



The Parish Community of  
**IMMACULATE CONCEPTION**

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**Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**September 6, 2009**

**Pastor:** Father John Stites  
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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  
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 Phone: 419-453-3513 Email: [immac@bright.net](mailto:immac@bright.net)

**Home Bound Support Group:**  
 Mrs. Mary Lou Miller – 419-453-3480  
 Mrs. Mary Ann Beining – 419-453-3680

**Parish Council:**  
 Mr. Jim Hoersten -Pres.  
 Mrs. Lenora Ball  
 Mr. Ron Hemker  
 Mrs. Janice Schlagbaum  
 Mrs. Nancy Vetter  
 Mr. Eddie Luersman  
 Mrs. Virginia Beining  
 Mrs. Barb Hoersten  
 Mr. Adam Schnipke  
 Mr. Donald Warnecke  
 Miss Katrina Beining

**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 – 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> 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](http://www.immaculateconceptionottoville.parishesonline.com)

*Praise the Lord,  
 my soul*



**BANNS:** The following couple asks for your prayerful support as they prepare for their marriage:  
 (I) Sarah Beining & Kyle Mawer



**ENGAGED COUPLES CONFERENCE:** Engaged couples are required to attend an **ENGAGED COUPLES CONFERENCE** before their marriage. Our next conference will be Sunday, November 1. Please call the parish office, 419-453-3513, to register by October 2.

**RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults)** will begin again later this year. If you are a non-baptized adult, baptized in another Christian Church, a baptized Catholic who never received Confirmation or Eucharist, or are interested in knowing more about the Catholic Church with or without the intention of becoming a member, contact the parish office at 419-453-3513.

If you are interested in enrolling your pre-kindergarten child ages 3-5 in **SUNDAY SCHOOL**, please call Sherri Edelbrock at 419-453-2332 by September 18. Classes begin mid/late October. Thank You!

**POST FESTIVAL 2009 MANAGERS' MEETING** will be October 14 at 7 PM in the Family Room. All booth managers need to attend.

**CONGRATULATION!!** To Katrina Beining the newly elected High School representative to the Parish Council.

**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.

Do you have questions about the Catholic faith? Do you need answers that you just can't seem to find in books and on the internet? Come join us for an adult evening of **Questions and Answers** at St. Peter and Paul school cafeteria in Ottawa on September 19 at 7 PM. Fr. Adam Hertzfeld, director of vocations for the Diocese, has earned his Doctorate degree in Moral Theology from Rome and will be our guide for the evening. He is excited to hear your questions on any topic and to help us all move closer to the fullness of the Truth. Light refreshments will be served. Contact Cindy Cech, 419-646-3316, for more information.

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.

*To the tragic and widespread scourge of abortion we may well have to add in the future the systematic eugenic programming of births. At the other end of the spectrum, a pro-euthanasia mindset is making inroads as an equally damaging assertion of control over life that under certain circumstances is deemed no longer worth living. Underlying these scenarios are cultural viewpoints that deny human dignity.*

- Pope Benedict XVI, *Charity in Truth*



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**LITURGIES**

S(6th) 10:30 a.m. 40<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary of Carl & Jenny Turnwald  
 T(8th) 7:00 p.m. Special Intention  
 W(9th) 8:10 a.m. Wayne A. Grothaus  
 Th(10th) 8:10 a.m. Norbert & Marcella Bendele  
 F(11th) 8:10 a.m. Fr. Sylvan Obergefell, Deacons Leon Turnwald & Walt Miller  
 S(12th) 4:00 p.m. Clarence Hoersten  
 S(13th) 10:30 a.m. Bob Brinkman



**CYO Basketball registration** forms available in church vestibule and the high school office for any high school student interested in playing basketball. Return forms by October 7.

**CYO Basketball coaches** – If your son or daughter is interested in playing CYO basketball, please consider coaching a team. It is very rewarding experience. Students will not be able to play unless enough coaches come forward. If you can help, call Renee Kelch, 419-236-4006.

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

**SERVERS: WEEKDAYS: 7:00 p.m. & 8:10 a.m.**  
 Jared Fanning, Cole Giesken, Nathan Ricker  
**SAT: 4:00 PM:** Victoria Jackson, Jordan Kelch, Kara Schimmoeffler  
**SUN: 10:30 AM:** Lynn Beining, Megan Bendele, Jessica Vorst

**LECTORS:** Carl Turnwald, Jean Byrne

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:**

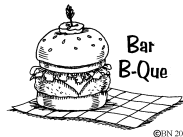
**4:00 PM: Host:** Marie Grote, Peggy Pohlman, Patricia Ricker, Toni Rieger  
**Cup:** Judith Eickholt, Deb Lindeman  
**Choir:** Jan Warnecke  
**10:30 AM: Host:** Ann Beining, Jack Devitt, Helen Devitt, Don Schlagbaum  
**Cup:** Bonnie Beining, Dee Dee Schlagbaum  
**Choir:** Marcia Eickholt

**USHERS:**

**4:00 PM:** Rod Beining, Dan Hoersten, Gary Turnwald, Bob Weber  
**10:30 AM:** Duane Boecker, Carie Byrne, Mike Byrne, Tonya Kaufman

**GIFTS:**

**4:00 PM:** Rita Hoersten family  
**10:30 AM:** Tony Schroeder 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**

Arlene Bendele, Lisa (Bruce) Bendele, Lisa (Dale) Bendele, Sue Bendele, Donna Bendele, Carol Bendele, Diane Bendele

**NEXT WEEKEND'S READINGS:**

Isaiah 50:5-9a; James 2:14-18; Mark 8:27-35

**ALTAR/SANCTURY CLEANING:**

Marge Hicks, Manager

**FLOWERS AT THE ALTAR:**

September: Millie Ruen, Ceil Eickholt

**COLLECTION REPORT: Budget: \$5,000.00**

Assumption & Sunday Collection: 4,981.84

**Below Budget: -18.16**

Parish Center: \$6 Church Repair: \$20

**THANK YOU!!!**



**Attention Young Adults!** (ages 18-39): **THEOLOGY ON TAP** is back for the fall! We will meet at the Red Pig Inn in Ottawa on September 10. Fr. Mark Davis, from Bowling Green, will give a talk on "Connecting with God in a Busy World – Prayer in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century." Registration at 6 PM. Program at 6:30 PM. Contact Lori Recker, 419-523-6730, with questions.

**Rural Life Ministry** will be at the Sorrowful Mother Shrine in Bellevue for the annual prayer on the Feast of St. Maria on September 14 at 7 PM. Meet at the Sts. Isadore and Maria Shrine. All are welcome. Contact Debbie at Catholic Charities, 419-334-5061, for more information.

**DivorceCare** - St. John the Evangelist Church will host a ten-week program to help folks suffering the pain of divorce. Beginning September 29 through December 1 from 7-9 PM at 201 N. Pierce St., Delphos. Fee is \$20 for workbooks and materials. Register by contacting Trina Schultz, 419-695-4050.

**The 47<sup>th</sup> Annual Ottoville Park Carnival** is TODAY! Don't miss "Double Deed Band" and "Mustang Sally", Lip Sync Contest, Texas Hold 'Em Tournament, Corn Hole Tournament, Wing Cook-Off, Children's Dodgeball Tournament, & Lawn Mower Races, 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.

**AREA FESTIVALS: St. Augustine Turtle Fest** is September 12-13 at the Henry County Fairgrounds in Napoleon. Mass at 4:30 PM Saturday then Turtle Races and the OSU/USC game on the big screen. Sunday Mass at 10 AM then BBQ Pork Loin & Roast Beef dinners. **St. Mary's Fall Festival**, Defiance, is September 20 from 11:30 AM – 4 PM. Enjoy Bingo, Children's Games, Horse Races, Live entertainment, Bazaar Booth, Silent Auction, 50/50 Drawings, Raffle.

**ANNUAL IMMACULATE CONCEPTION GOLF OUTING** is September 20 at Delphos Country Club. Register in the center vestibule of church or by calling Gene & Kathy Turnwald, 419-453-3601, or Tom & Barb Markward, 419-453-3907, or at the Delphos Country Club Pro Shop by September 13. Couples may sign up to play 9 holes. Individuals may sign up to play 18 holes.

**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.

**Labor Day Dance** – September 7 from 4-8 PM at the Kalida K of C Hall. Doors open at 3 PM. The Dave Slivinski Band from Frankenmuth playing. Sponsored by Ohio Polka Boosters.

**FAMILY PERSPECTIVE:** Labor Day is a good time to examine our work life. Is your work, career and projects so consuming that you are "deaf" to those around you? Jesus says to you today: BE OPENED and hear the sounds of your family.

**CONTRIBUTIONS FOR STEEPLE REPAIR:**  
 Total as of August 11 - \$27,523.37  
**THANK YOU!**

**Family Movie Night!!** The ICY group has the solution to the high cost of taking the family to the movies. They will be showing a new release movie on September 18 in the Parish Center Gym beginning at 8 PM. Refreshments available. Bring a comfortable lawn chair and arrive early for some great family fun! Doors open at 7 PM.