



# 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, 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.

## 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  
 Polly Muhlenkamp, School Principal  
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 Linda Schoen, Program Administrator  
 Charlie Salway, Youth Minister - 419-953-7083

## PASTORAL COUNCIL

Mike Robinson, President

## SCHOOL ADVISORY BOARD

Kevin Riesen, Chairperson

## RELIGIOUS ED. COMMISSION

Lynn Locke, Chairperson

## FINANCE COMMISSION

Harry Coy, Chairperson

# THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, JANUARY 22, 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. (See [www.celina-ic.org](http://www.celina-ic.org) for additional responses.)

**Baptism – the indelible mark.** Can a person be rebaptized? Most mainline Christian churches such as Catholic, Lutheran and Methodist, believe, profess and teach the indelible mark of baptism and do not rebaptize. In the Catholic Church, we believe that baptism imprints on the soul an indelible spiritual sign, the character, which consecrates the baptized person for Christian worship. It incorporates us into the Church or as our I.C. school children proudly say, makes us “God’s holy boys and girls, one big happy family.” Given once for all, baptism is not repeated.

While baptism is not repeated, there may be deep and defining spiritual moments that sometimes occur in our lives; significant moments where we experience a rebirth of faith, or a coming home to the Lord; encounters with the Lord himself that transform our lives completely. These are wonderful gifts and blessings from the Lord that are cause for celebration and recommitment, but not rebaptism that suggests our baptism in the Lord was somehow lacking. How might one celebrate these amazing moments of grace from the Lord? If we lost our way or drifted from the Lord in sinful ways, our celebration may be the sacrament of reconciliation. It may seem odd to think of reconciliation as a celebration, and yet recall stories of Jesus finding the lost and offering forgiveness such as the lost sheep or the prodigal son. Each person coming home to the Lord is invited to celebrate the amazing gift of forgiveness and being found. Significant moments may be celebrated with a blessing from the Lord – blessing of a marriage after a rocky time or blessing for beginning a new journey in life. They could be marked by a special journey or pilgrimage to a church or shrine, spending time in prayer before the Blessed Sacrament. Or it could be celebrated by recommitting oneself through a profession of faith.

The indelible mark of baptism is obvious when a person from another faith tradition becomes a member of the Catholic Church at the East Vigil. Their baptism in another church is respected and they are received into the Full Communion of the Catholic Church receiving the sacrament of Confirmation and First Holy Communion.

Each time we enter the church, we dip our fingers in holy water and make the sign of the cross as a reminder of our baptism. May our baptism always remind us of our commitment to the Lord Jesus and draw us closer to him.

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

## Mass Intentions For The Week

### Monday, January 23

#### Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children

7:30 a.m. Louis & Mary Evelyn Bruns

### Tuesday, January 24

#### St. Francis de Sales, Bishop and doctor of the Church

7:30 a.m. Liv. & Dec. John Kramer Family & Leonard Kittle

10:00 a.m. Mass at Celina Gardens

### Wednesday, January 25

#### The Conversion of St. Paul the Apostle

7:30 a.m. Anna Lee Turner

### Thursday, January 26

#### Sts. Timothy and Titus, Bishops

7:30 a.m. Thelma Luebke

### Friday, January 27

#### St. Angela Merici, Virgin

7:30 a.m. Dan Flaute

9:00 a.m. Vera Winkeljohn

### Saturday, January 28

#### St. Thomas Aquinas, Priest and Doctor of the Church

6:30 p.m. Robert L. Drosch

### Sunday, January 29

7:30 a.m. People of the Parish

9:00 a.m. Don Uhlenhake

12:00 noon Doug Temple

The *Endowment Fund* received \$1,300.00 in memory of Susan Schmit, \$150.00 in memory of Kathryn Hieholzer, \$165.00 in memory of Anna Badgett and \$1,000.00 in memory of Bill Vian.

## ✠ Vocation Cross ✠

Jan. 29-Feb. 4 -- Carl & Judie Braun

Feb. 5-11 -- 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 January 22, 2017

Sunday: **Is 8:23--9:3/Ps 27/1 Cor 1:10-13, 17/Mt 4:12-23**

Monday: **Heb 9:15, 24-28/Ps 98/Mk 3:22-30**

Tuesday: **Heb 10:1-10/Ps 40/Mk 3:31-35**

Wednesday: **Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22/Ps 117/**

**Mk 16:15-18**

Thursday: **2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5/Ps 96/Mk 4:21-25**

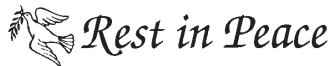
Friday: **Heb 10:32-39/Ps 37/Mk 4:26-34**

Saturday: **Heb 11:1-2, 8-19/Lk 1/Mk 4:35-41**

Next Sunday: **Zep 2:3; 3:12-13/Ps 146/1 Cor 1:26-31/**

**Mt 5:1-12a**

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Remember in your prayers those who have died, especially Lucy Link.

### 2017 Catholic Ministries Appeal (CMA)

This weekend we will be listening to an audio message from Archbishop Schnurr explaining how our support each year of the Catholic Ministries Appeal is part of our commitment to our faith. Thanks to the generosity of many families here at Immaculate Conception, a total of \$42,377 was contributed to the 2016 CMA from our parish community. This year, our goal is \$34,830. Every registered parish household should receive a CMA mailing from Archbishop Schnurr. Please prayerfully complete your pledge card and return it in the envelope provided, or bring your completed pledge card sealed in its return envelope to Mass. For more information, please visit [CatholicAppeal.info](http://CatholicAppeal.info). Thank you!

### School Open House

I.C. School will be holding its annual open house on January 29, from 10:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. All are welcome to come and tour the school, participate in fun activities, speak with teachers and obtain information on enrollment and financial aid. Kindergarten and preschool parent information meetings will be held at 10:45 (childcare will be available). A door prize drawing will be held and refreshments provided. We hope to see you there!



### Parish Life Commission Meeting

There will be a Parish Life Commission meeting on Thursday, February 2 at 7:00 p.m., in Room 103 of the PAC. We will be reviewing the Christmas Bazaar and discussing plans for the Mardi Gras celebration. We urge all Commission members to attend. Bring a friend or neighbor who may be interested.

### Learn to Crochet

Are you interested in learning to crochet or renew your old skills? Interested adults will meet on Wednesdays, starting on February 1, from 1:00 to 3:30 p.m., in the sewing room of I.C. School. For those who attended last year, we will be learning some new stitches and attempt a small project. For the new members we will start with the basics and give you time to work on them. Come join us for an afternoon of fun!

### Check Us Out!

Have you ever misplaced a church bulletin or Liturgical Minister schedule and want to know what is happening at Immaculate Conception Parish? Go to our parish website at [www.celina-ic.org](http://www.celina-ic.org) to have access to our bulletins and schedules. You also can check out what is happening at Immaculate Conception School by going to [www.icschool-celina.org](http://www.icschool-celina.org).

### Northern Lights Newsletters

The Winter 2017 Northern Lights Newsletter is available in the church vestibule. This newsletter is published by the St. Marys Deanery Center, a central office for the Catholic Churches in Mercer and Auglaize counties. Please take a copy to see the vitality of Catholicism in our surrounding community.

We have openings for floral remembrances on weekends. If you wish to remember a loved one with flowers, please contact the parish office for available dates.



### Vocation Discernment Retreat Coming Up

Are you or is someone you know discerning a call to religious life as a priest or brother? The Missionaries of the Precious Blood, the Congregation that serves this parish, are holding a discernment retreat on March 10-12 at St. Charles Center in Carthage, Ohio. The Missionaries invite men age 18 or older to the retreat, which begins with dinner on Friday and ends with lunch on Sunday. The retreat is an opportunity to learn about discernment to the consecrated life, spend time in prayer, and get to know the Missionaries. If you've been wondering if God is calling you to serve Him and the Church, this is a chance to explore that call in a friendly and informative atmosphere. Take time away to pray, to listen, and to gather information. Space is limited. To reserve your place at the retreat or to learn more, contact Fr. Steve Dos Santos, C.P.P.S., director of vocation ministry, at [vocation@cpps-preciousblood.org](mailto:vocation@cpps-preciousblood.org) or 937-228-9263.

### 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!

### Youth Retreat

The 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Life in the Spirit Seminar is being held on March 24-26 at the Maria Stein Spiritual Center. This years theme is "You are Forgiven More than the Drops in the Ocean". The retreat is open to all teens and young adults who want to deepen and experience their Catholic Faith! This retreat focuses on the Gifts of the Holy Spirit, the Sacraments, and teachings of the Catholic Faith. There will be guest speakers, small group discussion, Adoration, Reconciliation, personal prayer, Mass, games and activities! Come and enjoy a weekend full of friends, fun, and Faith! This is for YOU! To register, or if you have questions, please call Kelly Horstman 419-678-8649.

**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 28, 6:30 p.m.

Servers: Zachary Hirsch and Cayden Hirsch  
 Commentator: Bud Schoenleben  
 Lector: Jim Poepelman  
 Gifts: Ned Pryer  
 E. M.: Ruth Knapke, James Poepelman, Patty Schoenleben, Denny Marbaugh, Margaret Baskett, Janet Smith, Joan Stelzer, Charlie Salway, Jeanne Braun, Jane Cron, Dave Cron  
 Ushers: Team B, Mike Everman, Captain

### Sunday, January 29, 7:30 a.m.

Servers: Kevin Stoner and Mike Schindler  
 Commentator: Lynn Locke  
 Lector: Trish Baucher  
 Gifts: Travis Lutz  
 E. M.: Ron Hoyng, Diane Hunt, Freda Lochtefeld, Pat Brookhart, Pat Hoyng  
 Ushers: Team C, Ken Art, Captain

### Sunday, January 29, 9:00 a.m.

Servers: I.C. Students  
 Commentator: I.C. Parent  
 Lector: I.C. Parent  
 Gifts: I.C. Parents  
 E. M.: X, I.C. Parents  
 Ushers: Team D, Stephen Seibel, Captain

### Sunday, January 29, 12:00 Noon

Servers: David Kramer and Hannah Koester  
 Commentator: Paulette Sommer  
 Lector: Dale Sommer  
 Gifts: Patty Temple  
 E. M.: Anita Muhlenkamp, Tom Muhlenkamp, Mary Ann Laughlin, Tom Drexler, Kelli Clausen  
 Ushers: Team E, Richard Carlin, Captain

**Nursery January 29**, Christie & Taylor Binkley & Shirley Cass

### Sunday, January 22

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

### Tuesday, January 24

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

### Wednesday, January 25

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

### Saturday, January 28

11:00 a.m. Reconciliation

### Sunday, January 29

9:00 a.m. Nursery available in the PAC  
 9:00 a.m. Sunday School  
 10:00-12:30 I.C. School Open House  
 10:15 a.m. Confirmation Class  
 7:00 p.m. Bingo at the K of C Hall

### Bingo

**Chairperson January 29 & 31:** Pat Smith

**Crew Captain January 29:** Anne Knapke

**Workers January 29:** Tom Rable, Ryan Muhlenkamp, Kevin Williams, Bob Hoyng, Ginny Bryan, Kevin Weitzel, Jennifer Harling

**Crew Captain January 31:** Tony Schindler

**Workers January 31:** Dave Frenzer, Don Springer, Mark or Diane Klosterman, Jan Dues, Dorothy Springer, Dave Cron, Eric Sudhoff

### T-Shirt Design Contest

Mercer County Students for Life will be facilitating a T-Shirt Design contest. The winner of the contest will have their design used for the 2017 Mercer County Right to Life sponsored, "Pro-Life T-Shirt Day". Entries are to have a front design and use a maximum of two colors. All entries must be submitted to [janellepoepelman@hotmail.com](mailto:janellepoepelman@hotmail.com) by January 30, 2017.

**First Saturday Devotions** will be held at St. Charles Center main chapel on Saturday, February 4 at 2:00 p.m. This includes an hour of prayer with adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, the rosary and other devotions followed by Benediction. All are welcome to attend.

### New Home Application

St. John Builders are accepting applications for the next house to be built. Applications are available at St. John Builders office, 1100 North Main St., Celina. Applications may also be found at [www.purpledoorchurch.org](http://www.purpledoorchurch.org). The deadline is February 28.

### Stewardship Offering January 15

Envelopes/online (288)	\$ 12,323.00
Loose	<u>1,557.26</u>
Total Received	\$ 13,880.26
Weekly Offering:	\$ 13,880.26
Week Budgeted:	<u>14,304.00</u>
Over/Short:	(\$ 423.74)
YTD Total Collection:	\$398,793.63
YTD Total Budgeted:	<u>400,512.00</u>
Over/Short to date:	(\$ 1,718.37)

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

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