



Immaculate Conception CHURCH

*Served by the Missionaries of the
Precious Blood since 1864*

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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

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.

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.

PASTORAL STAFF

Fr. Kenneth Schnipke, C.P.P.S., Pastor
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TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, OCTOBER 16 2016

World Mission Sunday

Next week, we will celebrate world Mission Sunday. Its theme this year is "Mercy Changes the World." Pope Francis invites the entire Church to support the young mission dioceses in Africa, Asia, the Pacific Islands, and parts of Latin America and Europe, where priests, religious and lay leaders serve some of the poorest of the poor. Please keep the Missions in your prayers and be generous in next week's collection for the Society of the Propagation of the Faith.

Feast of St. Gaspar del Bufalo

The Missionaries of the Precious Blood celebrate the feast of their founder, St. Gaspar del Bufalo, on Friday, October 21. St. Gaspar del Bufalo was born on January 6, 1776 in Rome. He was ordained a priest for the diocese of Rome in 1808, and less than two years later was arrested and imprisoned for refusing to take the oath of allegiance to Napoleon. There, both his faith and determination to spread the good news of our salvation through the Precious Blood grew stronger. After three years in prison, he was released, and on August 15, 1815, he founded the Missionaries of the Precious Blood at the Abbey of San Felice in Giano, Italy. For twenty-two years, he preached missions and retreats, renewing the Church by preaching the Word and proclaiming the saving power of the Precious Blood. He died on December 28, 1837.

Fr. Ken & Fr. Alt



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

Readings for the Week of October 16, 2016

Sunday: **Ex 17:8-13/Ps 121:1-8/2 Tm 3:14--4:2/Lk 18:1-8**

Monday: **Eph 2:1-10/Ps 100:1-5/Lk 12:13-21**

Tuesday: **2 Tm 4:10-17b/Ps 145:10-13, 17-18/Lk 10:1-9**

Wednesday: **Eph 3:2-12/Is 12:2-6/Lk 12:39-48**

Thursday: **Eph 3:14-21/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 11-12, 18-19/**

Lk 12:49-53

Friday: **Eph 4:1-6/Ps 24:1-6/Lk 12:54-59**

Saturday: **Eph 4:7-16/Ps 122:1-5/Lk 13:1-9**

Next Sunday: **Sir 35:12-14, 16-18/Ps 34:2-3, 17-19, 23/**

2 Tm 4:6-8, 16-18/Lk 18:9-14

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Mass Intentions For The Week

Monday, October 17

Saint Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop and Martry

7:30 a.m. Dan Flaute

Tuesday, October 18

Saint Luke, Evangelist

7:30 a.m. Don Schmiesing

10:00 a.m. Mass at Celina Manor

Wednesday, October 19

Saints John de Brebeuf and Isaac Jogues, Priests, and companions, Martyrs

7:30 a.m. Robert Sudhoff

Thursday, October 20

Saint Paul of the Cross, Priest

7:30 a.m. Bob Fleck, Victor Gehle, Barb Gehle

Friday, October 21

7:30 a.m. Leonard Kittle

9:00 a.m. Vince Studer

Saturday, October 22

Saint John Paul II, Pope

6:30 p.m. Steve Grimes (Anniversary)

Sunday, October 23

7:30 a.m. Ann Knapke

9:00 a.m. Liv. & Dec. Ray Knapke Family

12:00 noon People of the Parish

Rest In Peace

Remember in your prayers those who have died, especially Linda Kanney.

The *Endowment Fund* received \$25.00 in memory of Don Uhlenhake, \$25.00 in memory of Linda Kanney, \$50.00 in memory of Fr. Riedel and \$150.00 from parishioners.

✠ Vocation Cross ✠

October 23-29 -- Chris & Cathy Fullenkamp

October 30-November 5 -- John & Myra Hileman

Month of the Rosary

October is the month dedicated to the Holy Rosary. In honor of this, our Parish will pray a Rosary ½ hour before each of the following weekend Masses:

Saturday, October 22 ~ 6:30 p.m. Mass

Sunday, October 30 ~ 7:30 a.m. Mass

Everyone is invited to come early to Mass to join others in praying this powerful prayer to our Blessed Mother. Bring your children so they may learn this prayer of our Church. Pray the Rosary as a family at home this month, too!

Student Council Bake Sale

I.C. School Student Council, along with the support of the Marketing Committee, will be holding a bake sale after masses this weekend in the PAC for "Make A Difference Day". Proceeds from the bake sale will go towards the school's 2016/2017 mission project. "Make A Difference Day", the largest single day of service nationwide, is recognized annually on the 4th Saturday of October (this year - October 22). Thank you for your support in helping us make a difference!



All Saints Dinner Auction

The 6th annual All Saints Dinner Auction will be held on October 29 at the Galleria. Please call the school office at 419-586-2379 to reserve your tickets. This is a wonderful evening and we hope to see you there!

Prayers Needed

This year's Confirmation Mass will be held on March 26, 2017 at 12:00 Noon. In the back of church you will find a "prayer tree" containing a card for each Confirmation candidate. Please take a card and remember that particular student in your special prayers through Confirmation Day and beyond. You may wish to pick someone you do not know. It is wonderful to know that someone is praying for you even though you don't know them! If you wish, you can send the candidate a card as well by putting the student's name on the envelope and drop it off at the Parish Office or the Religious Education Office. This is one way we can show our youth that they are part of a larger Christian community and they have the support of our parish. Please keep all of our candidates (and their teachers) in your prayers as they participate in their faith formation!

Christmas Bazaar

Plans are underway for the annual I.C. Parish Christmas Bazaar to be held on Saturday, December 3, in the Parish Activity Center. Donations of crafts and Christmas decorations will be accepted in late November/early December. Also needed are items for the Bake Sale Room. Please check the bulletin in November for additional information. All donations are greatly appreciated.

Looking for a Volunteer

The I.C. Christmas Bazaar is looking for a well organized and creative person to be in charge of the Bake Sale during the Bazaar. Our long time Bake Sale chairperson wants to retire to pursue some other interests and activities. She will mentor you to make the transition easy. If you think you are interested, please call Janet at 419-586-3881.



Mission Concert!



Daniel Oberreuter, the lead singer of the Catholic rock band The Thirsting, will be offering a solo, free-will offering acoustic parish mission concert at Immaculate Conception Church on Tuesday, October 18, at 7:00 p.m. Daniel will share his personal testimony and a powerful message on the rosary and confession. Daniel has performed this concert at hundreds of churches across the nation. This is an event you do not want to miss and an excellent opportunity for evangelization within the community. All are encouraged to come and bring a friend, family member, or neighbor who has fallen away from the Catholic Church. If you have children in the youth group, this is a must attend! The mission of Daniel Oberreuter and The Thirsting is to promote the Rosary, the Eucharist and the Catholic Church through music. For more details visit his website www.thethirstingcatholic.com.

Altar Rosary Society

All Ladies of the parish over the age of 18 are members of the Altar Rosary Society. We would like all ladies to join us for our meeting on Monday, October 17 at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Activity Center. Our guest speaker this month will be Marge Griesdorn who will be educating us about the American Foundation of Suicide Prevention. Please mark your calendar and join us for the meeting followed by snacks and refreshments.

Health Awareness Class

Are you feeling uncomfortable in your own skin, finding yourself easily winded, or lacking the zest or energy to complete your daily tasks? You are not alone. I.C. is offering a free seminar to reveal some simple tips and rebuild habits of health to interested parishioners 18 years of age and above. Classes will be held Monday evenings, October 24 - November 21, 2016 from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. in the PAC, Room 103. To sign up for class and for more details please contact Janice at 419-733-3804.

The Parish Nursery is open on Sundays during the 9:00 a.m. Mass. The nursery is located in the Parish Activity Center. Enter through the glass doors on the north side of the building off of the parking lot. No charge for this service. Loving volunteers will help care for your child/children.

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



ON MAKING MORAL CHOICES IN VOTING

In the Catholic tradition, responsible citizenship is a virtue. The responsibility to make political choices rests with each person and his or her properly formed conscience.

As bishops, we do not intend to tell Catholics for whom or against whom to vote. Our purpose is to help Catholics form their consciences in accordance with God's truth". (#7 *Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship*)

Catholic voters are called to properly form their consciences in preparation for voting and for the continued advocacy for just laws and policies required after voting. This process should focus on moral principles, the defense of life, the needs of the weak, and the pursuit of the common good. It requires constant prayer, understanding of Church teaching, and discernment that goes beyond campaign rhetoric and partisan politics.

This discernment should focus on a candidate's consistency with moral principles, sincerity, integrity and the ability to effect the policies that he or she promotes. It should also include seeking and verifying background information regarding a candidate's stance on policy issues, and a consideration of those who would be directly impacted by such policies.

**FORMING CONSCIENCES FOR FAITHFUL CITIZENSHIP:
A CALL TO POLITICAL RESPONSIBILITY FROM THE CATHOLIC BISHOPS OF THE UNITED STATES
PARAGRAPHS 34-37**

Catholics often face difficult choices about how to vote. This is why it is so important to vote according to a well-formed conscience that perceives the proper relationship among moral goods. A Catholic cannot vote for a candidate who favors a policy promoting an intrinsically evil act, such as abortion, euthanasia, assisted suicide, deliberately subjecting workers or the poor to subhuman living conditions, redefining marriage in ways that violate its essential meaning, or racist behavior, if the voter's intent is to support that position. In such cases, a Catholic would be guilty of formal cooperation in grave evil. At the same time, a voter should not use a candidate's opposition to an intrinsic evil to justify indifference or inattentiveness to other important moral issues involving human life and dignity.

There may be times when a Catholic who rejects a candidate's unacceptable position even on policies promoting an intrinsically evil act may reasonably decide to vote for that candidate for other morally grave reasons. Voting in this way would be permissible only for truly grave moral reasons, not to advance narrow interests or partisan preferences or to ignore a fundamental moral evil.

When all candidates hold a position that promotes an intrinsically evil act, the conscientious voter faces a dilemma. The voter may decide to take the extraordinary step of not voting for any candidate or, after careful deliberation, may decide to vote for the candidate deemed less likely to advance such a morally flawed position and more likely to pursue other authentic human goods.

In making these decisions, it is essential for Catholics to be guided by a well-formed conscience that recognizes that all issues do not carry the same moral weight and that the moral obligation to oppose policies promoting intrinsically evil acts has a special claim on our consciences and our actions. These decisions should take into account a candidate's commitments, character, integrity, and ability to influence a given issue. In the end, this is a decision to be made by each Catholic guided by a conscience formed by Catholic moral teaching.

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REFLECTIONS ON CHOOSING POLITICAL CANDIDATES

WALKING WITH GOD

“We take up the task of serving the common good with joy and hope, confident that God, who “so loved the world that he gave his only Son,” walks with us and strengthens us on the way (Jn 3:16). God is love, and he desires that we help to build a “civilization of love”—one in which all human beings have the freedom and opportunity to experience the love of God and live out that love by making a free gift of themselves to one another.”

Introduction, Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship

RESPECTFUL, THOUGHTFUL AND CIVIL DIALOGUE

“We who follow Christ must not only speak the truth but must do so in love (Eph 4:15). It is not enough that we know or believe something to be true. We must express that truth in charity with respect for others so that the bonds between us can be strengthened in building up the body of Christ.” *Civil Discourse: Speaking Truth in Love*, Cardinal Wuerl

PRUDENTIAL DISCERNMENT

“The Church’s teaching is clear that a good end does not justify an immoral means. As we all seek to advance the common good—by defending the inviolable sanctity of human life from the moment of conception until natural death, by promoting religious freedom, by defending marriage, by feeding the hungry and housing the homeless, by welcoming the immigrant and protecting the environment—it is important to recognize that not all possible courses of action are morally acceptable. We have a responsibility to discern carefully which public policies are morally sound. Catholics may choose different ways to respond to compelling social problems, but we cannot differ on our moral obligation to help build a more just and peaceful world through morally acceptable means, so that the weak and vulnerable are protected and human rights and dignity are defended.” #20 *Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship*

What is the candidate’s commitment to protect all human life, from conception to natural death?

What is the candidate’s commitment to addressing threats to marriage and family, as understood by the Church, as well as other serious threats to human life and dignity such as racism and other unjust discrimination, the use of the death penalty, resorting to unjust war, the use of torture, war crimes, the failure to respond to those who are suffering from hunger or a lack of health care, or an unjust immigration policy?

How does the candidate measure up in both words and actions with the totality of Catholic Social Teaching?

What would be morally grave reasons to support and/or oppose a candidate? (Please refer to the U.S. Bishops document *Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship*, paragraphs 34 through 37).

What is my assessment of the candidate’s personal integrity, governing philosophy, performance and ability to influence a given issue?

Has the candidate demonstrated sufficient competency to hold such an elected position?

Examining party platforms in light of Catholic teaching may be a helpful consideration, especially when a voter faces a dilemma in a voting choice.

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Saturday, October 22, 6:30 p.m.

Servers: Rachael and Shaun Olberding
 Commentator: Judie Braun
 Lector: Gerald Vian
 Gifts: Rob Olberding
 E. M.: Sharon Griggs, Lori Vian, John Vermeersch,
 Dr. Ken Schmiesing, Kathy Schmiesing, Rex Carr,
 Joan Carr, Paul Maxwell, Jeanne Braun,
 Marge Waterman, Denny Marbaugh
 Ushers: Team A, Steven Byrley, Captain

Sunday, October 23, 7:30 a.m.

Servers: Jonathan Shaffer and Lauren Schroeder
 Commentator: Trish Baucher
 Lector: Bev Korte
 Gifts: Mary Dues
 E. M.: Richard Carlin, Margaret Baskett, Charlie Salway,
 Charles Mescher, Jane Mescher
 Ushers: Team B, Mike Everman, Captain

Sunday, October 23, 9:00 a.m.

Servers: Kelly Moeder and Destiny Anderson
 Commentator: Paulette Sommer
 Lector: Dale Sommer
 Gifts: Matt Heckler
 E. M.: Myra Hileman, Jon Yost, Harry Coy, Carol Coy,
 Jim Miller, X Ann Hull
 Ushers: Team C, Ken Art, Captain

Sunday, October 23, 12:00 Noon

Servers: Alicia Knapke and Bree Knapke
 Commentator: Molly Moorman
 Lector: Jan Yackey
 Gifts: Jim Poeppelman
 E. M.: Eric Clausen, Kelli Clausen, Kylie Johnson,
 James Poeppelman, Anne Knapke
 Ushers: Team D, Stephen Seibel, Captain

Nursery October 23, *Teresa Hoyng & Karen Riesen

Sunday, October 16

9:00 a.m. Nursery available in the PAC
 9:00 a.m. Sunday School
 9:00 a.m. Adult Choir
 10:00 a.m. Parish Coffee
 10:15 a.m. Confirmation Class
 7:00 p.m. Bingo at the K of C Hall

Monday, October 17

7:00 p.m. Altar Rosary Meeting

Tuesday, October 18

6:00 p.m. Rosary
 7:00 p.m. RCIA
 7:00 p.m. Daniel Oberreuter Concert
 7:00 p.m. Bingo at the K of C Hall

Wednesday, October 19

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

Saturday, October 22

11:00 a.m. Reconciliation

Sunday, October 23

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

Bingo

Chairperson October 23: Bob McKirnan
Crew Captain October 23: Chuck Mertz
Workers October 23: Wilfred Albers, Andy Darras,
 Carol Mertz, Eric Guggenbiller, Doug Drexler,
 Greg Homan, Jane Homan
Chairperson & Crew Captain October 25: Pat Hull
Workers October 25: Jo Ann Pryer, Marge Zwiebel,
 Bryan Klingshirn, Cathy Vian, Dan Dirksen, Ann Hull,
 Dave Frenzer

5k Run/Walk for Vocations

The Coldwater K of C Council 1991 will host the 4th Annual Knights of Columbus 5k Run/Walk for Vocations on Saturday, November 12 at St. Charles Center. Registration starts at 8:30 a.m., with the 5K beginning at 10:00. The 5k covers the scenic grounds of St. Charles Center and the surrounding area. The purpose of the run is to further our support for Vocations by increasing awareness as well as providing financial support to our Seminarians and Lay People.

Individuals of all faiths and denominations are welcome. Entry forms are available under the Entry Forms tab at www.mercerhealth5Kchallenge.com.

For additional information please contact race director Steve Schmidt at 419-852-8663.

Stewardship Offering October 9

Envelopes/online (268)	\$ 9,951.00
Loose	<u>1,118.02</u>
Total Received	\$ 11,069.02
Weekly Offering:	\$ 11,069.02
Week Budgeted:	<u>14,304.00</u>
Over/Short:	(\$ 3,234.98)
YTD Total Collection:	\$209,684.03
YTD Total Budgeted:	<u>214,560.00</u>
Over/Short to date:	(\$ 4,875.97)

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