



# 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  
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## 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  
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## PASTORAL COUNCIL

Mike Robinson, President

## SCHOOL ADVISORY BOARD

Kevin Riesen, Chairperson

## RELIGIOUS ED. COMMISSION

Lynn Locke, Chairperson

## FINANCE COMMISSION

Harry Coy, Chairperson

# SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, JANUARY 15, 2017

**Our Catholic Faith** is a series of responses to questions being raised in our local faith community. We hope these responses will help deepen your understanding of our Catholic faith, strengthen your commitment and draw you closer to Jesus himself.

**Do Catholics believe and accept Jesus as our Lord and Savior? Yes, we certainly do, is the short answer.** Some faith traditions suggest that unless you make a commitment to Jesus saying the specific words “I accept Jesus as my Lord and Savior” you cannot be saved. And yet, Jesus is the one who saves, and Jesus can save anyone.

In our Catholic faith, we experience sacred moments where individuals make a commitment in faith to the Lord Jesus, particularly in receiving the sacraments. We believe sacraments are sacred actions instituted by Christ and entrusted to the Church, by which faith is expressed and strengthened, worship is rendered to God and the sanctification of humankind is effected through God’s grace.

In Baptism, the gate to the sacraments, men and women are freed from their sins, reborn as children of God and, configured to Christ by an indelible character, are incorporated into the Church. In the sacrament of Confirmation, we receive the gift of the Holy Spirit and are bound more perfectly to the Church; it strengthens and obliges us more firmly to be witnesses to Christ by word and deed, and to share and defend the gift of faith. The Most Holy Eucharist is the source and summit of all Christian worship where we receive Jesus himself, his Body and his Blood. The Eucharist in our Catholic faith is not merely table fellowship, but the memorial of the life, death and resurrection of Jesus, our great prayer of thanksgiving for all that God has done, and where we are offered and receive the very Body and Blood of Christ.

In each of the sacraments we not only make an assent of faith, but a deep commitment to the Lord Jesus. Parents and godparents help us make this commitment of faith in Baptism and First Holy Communion. Confirmation is the time we are asked to stand on our own conviction and commit ourselves more deeply to the Lord Jesus. And each time we receive the Body and Blood of Jesus in the Most Holy Eucharist, we say “Amen,” “yes it is” Jesus himself. Every time we receive Holy Communion, we say yes to Jesus accepting him as our Lord and Savior and pledging our lives to him.

May the sacraments deepen and strengthen our faith and draw us ever closer to the Lord Jesus.

*Courageously Catholic* is coming Wednesday, February 22, 2017, at 7:00 p.m. Watch for details.



## **Monday, January 16**

7:30 a.m. Don Uhlenhake

## **Tuesday, January 17**

### **St. Anthony, Abbot**

7:30 a.m. Rita DeCurtins

10:00 a.m. Mass at Celina Manor

## **Wednesday, January 18**

7:30 a.m. Cora Lynn Palequin

## **Thursday, January 19**

7:30 a.m. Ted Bollinger

## **Friday, January 20**

### **St. Fabian, Pope and Martyr; St. Sebastian, Martyr**

7:30 a.m. Rita Fisher

9:00 a.m. Alivia Nuding

## **Saturday, January 21**

### **St. Agnes, Virgin and Martyr; Our Lady of Altigracia**

6:30 p.m. Ruth Marie Vonder Haar Beiting & Thomas Beiting

## **Sunday, January 22**

7:30 a.m. People of the Parish

9:00 a.m. Eugene Crouch

12:00 noon Mary Kriegel

## **Prayer Service for Christian Unity**

People of all faith traditions are invited to **Prayer Service for Christian Unity on Thursday, January 19 at 6:30 p.m. at Immaculate Conception Church, Celina.** This dynamic worship service is titled “*Reconciliation – The Love of Christ Compels Us*” and is based upon 2 Corinthians 5:14-20. It is being hosted by I.C. and St. John Lutheran and continues our efforts toward a future where all may truly be one in Christ. The prayer service has been developed internationally for all Christian churches as part of Christian Unity Week that goes from January 18-25, 2017. Along with the Prayer Service, we will provide daily scripture commentaries and prayers developed for Christian Unity that are available at the entrances of Church. We hope you will join us for this unique opportunity in the Celina faith community and beyond.

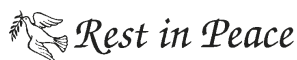


## 2017 Catholic Ministries Appeal (CMA)

Next weekend, the 2017 Catholic Ministries Appeal will kick off throughout the archdiocese. The CMA is our opportunity each year to support the work of six vital ministries and their many programs, all of which operate right here in our archdiocese. Also, if we exceed our parish goal for the CMA, 50% of our overage comes back to the parish to be used toward continued repairs on the church and school. Please prayerfully consider supporting this year's CMA. Your help is needed to Provide a Path for many people throughout our archdiocese. For more information, please visit [CatholicAppeal.info](http://CatholicAppeal.info). Thank you!

## National Migration Week

For nearly a half century, the Catholic Church in the United States has celebrated **National Migration Week**, which is an opportunity for the Church to reflect on the circumstances confronting migrants, including immigrants, refugees, children, and victims and survivors of human trafficking. The theme for National Migration Week 2017 draws attention to Pope Francis' call to create a culture of encounter, and in doing so to look beyond our own needs and wants to those of others around us. Too often we fail to encounter migrants as persons, and instead look at them as others or render them invisible. During this National Migration Week, let us all take the opportunity to engage migrants as community members and neighbors – all of whom are worthy of our attention and support.



*Rest in Peace*

Remember in your prayers those who have died, especially Susan Schmit.

The *Endowment Fund* received \$100.00 in memory of Catherine Hierholzer and \$50.00 in memory of Susan Schmit.

## ✠ Vocation Cross ✠

Jan. 22-28 -- Dale & Karen Albers  
Jan. 29-Feb. 5 -- Carl & Judie Braun

## Thank You!

The St. Vincent de Paul Society collected \$1,102.41 over the weekend of Jan. 7 & 8 along with extra donations sent in around Christmas. We would also like to thank Gary Locke's Religious Education class for their donation before Christmas. The ongoing generosity of our parish enables us to help local people in need.

## Altar Rosary Society

All of the ladies of the parish are considered members of the Altar Rosary Society. In the January collection envelope is the pink envelope designated as "Altar Rosary Dues." This \$5.00 donation helps our Society to continue its work in providing for some of the needs of our church. In the past, we have purchased vestments for our priests, replated chalices, replaced glass on the altars, and made donations toward parish celebrations. Most recently we purchased a new refrigerator and a new freezer for the PAC. The dues contribution from both active and inactive members continues to help us do these kinds of things for our church and it is very much appreciated. Please return the donation in the collection basket. Our next meeting is Monday, January 16 at 7:00 p.m. in the PAC. Come and enjoy an evening with other ladies of the parish.

## Confirmation Candidates on Retreat

The Confirmation candidates from Immaculate Conception will be on retreat in Dayton at the Bergamo Center on January 15-16. The bus will be leaving at 1:30 p.m. on the 15 and returning at approximately 2:30 p.m. on the 16. Please keep these wonderful young men and women in your prayers as they prepare themselves to be confirmed on March 26, 2017.

## Food For All

Once again I.C. Parishioners showed their generosity by donating 406 food items for the local food pantries. Thank you to everyone who donated the items and helped load and deliver them. I.C. parish continues to work toward Pope Francis's goal to end world hunger by 2025.

## Catholic Women's Conference

The 2017 Greater Cincinnati Catholic Women's Conference (GCCWC) will take place on Saturday, March 4, 2017 at The Manor House in Mason, Ohio. This year the theme is: *"Lord, Teach Us to Pray"*. What better way to start lent than a spiritual day of prayer, great talks, and spiritual renewal? We have a wonderful line of speakers for this first Saturday of Lent - speaking under the theme of 'Lord, Teach Us to Pray'. We will also have Archbishop Schnurr celebrating Mass.

Registration is now available online at: [www.catholicwomenofcincinnati.com](http://www.catholicwomenofcincinnati.com). Last year the event was sold out so register early and bring a friend!

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



## Calendar of Events for the Week

### Saturday, January 21, 6:30 p.m.

Servers: Braydon Adams and Amelia Adams  
 Commentator: Dennis Hirt  
 Lector: Charles Mescher  
 Gifts: Chester Fleming  
 E. M.: Joan Carr, Tara Homan, Jane Mescher,  
 Rita Prenger, Joe Hoying  
 Ushers: Team C, Ken Art, Captain

### Sunday, January 22, 7:30 a.m.

Servers: Jonathan Shaffer and Zoe Cox  
 Commentator: Janet Ramsey  
 Lector: Karen Stahl  
 Gifts: Dave Pax  
 E. M.: Mike Braun, Hannah Heckler, Rhett Snyder,  
 Rita Snider, Janet Stachler  
 Ushers: Team D, Stephen Seibel, Captain

### Sunday, January 22, 9:00 a.m.

Servers: Destiny Anderson and Noah Shrock  
 Commentator: Cissy Muntzinger  
 Lector: Lindsey Lunz  
 Gifts: Nancy Hammitt  
 E. M.: X Chad Stolly, Jane Homan, Tim Heckler,  
 Joe Pecharich, Katey Wibbenmeyer, Craig Lunz  
 Ushers: Team E, Richard Carlin, Captain

### Sunday, January 22, 12:00 Noon

Servers: Taylor and Logan Binkley  
 Commentator: Nicole Schumm  
 Lector: Molly Moorman  
 Gifts: Bill Glaser  
 E. M.: Gerard Ahrns, Margaret Flaute, Janie Stammen,  
 John Schmidt, Sharon Griggs, Joan Koontz,  
 Cindy Shaffer, Mike Shaffer, Marge Waterman, Ann Hull,  
 Pat Hull  
 Ushers: Team F, Steve Alig, Captain

### Nursery January 22, Pat & Ann Hull

### Sunday, January 15

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

### Monday, January 16

7:00 p.m. Altar Rosary Meeting in PAC

### Tuesday, January 17

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

### Wednesday, January 18

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

### Thursday, January 19

6:30 p.m. Prayer Service in Church  
 7:00 p.m. Pastoral Council Meeting

### Saturday, January 21

11:00 a.m. Reconciliation

### Sunday, January 22

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

### Bingo

**Chairperson January 22: & 24** Joe Bruns

**Crew Captain January 22:** Joe Hoying

**Workers January 22:** Lupe Hoying, Doug Thobe,  
 Bill Siefker, Tim Knapke, Rob Luebke, Dale Albers,  
 Carol Fisher

**Crew Captain January 24:** Ginny Bennett

**Workers January 24:** Dan or Angie Fleck, Kay Wenning,  
 Dennis Wagner, Kim Adams, Luke Baucher,  
 Lauren Baucher, Mary Jane Wint, Joann Felver

### Saint Dymphna Prayer Service

St. Dymphna is the patron of those suffering from mental illness, Alzheimer's Disease, and epilepsy. Please join us on Sunday, January 22, at 2:00 p.m. at the Maria Stein Shrine for reflections and prayer with the relic of St. Dymphna. Maria Stein Shrine is located at 2291 St. Johns Rd., Maria Stein, OH 45860. For questions about this event, please call Matthew Hess at 419-925-4532.

### March for Life

Mercer County Right to Life invites you to join us at our send off rally for the March for Life! The send off rally will be held at Mary Help of Christians Catholic Church in Fort Recovery on Thursday, January 26 at 6:00 p.m. Buses will be loaded and will depart immediately following the ceremony. Please come out and support all of our local pro-life advocates as they journey to Washington DC to be a voice for the voiceless!

### Stewardship Offering January 8

Envelopes/online (279)	\$ 12,338.00
Loose	<u>1,086.50</u>
Total Received	\$ 13,424.50
Weekly Offering:	\$ 13,424.50
Week Budgeted:	<u>14,304.00</u>
Over/Short:	(\$ 879.50)
YTD Total Collection:	\$384,913.37
YTD Total Budgeted:	<u>386,208.00</u>
Over/Short to date:	(\$ 1,294.63)

**Feast of Immaculate Conception** \$2,024.00  
**Solemnity of Mary** \$4,364.00

To give electronically for fiscal year July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017 visit [www.celina-ic.org](http://www.celina-ic.org) and click Donate.

### Our Sponsors for the Week

**WOLFF TIRE INC.**  
**Dr. James Schmit**  
**Mackinaw Retirement Village**