



The Parish Community of
IMMACULATE CONCEPTION
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Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
July 27, 2008

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Deacon: Deacon Jose' Flores

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

Youth Minister:
Mrs. Renee Kelch – 419-453-2159

Sacristan/Banners/Bows:
Mrs. Anne Landwehr – 419-453-3391

Liturgy Committee:
Mr. Jerry Hohlbein – 419-453-3685

Director of Music/Flowers:
Mrs. Irene Miller – 419-453-3275

Maintenance:
Mr. Dave Koester – 419-453-3513

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

Secretary/Bookkeeper:
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
Mrs. Mary Ann Beining – 419-453-3680

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: August 9 & October 11, 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

BANNS: The following couple asks your prayerful support as they prepare for their marriage:
(II) Mindy Markward & Travis Unverferth

Another successful Parish Festival! This was my fourth and I am amazed at how well organized this Festival has been! A very special "Thanks" to Chair Persons Judy Bosch, Kirt Martz, and Amy Martin, to all their helpers in each booth and activity and also to Dave Koester, Hubie Byrne & Patty Koester for all their help. I wish I had the words to express my sincere gratitude on the part of all the Parishioners who benefit from this annual event!

- Fr. John

Congratulation to the winners in the Festival Big Ticket Raffle: \$1000 – Kelly Miller, \$500 – Mrs. Ruth Grote, \$250 – Tom & Kathy McCabe, \$250 – Lynn Horstman, \$200 – Mike & Jean Byrne, \$150 – Mr. Robert Gasser, \$150 – Leona Berelsman, \$100 – Jen Brandeberry, \$100 – Todd Hoehn, \$100 – Fr. Mike Zacharias, \$50 – Thelma Gerten, \$50 – Gerald Wannemacher, \$50 – Robert & Jan Gasser, \$50 – Joe Deitering
Highest ticket seller – Bob & Marie Warnecke, Second High ticket seller – Cheryl & Dave Kleman, Third highest ticket seller – Diane & Brian Eickholt, Fourth highest ticket seller – Todd Knippen

Please bring outstanding Festival bills to the Parish Office **AS SOON AS POSSIBLE!** Thanks! As soon as all income & expenses are tabulated a report will be issued to the parish. The Big Ticket netted \$17,795!

A **Peace Service for the military** will be July 29 following the 7 PM Mass. The Liturgy Committee encourages you to attend.

CONFIRMATION has been scheduled for Friday, November 21 at 7 PM. Bishop Leonard Blair will preside at this celebration. Service hours will need to be finished and booklets turned in October 1 at the first Junior High religion class.

"BOX CITY" is rescheduled for August 15. High School students get a feel for what it might be like to be homeless for a day and sleep in a box overnight. Projects and games are planned. Any adults or high school youth interested in participating may call Renee Kelch, 419-453-2159.

The Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Celebration for those married 25, 50, 60 or more years in 2008 will be held on October 5 at 3 PM at Rosary Cathedral. For reservations, call Patty at the parish office, 419-453-3513. Deadline for reservations is August 27.

ARE YOU ATTENDING THE UNIVERSITY OF TOLEDO as a freshman this year? \$5,000 Scholarships are available for the Christian Leadership Program (CLP), sponsored by Corpus Christi University Parish (CCUP), the Roman Catholic community serving UT. Any full-time freshman student who will be attending UT, is a practicing Catholic, and is willing and able to meet the program requirements, is encouraged to apply for one of the 12 available \$5,000 scholarships. Deadline is September 5. For more information, contact CCUP, 419-531-4992, or log onto www.ccup.org/CLP.html to download a copy of the application.

*Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time***LITURGIES**

S(27th) 8:00 a.m. Victor & Mary Ann Koester
 10:30 a.m. Rose & Hugo Hoersten
 T(29th) 7:00 p.m. John P. Miller
 W(30th) 8:10 a.m. Imelda Stechschulte
 Th(31st) 8:10 a.m. Gertrude & Tony Schlagbaum
 F(1st) 8:10 a.m. Kevin Brickner
 S(2nd) 4:00 p.m. Mary Ann Kaple
 S(3rd) 8:00 a.m. Living & Deceased of the
 Gilbert & Frances Kroeger family
 10:30 a.m. Bob Brinkman

NEXT WEEKEND'S MINISTERS OF MASS:**SERVERS: WEEKDAYS: 7:00 p.m. & 8:10 a.m.**

Joel Beining, Anna Bendele, Kyle Bendele

SAT: 4:00 PM: Dylan Klima, Craig Odenweller,
Matt Turnwald**SUN: 8:00 AM:** Katrina Beining, Megan Bendele,
Holly Von Sossan**10:30 AM:** Melany Honigford, Derek Koester,
Shelby Roney**LECTORS:** Jill Wenzlick, Rose Wenzlick,
Sharon Brickner**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:****4:00 PM: Host:** Carol Giesken, Mary Lou Miller,
Jane Turnwald, Donald Warnecke**Cup:** Judith Eickholt, Peggy Pohlman**Choir:** Judy Eickholt (Total 7)**8:00 AM: Host:** Anne Landwehr, Patricia Ricker,
Jan Von Lehmden**Cup:** Marcia Eickholt, Angie Niemeyer**Choir:** Mike Ricker (Total 6)**10:30 AM: Host:** Lenora Ball, Ann Beining,
Rose Brickner, Jill Hohlbein**Cup:** Jim Hoersten, Julie Nussbaum**Choir:** Toni Rieger (Total 7)**USHERS:****4:00 PM:** Dale Martin, Gary Turnwald,
Tyler Turnwald, Mark Turnwald**8:00 AM:** Joel Edelbrock, Paul Hoersten,
Vaughn Horstman, Bob Weber**10:30 AM:** Walt Brickner, Dan Honigford,
John Schlagbaum, Jerry Turnwald**GIFTS:****4:00 PM:** Volunteers**8:00 AM:** Volunteers**10:30 AM:** Volunteers**PRAY THE ROSARY**Elma Kaufman, Linda Kaufman, Eileen Kehres,
Marge Kehres, Renee Kelch, Norma Kemper,
Judy Kemper**NEXT WEEKEND'S READINGS:**

Isaiah 55:1-3; Romans 8:35, 37-39; Matthew 14:13-21

ALTAR/SANCTUARY CLEANING:

Mary Ann Rode, Manager

FLOWERS AT THE ALTAR:

August – Judy Altenburger & Kathy Beining

SUNDAY COLLECTION: Budget: \$5,000.00Regular Sunday Collection: 4,419.51**Below Budget:** \$ -580.49

Parish Center: \$43

THANK YOU!!!**TODAY! Is the last day to order the new K of C polo shirts.** You can place your order with Steve Beining, 419-453-3882. Base price \$25 to XL - \$2 for each X after that.

*Is your marriage breaking your heart? On the weekend of August 15-17, the **Retrouvaille Program** will begin working with a new group of couples that want to rebuild their troubled marriages. Retrouvaille ("retro-vie") is a program, which offers help to couples who live in the pain of a troubled marriage. You can learn more about the program by calling 800-470-2230 or on the website www.HelpOurMarriage.com*

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.

COMMUNITY INTEREST

"Bug Surprise" Puppet Show with Caryn and Valerie at the Ottoville-Monterey Branch Library is July 30 at 3 PM. The whole family is invited to this fun event!

The BRASS NOTES will be performing in the Parish Gazebo on Friday, August 8, at 6:30 PM. Please bring your lawn chairs and join us for some delightful music!

FYI – Lima Pathology lab services are now available in Kalida at 109 S. Broad St. (Same building as Dr. Horstman & Dr. Klir.) No need to run to Lima to have your blood-work done. Lima Pathology is now open Monday – Friday 8 AM – 12 PM. Phone: 419-532-2444.

In May of this year, the Lima music scene lost a great guy when Bob Brinkman, son of Sparky & Doris Brinkman, passed away. He played trumpet with the Lima Area Concert Band and he was in the band "No Right Turn" for 2 years. Bob leaves behind three school age children. There will be a benefit to raise money for his children's education fund at the Lima K of C on August 3 from 3-8 PM featuring the bands: Film at Eleven, Spaz and the Hypnotix and No Right Turn. The night also includes dinner, a silent auction and 50/50 raffles. Tickets for dinner and all 3 bands is \$10 available at the Ottoville and Ft. Jennings branches of the The Fort Jennings State Bank. Tickets for the bands only are \$5 at the door.

Due to the tremendous growth of the **Knights of Columbus** insurance programs, a unique opportunity for a motivated, energetic and career minded Catholic gentleman is available in the area. Benefits package includes medical, dental, LTD, Pension and 401K plan. We are now conducting interviews for a Full Time Field Agent. To see if you qualify for this rewarding career and for more information, please contact Carl C. Ferguson, General Agent, 740-387-5814 or email Carl.Ferguson@KofC.org.

The American Battlefields Tour of Europe conducted by Robert "Sonny" Gasser is scheduled for July 7-16, 2009. The itinerary and prices are available online at www.explorica.com and enter the i.d. code gasser-1598 or contact Sonny at 419-453-3796.

AREA FESTIVAL: Columbus Grove, St. Anthony, August 3 from 11 AM-10 PM serving Chicken & Beef Dinners in the A/C church basement. Also, Big Ticket and many more attractions. Grand prize give away is a 2008 Ford Escape XLT.

FAMILY PERSPECTIVE: The man in today's gospel "sold all he had" for the treasure he found. Family relationships are "treasures" and demand our total personal investment. Invest yourself in the "treasure" of your family.