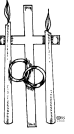




The Parish Community of
IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

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**Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time
 August 23, 2009**



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Parish Office: Located in the Parish Center
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Home Bound Support Group:
 Mrs. Mary Lou Miller – 419-453-3480
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Parish Council:
 Mr. Jim Hoersten -Pres.
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 Mr. Ron Hemker
 Mrs. Janice Schlagbaum
 Mrs. Nancy Vetter
 Mr. Eddie Luersman
 Mrs. Virginia Beining
 Mrs. Barb Hoersten
 Mr. Adam Schnipke
 Mr. Donald Warnecke

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: 10:30 AM

Daily Masses:
 Monday: NO MASS
 Tuesday: 7 PM – 2nd & 4th of the month
 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 10, and December 12, 2009. 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.

Engaged Couples Conference: First Sunday of March and November.

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



*As for
 Me and
 my house,
 we will serve
 the Lord.*

BANNS: The following couples ask your prayerful support as they prepare for their marriage:
 (III) Ross Altenburger & Kristen Newbrough of St. Thomas Moore, Brooklyn, OH

Congratulations! To Eddie Luersman on his election to the Toledo Diocesan Youth Council. He joins fellow Immaculate Conception Ashley Hoehn. Quite a compliment to our Parish Youth with two members on the Diocesan Board!

FAMILY PERSPECTIVE: Jesus put all the cards on the table in today's gospel and "many walked away" because they found it too "hard". Are you committed to the relationships in your family as they really ARE or to the mental fantasy of how YOU WANT THEM to be?

How Does Your Garden Grow? If you have a bountiful garden with some produce to share, the Community Food Pantry would welcome your extras. Housed at Trinity United Methodist Church, 137 Pratt St., Ottawa, the local food pantry is open the 2nd & 4th Tuesday of each month. Produce & other donations can be brought to the Community Food Pantry on that 2nd or 4th Tuesday or the preceding Mondays so it may be offered to those in need. Your help is greatly appreciated!

Pro-Life Prayer Vigil with Bishop Blair is September 17 beginning at 6 PM with Mass at Rosary Cathedral in Toledo. Then a rosary pilgrimage processing from the parking lot of the Ashland Baptist Church to the Center for Choice abortion clinic. After time in prayer at the abortion clinic, we return to the Cathedral for Benediction and refreshments. For more information call Mary at 419-878-0486.

Pro-Life Event: 40 Days for Life is September 23 – November 1. Toledo joins hundreds of cities across the US and the world as a location for peaceful, prayerful presence outside a local abortion center. Visit www.prolifeconneccion.com to sign up or call Ann, 419-708-9497.

What have you done for your marriage today? The Catholic Communication Campaign has provided funding to produce radio and TV Public Service Announcements on the theme "What Have You Done for Your Marriage Today?" In addition, an exciting website has been created: www.ForYourMarriage.org Visit this website for resources to "prepare for" and "care for" your marriage. You'll find Daily Marriage Tips, sources for encouragement, information on what makes marriage work, as well as ways to nurture and strengthen your marriage.

The Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Celebration for those married 25, 50 & 60 or more years in the year 2009 will be held Sunday, October 18 at 3 PM at Rosary Cathedral. For reservations, call Patty at the Parish Office, 419-453-3513. Deadline for reservations is September 9.

Celebrate! The 10 Year Anniversary of the re-opening of the Spiritual Center of Maria Stein with a Luncheon and Open House September 13 from noon-4 PM. Tours of the facility and woods given by staff members. Enjoy and Italian Luncheon from noon-2 PM. Entertainment includes Paul Mizer on the piano and "The Grandmas and Grandpas" in the Multi-Purpose Room.



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LITURGIES

S(23rd) 10:30 a.m. Leonard & Armella Turnwald
 T(25th) 7:00 p.m. Communion Service
 W(26th) 8:10 a.m. Communion Service
 Th(27th) 8:10 a.m. Communion Service
 F(28th) 8:10 a.m. Joseph Kemper
 S(29th) 4:00 p.m. Alice Kemper
 S(30th) 10:30 a.m. Jerome Turnwald & Karen Little

Join us in prayer at our **PEACE SERVICE FOR THE MILITARY** on August 25 after the 7 PM Communion Service.

NEXT WEEKEND'S MINISTERS OF MASS:

SERVERS: WEEKDAYS: 7:00 p.m. & 8:10 a.m.
 NO SERVERS NEEDED

SAT: 4:00 PM: Morgan Beining, Brandt Landin, Mathew Niemeyer

SUN: 10:30 AM: Caitlyn Landin, Scott Pohlman, Gayle Rayman

LECTORS: Patricia Ricker, Stephanie Hoersten

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

4:00 PM: Host: Sharon Meyer, Mike Ricker, Jan Warnecke, Don Warnecke

Cup: Kathy Beining, Ron Niemeyer

Choir: Jill Wenzlick (Total 7)

10:30 AM: Host: Julie Brickner, Michelle Giesige, Jill Hohlbein, Amy Hohlbein

Cup: Carol Hoersten, Sheila Miller

Choir: Brooke Koester(Total 7)

USHERS:

4:00 PM: Jerry Kaverman, Kevin Lindeman, Kyle Niemeyer, Dennis Schnipke

10:30 AM: Steve Hoersten, Nancy Vetter, John Vetter, Dan Vorst

GIFTS:

4:00 PM: Arnold Kemper family

10:30 AM: Phyllis Turnwald family



*Interested in taking up Offertory Gifts? Please contact:
 Lenora Ball – 419-453-3861 for dates January thru June
 Deb Cross – 419-453-3682 for dates July thru December*

PRAY THE ROSARY

Cindy Becker, Brenda Beining, Maxine Becker, Sara Beining, Lisa Beining, Anne Beining, Ruth Beining

NEXT WEEKEND'S READINGS:

Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-8; James 1:17-18, 21b-22,27;
 Mark 7:1-8,14-15,21-23

ALTAR/SANCTURY CLEANING:

Annette Hilvers, Manager
 Past Help: Tonya Kaufman

FLOWERS AT THE ALTAR:

September: Millie Ruen, Ceil Eickholt

COLLECTION REPORT: Budget: \$5,000.00

Assumption & Sunday Collection: 4,438.22

Below Budget: -561.78

Parish Center: \$85

THANK YOU!!!

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR STEEPLE REPAIR:

Total as of August 11 - \$27,418.37

THANK YOU!

2009 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

Goal: \$28,000

Pledged to date: \$22,704

A Protecting Youth and Those Who Serve Them Workshop will be held at St. Michael Parish Center, Kalida on September 2 from 7-9 PM. This workshop is for all NEW catechists and CYO coaches. Attending this workshop is required by the Diocese of Toledo. To register for the workshop, call Connie, 419-532-3474 ext. 102. A minimum of 25 participants are needed.

How can we respond to those who have experienced the death of someone significant in their life? Members of the Bereavement Action Committee along with guest panelists share how they live out the Ministry of Consolation in their respective parishes. St. Joseph parish, Ft. Jennings is one of 5 host sites for the **Ministry of Consolation Workshop: Beyond the Funeral Rites**, August 27 from 6:30-8 PM sponsored by Catholic Charities Diocese of Toledo through your generous donations to ACA. To register email mwalsh@toledodioces.org or call 800-926-8277.

Catholic Charities Family Connections/Adoption Department has scheduled an **“Adoption Information Meeting”** for September 15 from 6-9 PM at the Catholic Center, 1933 Spielbusch Ave., Toledo. To register or for more information contact kmotsinger@toledodiocese.org or call 800-926-8277 ext. 440.

Ohio Polka Boosters 36th Anniversary Celebration: the Northwest Ohio Reunion of the Bands is August 23 at the Ottawa K of C Hall beginning at 3 PM. Performing are: Ted Lange & Squeezebox, The Party Time Reunion Band, The Maumee Valley Polka Band Reunion, The Village Dutchmen Reunion Band and The German Americans Reunion Band. Call Bob & Rachel Hurtig, 419-399-3221 or David Iliff, 419-532-3703 for more info.

The Catholic Foresters Court 76 monthly meeting is August 25 at 8:30 PM at the courts hall in Landeck. Membership is open to all Catholics. Contact Don Wiechart, 419-647-6906, or dwiechart@watchtv.net for more information.

The 47th Annual Ottoville Park Carnival is September 5-6. Free live entertainment both nights featuring “Double Deed Band” and “Mustang Sally”. Other entertainment includes a Lip Sync Contest, Texas Hold ‘Em Tournament, Corn Hole Tournament, Wing Cook-Off, Children’s Dodgeball Tournament, & Lawn Mower Races. Sunday is the crowning of the King & Queen, Parade, Golf Challenge, Kiddie Tractor Pull, rides, games & fun. All proceeds go to the Ottoville Park and summer youth programs. Visit www.ottovillepark.com for more information.

OTTOVILLE PARK CARNIVAL: The Lunch Stand and Baked Goods Booth are in need of baked goods, especially **PIES**, for the Park Carnival Lunch Stand Labor Day Weekend. Your donations may be dropped off any time Saturday or Sunday. Thanks!

AREA FESTIVALS: St. Patrick’s Catholic Church, Bryan, festival is August 30 from 11 AM – 3:30 PM. Chicken & Ham dinner, Grand Raffle, Silent Auction, Quilt Raffle and much more!

St. Paul’s Catholic Church, Hamler, Summer Festival is September 6. Pork Tenderloin & Chicken dinners served from 11 AM – 2 PM. Prize Raffle, Bingo, Kid’s Games, Tractor Mania, Country Store & more. Food Stand serving hamburgers, tacos, & nacho plates from 2-9 PM.

OTTOVILLE SAY SOCCER Fundraiser Swiss Steak Dinner is September 27 from 11-1 @ Lock 16 Catering. Tickets available from players or call Gina, 419-453-2720 or Sonia, 419-453-3817.

