



The Parish Community of
IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

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**Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
 August 31, 2008**

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Home Bound Support Group:
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Parish Council:
 Mr. Kevin Horstman -Pres.
 Mrs. Mary Ann Beining Mrs. Virginia Beining
 Mr. Ron Hemker Mrs. Barb Hoersten
 Mr. Jim Hoersten Mrs. Janice Schlagbaum
 Mr. Adam Schnipke Mr. Gary Turnwald
 Mr. Brad Turnwald

Finance Committee: Mike Ruen, Chairman
Cemetery Sexton: Marty Gerdeman – 419-453-3288
Cemetery Board President:
 Mrs. Lenora Ball – 419-453-3861

PARISH SCHEDULE:
Weekend Masses:
 Saturday: 4 PM
 Sunday: 8 AM & 10:30 AM
Daily Masses:
 Monday: NO MASS
 Tuesday: 7 PM
 Wednesday, Thursday, Friday: 8:10 AM

Sacrament of Reconciliation:
 Saturday: 3:15 PM

Baptism Instruction:
 Second Saturday at 10 AM in the basement at Fort Jennings rectory. Upcoming dates: October 11 & December 13, 2008. Instructions are for parents who celebrate the birth of their first child. It is highly recommended that you attend instructions before the birth of the child. Please call the office to register.

Baptisms:
 Baptisms are celebrated anytime agreeable with Deacon Jose' or Father John. To arrange for a Baptism, please call the office.

New parishioners are cordially invited to register as members of our parish family. Please call the office.

Please note: Deadline for bulletin items is Thursday at 9 AM in writing, email, or fax.

Parish Website:
www.immaculateconceptionottoville.parishesonline.com

Parents/Children living outside the Ottoville School District. *If your child does not attend the Ottoville Schools, we don't want to neglect their Sacramental Preparation and catechetical development. Our Junior/Senior High Program is on Wednesday evenings from 7-8 PM Fall and Winter Sessions. However, we presently do not have a program for our elementary age students. If you are in this category, please contact Jean Byrne or me so that we can assist you with your child's religious development.*

- Fr. John

Flowers on the Altar at this weekend's Masses were donated by Rita & Nub Schnipke in memory of their children Bradley S. Schnipke & Maria J. Pierce.

THE MEN'S CHOIR will sing on September 6 at the 4 PM Mass. Practice will be on September 2 after 7 PM Mass in the church choir. New members always welcome, both adults and high school!

SAVE THE DATE: Our Annual Parish Golf Outing is scheduled for September 14. More details and information will follow.

Dear Parishioners,
 We would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the very dedicated people that help the Church Festival be such a success from year to year.
 Over the years, it is very obvious the dedication that people have to this festival. We have noticed that there are people that put in a lot of time working for the festival, as they do for their regular full time job. Without these wonderful people, the festival would not be such a success.
 We would like to thank Father John who was such a great person to work with. He is very open to new ideas and is willing to try new things. The bottom line with Father John is that he wants what is best for the parish.
 We would like to also thank the people who work for the parish, especially Dave Koester, Hubie Byrne, and Patty Koester. These people were such a tremendous help and really knew where everything was and what needed to be done. Thanks again!!
 Judy Bosch – Outgoing Chairperson
 Kirt Martz – Outgoing Chairperson
 Amy Martin – Incoming Chairperson

PROJECT RACHEL - Confidential help is available to anyone who is suffering from the grief of abortion. There are people with whom you can talk in confidence about your experience. **Project Rachel** offers lay counselors and trained clergy ready to help you find peace and healing. If you feel ready to talk with someone, we invite you to call the confidential help line at 419-260-5811.

Stem cells from adult tissues and umbilical cord blood are now known to be much more versatile than once thought. These cells are now in widespread use to treat many kinds of cancer and other illnesses, and in clinical trials they have already benefited patients suffering from heart disease, corneal damage, sickle-cell anemia, multiple sclerosis, and many other devastating conditions.

U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops on Embryonic Stem Cell Research (June 13, 2008)

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LITURGIES

S(31st) 8:00 a.m. Parishioners
 10:30 a.m. Joan E. Bleim
 M(1st) 9:00 a.m. 60th Wedding Anniversary of
 Ray & Elma Kaufman
 T(2nd) 7:00 p.m. Louis & Ronald Daeger
 W(3rd) 8:10 a.m. Florentine Warnecke
 Th(4th) 8:10 a.m. Special Intention
 F(5th) 8:10 a.m. Raymond & Mildred Wannemacher
 S(6th) 4:00 p.m. Franklin Kleman
 S(7th) 8:00 a.m. Isadore & Florence Miller
 10:30 a.m. Parishioners

**NEXT WEEKEND'S MINISTERS OF MASS:**

SERVERS: WEEKDAYS: 7:00 p.m. & 8:10 a.m.
 Morgan Beining, Joel Beining, Joseph Van Oss
SAT: 4:00 PM: Rachel Beining, Ryan Honigford,
 Jacob Turnwald
SUN: 8:00 AM: Lynn Beining, Lori Hoersten,
 Scott Pohlman
10:30 AM: Ashley Hoehn, Danielle Rellinger,
 Adam Wannemacher

LECTORS: Carl Turnwald, Carla Landin,
 Stephanie Hoersten

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

4:00 PM: Host: Kathy Beining, Jane Turnwald,
 Don Warnecke, Jill Wenzlick
Cup: Judy Eickholt, Peggy Pohlman
Choir: Leon Burgei (Total 7)
8:00 AM: Host: Sharon Meyer, Angie Niemeyer,
 Patricia Ricker
Cup: Deb Lindeman, Jan Von Lehmden
Choir: Anne Landwehr (Total 6)
10:30 AM: Host: Rose Brickner, Jill Hohlbein,
 Julie Nussbaum, Toni Rieger
Cup: Dee Dee & Don Schlagbaum
Choir: Lenora Ball (Total 7)

USHERS:

4:00 PM: Rod Beining, Brad Eickholt,
 Gary Pohlman, Darrell Von Sossan
8:00 AM: Bob Bendele, Joel Edelbrock,
 Kyle Niemeyer, Rodney Niemeyer
10:30 AM: Duane Boecker, Walt Brickner,
 Tony Rieger, Gene Turnwald

GIFTS:

4:00 PM: Volunteers
8:00 AM: Volunteers
10:30 AM: Volunteers

PRAY THE ROSARY

Laurie Knippen, Cindy Knippen, Sharon Knippen,
 Linda Knippen, Dena Knippen, Marge Knueven,
 Becky Knippen

NEXT WEEKEND'S READINGS:

Ezekiel 33:7-9; Romans 13:8-10; Matthew 18:15-20

ALTAR/SANCTURY CLEANING:

Rita Hoersten, Manager

FLOWERS AT THE ALTAR:

September – Millie Ruen & Ceil Eickholt

SUNDAY COLLECTION: Budget: \$5,000.00
 Sunday Collection & Assumption: 4,441.05
Below Budget: \$ -558.95
 Parish Center: \$5
MANY THANKS!!!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS: On September 15 we will celebrate a Mass for our departed Brother Ray Miller at 7 PM. All are welcome! Following the Mass we will hold our monthly Social Meeting. We invite any interested male age 18 or older to this social gathering. No obligations just come and enjoy an evening with us!

THEOLOGY ON TAP series begins again on September 11 at the Red Pig Inn in Ottawa. This gathering is aimed at young adults ages 18-39. Registration is 6 PM. The speakers, Theresa Lammers and Amanda Schroeder, will begin at 6:30 PM. They will speak on "Journey of Faith through Generations".

WORLD WIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER: In the world today, couples become so involved in the day-to-day concerns of their lives...job, children, home, social activities...that they can lose touch with each other and their married relationship. The Marriage Encounter Weekend helps a couple discover each other again. To learn more about Worldwide Marriage Encounter or to register for the September 19-21, 2008 Weekend at The Holiday Inn, Fremont, OH call Brian & Chris Schroeder at 419-538-7210 or www.wwme.org

COMMUNITY INTEREST

TODAY! Is the 46th Annual Ottoville Park Carnival. Rides, games, food & fun for the whole family! Johnny Russler and the Beach Bum Band on Sunday 9-12 PM. Parade and much more. Sponsored by The Ottoville Bank, C & G Distributing, and K & L Ready Mix.

THE PUTNAM COUNTY RIGHT TO LIFE will meet September 2 in the Kalida Medical Arts Building at 7:30 PM. Everyone welcome.

Are you an Older Adult Living with a chronic illness?

The Putnam County Council on Aging is presenting a six week, Healthy U program designed to teach practical skills for living a healthier life with an on-going health condition such as heart conditions, lung disease, stroke, arthritis, diabetes, asthma, emphysema, MS, high blood pressure, anxiety, depression etc. Participants learn relaxation techniques, appropriate exercises, communication skills relative to family, friends, physicians and other health professionals. The program is designed to set weekly goals and develop coping and problem solving techniques. If you are an older adult living with a chronic illness/diagnosis, this FREE program is for you. Sessions held at the Putnam County Council on Aging, Ottawa with free transportation for anyone 60 and older. Sessions held Tuesday afternoons beginning September 2. For more information call 419-523-4121 or 800-589-8508. Refreshments & Door Prizes!

Motor City Casino Trip – sponsored by the Ft. Jennings Legion Post 715 Ladies Auxilliary on October 13. Bus arrives at 6:30 AM, leaves at 7 AM. For a cost of \$30 you get \$20 free play & \$5 food voucher. Contact Ruth, 419-286-2329 or 419-286-2100 or pay at the Legion Bar. Or contact Rosie, 419-286-2330. Will stop taking reservations when the bus is full.

FAMILY PERSPECTIVE: Relationships live in a careful balance. If a person changes, the balance is altered requiring a shift in the relationship. In today's gospel Jesus announced a change and Peter resisted. Jesus told Peter: "You are an obstacle to me." Sometimes, those we count on for support may actually be an obstacle.

O Lord, my God, grant us your peace: already, indeed, you have made us rich in all things! Give us that peace of being at rest, that Sabbath peace, the peace which knows no end.
 - St. Augustine