



# Immaculate Conception CHURCH

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## TELEPHONES

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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 each month except in April when Baptism will be held on the second Sunday.

**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. Timothy McFarland, C.P.P.S., Parochial Vicar  
 Deacon Charlie Salway - [csalway@celina-ic.org](mailto:csalway@celina-ic.org)  
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 Tiffany Pierstorff, Program Administrator  
 Gary Locke, Youth Minister - 419-953-3178

## PASTORAL COUNCIL

Mike Braun, President

## SCHOOL ADVISORY BOARD

Kevin Riesen, Chairperson

## RELIGIOUS ED. COMMISSION

Kylie Johnson, Chairperson

## FINANCE COMMISSION

Harry Coy, Chairperson

# TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, SEPT. 1, 2019

## Gospel Meditation

Can you imagine if Jesus threw a party? From the wedding feast at Cana, we know he wouldn't let the wine run out. From this Sunday's Gospel, we know there would be quite a lively array of guests! We also knew who the most important people would be - everyone. Jesus advises throwing a party that turns everything upside down. Everyone should assume they're the least important attendee, and the guest list shouldn't include the neighborhood "who's who." Rather, we should go looking for "the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind" and hope they RSVP. Jesus describes a particular posture towards our own hospitality.

Parties are about the other people. "Do not recline at table in the place of honor." How often can small talk become a one-upmanship of job promotions, home renovations, and our children's achievements? We've all been to parties where being the most interesting guest is the highest achievement. Yet so often, we know the best party guests are the ones who listen well to our stories. Whether we are guests or hosts, we have the opportunity to look on others with humility and awe.

Parties are opportunities to serve. Jesus advises us to be careful who we invite "in case they might invite you back and you have repayment." Does Jesus literally mean we shouldn't invite our friends over? Of course not! But he does invite us to special consideration when we offer hospitality. When we invite people over to our home, what motivates us? Who we want to spend time with? Who we'd like to impress? These ultimately have only ourselves in mind. How about asking: Who could use some extra care right now? Who could benefit from a fun evening out? In other words, who can I serve?  
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### Readings for the week of September 1, 2019

Sunday: Sir 3:17-18, 20, 28-29/Ps 68:4-5, 6-7, 10-11 [cf. 11b]/Heb 12:18-19, 22-24a/Lk 14:1, 7-14

Monday: 1 Thes 4:13-18/Ps 96:1 and 3, 4-5, 11-12, 13 [13b]/Lk 4:16-30

Tuesday: 1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 [13]/Lk 4:31-37

Wednesday: Col 1:1-8/Ps 52:10, 11 [10]/Lk 4:38-44

Thursday: Col 1:9-14/Ps 98:2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6 [2]/Lk 5:1-11

Friday: Col 1:15-20/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5 [2b]/Lk 5:33-39

Saturday: Col 1:21-23/Ps 54:3-4, 6 and 8 [6]/Lk 6:1-5

Next Sunday: Wis 9:13-18b/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14-17 [1]/Phlm 9-10, 12-17/Lk 14:25-33

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### Monday, September 2

7:30 a.m. Brent Anderson (Anniversary)

### Tuesday, September 3

#### St. Gregory the Great, Pope & Doctor of the Church

7:30 a.m. Liv. & Dec. Homan & Gentry  
Family

### Wednesday, September 4

7:30 a.m. Levaun Pleiman (Anniversary)

### Thursday, September 5

7:30 a.m. Thomas A. Knapke

### Friday, September 6

7:30 a.m. Steve Gray

9:00 a.m. Clarence Eckstein Sr.

### Saturday, September 7

3:00 p.m. William "Bo" Maus & Kendra Pease  
Wedding

6:30 p.m. Harold Drexler

### Sunday, September 8

7:30 a.m. People of the Parish

9:00 a.m. Curtis Prenger

12:00 noon Ray L. Giesige

The *Endowment Fund* received \$100.00 in memory of Mark Klosterman.

## ✠ Vocation Cross ✠

September 1-7 -- Janeen Braun

September 8-14 -- Michelle Braun



Congratulations to the following who were recently Baptized: Presley Scott, daughter of Marshall & Megan Bennett; Grady Tyler, son of Eric & Kassie Miller; Hunter Owen, son of Richard & Jonadel Schwartz; Cameron Jack, son of Brad & Lindsay Smith; and Silas Michael, Chloe Louanne and Quinn Lynn, children of Courtney Wright-Freed.

## Baptism Preparation

Parents get a head start on Baptism planning by attending a Baptism Preparation Class before your child is born. Parents are obligated to attend a preparation session before a child's baptism if they have not attended a session in the past five years. Upcoming sessions will be held at 1:15 p.m. on July 10, Sept. 8 and Nov. 10 in the PAC. Please call the parish office to register.

## School Carnival Fun!!

The 10<sup>th</sup> annual I.C. School Carnival will be held on Sunday, Sept. 8 from 1:00-4:00 p.m. on the PAC parking lot. Our raffle this year includes 1<sup>st</sup> prize \$500 gas card donated by Asset Allocation, 2<sup>nd</sup> prize Pizza a month for a year donated by Celina Wine Store, 3<sup>rd</sup> prize \$200 gas card donated by Pax Machine, 4<sup>th</sup> prize Bella's Italian Grille Gift Basket, and 5<sup>th</sup> prize \$25 gift card donated by Farm Credit Mid-America. Tickets are \$10 each or 2 for \$15. Raffle tickets will be on sale outside the main doors of the church after all masses this weekend. They can also be purchased in the school office.

Starting at 10:00 a.m. until sold out the Carnival will have BBQ chicken dinners from 2Willy's for \$8.00. K of C waffles will also be available. A drive thru entrance will be on the north side of the school on Wayne St.

Come join us for the Carnival on the PAC parking lot. There will be food, games, entertainment and prizes. This year our carnival features a raffle, a 50/50 drawing, BBQ chicken dinners, K of C waffles, and lots of games. Winners do not need to be present. Come and enjoy some great family fun.

## Dinner Auction

Please join us for the 9<sup>th</sup> annual I.C. Dinner Auction, benefitting I.C. School, on Oct. 26 at Romer's in Celina. You may call the school office at 419-586-2379 or stop by to reserve tickets. Please contact family and friends and gather for a fun evening of silent and live auctions and a trip raffle to Cancun, Mexico. New to this year is a trip to Lake Lure, North Carolina and to end the evening we will enjoy singer and guitarist Mike Boullion. If you are willing to donate any new items those can be dropped off at the school office. We hope you will join us for another terrific event!

## Adult Volunteers Don't Miss Out

All new staff and **new** volunteers who wish to work with or around youth in the parish, including cafeteria volunteers, chaperones for field trips, assisting with activities such as COSI on Wheels, CCD, coaches or other similar roles, must attend a VIRTUS orientation session. A session for the 2019-20 school year will be held on Thursday, Sept. 5, at 6:00 p.m.

You may sign up online at [virtusonline.org](http://virtusonline.org) or call Joyce Johnson at 419-586-2370. If you wish to attend a session, but none of these work, please contact Joyce Johnson or Polly Muhlenkamp for alternate sessions you might attend at another parish. The training has no cost and will take place in the Parish Activity Center, Room 102.

## RCIA

Do you know someone who has been asking about the Catholic Church or considering becoming Catholic? The RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) is an opportunity for them to learn more about our Catholic faith. Sessions for I.C., Our Lady of Guadalupe & St. Teresa will be held on Tuesdays at the I.C. Parish Activity Center, Room 102 and generally last 1½ hours. An introductory session will be scheduled for early September!! The RCIA process concludes with the Easter Vigil, Saturday, April 11, 2020. If you know someone who may be interested in joining the RCIA process, contact the Parish Office at 419-586-6648.

## Religious Education

It is "Back to School" time! Religious Education classes for grades 1-9 will begin **Sept. 11** while Confirmation class begins on **Sept. 22**. Registration for 1<sup>st</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> grade is underway! Registration forms are available in the Parish Office, at the entrances to the church, on our parish website, and in the Religious Ed Office. They may be returned to the Religious Education Office during regular office hours which are 8:30-5:00 Monday-Thursday, to the Parish Office, or dropped into the collection on Sundays. The Religious Ed Office is closed on Fridays. We are excited to start another faith-filled year with the youth of our parish!

Our Sunday School classes will be held in the I.C. School first floor classrooms every Sunday during the 9:00 a.m. Mass starting on Sept. 15, 2019 and ending on April 5, 2020. Class time may change as the clustering process moves forward. Classes are open to children ages 3 & 4. Registration forms are available in the back of church, the RE Office, and the Parish Office. Please return all completed forms to the RE Office or you may drop in the Offertory basket. If you have any questions or would like to help volunteer with Sunday School, please contact Tiffany Pierstorff at the RE Office at 419-586-2370 or by email [tpierstorff@celina-ic.org](mailto:tpierstorff@celina-ic.org). All adult volunteers ***must*** be VIRTUS trained.

Tune in to the RADIO ROSARY every Sunday at 9:30 a.m. on WCSM (96.7 FM). It is sponsored by various church related groups and individuals. Great for shut-ins & families.

**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).**

**Saturday, September 7, 6:30 p.m.**

Servers: Ryan Wibbenmeyer & Ian Kennedy  
 Commentator: Andrea Faber  
 Lector: Jan Dues  
 Gifts: Stephen Walton  
 E. M.: Pat Hull, Ann Hull, Joe Hoying,  
 Elizabeth Steele, Denny Marbaugh, Mike Wallace,  
 Deacon Charlie, Dan Siebert, Sue Siebert,  
 Katey Wibbenmeyer, Joan Carr  
 Ushers: Team D, Stephen Seibel, Captain

**Sunday, September 8, 7:30 a.m.**

Servers: Kaitlyn Muhlenkamp & RJ Muhlenkamp  
 Commentator: Trish Baucher  
 Lector: Janet Hoyng  
 Gifts: Dave Pax  
 E. M.: Pat Hoyng, Deacon Charlie, Janet Stachler,  
 Larry Braun, Rita Snider  
 Ushers: Team E, Richard Carlin, Captain

**Sunday, September 8, 9:00 a.m.**

Servers: Pending & Marcus Rable  
 Commentator: Janet Ramsey  
 Lector: Tom Rable  
 Gifts: Rob Luebke  
 E. M.: Ruth Knapke, Mary Bruggeman, Jim Fishpaw,  
 Bob Hoyng, Nancie Hoyng  
 Ushers: Team F, Steve Alig, Captain

**Sunday, September 8, 12:00 Noon**

Servers: Amelia Adams & Braydon Adams  
 Commentator: Dennis Hirt  
 Lector: Allison Darras  
 Gifts: Dan Fleck  
 E. M.: Elden Heckler, Janet Smith, Joan Stelzer,  
 Jeanne Braun, Mary Ann Laughlin  
 Ushers: Team G, Dave Cron, Captain

**Sunday, September 1**

No Bingo at the K of C Hall

**Tuesday, September 3**

6:00 p.m. Rosary & Chaplet of Divine Mercy

**Thursday, September 5**

6:00 p.m. VIRTUS Session

**Saturday, September 7**

11:00 a.m. Reconciliation

**Sunday, September 8**

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

**Bingo**

**Chairperson September 8:** Bob McKirnan

**Crew Captain September 8:** Joe Hoyng

**Workers September 8:** Lupe Hoyng, Doug Thobe,  
 Bill Siefker, Tim Knapke, Rob Luebke, Dale Albers

**ASSURE** (Area Suicide Support Resources)  
 annual Walk for Suicide Awareness, Sept. 7 at the  
 Mercer County Fair Grounds. Registration at the Ken-  
 Feld Building at 8:00 a.m., walk starts at 9:00 a.m. until  
 Noon.

**Local Support Group**

Surviving Divorce, a 12-week support group,  
 begins Monday, Sept. 9 from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. at the  
 Parish Office Center (old rectory next door to St.  
 Michael Church), 33 Elm St., Ft. Loramie. Cost of \$25  
 per person includes a "Personal Survival Guide," and  
 materials for 12 weeks. Find comfort and counsel  
 consistent with Catholic teachings. Call Rose Meyer at  
 937-295-2891 or rosem@nflregion.org to find out more  
 information or to register.

**Magnificat Women's Conference**

Join us Saturday, Sept. 14 at St. Charles Center,  
 Carthagena, for the annual Women's Conference  
 featuring Fr. Nathan Cromly and Michelle Hall. The  
 day will begin at 8:00 a.m. with Mass. and ends at 3:00  
 p.m. Cost is \$30.00, which includes breakfast and lunch.  
 To register write a check payable to Coldwater Holy  
 Trinity Church and mail it to: Rene Klosterman at 912  
 W. Vine St., Coldwater, Ohio 45828, or call her at 419-  
 678-4700.

**Stewardship Offering August 25**

Envelopes/online (287)	\$ 13,766.00
Loose	<u>1,256.68</u>
Total Received	\$ 15,022.68
Weekly Offering:	\$ 15,022.68
Week Budgeted:	<u>14,600.00</u>
Over/Short:	\$ 422.68
YTD Total Collection:	\$106,239.46
YTD Total Budgeted:	<u>116,800.00</u>
Over/Short to date:	(\$ 10,560.54)

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 30, 2020 visit [www.celina-ic.org](http://www.celina-ic.org) and click Donate.

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