



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. Ken Schnipke, C.P.P.S., Pastor
Fr. Vince Wirtner, C.P.P.S., Parochial Vicar
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PASTORAL COUNCIL

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OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE, NOV. 26, 2017

Advent, a season of preparation for Christmas, begins December 2nd & 3rd, 2017. We prepare for celebrating the birth of Jesus by remembering the longing of the Jews for a Messiah. In Advent, we're reminded of how much we ourselves also need a Savior, and we look forward to our Savior's second coming even as we prepare to celebrate his first coming at Christmas. The word "Advent" comes from the Latin word *adventus*, which means "coming" or "visit." In the season with this name, we keep in mind both "advents" of Christ, the first in Bethlehem and the second yet to come. O Come, Divine Messiah

Catholic Campaign for Human Development

Thank you for your contributions to the collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD)! Your generous gifts will help CCHD break the cycle of poverty in the United States through better education, improved housing, and economic development. Through CCHD and its beneficiaries, we demonstrate Catholic social teaching and carry out Jesus' mission to "bring glad tidings to the poor . . . to proclaim liberty to captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free" (Lk 4:18).

Advent Reconciliation Opportunities

Immaculate Conception

- Wednesday, November 29th 1:00 p.m.
Reconciliation Service I.C. School & Parish
- Thursday, December 14th & 21st, 7:00 p.m.
Individual Confessions
- Saturdays at 11:00 a.m.

St. Teresa

- Wednesday, December 13th 7:00 p.m.
- Saturdays at 4:30 p.m.

Readings for the Week of November 26, 2017

Sunday: Ez 34:11-12, 15-17/Ps 23:1-3, 5-6/1 Cor 15:20-26, 28/Mt 25:31-46

Monday: Dn 1:1-6, 8-20/Dn 3:52-56/Lk 21:1-4

Tuesday: Dn 2:31-45/Dn 3:57-61/Lk 21:5-11

Wednesday: Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28/Dn 3:62-67/
Lk 21:12-19

Thursday: Rom 10:9-18/Ps 19:8-11/Mt 4:18-22

Friday: Dn 7:2-14/Dn 3:75-81/Lk 21:29-33

Saturday: Dn 7:15-27/Dn 3:82-87/Lk 21:34-36

Next Sunday: Is 63:16b-17, 19b; 64:2-7/Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19/1 Cor 1:3-9/Mk 13:33-37

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Monday, November 27

7:30 a.m. Mark & Tom Niekamp

Tuesday, November 28

7:30 a.m. Special Intention

10:00 a.m. Mass at The Gardens

Wednesday, November 29

7:30 a.m. Florence Kestler

Thursday, November 30

Saint Andrew, Apostle

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7:30 a.m. Oscar Borgerding

Friday, December 1

7:30 a.m. Liv. & Dec. Lou & Pat Zanglin
Family

Saturday, December 2

6:30 p.m. Kathleen Wangler

Sunday, December 3

7:30 a.m. People of the Parish

9:00 a.m. Lelia Minnich

12:00 noon Randy Kramer

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Congratulations and welcome to Craig, Kathryn, Ian & Whitney Kennedy, Tom & Betty Leininger, Paige Matthews and Bo Williams who participated in the Rite of Acceptance Saturday, November 11th at the 6:30 p.m. Mass. We also welcome Bob Hierholzer and Eric Miller who were unable to attend. They have been participating in "Inquiry" sessions during which they have been introduced to basic Catholic spiritual truths, traditions, rituals and general knowledge of the Church. They now begin the "Catechumenate Phase" of deepening their knowledge of the Catholic faith and moving towards full communion with our universal Catholic Church. The RCIA process is a "parish-wide" undertaking and all parishioners are encouraged to reach out and welcome our candidates and pray for them on the "Journey of Faith."

The *Endowment Fund* received \$50.00 in memory of Joanne Bowen and \$100.00 in memory of Victor Bergman.



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

✠ Vocation Cross ✠

December 3-9 -- Chris & Katey Wibbenmeyer

December 10-16 -- Dale & Karen Albers

Advent Season Scripture Study

Join us on a spiritual walk through the Joyful Mysteries of the Rosary. Each Thursday from November 30th through December 14th, we will read, explore, and personalize scripture passages to renew our experience with the first five mysteries of the rosary. We will use the book from the *Threshold Bible Study* series *Mysteries of the Rosary* by Stephen Binz as our guide. If there is enough interest, both a morning session and an evening session will be held. Each morning session will start at 9:00 a.m. and will last until about 10:15 or 10:30. The evening sessions will start at 7:00 p.m. and go till 8:15 or 8:30. To sign up for these group discussions or for more information, contact Charlie Mescher at 419-586-5618 or meschercj@bright.net. Through prayer, study, and discussion, we can make this season more meaningful and prepare ourselves better for the coming of our Savior on Christmas Day. Also, there are plans to continue our study and meditation in the Spring with the other mysteries of the rosary.

I.C. Christmas Bazaar

Next Saturday, December 2nd, is the date for the I.C. Christmas Bazaar in the Parish Activity Center from 9:00 to 4:00. Featured & available: gifts and holiday decorations, bake sale treats, SCRIP cards, K of C waffles, raffle tickets, and more!! Come enjoy a savory lunch of soups, sandwiches, salads, or desserts. The November meat & candy orders will be ready for pick-up, as well.

Donated items for *the Gift/Holiday Room* can be placed in the PAC hallway from 10:00 to 3:00 on November 27th through November 30th, and again on December 1st from 10:00 to 5:00.

Please bring *BAKE SALE* goods to the PAC on December 1st from noon to 6:00 p.m. or December 2nd, from 8:00 a.m. to noon. Questions? Please call 419-586-2370. Please plan to come and invite your friends.

Helping Hands Needed

The Christmas Bazaar is rapidly approaching and along with that event is our candy and meat sale. We will be bagging candy on Thursday, November 30th, in the PAC starting at 8:30 a.m. Any help would be very much appreciated.

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

ANGEL TREE



Immaculate Conception Parish will once again participate in the Angel Tree Program. Two Christmas trees decorated with tags are set up in the back of church. Remove a tag or a couple of tags from the trees and purchase the gift(s) described. Return the gift(s) to the tables at the doors of church, along with the tag attached to the gift, by December 4th. Please DO NOT wrap the gifts.

Perhaps you are willing to volunteer your time to help set up at the Church of God on Thursday, December 7th, help parents shop, wrap gifts, or clean up on Friday, December 8th. If you would like to volunteer please call Diane Martens at 419-586-3645.

The Angel Tree Program brings people and agencies of Mercer County together to provide some Christmas gifts to people in need. This is a great family project for the Advent Season! Thank you for helping to make Christmas a little brighter for some area families!

Reminder

Local hospitals do not release names of parishioners who are admitted. To request a hospital visit, call the parish office. If you anticipate surgery, the Anointing of the Sick is a comfort and source of healing. Please call the parish office in advance to schedule the Anointing.

Advent Speaker

Holy Redeemer Church, New Bremen, welcomes Steve Angrisano on December 3rd and 4th! In a world that is genuinely searching for hope and truth...We are called to be intentional disciples, living our faith in big and small ways, so that others desire to be a part of our community! A veteran musician, composer and youth minister, he's performed at six World Youth Days, the National Catholic Youth Conference (NCYC), and many other national and international events. Steve is undoubtedly one of the most effective and versatile ministry leaders in the Church today. Young and old alike embrace the passionate message of faith, hope and love woven throughout his music and storytelling. Always rooted in a spirit of humility and faithfulness, Steve's easy, honest style of ministry is born from who he is: a committed witness to the life and love of Jesus Christ.

Steve will lead us on a two-night Advent journey on Sunday, December 3rd, 7:00-8:30 p.m., and Monday, December 4th, 7:30-9:00 p.m. Free will donations accepted.



Calendar of Events for the Week

Saturday, December 2, 6:30 p.m.

Servers: RJ Muhlenkamp and Kaitlyn Muhlenkamp
 Commentator: Josh Muhlenkamp
 Lector: Pat Meikle
 Gifts: Joe Bruns
 E. M.: Diane Wagner, Janet Smith, Joe Hoying,
 Elden Heckler, Margaret Baskett
 Ushers: Team J, Charles Heckler, Captain

Sunday, December 3 7:30 a.m.

Servers: Marshall Williams and Collin Williams
 Commentator: Bev Korte
 Lector: Janet Hoyng
 Gifts: Joe Prenger
 E. M.: Joan Stelzer, John Schmidt, Janet Stachler,
 Pat Brookhart, Joan Carr
 Ushers: Team K, Tony Grilliot, Captain

Sunday, December 3, 9:00 a.m.

Servers: Justin Bruggeman and Jonathon Lutz
 Commentator: Chad Stolly
 Lector: Janet Ramsey
 Gifts: Jennifer Coffey
 E. M.: X Ron Hoying, Richard Carlin, Jon Yost, Pat Hull,
 Ann Hull, Mary Bruggeman
 Ushers: Team L, Chip Felver, Captain

Sunday, December 3, 12:00 Noon

Servers: Reagan Liggett and Marcus Rable
 Commentator: Tom Rable
 Lector: Jim Poepelman
 Gifts: Linda Rogers
 E. M.: Abby Gehle, Mike Braun, Jeanne Braun,
 James Poepelman, Judie Braun, Kylie Johnson,
 Liz Muether, Sharon Griggs, Eric Clausen, Kelli Clausen,
 Donna Hartke
 Ushers: Team M, Jeff Schott, Captain

Nursery December 3: Angie Fleck & Christie & Taylor
 Binkley

Stewardship Offering November 12

Envelopes/online (290)	\$ 13,506.00
Loose	<u>1,519.25</u>
Total Received	\$ 15,025.25
Weekly Offering:	\$ 15,025.25
Week Budgeted:	<u>14,200.00</u>
Over/Short:	(\$ 825.25)
YTD Total Collection:	\$283,377.29
YTD Total Budgeted:	<u>284,000.00</u>
Over/Short to date:	(\$ 622.71)

All Saints \$2,151.00

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 2018 visit www.celina-ic.org and click Donate.

Sunday, November 26

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

Tuesday, November 28

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

Wednesday, November 29

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

Thursday, November 30

9:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m. Mysteries of the Rosary

Saturday, December 2

9:00-11:00 a.m. Scout Paper Drive
 9:00-4:00 Christmas Bazaar
 11:00 a.m. Reconciliation

Sunday, December 3

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 December 3: Pat Smith

Crew Captain December 3: Joe Hoying

Workers December 3: Lupe Hoying, Doug Thobe,
 Bill Siefker, Tim Knapke, R Luebke, Dale Albers

Chairperson & Crew Captain December 5: Pat Hull

Workers December 5: Jo Ann Pryer, Marge Zwiebel,
 Brian Klingshirn, Cathy Vian, Dan Dirksen,
 Ann Hull

Newspaper Signature Ad Campaign

To commemorate the 45th Anniversary of the Supreme Court's decision legalizing abortion, the Mercer County Right to Life Chapter will once again purchase a full-page ad in the Daily Standard. For a \$5.00 donation, your name, along with several hundred others, will be included in the Pro-Life Ad. If you wish to participate in this year's Ad Campaign, please send \$5.00 along with the name or names as you wish it to appear in the newspaper to Pat Pottkotter, 5158 State Route 119, Saint Henry, OH 45883 by January 6, 2018. Make checks out to Mercer County Right to Life. Please don't wait until the last minute to turn in your name. This ad will appear in the newspaper Wednesday, January 17, 2017.

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