



Immaculate Conception Church

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CLUSTER SCHEDULE

Saturday Masses

Immaculate Conception (IC) 5:00 PM

Our Lady of Guadalupe (OLG)..... 7:00 PM

Sunday Masses

Immaculate Conception 8:00 AM & 11:00 AM

Our Lady of Guadalupe 9:00 AM

St. Teresa 10:00 AM

Weekdays Masses/Communion Services

Monday Immaculate Conception..... 7:30 AM

OLG Communion Service 8:00 AM

Tuesday IC..... 7:30 AM

OLG 8:00 AM

Wednesday IC Communion Service 7:30 AM

OLG 7:00 PM

St. Teresa 7:00 PM

Thursday IC 7:30 AM

Friday OLG..... 8:00 AM

IC 9:00 AM (7:30 AM if no 9:00 AM

School Mass)

RECONCILIATION

IC Saturday 11:00 AM

OLG Saturday 6:15-6:45 PM

St. Teresa Wednesday 6:30 PM

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 12:15 p.m. on second Sundays of January, March, May, July, September and November, in the Parish Activity Center. Please call the Parish Office to register. Baptisms are at 12:15 p.m. on the third Sunday of each month except in July 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.

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

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COUNSELING SERVICES

Offered by Bob Skipper at Spiritual Center of Maria Stein

1-937-299-9005



FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT, DECEMBER 1, 2019

Support the Retirement Fund for Religious - Collection December 7-8, 2019

Give in thanksgiving. "The nuns left lasting impressions on me," writes a donor. "I shall always be grateful for my Catholic education." Please join in thanking the thousands of senior Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests who worked tirelessly to educate the young and serve those in need. Next week's second collection is for the Retirement Fund for Religious, which helps hundreds of religious communities care for aging members. Please give generously.

Advent Reconciliation Opportunities

- Saturdays 11:00 AM IC; 6:15 PM OLG
- Wednesdays 6:30 PM St. Teresa
- Dec. 4th - 6:00 PM - OLG confessions before and after mass
- Dec. 5th - 7:00 PM - IC confessions
- Dec. 11th - 7:00 PM - St Teresa 1st Reconciliation & Advent Service
- Dec. 11th - 7:40 PM - OLG Confessions after Mass
- Dec. 19th - 7:00 PM - IC confessions
- By appointment

Celina Cluster Christmas Mass Schedule

St. Teresa – Christmas Eve – 10:00 PM
OLG – Christmas Eve 7:00 PM;
Christmas Day 8:00 AM & 10:00 AM
IC – Christmas Eve 4:30 PM, 7:30 PM, 11:00 PM;
Christmas Day 9:30 AM

Celina Cluster New Year's Mass Schedule

St. Teresa – New Year's Eve - 5:00 PM
OLG – New Year's Eve - 7:00 PM;
New Year's Day - 9:00 AM
IC – New Year's Eve - 5:00 PM;
New Year's Day - 9:00 AM

The *Endowment Fund* received \$100.00 in memory of Fr. Marcellus Fortman, \$10,000.00 in memory of Paul W. Meyer and \$12,006.88 in memory of Jerry Andrew.

✠ Vocation Cross ✠

December 1-7 -- Jim & James Poeppelman
December 8-14 -- Ned & Jo Pryer



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

Mass Intentions For The Week

Monday, December 2

7:30 a.m. Thomas Knapke

Tuesday, December 3

St. Francis Xavier, Priest

7:30 a.m. Liv. & Dec. Walt & Dorothy Imwalle
Family

Wednesday, December 4

St. John Damascene, Priest & Doctor of the Church

7:30 a.m. Communion Service

Thursday, December 5

7:30 a.m. Keith Kline

Friday, December 6

St. Nicholas, Bishop

9:00 a.m. Liv. & Dec. Ralph & Irene Gray
Family

Saturday, December 7

St. Ambrose, Bishop & Doctor of the Church

5:00 p.m. Bill Vian

Sunday, December 8

8:00 a.m. People of the Parish,
Lavern Rolfes

11:00 a.m. James Wagner

Baptized

Congratulations to Hunter Lewis Gilbert, son of Tony Gilbert and Cassandra Steinbrunner who was recently Baptized.

Christmas Flowers

If you wish to have loved ones remembered with flowers during the Christmas Season, please submit your donation by December 23. Donations in thanksgiving are also welcome. The names of those remembered will be placed in frames and set among the Christmas flowers. An envelope is in your December packet.

Readings for the week of December 1, 2019

Sunday: Is 2:1-5/ Ps 122:1-2, 3-4, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [cf. 1]/
Rom 13:11-14/Mt 24:37-44

Monday: Is 4:2-6/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4b, 4cd-5, 6-7, 8-9/
Mt 8:5-11

Tuesday: Is 11:1-10/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17 [cf. 7]/
Lk 10:21-24

Wednesday: Is 25:6-10a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 [6cd]/
Mt 15:29-37

Thursday: Is 26:1-6/Ps 118: 1 and 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a
[26a]/Mt 7:21, 24-27

Friday: Is 29:17-24/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 [1a]/Mt 9:27-31

Saturday: Is 30:19-21, 23-26/Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/
Mt 9:35—10:1, 5a, 6-8

Next Sunday: Is 11:1-10/ Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 19 [cf. 7]/
Rom 15:4-9/Mt 3:1-12 ©LPi

Scrip Christmas Contest!!!

Many people are thinking of early Christmas shopping. IC School would like to encourage all our families, extended families, friends and neighbors to use Scrip for their Christmas Shopping and gift-giving. It is a pain-free, cost-free way to help our school and make your shopping easier! Scrip order forms are available at the School Office, the Parish Office or on weekends after mass from the Scrip representative in the vestibule of church. As always, if you have ANY questions, or NEED HELP ordering something, please call Marie McKirnan at 419-733-4279.

Each time you purchase or order Scrip between now and Christmas a point will be recorded for our Scrip Christmas Contest. If we earn 2000 points or more, each classroom will be awarded a movie and snack. Come on IC families! Let's earn a movie party for our students!!!

Baggers Needed

We will be bagging candy for the Bazaar Meat/Candy sale on December 5 at 8:30 a.m. in the PAC, Rooms 103 and 104. All help is very much appreciated. It should take no more than 2 hours and any extra kitchen scales help to make the job go even faster. Also, if anyone has extra time, we could also use help to set up the bazaar after the candy is finished. Again, thanks to all who so generously respond with your time.

IC Christmas Bazaar

Next Saturday, December 7th, is the date for the IC Christmas Bazaar at the PAC from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. 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, all available from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. 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 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on December 2nd through December 6th.

Please bring *BAKE SALE* goods to the PAC on December 6th from noon to 6:00 p.m. or December 7th from 8:30 a.m. to noon. Questions? Please call 567-644-3608 or 419-733-1332. Please plan to come, and invite your friends.

Attention Ladies!

This year's Altar Rosary Christmas Dinner will be held on Monday evening, December 16 in the PAC. The doors will open at 5:30 p.m. for a Social Hour and time to enjoy the beautifully decorated tables. Dinner will be served at 6:30 p.m. The cost is \$9.00 and we ask everyone to also bring a dry or canned good to donate to Call Food Pantry. For reservations, please call Angie Fleck at 419-586-1420 or 419-953-3069 (leave a message). We hope to see everyone there!

Angel Tree Program

Immaculate Conception Parish will once again participate in the Angel Tree Program. Two Christmas trees decorated with tags have been set up in the back of church. Remove a tag or a couple of tags from the tree 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 9th. Please DO NOT wrap the gifts.

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!

Coat Drive

The First Grade Religious Ed class and the Sunday School classes are hosting a Children's Coat Drive for our local C.A.L.L. Ministries. They are in need of new or gently used winter coats in ALL kids sizes. Please check your closets for any coats you may not be using. Any monetary donations or prayers for our Coat Drive are also accepted and greatly appreciated. Please drop off any donations by December 18 at the Religious Ed. Office or in the Parish Office. Thank you for your assistance!!

Holy Hour for Vocations

The Missionaries of the Precious Blood at St. Charles Center host a monthly Holy Hour for Vocations the first Wednesday of the month. The Blessed Sacrament is exposed after the 8:30 a.m. Mass, and all are welcome to drop in to pray throughout the day. The communal Holy Hour begins at 7:00 p.m. and ends with Benediction at 8:00 p.m. Please join us in prayer for an increase in vocations and in support of those already in formation.

First Saturday Devotions will be held at St. Charles Senior Living Community main chapel on Saturday, December 7, 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.

Bulletin Deadline Changes

Please take note of the deadline changes for the following bulletins:

- Monday, Dec. 2 for the Dec. 8 bulletin
- Monday, Dec. 9 for the Dec. 15 bulletin.

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

Thank you for your consideration.

Saturday, December 7, 5:00 p.m.

Sacristans: Janet Smith
Servers: Ian Kennedy & Christian Fent
Commentator: Lindsey Lunz
Lector: Allison Bruns
Gifts: Pending
E. M.: Tara Homan, Cindy Shaffer, Mike Shaffer, Janet Smith, Joe Hoying, Jane Cron, Dave Cron, Marge Waterman, Dr. Ken Schmiesing, Kathy Schmiesing, Donna Hartke
Ushers: Team C, Ken Art, Captain

Sunday, December 8, 8:00 a.m.

Sacristans: Jane & Charlie Mescher
Servers: John Robinson & Alana Baucher
Commentator: Karen Stahl
Lector: Tom Rable
Gifts: Don Reinhart
E. M.: X Jim Fishpaw, Jane Mescher, Charlie Mescher, Rhett Snyder, Freda Lochtefeld, Joe Pecharich, Janet Stachler, Larry Braun, Karen Albers, Tom Muhlenkamp, Anita Muhlenkamp, Judie Braun
Ushers: Team D, Stephen Seibel, Captain

Sunday, December 8, 11:00 a.m.

Sacristans: Bev Korte
Servers: Avery Cox & Zoe Cox
Commentator: Jean Giesige
Lector: Jan Yackey
Gifts: Bob McKirnan
E. M.: Ruth Knapke, Harry Coy, Carol Coy, Joanie Koontz, Christine Carney, Bev Korte, Jon Yost, Staci Clutter, Abby Gehle, Ann Hull, Mary Ann Laughlin
Ushers: Team E, Richard Carlin, Captain

Stewardship Offering November 17

Envelopes/online (275)	\$ 19,017.00
Loose	<u>1,808.30</u>
Total Received	\$ 20,825.30
Weekly Offering:	\$ 20,825.30
Week Budgeted:	<u>14,600.00</u>
Over/Short:	\$ 6,225.30
YTD Total Collection:	\$282,530.33
YTD Total Budgeted:	<u>292,000.00</u>
Over/Short to date:	(\$ 9,469.67)

Mission Sunday \$3,000.50

Military Service \$5,546.25

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Sunday, December 1

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

Monday, December 2

7:00 p.m. Adult Education

Tuesday, December 3

7:00 p.m. RCIA

Wednesday, December 4

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

Thursday, December 5

7:00 p.m. Reconciliation

Saturday, December 7

9:00-4:00 Christmas Bazaar

9:00-11:00 a.m. Scout Paper Drive, 435 W. Wayne St.

11:00 a.m. Reconciliation

Sunday, December 8

8:00 a.m. Adult Choir

9:15 a.m. Confirmation Class

11:00 a.m. Sunday School

11:00 a.m. Children's Liturgy of the Word

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

BINGO

Chairperson December 8: Bob McKirnan

Crew Captain December 8: Trish Baucher

Workers December 8: Ginny Bennett, Luke Baucher, Jeremy Homan, Craig Kennedy, Kim Adams, Mike Adams, Andrea Faber

National Night of Prayer for Life

The 30th annual National Night of Prayer for Life will be held at the Spiritual Center Chapel, Maria Stein, Ohio starting at 7:00 p.m., Sunday, December 8th to 11:00 p.m. Four hours of Eucharistic Adoration and prayers of reparation for the sin of abortion will be offered. Each hour will begin with a hymn & prayers including the rosary and the Divine Mercy chaplet. This Night of Prayer again will unite over 600 parishes across the nation to end the callous acceptance of abortion in our country and the world. It will open with exposition by Father Christian Cone-Lombarte and he will be available for confession for part of the night. Deacon Greg Bornhorst will close with Benediction. All are welcome and participants may come for all or part of the event. Please note the time change of the program: 7:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.

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