



The Parish Community of
IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

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**The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity
 May 18, 2008**

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Mrs. Jean Byrne – 419-453-3702

Youth Minister:

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:

Mrs. Irene Miller – 419-453-3275

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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. 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: June 14 & August 9, 2008. Instructions are for parents who celebrate the birth of their first child or for those who have not had a child baptized within the last 5 years. 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 couples ask your prayerful support as they prepare for their marriage:

(II) Teresa Burgei & Joshua Byrne

(I) Mandy Hoersten & Trevor Bostelman

Immaculate Conception Knights of Columbus

will present to our parish their Charter during the 10:30 AM Mass TODAY, May 18. Council members and their families will be present along with State Council officers. The Charter will be placed in our Church. A reminder that any male Catholic 18 years and older is welcome to join in the K of C Council.

We will have **second collection** for the **Continental Circle of Friends Food Pantry** TODAY. We have been challenged to a matching gift of up to \$800 provided by Thrivent Financial for Lutherans Group. Please be generous!

THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU! As a Parish we have reached 100% of our Annual Catholic Appeal goal! Last Tuesday I spoke with Bishop Blair at the Annual Priests' Ordination Anniversary Mass and Reception. I told him at that time we were at over 90% of our goal. This may have been my first time to see our Bishop truly grateful and happy with this information. He was very grateful and asked that I share this with you! Though this is certainly good news and gives me a feeling of satisfaction as your Pastor, I am still concerned that over 2/3 of you have not given to this Appeal! It is my hope that you will continue to consider and pray over this and that we can go WAY over our goal!

Also, I wish to thank our K of C Council and Ushers for assisting with the distribution of flowers to our Mothers on Mothers' Day....
 - Fr. John

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION 2008 FESTIVAL

Our 2008 Festival plans are underway. **Festival day is July 20.** Festival booth managers are reminded to have their list of workers in the parish office **no later** than June 13.

Are you new to our parish or maybe just returning to the community after college and interested in helping with our Festival? Call Kirt Martz, 419-453-2124, and he will pass your name on to a booth manager as a willing worker. Thanks!

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 419-260-5811.

BUSY MOTHER'S PRAYER

Here is a moment, Lord, in the flurry of the day to pause and pray. I lift up to Your majesty and might my spouse, and each of my children. Grant them the grace they need most today. Give me patience in the chaos of life; Grant me the prudence and wisdom necessary to balance the demands of home and heart and work. Keep me tethered not to tasks and money, but to faith, hope and love. Help me to remember that "the greatest of these is love." (1 Corinthians 13) Amen.

*The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity***LITURGIES**

S(18th) 8:00 a.m. Parishioners
 10:30 a.m. Mary Ann & David Hohlbein
 T(20th) 7:00 p.m. John P. Miller
 W(21st) 8:10 a.m. John Ruen
 Th(22nd) 8:10 a.m. Eugene Hohlbein
 F(23rd) 8:10 a.m. Schnipke & Wehri families
 S(24th) 4:00 p.m. Mary Ann Kaple
 S(25th) 8:00 a.m. Norbert & Marcella Bendele
 10:30 a.m. Baccalaureate – Class of 2008

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

Cory Honigford, Jordan Kelch, Ryan Kemper

SAT: 4:00 PM: Austin Markward, Jacob Turnwald, Nicole Vorst**SUN: 8:00 AM:** Nathan Beining, Lynn Beining, Tracy Tumblin**10:30 AM:** Kari Beining, Lori Hoersten, Erin Hohlbein**LECTORS:** Dorothy Flores, Carla Landin, Tasha Eickholt, Brent Hoersten**PETITIONS: 10:30 AM:** Jason Nussbaum**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:****4:00 PM: Host:** Judy Eickholt, Carol Giesken, Angie Niemeyer, Peggy Pohlman**Cup:** Beth Eickholt, Jill Wenzlick**Choir:** Jan Warnecke (Total 7)**8:00 AM: Host:** Nancy Beining, Anne Landwehr, Bernice Schnipke**Cup:** Anne Hemker, Patricia Ricker**Choir:** Jan Von Lehmden (Total 6)**10:30 AM: Host:** Gina Beining, Katie Eickholt, Crystal Shumaker, Joe Schnipke**Cup:** Jill Hohlbein, Kyle Hoersten**Choir:** Ali Rieger (Total 7)**USHERS:****4:00 PM:** Rod Beining, Dan Hoersten, Dennis Schnipke, Jim Wannemacher**8:00 AM:** Paul Hoersten, Roger Ruen, Nancy Vetter, John Vetter**10:30 AM:** Dale Martin, Jerry Turnwald, Dan Hoersten, Rod Beining**MINISTERS OF THE MASS:** Please pick up your new schedule TODAY in the center back vestibule.**GIFTS:****4:00 PM:** Family of Mary Ann Kaple**8:00 AM:** Brian & Ann Beining family**10:30 AM:** Class of 2008**PRAY THE ROSARY**

Kim Hilvers, Alice Hilvers, Lori Hilvers, Jan Hilvers, Linda Hilvers, Jane Hilvers, Annette Hilvers

NEXT WEEKEND'S READINGS:

Deuteronomy 8:2-3, 14b-16a; 1 Corinthians 10:16-17; John 6:51-58

ALTAR/SANCTUARY CLEANING:

Mary Wehri, Manager

Past Week's Help: Julie Landin, Rose Brickner

FLOWERS AT THE ALTAR:

May – Irene Miller

SUNDAY COLLECTION: Budget: \$5,000.00
 Regular Sunday Collection: 5,162.00
Above Budget: \$ +162.00
 Parish Center: \$169 Church Repair: \$499

THANK YOU!!!**CHOIR SCHEDULE:**

May 24: 4 PM – Adult Choir

May 25: 10:30 AM – Youth Group

Prayer Vigil for Life will be June 5 beginning with Mass at Rosary Cathedral at 6 PM followed by exposition of the Blessed Sacrament with the option of a rosary pilgrimage to the Center for Choice Abortion Clinic or remaining before the Blessed Sacrament to pray the rosary. When the pilgrimage group returns to the Cathedral, Benediction will be offered. Refreshments to follow. No matter the weather let's come together to pray for Life, particularly Life in the Womb. Contact Mary, 419-878-0486, with Helpers of God's Precious Infants for more information.

From the Spiritual Center of Maria Stein: The Life of the Beloved – a guided retreat presented by Sr. Marcella Clancey is June 9-14. Sister Clancey walks through Henry Nouwen's spiritual journey toward being the beloved. Register by May 30, 419-925-7625 or www.spiritualcenter.net

Attention prayerful single women! The Sisters of St. Francis in Pittsburgh, PA are having an Exciting Live-In Experience Vocational retreat June 13-14. Pray and work with the sisters and hear the informative vocational talks. If you take a bus or plane to Pittsburgh, the sisters will pick you up at no charge. Space is limited. Call 1-800-221-1807 for more dates and info.

The Bereavement Action Committee of the Diocese of Toledo is holding a Funeral Rites Workshop for Priests, Deacons, Musicians, bereavement volunteers and interested parishioners on:

August 16 – Toledo Catholic Center – 10-Noon or,
 August 19 – St. Mary, Defiance – 6:30-8:30 PM or,
 August 21 – Sts. Peter & Paul, Sandusky - 6:30-8:30 PM
 The presenter is Rev. Charles Singler, D.Min, Director of Office of Worship & Liturgical Music for the Diocese. Register early as space is limited. Contact Germaine Kirk, 419-244-6711 ext. 431 or gkirk@toledodiocese.org by August 8.

COMMUNITY INTEREST**SENIOR CITIZENS DINNER** May 21 from 11AM-1 PM at the Dew Drop Inn. Reservations appreciated!

The Putnam County Council on Aging is hosting Senior Citizens' Day Celebration May 20 at the Leipsic Fogle Center. Sit down lunch at noon followed with music by the Ottawa-Glandorf Show Choir and the Lima Beane Very Large Quartet. Honoring Outstanding senior citizens from Putnam County for their contributions to the community. Tickets, \$6, may be obtained by calling 419-523-4121 or at the Council on Aging office, 1425 East Fourth Street, Ottawa.

AREA FESTIVALS: St. Rose, Lima, May 17, 5 PM-11:30 PM & May 18, Noon-8 PM.

American Legion Auxiliary of Ft. Jennings is sponsoring a bus trip to *Greektown* June 16. Cost is \$25. Bus leaves at 7 AM from Legion hall. Call Ruth Hellman, 419-286-2329 or 419-979-9036 or Rosie Wittler, 419-286-2330, or pay at the Legion bar. Leave casino at 4 PM & arrive home at 7 PM.

FAMILY PERSPECTIVE: Today's gospel teaches "love" is the result of our "giving." The selfless giving of spouses, parents and children for one another is not only the sign of a happy and holy family. Selfless giving is the gift and the challenge of family life.