Quarter Auction and PTO pizza and burrito sales! These fundraisers are vital to our school and we appreciate your generosity!

“We Are God’s Holy Boys and Girls – One Big Happy Family – We Live the Message of the Parables!”

Graduates Are Invited!

Immaculate Conception will celebrate the accomplishments of our high school graduates on May 22 at the 9:00 a.m. Mass. Donuts and coffee will be served in rooms 103 & 104 of the Parish Activity Center after the Mass for all parish members to help celebrate! Invitations have been sent out to our grads asking them to RSVP, but if any 2016 grads did not receive one and would like to attend, please let Joyce know by calling 419-586-2370 or by emailing jjohnson@celina-ic.org by May 16. Also, if the grads or family members would like to take part in the Mass please let Joyce know that as well!

Let’s Get Registered!!!

Registration forms for the 2016-2017 school year have been sent home with students who may possibly attend our Religious Education Program on Wednesday nights or Sunday mornings next year. Forms are available in the Religious Education Office, Parish Office, and at the doors of church. Soon they will be available on our parish website. Next year’s fee is \$45 per child if turned in by May 5. **After May 5** the fee will be **\$50** per child. Register early to save a little money and help us plan for next year!

Auxiliary Dinner

The Ladies Auxiliary of the Knights of St. John will have their mother-daughter dinner on May 2 at 5:00 p.m. at the Orchard Tree. Please RSVP by May 1 to Dianna at 419-586-6136 or Rosie at 419-586-5366.

Litter Efforts

Thank you to all the volunteers who recently picked up trash in Hopewell township. Your generosity of time and effort will be multiplied financially to our sister parish in Guatemala.



Donate Your Surplus

Time to clean out cupboards, drawers and closets? Keep in mind the Parish Garage Sale which will be held this year on July 11-12. Toys, kitchenware, linens, appliances, tools, and craft items are big sellers. As always, we do not accept clothing, hardback books, Christmas trees, or computer related equipment. Donations will be accepted on June 22 and 29, and July 6. We always need many donations so that we can continue to have a successful sale. Thanks for keeping us in mind!!

Altar Rosary Society

All Ladies of the Parish are invited to 7:30 Mass on May 9 to honor all living and deceased members of the Ladies Altar Rosary Society. Mass will be followed by breakfast at the Orchard Tree Restaurant in Celina. Please call Trish Baucher, 419-586-4186, with your reservation by May 5. Remember ALL ladies 18 years old and older are members of the Altar Rosary Society.

Society Samaritans

Once again the Ladies of the Altar Rosary Society and several men of the parish took time to help clean the church. We had a total of 25 volunteers who helped to spruce up the church. Thank you to all who helped and thank you to Marilyn Pax who prepared a delicious lunch for all those who worked!

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



Calendar of Events for the Week

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

Servers: Jonathan and Kara Shaffer
 Commentator: Joshua Muhlenkamp
 Lector: Gerald Vian
 Gifts: Ryan Muhlenkamp
 E. M.: Rita Prenger, Lori Vian, John Vermeersch,
 Heather Henry, Chris Henry
 Ushers: Team M, Jeff Schott, Captain

Sunday, May 1, 7:30 a.m.

Servers: Thomas and Kevin Stoner
 Commentator: Hugh Aukerman
 Lector: Sue Aukerman
 Gifts: Carl Braun
 E. M.: Diane Hunt, Hannah Heckler, Pat Brookhart,
 Denny Marbaugh, John Schmidt
 Ushers: Team A, Steven Burley, Captain

Sunday, May 1, 9:00 a.m.

Servers: Kelly Moeder and Justin Bruggeman
 Commentator: Trish Baucher
 Lector: Jan Dues
 Gifts: Dale Albers
 E. M.: Charlie Salway, Harry Coy, Carol Coy,
 Joe Pecharich, Sharon Griggs
 Ushers: Team B, Mike Everman, Captain

Sunday, May 1, 12:00 Noon

Servers: Emma Homan, Drake and Conor Krogman
 Commentator: Joyce Johnson
 Lector: Bev Korte
 Gifts: TJ Boersma, McKenna Will & Nathaniel Stolly
 E. M.: Carol Thees, Joan Carr, Fr. Alt, Pending, Linda
 Schoen, X Pending, Pat Hull, Ann Hull, Judie Braun,
 Nancy Frazier, Joyce Johnson, Pending
 Ushers: Team C, Ken Art, Captain

Nursery, May 1 *Melinda Adams and Angie Fleck

Sunday, April 24

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

Tuesday, April 26

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

Wednesday, April 27

7:00 p.m. Religious Education Grades 1-9
 7:00 p.m. First Communion Practice

Thursday, April 28

Spring Music Program

Saturday, April 30

11:00 a.m. Reconciliation

Sunday, May 1

9:00 a.m. Nursery available in the PAC
 12:00 p.m. Children's Choir
 7:00 p.m. Bingo at the K of C Hall



Chairperson May 1: Mike Shaffer

Crew Captain May 1: Joe Hoying

Workers May 1: Lupe Hoying, Doug Thobe, Bill Siefker,
 Tim Knapke, Rob Luebke, Dale Albers, Carol Fisher

Chairperson, May 3: Jeremy Homan

Crew Captain May 3: Nick Fleck

Workers May 3: Pam May, Carol Wenning, Jerry Hirsch,
 Ken & Carolyn Gaerke, Tom & Anita Muhlenkamp

Lay Catholic Studies

The Athenaeum of Ohio Lay Pastoral Ministry Program is sponsored by the Archdiocese of Cincinnati and offers lay Catholics the opportunity to grow in faith, knowledge and skills. Since 1975, the LPMP has equipped ordinary Catholics to accomplish extraordinary things in the name of Christ. Saturday classes fit into busy adult schedules, allowing participants to maintain job, family and community commitments while answering a call to deeper discipleship. Interviews are now underway for fall classes at the Pilarczyk Center in Dayton. Email Deacon Hal Belcher at hbelcher001@woh.rr.com or call 419-305-5486.

First Saturday Devotions will be held at St. Charles Center main chapel on May 7 at 2:00 p.m. There will be a May Crowning followed by an hour of prayer including adoration, the rosary & other devotions followed by Benediction. Father James Miller will officiate. All are welcome to attend.

Stewardship Offering April 17

Envelopes/online (282)	\$ 13,869.00
Loose	<u>1,497.39</u>
Total Received	\$ 15,366.39
Weekly Offering:	\$ 15,366.39
Week Budgeted:	<u>14,517.00</u>
Over/Short:	\$ 849.39
YTD Total Collection:	\$620,419.80
YTD Total Budgeted:	<u>609,714.00</u>
Over/Short to date:	\$ 10,705.80

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