



The Parish Community of
IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

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**Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
 February 8, 2009**

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Deacon: Deacon Jose' Flores

Coordinator of Religious Education:
 Mrs. Jean Byrne – 419-453-3702

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 Mrs. Renee Kelch – 419-453-2159

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 Mrs. Anne Landwehr – 419-453-3391

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 Mr. Jerry Hohlbein – 419-453-3685

Director of Music/Flowers:
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Maintenance:
 Mr. Dave Koester – 419-453-3513

Parish Center Manager:
 Mr. Hubie Byrne – 419-615-8891

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 Mrs. Patty Koester – 419-453-3513

Parish Office: Located in the Parish Center
 Office hours Monday through Friday, 8 AM – 3 PM
 Phone: 419-453-3513 Email: immac@bright.net

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

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:
February 14 and April 11, 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

*Praise the Lord
 Who Heals the
 Brokenhearted!*

Protection of innocent human life is not an imposition of personal conviction but a demand of justice. "Each human being is known by God and loved by him. Each is willed by God, and each is God's image... whoever violates a human being violates God's property."
 - Pope Benedict XVI

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 to talk with someone; we invite you to call the confidential help line, 419-260-5811.

ICY GROUP is sponsoring an **All You Can Eat Pancake Breakfast** on TODAY in the Parish Center Banquet Room from 9 AM – 12 noon. Adults \$5 Children 6-12 \$3. Menu includes Pancakes, sausage, juice & coffee. Proceeds to benefit Ottoville ICY Group and CYO programs. Everyone invited!



ATTENTION! ICY is raffling off a new full size Charbroil gas grill at this breakfast. Tickets available at the door.

ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY ANNUAL BINGO is February 22 at the Ottoville Parish Center. Early Bird Bingo is 12:30 PM with Regular Bingo at 2 PM. Open to the public but NO players under 18 years of age. 50/50 Drawing and Door Prizes. Concessions and Religious Articles for sale.

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER Mass – Dinner-Dance is **TODAY**, February 8 at St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church, Delphos. Mass is at 3:30 PM. Dinner-Dance is from 5-9 PM at the Delphos K of C Hall. Music by "Another Round". Cost is \$25 per couple. Cash bar.

The Couple to Couple League will start a new series of Natural Family Planning classes in February. If you would like to learn the most comprehensive and up to date information of fertility awareness, please call Don & Cindy Rall at 419-532-2565 or www.ccli.org

The Franciscan Friars invite you to make a pilgrimage to the **Basilica and National Shrine of Our Lady of Consolation** in Carey, OH. We offer a place of quiet prayer and devotion on your journey to faith, hope, and healing. For more information call 419-396-7107 or visit our website at www.olcshrine.com

Thank You from the National Retirement Fund for Religious.... Dear Fr. Stites and Parish Community, Thank you for your contribution to the National Retirement Fund for Religious. Your generosity is greatly appreciated. As a benefactor you are remembered daily in the prayers of the men and women religious of the diocese of Toledo. May the blessings of our God fill each of your days.

Gratefully, Sister Nancy

*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*



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LITURGIES

S(8th) 8:00 a.m. Leonard & Armella Turnwald
SCOUT SUNDAY
 10:30 a.m. Maurice Wannemacher,
 Paul Gudakunst, Tate Griner
 T(10th) 7:00 p.m. Alvera Koester
 W(11th) 8:10 a.m. Thomas J. Looser
 Th(12th) 8:10 a.m. Hubert & Irma Pohlman
 F(13th) 8:10 a.m. Gene Beining & Diane King
 S(14th) 4:00 p.m. Parishioners
 S(15th) 8:00 a.m. Theodore Kramer family &
 The Herman Kemper family
 10:30 a.m. Ray Miller



To request a copy of your 2008 Contribution Statement, please contact the parish office 419-453-3513 or immac@bright.net

CYO GAMES: Today, February 8

Girls: 1 PM at Ottawa 4th St. Gym v. Ottawa Sts. Peter & Paul

Thank You! On behalf of the students, staff, faculty and administration I wish to extend my sincere gratitude for the support of our Income Tax Levy!

Scott Mangas, Superintendent

NEXT WEEKEND'S MINISTERS OF MASS:

SERVERS: WEEKDAYS: 7:00 p.m. & 8:10 a.m.

Annie Lindeman, Trent Miller, Mathew Niemeyer

SAT: 4:00 PM: Cory Honigford, Ryan Honigford,
 Taylor Mangas

SUN: 8:00 AM: Travis Eickholt, Lauren Koch,
 Krista Schimmoeller

10:30 AM: Drew Bendele, Eddie Luersman,
 Matthew Niemeyer

LECTORS: Mari-Lou Beining, Patricia Ricker,
 Kevin Horstman

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

4:00 PM: Host: Kathy Beining, Judy Eickholt,
 Carol Giesken, Mary Lou Miller

Cup: Peggy Pohlman, Jill Wenzlick

Choir: Leon Burgei (Total 7)

8:00 AM: Host: Anne Landwehr, Mike Ricker,
 Bernice Schnipke

Cup: Marcia Eickholt, Sharon Meyer

Choir: Deb Lindeman (Total 6)

10:30 AM: Host: Julie Brickner, Doris Brinkman,
 Michelle Giesige, Sheila Miller

Cup: Jack & Helen Devitt

Choir: Jim Hoersten (Total 7)

USHERS:

4:00 PM: Brian Altenburger, Dan Hoersten,
 Gary Pohlman, Randy Warnecke

8:00 AM: Bob Bendele, Joel Edelbrock,
 Paul Hoersten, Arnold Rode

10:30 AM: Tom Markward, Todd Miller,
 Dennis Miller, Tony Rieger



GIFTS:

4:00 PM: Scott & Jill Mangas family

8:00 AM: Jim & Theresa Kramer

10:30 AM: Family of Ray Miller

PRAY THE ROSARY

Karen Pohlman, Diane Ricker, Monica Ricker,
 Karen Ricker, Patricia Ricker, Becky Ricker,
 Marge Ricker

NEXT WEEKEND'S READINGS:

Leviticus 13:1-2, 44-46; 1 Corinthians 10:31-11:1;
 Mark 1:40-45

ALTAR/SANCTUARY CLEANING:

Ruth Miller, Manager

COLLECTION REPORT: Budget: \$5,000.00

Sunday Collection: 4,939.10

Below Budget: -60.90

Parish Center: \$281 Church Repair: \$188

THANK YOU!!!

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR STEEPLE REPAIR:

Total as of January 20 - \$20,698.37

THANK YOU!

SPIRITUAL CENTER OF MARIA STEIN, 2365 St. Johns Rd., Maria Stein. Ph.: 419-925-7625 Website: www.spiritualcenter.net

Strengthen your marriage by spending an evening together February 21 at the Valentine's Evening for Couples. Enjoy a festive meal, Mass and gifts. Register early. Seating is limited! Make reservations through Craig & Connie Buschur, 419-678-8644.

"Adoption Information Meeting" presented by Catholic Charities & Adopt America Network, Wendy's Wonderful Kids Recruitment Program is March 5 from 6:30-9:30 PM at St. Wendelin's Parish Life, 313 N. Wood St., Fostoria. The meeting is free of charge. Learn about Charities Domestic Infant Adoptions. Also about Adopt America Network and adopting an older child from the foster care system. To register: kmotsinger@toledodiocese.org or call 419-244-6711 ext. 440 or 800-926-8277.

The Spring session of Sylvania St. Joseph Parish's **Separated/Divorced Group** is February 24 through May 5 from 7-9 PM with coffee and fellowship at 6:30 PM at the East Campus Bldg., off Main St. on Ravine Dr in Sylvania. The meetings feature guest speakers and discussion and are spiritually-oriented but non-denominational. For more information call Linda 419-754-3444 of stjoesdivircegroup@yahoo.com

At the Ottoville Library – "Healthy Food Choices Can Work for You" with Mona Lisa Hoffman on February 10 at 5:30 PM.

Storytime every Monday at 6:30 PM thru March 16.

The 4th Degree K of C is accepting "Patriotism" essays from High School seniors. Applications are available from your high school guidance counselor or from the parish office. Essay deadline is March 1.

FAMILY PERSPECTIVE: Today we celebrate World Marriage Day. Marriage is a healing sacrament because everyone comes to marriage with flaws of which we are ashamed. The love of a spouse allows us to admit our flaws and see our value through the accepting eyes of our spouse.

A Prayer for Government Officials

Merciful Lord, bless our country.
 Enlighten with your grace the President
 Of these United States of America
 And all who bear office with the President,
 That in all things we may be governed
 In justice and equality.
 Grant us not only such outward prosperity
 As is your will, but, above all things,
 Such faith, hope and charity
 That your name will always
 Be glorified in our midst.
 Amen.

