



# 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

Fr. Tim McFarland, C.P.P.S., Parochial Vicar

Deacon Charlie Salway - [csalway@celina-ic.org](mailto:csalway@celina-ic.org)

Polly Muhlenkamp, School Principal

Lindsey Lunz, Business Manager - [llunz@celina-ic.org](mailto:llunz@celina-ic.org)

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Cindy Van Santvoord, Director of Music

Joyce Johnson, Coordinator of Religious Education

Tiffany Pierstorff, Program Administrator

Gary Locke, Youth Minister - 419-953-3178

## PASTORAL COUNCIL

Mike Braun, President

## SCHOOL ADVISORY BOARD

Kevin Riesen, Chairperson

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION COMMISSION

Kylie Johnson, Chairperson

## FINANCE COMMISSION

Harry Coy, Chairperson

## COUNSELING SERVICES

Offered by Bob Skipper at Spiritual Center of Maria Stein

1-937-299-9005



# THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH, DEC. 29, 2019

Dear Cluster Parishioner,

As we continue to celebrate the joy of Christmas, we take time to say "Thank You" to those who have been so good to us. Along with the Parish and School Staff, we would like to say thanks for your generous concern and expressions of love. Your Christmas cards, greetings and gifts certainly reflect the goodness and love of Christ.

We would like to thank all those parishioners who gave so generously to provide for the needs of those less fortunate. Your outpouring of food at Thanksgiving, Christmas gifts and money along with the time and talent shared by so many helped bring the spirit of Christmas to many.

We would also like to thank all those who shared their time and talent to make our Christmas celebrations so beautiful. Thanks to so many of you who contributed to the Christmas flower fund and to all those who created such a beautiful Christmas environment in our church. Thanks to those who graciously shared their time and talent in the Children and Adult Choirs, the instrumentalists, and all the other liturgical ministers. Christmas is a wonderful celebration of gifts that helps us appreciate more "the Word Made flesh."

And finally, we thank you on behalf of all the parishioners of Immaculate Conception/Our Lady of Guadalupe/St. Teresa for your generosity at Christmas and throughout the year. It is certainly a sign of your faith and willingness to share the light of Christ with our parish and beyond. May you have a happy and healthy 2020.

*Fr. Ken & Fr. Tim*

## 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

## Collections For Those In Need

Next weekend, January 4 & 5 St. Vincent de Paul collection boxes for monetary donations will be set up at the church entrances.

Tables will also be set up at the entrances of church next weekend for food donations to help stock local food pantries. Food pantries are not permitted to distribute food items with expired dates so please check expiration dates on all items.



## Monday, December 30

7:30 a.m. All Souls

## Tuesday, December 31

5:00 p.m. Donald & Darla Novogradac

## Wednesday, January 1, 2020

9:00 a.m. Robert Schott

## Thursday, January 2

### Saints Basil the Great & Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops and Doctors of the Church

7:30 a.m. Liddy Leugers

## Friday, January 3

9:00 a.m. Keith Kline

## Saturday, January 4

### Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton, Religious

5:00 p.m. Liv. & Dec. Pohlman & Knapke  
Family

## Sunday, January 5

### Epiphany of the Lord

8:00 a.m. Christopher Frey Jr.

11:00 a.m. Charles Gibson



## Baptism

Congratulations to Malachi Keith, son of Andrew & Jill Heindel, who was recently Baptized.

## ✠ Vocation Cross ✠

December 29-January 4 -- Marge Waterman

January 5-11 -- Beth Vorhees

## Readings for the week of December 29, 2019

Sunday: Sir 3:2-6, 12-14/ Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 [cf. 1]/  
Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17/Mt 2:13-15, 19-23

Monday: 1 Jn 2:12-17/Ps 96:7-8a, 8b-9, 10 [11a]/  
Lk 2:36-40

Tuesday: 1 Jn 2:18-21/Ps 96:1-2, 11-12, 13 [11a]/  
Jn 1:1-18

Wednesday: Nm 6:22-27/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 [2a]/Gal  
4:4-7/Lk 2:16-21

Thursday: 1 Jn 2:22-28/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 [3cd]/  
Jn 1:19-28

Friday: 1 Jn 2:29—3:6/Ps 98:1, 3cd-4, 5-6 [3cd]/  
Jn 1:29-34

Saturday: 1 Jn 3:7-10/Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9 [3cd]/Jn 1:35-42

Next Sunday: Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13

[cf. 11]/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12

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## End of Year Information

Contribution tax statements for the 2019 calendar year will be mailed after January 2, 2020. Please help continue passing on the gift of faith by remembering Immaculate Conception Parish and Immaculate Conception School in your annual giving, wills, and expressions of sympathy. Immaculate Conception School relies on your generosity to reach its annual \$200,000.00 fundraising goal, and both entities depend on generous parishioners to maintain a sound fiscal year budget. Thanks for your continued offering of time, talent, and treasure. You are the hands and feet of God and a blessing in many ways!

## Ushers

Plan "B" will be in effect for all masses for both New Year's Eve and New Year's Day masses. Ushers when you arrive at Church, verify that there are enough ushers. If you are the first one there, start the preparation work and obtain any additional ushers needed.

## Stewardship Spotlight: Music Ministry Choirs

*I.C. parishioners are the Hands and Feet of God sharing the gift of song & bringing glad tidings of great joy.* There are currently three choirs at I.C. parish: Adult Choir, Children's Choir and Resurrection Choir. The Adult and Children's Choirs lead the congregation in song and strive to complement liturgies with songs that tie the readings and homily together as well as music that reflects the liturgical season. The Resurrection Choir not only leads the music at funerals, but sings music that brings comfort to the bereaved. Many parishioners have been a part of various choirs over I.C.'s history. By singing together, members become a close-knit family that enjoys serving the parish by enhancing liturgies with music. Led by Cindy Van Santvoord, the choirs of I.C. hope their music reinforces prayer and reflection, and makes a positive difference on people's lives.

## Teacher In Service

There will be a Religious Educator In-Service training session on Wednesday, January 8<sup>th</sup> at the Montezuma Spiritual Center (6731 State Route 219, Montezuma, OH 45866) from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. All catechists in the St. Marys and Sidney Deaneries are encouraged to attend, and receive credits for Catechist certification. Fr. Tom Dorn will discuss the "True Presence in the Eucharist" and educators will participate in small group discussions on the presentation and sharing ideas. Please register for this event with Joyce Johnson, 419-586-2370.

## Altar Rosary News

Thank you to everyone who attended the Altar Rosary Christmas Dinner! A total of 142 food items were collected for the Call Food Pantry. A big thank you to those who helped make the evening enjoyable. Mary Butturini & Linda Wendel, for taking care of the bills and entrance table seating, Trish Baucher for typing the seating chart, taking care of the drinks and instructing our great servers: Caitlyn Muhlenkamp, Ben Russell & Marshall & Collin Williams. Also thanks to Ginny Bennett for picking up the table linens and making the wassail drink and the ladies who decorated the beautiful tables: Trish Baucher, Ginny Bennett, Carol Coy, Joan Carr, Elaine Marbaugh, Lisa Schott, Pat Moeller, Angie Fleck, Karen Uhlenhake, Deb Bruns, Patty Temple, Judy Bruns, Ellen Bruns, Janie Stammen, Kelli Clausen and Sharon Griggs, And finally, thank you to Ian Kennedy who did an outstanding job of entertaining us with his piano skills throughout the evening!

## K of C Free Throw Competition

Girls and Boys from 9 through 14 are able to compete in this Free Throw Competition. The contest will begin at 1:00 p.m. on Sunday, January 19, 2020, at the PAC gym. Practice shooting begins at 12:30. Winners advance to district competition.

## Register Now for Empty Bowls Mercer County "Create A Bowl" Event

Empty Bowls Mercer County 2020 will kick-off with a marathon "Create A Bowl" painting party on Sat., Jan. 18, at Brew Nation/Potters House on Main where community members will come together to create hand-painted bowls for the "Empty Bowls Dinner & Auction" that will be held this Spring.

By joining us at "Create A Bowl", you will become part of an effort to make a difference. Many of our Mercer County neighbors -- average people who are facing hard times -- will be able to find safe shelter, keep a roof over their heads, put food on their tables, and mend relationships with their children because someone created a bowl and someone else bought it!

To join "Create A Bowl", call Our Home Family Resource Center at 419-586-4663 and reserve a time to paint. Painting will begin at 8:00 a.m. and end at 6:00 p.m. Participants register in advance for a 2-hour session. Registration is limited to 30 participants per time slot.

Each painter is asked to donate or collect funds for the event (\$25 minimum) and will paint two bowls. Individuals with donations of \$50.00 or more will be entered into a raffle for a chance to win prizes.

All the unique, hand-painted creations will then be gifted to folks who purchase tickets to the "Empty Bowls Dinner & Auction" (April 4) as a reminder of both the empty bowls in this county that need to be filled, and the commitment this community has made to fill them.

**Saturday, January 4, 5:00 p.m.**

Sacristans: Lindsey & Lily Lunz  
Servers: Christian Fent & Brecken Adams  
Commentator: Lindsey Lunz  
Lector: Christy Shanklin  
Gifts: Dick Miller  
E. M.: X Nancie Hoyng, Bob Hoyng, Elizabeth Steele, Denny Marbaugh, Joe Hoyng, Jeanne Braun, Myra Hileman, Marge Waterman, Donna Hartke, Joe Pecharich, Sue Siebert, Dan Siebert  
Ushers: Team K, Del Kramer, Captain

**Sunday, January 5, 8:00 a.m.**

Sacristan: Bev Korte  
Servers: Beau & Hannah Koester  
Commentator: Tom Rable  
Lector: Lynn Locke  
Gifts: Matt Heckler  
E. M.: Joan Wurster, Harry Coy, Carol Coy, Kati Heckler, Tom Leininger, Janie Stammen, Bev Korte, Dave Cron, Jane Cron, Rita Snider, Karen Albers  
Ushers: Team L, Tim Wenning, Captain

**Sunday, January 5, 11:00 a.m.**

Sacristans: Nicole & Jon Schumm  
Servers: Lillyan Byer & Madison Muntzinger  
Commentator: Cissy Muntzinger  
Lector: Carol Wenning  
Gifts: David Shrock  
E. M.: X Jim Fishpaw, Gerard Ahrns, Christine Carney, Staci Clutter, Joanie Koontz, Abby Gehle, Jon Yost, John Schmidt, Janet Smith, Judie Braun, Pat Hull, Ann Hull  
Ushers: Team A, Ron Hoyng, Captain

**Bingo**

**Chairperson January 5:** Mike Shaffer  
**Crew Captain January 5:** Chuck Mertz  
**Workers January 5:** Carol Mertz, Doug Drexler, Jane Homan, Nicole Schumm, Rick Ramsey, Michael Byrne, Jason Hawk

**Stewardship Offering December 15**

Envelopes/online (243)	\$ 10,316.00
Loose	<u>1,402.79</u>
Total Received	\$ 11,718.79
Weekly Offering:	\$ 11,718.79
Week Budgeted:	<u>14,600.00</u>
Over/Short:	(\$ 2,881.21)
YTD Total Collection:	\$337,958.18
YTD Total Budgeted:	<u>350,400.00</u>
Over/Short to date:	(\$ 12,441.82)

**Religious Retirement \$5,428.00**

To give electronically for fiscal year July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020 visit [www.celina-ic.org](http://www.celina-ic.org) and click Donate.

**Sunday, December 29**

11:00 a.m. Adult Choir  
No Bingo

**Tuesday, December 31**

Parish Office closes at noon

**Wednesday, January 1**

9:00 a.m. Adult Choir  
Parish Office Closed

**Saturday, January 4**

11:00 a.m. Reconciliation

**Sunday, January 5**

8:00 a.m. Adult Choir  
11:00 a.m. Children's Choir  
7:00 p.m. Bingo at the K of C Hall

**Newspaper Signature Ad Campaign**

To commemorate the 47<sup>th</sup> 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 Wednesday, January 8, 2020. 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 22, 2020.

**Surviving Divorce**

Marriage is meant to last a lifetime. Most engaged couples approach their wedding day fully believing and intending this. Sadly, however, too many hearts and homes end up experiencing the pain of divorce. *Surviving Divorce* was created to bring hope and healing to those who have experienced the pain and loneliness of a broken marriage. The Petersburg Parishes are offering a 12 week video series on Tuesday evenings, February 4 through April 21 (6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.) in the Adult Room of the St. Joseph Parish Life Center (attached to the church located at 103 W Pearl St., Wapakoneta). Call 419.738.2115 to register. A \$25 fee will cover the cost of the program. If this would create a financial hardship, please mention that when registering.

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