



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
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SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, FEBRUARY 19, 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 for additional responses)

How do we share faith in the Catholic Church and what does that look like?

Whenever we receive an amazing gift in our lives it is hard to keep it quiet. As children we can't wait to try it out and show it to our friends. As adults there is a deep sense of gratitude and joy when we receive something special. We not only want to express our sincere thanks, we also want to share the blessings of that gift with others.

Our Catholic faith is one of the most amazing and special gifts we receive in our lives. It touches and shapes every fabric of who we are, how we think, how we live and how we love. It is a truly awesome gift that literally spans every moment of our lives and prepares us for the gift of eternal salvation. It is a gift that impels us to give thanks and to share it with others. How we share the Good News of Jesus Christ is called Evangelization.

We share the Good News of our Catholic faith by the way we talk, by the way we interact with family and friends and by the way we live and love, worship and work, pray and play every day of our lives. Many of us just know when we are in the presence of a faith filled person, one who is deeply connected to the Lord Jesus. They are the ones who are passionate about what they believe and committed to sharing that with others. They are ones impelled to share the Good News of Jesus Christ in word and deed.

While evangelization has been around for a long time, Saint Pope John Paul II introduced us to the "new Evangelization." "According to the pope, 'The expression New Evangelization was popularized in the encyclical of Pope Paul VI Evangelization in the Modern World, as a response to the new challenges-that the contemporary world creates for the mission of the Church.'"

"The new evangelization like all evangelization must be founded on the person of Jesus Christ and His gospel. Missionary evangelization is the responsibility and calling of all Christians. JP II named three types of evangelization - The first is bringing the gospel to peoples, groups and socio-cultural contexts in which Christ and his Gospel are not known. Second, there are healthy mature Christian communities that are fervent in their faith, have a sense of the universal mission, and in which the Church carries out her activities and pastoral care. Here he seems to describe a situation that requires pastoral care and not evangelization. Third, there is what the pope calls an intermediate situation. Within countries there are entire groups of the baptized who have lost a living sense of the faith, or no longer consider themselves members of the Church. In this case what is needed is a "new evangelization" or a "re-evangelization." In

this third situation people need to be socialized into situations of vibrant faith. Some need their faith to be renewed and enlivened. Others have had little or no training in the Christian faith and essentially need to be evangelized with the basic gospel and receive formation in the faith (catechesis). The basis of sharing the life of Christ with others is life in Christ. We are called to know Christ and to make Him known." Copyright (c) Dave Nodar - www.christlife.org

Mass Intentions For The Week

Monday, February 20

7:30 a.m. Paul Billerman

Tuesday, February 21

Saint Peter Damian, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

7:30 a.m. Ernest Buening

10:00 a.m. Mass at Celina Manor

Wednesday, February 22

The Chair of Saint Peter the Apostle

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

Thursday, February 23

Saint Polycarp, Bishop and Martyr

7:30 a.m. Margaret Winans

Friday, February 24

7:30 a.m. Bob Kleinhenz

9:00 a.m. Dorothy Brandewie

Saturday, February 25

6:30 p.m. John Braun

Sunday, February 26

7:30 a.m. People of the Parish

9:00 a.m. Brian Hoyng (Anniversary)

12:00 noon James Wagner

The *Endowment Fund* received \$50.00 in memory of Jon Jones and \$225.00 in memory of Betty McKirman.

✠ Vocation Cross ✠

Feb. 26-March 4 -- Rex & Joan Carr

March 5-March 11 -- Chris & Cathy Fullenkamp

Readings for the Week of February 19, 2017

Sunday: Lv 19:1-2, 17-18/Ps 103:1-4, 8, 10, 12-13/

1 Cor 3:16-23/Mt 5:38-48

Monday: Sir 1:1-10/Ps 93:1-2, 5/Mk 9:14-29

Tuesday: Sir 2:1-11/Ps 37:3-4, 18-19, 27-28, 39-40/Mk 9:30-37

Wednesday: 1 Pt 5:1-4/Ps 23:1-3a, 4-6/Mt 16:13-19

Thursday: Sir 5:1-8/Ps 1:1-4, 6/Mk 9:41-50

Friday: Sir 6:5-17/Ps 119:12, 16, 18, 27, 34-35/Mk 10:1-12

Saturday: Sir 17:1-15/Ps 103:13-18/Mk 10:13-16

Next Sunday: Is 49:14-15/Ps 62:2-3, 6-9/1 Cor 4:1-5/

Mt 6:24-34

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

2017 Catholic Ministries Appeal (CMA)

We thank everyone from I.C. who has participated in the 2017 Catholic Ministries Appeal. Our pledges let us provide paths of hope through six important Catholic ministries right here in our archdiocese. Additionally, 50% of all pledges in excess of our parish goal will be used toward continued repairs on the church and school, so please be as generous as you can. For more information and to pledge online, please visit CatholicAppeal.info. Thank you!

School News

Our school sponsored a Family Movie Night during Catholic School's Week. We would like to thank the parents who organized and worked at the event. We would also like to thank the K of C for helping us out with the popcorn! It was an enjoyable evening!

Congratulations to Ian Kennedy (6th grade) for winning the Celina City Spelling Bee! We also need to congratulate several other finalists also from I.C.: Sam Stiles-Etzler (6th grade) came in 3rd place, Carter Hellwarth (6th grade) came in 5th place, and Ryan Wibbenmeyer (4th grade), who came in 6th place! WOW! What a F-A-N-T-A-S-T-I-C bee!

We also extend our congratulations to the kids who earned Pizza with the Principal last month: Amelia Adams (6th grade), Ava Knapke (5th grade), and Jon Lutz (4th grade). We are proud of your hard work and for being a good example for others!

"We Are God's Holy Boys and Girls – We Believe in Miracles!"

VIRTUS Training Sessions

The VIRTUS Protecting God's Children Program is a program for adults who are involved in the lives of children and teens that helps them learn about ways to prevent child sexual abuse. This training program is *required* of all archdiocesan employees and volunteers who work with children and teens in parish or school programs. *Policies of the Archdiocese include all chaperones for field trips as volunteers who need this training.* Immaculate Conception will be hosting a session of this program on Monday, February 27, at 6:00 p.m. You may register for a session online at www.virtusonline.org or by calling Joyce Johnson at 419-586-2370.

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

Mardi Gras

Come join us on Tuesday, February 28 for I.C.'s annual Mardi Gras. There will be appetizers, soup, salads, sandwiches and many desserts served from 5:00 to 7:00. Here's your chance to have lots of food and fun! A free will offering will be taken.

Helping Hands Needed

The I.C. School Cafeteria is in great need of volunteers. If you have a hour every other week to spare, we sure could use you. Or maybe you would consider the sub list where volunteers could call you if they had something come up at the last minute. Our Florida Birds have gone south and several volunteers are on sick leave. If interested in volunteering please call Karen at I.C. School 419-586-4987 9:00 a.m.-noon or 419-942-1311 2:00-8:00 p.m. You may also call the Parish Office 419-586-6648 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

Lenten Faith Sharing

Everyone is invited to join our Lent 2017 faith sharing sessions, furthering our Catholic-Lutheran dialogues which began last Fall. Whether you attended last Fall or not, all parishioners of St. John Lutheran and I.C., and other friends in faith, are invited to further explore and discuss what our two faith communities have in common and how we can dismantle the walls that have separated us for nearly 500 years. Discussions will spring from the book *One Hope: Re-Membering the Body of Christ*, a collection of essays written collaboratively by three Catholic and three Lutheran scholars and pastoral leaders. The essays explore experiences and activities that both faith communities share and that can help us better communicate with each other and understand and appreciate the richness of both faith traditions.

Discussion groups will meet for five weeks on Thursdays starting on March 9 at I.C. To better accommodate work and family schedules, two group sessions are planned for each day, one starting at noon and a second at 6:00 p.m. (Both sessions will begin with a light meal for those interested, discussions begin at 12:30 and 6:30 p.m.) Meeting places will again alternate between St. John's and I.C. For more information and/or to reserve a book, call Charlie Mescher at 419-586-5618 or via email: meschercj@bright.net. More details will be forthcoming soon

Ready to Ignite

The Case for Life: The Pro-Life Movement

Join us for a night to prepare you to speak intelligently and graciously on the issue of abortion on Thursday, February 23, 7:00-8:15 p.m. at the Celina K of C Hall, 129 N. Vine St. Guest Speaker Mike Spencer is a gifted and much sought after communicator who brings a compassionate heart to the often emotional and divisive issue of abortion.

Come for fellowship, food and new information on this very important issue. Sponsored by I.C. Men's Group and Celina K of C Council 1800. No charge.



Calendar of Events for the Week

Saturday, February 25, 6:30 p.m.

Servers: RJ Muhlenkamp and Collin Williams

Commentator: Jim Poeppelman

Lector: Bev Korte

Gifts: Cal Laborde

E. M.: Larry Sielschott, Sandy Sielschott, Joe Hoying, Larry Braun, Diane Wagner, Heather Henry, Chris Henry, James Poeppelman, Margaret Baskett, Jane Cron, Dave Cron

Ushers: Team K, Tony Grilliot, Captain

Sunday, February 26, 7:30 a.m.

Servers: Michelle Noll and Paige Noll

Commentator: Janet Ramsey

Lector: Charles Mescher

Gifts: Bob Stover

E. M.: Rita Prenger, Jane Homan, Jane Mescher, Denny Marbaugh, Diane Hunt

Ushers: Team L, Chip Felver, Captain

Sunday, February 26, 9:00 a.m.

Servers: Kelly Moeder and Justin Bruggeman

Commentator: Diane McLaughlin

Lector: Tom McLaughlin

Gifts: Tom Bruggeman

E. M.: X Janet Smith, Anita Muhlenkamp, Tom Muhlenkamp, Katey Wibbenmeyer, Pat Hull, Jeanne Braun

Ushers: Team M, Jeff Schott, Captain

Sunday, February 26, 12:00 Noon

Servers: Ian Darras and Marcus Rable

Commentator: Thomas Rable

Lector: Nicole Schumm

Gifts: Andy Darras

E. M.: Ruth Knapke, Kelli Clausen, Eric Clausen, Gerard Ahrns, Shaun Olberding

Ushers: Team A, Steven Byrley, Captain

Nursery February 26, *Lisa Stachler & Elaine Hinton

Sunday, February 19

9:00 a.m. Nursery available in the PAC

1:15 p.m. Baptism

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

Tuesday, February 21

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

Wednesday, February 22

7:00 p.m. *Contagiously Catholic*

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

Thursday, February 23

7:00 p.m. *Ready to Ignite* at the K of C Hall

Saturday, February 25

11:00 a.m. Reconciliation

Sunday, February 26

9:00 a.m. Sunday School

9:00 a.m. Nursery available in the PAC

10:15 a.m. Confirmation Class

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

Bingo

Chairperson February 26 and 28: Pat Smith

Crew Captain February 26: Chuck Mertz

Workers February 26: Wilfred Albers, Andy Darras, Carol Mertz, Eric Guggenbiller, Doug Drexler, Jane Homan, Nicole Schumm

Crew Captain February 28: Nick Fleck

Workers February 28: Pam May, Carol Wenning, Ken & Carolyn Gaerke, Jeremy Homan, Beth Vorhees, Tom & Anita Muhlenkamp

Youth Retreat

The 18th Annual Life in the Spirit Seminar is being held on March 24-26 at the Maria Stein Spiritual Center. This year's 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.

Mark Your Calendars!!

On March 12 at 2:00 p.m. Cassella Branch 943 of Catholic Financial Life will be holding their annual Card Party/Marble Tournament to benefit their Cluster at the CFL Hall in Cassella. Snacks, refreshments and pie will be available. All ages are welcome!

Stewardship Offering February 12

Envelopes/online (279)	\$ 13,175.00
Loose	<u>1,290.23</u>
Total Received	\$ 14,465.23
Weekly Offering:	\$ 14,465.23
Week Budgeted:	<u>14,304.00</u>
Over/Short:	\$ 161.23
YTD Total Collection:	\$454,214.73
YTD Total Budgeted:	<u>457,728.00</u>
Over/Short to date:	(\$ 3,513.27)

To give electronically for fiscal year July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017 visit www.celina-ic.org and click Donate.

Our Sponsors for the Week

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