

# IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH

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*“Building Strong Catholic Families...Building Strong Catholic Youth”*

## Prayer For A Pandemic

**May we who are merely inconvenienced  
Remember those whose lives are at stake.**

**May we who have no risk factors  
Remember those most vulnerable.**

**May we who have the luxury of working from home  
Remember those who must choose between  
preserving their health or making their rent.**

**May we who have the flexibility to care for  
our children when their schools close,  
Remember those who have no options.**

**May we who have to cancel our trips  
Remember those who have no safe place to go.**

**May we who are losing our margin money  
in the tumult of the economic market  
Remember those who have no margin at all.**

**May we who settle in for a quarantine at home  
Remember those who have no home.**

**As fear grips our country,  
Let us choose love.**

**During this time when we cannot physically  
wrap our arms around each other,  
Let us yet find ways to be the loving embrace  
of God to our neighbors.**

**AMEN**

## SACRAMENTS

**BAPTISM:** First time parents are required to attend baptism instruction. Baptisms are normally celebrated during or after the Sunday 10:30 a.m. Mass or anytime agreeable with Father Jerry. To arrange Baptism or instruction, call the Parish Office at (419) 453-3513.

**MATRIMONY:** The Diocese of Toledo requests that all marriage dates be scheduled through the Parish Office at least six months prior to wedding date. Engaged couples must meet with Father Jerry before a wedding can be scheduled. Joy Filled Marriage workshop information can be found at the website [www.ifmtoledo.eventbrite.com](http://www.ifmtoledo.eventbrite.com). Contact the Parish Office to have Wedding Banns published in the bulletin.

**RECONCILIATION:** Saturdays from 3:15 to 3:45 p.m. or by appointment.

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## MASS SCHEDULE

WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY, AND FRIDAY 8:00 a.m.

SATURDAY: 4:00 p.m.

SUNDAY: 10:30 a.m.

6:00 p.m. Family Mass - 3rd week (September through April)



## Mass Intentions

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| 8/15(Saturday)   | 4:00 p.m. <b>Henry, Jeanette, and Robert Schweller</b><br>5:30 p.m. <i>Mass at St. Barbara-Cloverdale</i>   |
| 8/16 (Sunday)    | 8:00 a.m. <i>Mass at St. Barbara-Cloverdale</i><br>10:30 a.m. <b>Tom Burgei</b>   |
| 8/19 (Wednesday) | 8:00 a.m. <b>Bettie Altenburger</b>   |
| 8/20 (Thursday)  | 8:00 a.m. <b>Jim Wannemacher (30 Day)</b><br>7:00 p.m. <i>Mass at St. Barbara-Cloverdale</i>  |
| 8/21 (Friday)    | 8:00 a.m. <b>Joan Bleim and Doug Vorst<br/>Deceased Members of the Ott and<br/>Norma Schlagbaum Family</b><br>9:00 a.m. <i>Mass at St. Barbara-Cloverdale</i> |
| 8/22 (Saturday)  | 4:00 p.m. <b>Carla M. Landin</b><br>5:30 p.m. <i>Mass at St. Barbara-Cloverdale</i>   |
| 8/23 (Sunday)    | 8:00 a.m. <i>Mass at St. Barbara-Cloverdale</i><br>10:30 a.m. <b>John Hilvers</b>   |

**ALL MASSES CELEBRATED AT IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH ARE BROADCAST LIVE ON OTEC CABLE CHANNEL 71.**

### ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus, I believe that You are present  
in the Most Holy Sacrament.  
I love You above all things,  
and I desire to receive You into my soul.  
Since I cannot at this moment  
receive You sacramentally,  
Come at least spiritually into my heart.  
I embrace You as if You were already there  
and unite myself wholly to You.  
Never permit me to be separated from You.  
Amen.

### WEDDING BANNES:

- ( II ) **Jared Hoersten & Emily Kehres** (St. Joseph)
- ( III ) **Matt Burgei & Brittany Kramer** (Delphos St. John)

**ALTAR FLOWERS** this weekend are in memory of *Bud and Mary Catherine Koester*.

### Next Weekend's Readings (August 22-23, 2020)

Isaiah 22:19-23; Romans 11:33-36; Matthew 16:13-20

**Thank you** to the Family of Catherine Brinkman for the donation in her memory to the Church Repair Fund. Your remembrance is truly appreciated.



### Dear Padre'...Question: *What are the Theological Virtues?*

Simple answer: Faith, Hope, and Charity! Theological virtues are virtues associated in Christian theology and philosophy with salvation resulting from the grace of God. Virtues are traits or qualities which dispose one to conduct oneself in a morally good manner. Traditionally they have been named Faith, Hope, and Charity (Love), and can trace their importance in Christian theology to St. Paul the Apostle in 1 Corinthians 13, who also pointed out that *"the greatest of these is love."* The medieval Catholic philosopher Thomas Aquinas, one of my favorite theologians, explained that these virtues are called theological virtues. Why? Because they have God for their object, both in so far as by them we are properly directed to Him, and because they are infused into our souls by God alone, as also, finally, because we come to know of them only by Divine revelation in the Sacred Scriptures.

Faith is a common term in ordinary language, but for Catholics, faith as a theological virtue takes on a special definition. Faith is the virtue *"by which the intellect is perfected by a supernatural light."* By this definition, faith is not at all contrary to reason or intellect but is the natural result of an intellect that is influenced by the supernatural truth given to us by God.

In Catholic custom, hope has as its object eternal union with God in the afterlife. The Concise Catholic Encyclopedia defines hope as *"the theological virtue which is a supernatural gift bestowed by God through which one trusts God will grant eternal life and the means of obtaining it providing one cooperates."* In the virtue of hope, desire and expectation are united, even while there is recognition of the great difficulty of overcoming obstacles in order to achieve everlasting union with God.

And then there comes charity or love. I'll finish with a story. A pastor was opening his mail one morning. Removing a single sheet of paper from the envelope, he found written on it only one word: "FOOL." The next Sunday the pastor announced, I have known people who have written letters and forgot to sign their names. But this week I received a letter from someone who signed his name and forgot to write a letter.

It is not an exaggeration to state that a minister who is faithful in preaching authentic Catholic teaching might just receive so called ***hate mail*** from someone who wishes to water down the gospel of Christ or the facts. It may happen, as well, that he may receive a letter from someone who believes his words are lax or erroneous. In either case, those in the assembly should feel free to express an opinion about the preaching or text the minister uses but it must be done with charity and clarity. If it is, there should be no need to do it anonymously. All should be guided by the ancient rule which is: *In matters essential, like unity; in matters non-essential, like liberty, in all matters, charity.* What we speak is a sense of what we express.

- Padre' Jerry



## Ministries

It's time to start thinking about the next Minister of Mass schedule. If you are uncomfortable serving during the COVID-19 Pandemic and would like to be removed from the schedule or if you have been temporarily removed from the schedule and would like to serve again, please let us know. Also, if there are dates from September 1st through January 1st that you cannot serve or would like to serve, please call the Parish Office at (419) 453-3513 or send an email to [immac@bright.net](mailto:immac@bright.net). This next schedule will include the Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's holidays!!!! PLEASE RESPOND WITH REQUESTS BY AUGUST 19TH. **REMINDER:** *If you are scheduled and unable to serve, please do your best to find a replacement.*



### Immaculate Conception Parish Festival:

During these unpredictable times, we have the consolation of knowing that our ever loving God will lead us. And as the CHURCH, we are led to come together to help each other. We are blessed to have you, our parishioners committed to *Building Strong Catholic Families and Youth!* The annual Parish Festival will be Sunday, **October 4<sup>th</sup>** and like most other things this year, it will look a little different. Information, along with your Big Tickets, was mailed to each Parish Family this past week. There is also a request for donations for the Raffle Booth and for help the day of the festival! **NEW THIS YEAR: 3 Early Bird Big Ticket drawings** for \$100 each will take place on September 13<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> after the 10:30 a.m. Mass in church so everyone can be a part of this live! You **MUST** have your tickets into the office by 3:00 p.m. the Friday before the drawing date to be included in the early bird drawings. The winning tickets of all early bird winners will be re-entered for the October 4<sup>th</sup> Big Ticket drawings! So get your tickets in early! Please call the office with any questions and to sign up to help on October 4<sup>th</sup>! Please give an hour or two of your time to help make our scaled-down Parish Festival a success.

**TODAY** Sunday, August 16th at 6:30 p.m. there will be a **YOUTH AND FAMILY MASS** at the Marian Shrine across the street from St. John's Church in Glandorf. As we get ready to head back to school, please keep all youth, families, and teachers in your prayers. Bring a lawn chair. In case of inclement weather, the mass will be moved inside St. John's Church. All are welcome!



Immaculate Conception would like to recognize some parishioners over the next few weeks that are retiring or moving off to pursue their dreams. This week we would like to recognize Jordan Kelch and thank him for sharing his gift of music,

song writing and teachings with so many! Jordan helped with religious education for the senior class, the young adult ministry program "Padres Pub", and he spoke to many youth in the Deanery at retreats and conferences. His testimonies inspired many teenagers! We were fortunate to have Jordan share his gifted voice and song writing skills for Adoration services and Masses here at our parish. Jordan is moving to Steubenville, Ohio to attend the Franciscan University for his Masters in Theology. Good luck Jordan and thank you for your service to Christ and to Immaculate Conception Parish!

### MINISTERS OF MASS

If you feel uncomfortable and would prefer not to be a Minister of Mass due to COVID-19 situation, we understand. Please do your best to find a replacement or call the Parish Office at (419) 453-3513.

### SERVERS

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| <b>August 19 and 20 (Wednesday/Thursday)</b> | 8:00  | Chase Furley, Kiley Hilvers, Abigail Looser (Wed.) Jessa Burgei (Thrus.) |
| <b>August 22 (Saturday)</b>                  | 4:00  | Caden Edelbrock, VOLUNTEER   |
| <b>August 23 (Sunday)</b>                    | 10:30 | Morgan Hoersten, Chole Wannemacher                                       |

### LECTORS

|                             |       |               |
|-----------------------------|-------|---------------|
| <b>August 22 (Saturday)</b> | 4:00  | Carl Turnwald |
| <b>August 23 (Sunday)</b>   | 10:30 | Beth Schnipke |

### EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

|                             |       |                                |
|-----------------------------|-------|--------------------------------|
| <b>August 22 (Saturday)</b> | 4:00  | Bonnie Beining, Angie Hohlbein |
| <b>August 23 (Sunday)</b>   | 10:30 | Lenora Ball, Shelly Eickholt   |

### USHERS

|                             |       |  |
|-----------------------------|-------|--|
| <b>August 22 (Saturday)</b> | 4:00  | Allan Honigford, Kevin Lindeman, Bob and Tina Weber      |
| <b>August 23 (Sunday)</b>   | 10:30 | Jerry and Jacob Turnwald, Jim Wannemacher, Otto Wenzlick |

### ALTAR/SANCTUARY CLEANING

For the week of August 16th: Anne Hemker

### LADIES TO PRAY THE ROSARY

|                              |                  |
|------------------------------|------------------|
| <b>August 16 (Sunday)</b>    | Chris Steffan    |
| <b>August 17 (Monday)</b>    | Pam Suever       |
| <b>August 19 (Tuesday)</b>   | Lauri Thatcher   |
| <b>August 19 (Wednesday)</b> | Melanie Thorbahn |
| <b>August 20 (Thursday)</b>  | Betty Tumblin    |
| <b>August 21 (Friday)</b>    | Bonnie Turnwald  |
| <b>August 22 (Saturday)</b>  | Carol Turnwald   |



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**Summer** Living the **LIFE**  
**FUNday**

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| <b>WHO:</b><br><b>Ottoville Middle School Students</b><br><small>(entering grades 6-8)</small> | <b>WHAT:</b><br><b>Immaculate Conception SUMMER FUN DAY</b><br><i>"Living the Rules of LIFE"</i> | <b>WHEN:</b><br><b>Wednesday, August 19</b><br>10:00 am 'til 2:00 pm | <b>WHERE:</b><br><b>Immaculate Conception Banquet Room</b><br>and outside in the park. | <b>COST:</b><br><b>\$5 / person</b><br><br>Includes: lunch, snacks, & games<br><br>bring \$ the day of the event | <b>RSVP:</b><br>RSVP by Aug. 15<br>email: <a href="mailto:icyministry@bright.net">icyministry@bright.net</a><br>or<br>call/text to: 4192364006 |
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### ROSARY RECITINGS

MEETING DATES: First Monday evening in the months of October November, December, March, April, and May.



### KNIGHTS NEWS

Knights of Columbus Council 2238  
Ottoville, Ohio

MEETING DATES: 2nd Sunday of each month at 9:00 a.m.  
4th Wednesday of each month at 7:00 p.m.  
(No Wednesday meetings during summer)

*New Members are always welcome!*

### Food Shelf



The Immaculate Conception Food Shelf continues to serve those in need during these difficult times. The shelves need to continue to be re-stocked. If you can help, please drop off items any time (24/7) in the Parish Office Lobby. We will be happy to unpack for you! Thank you to all for the monetary donations we have recently received and God bless you for helping others in need!

**Items currently needed:** Toilet Paper, Paper Towels, Laundry Detergent, Mustard, Ketchup

Bishop Daniel Thomas will be celebrating the annual Mass on the Anniversaries of Marriage on Sunday, October 25, 2020, at Our Lady, Queen of the Most Holy Rosary Cathedral in Toledo. All couples celebrating 25, 40, 50, 60, and 60+ years of marriage are invited to register at [www.toledoanniversarymass.org](http://www.toledoanniversarymass.org). Because of the current health situation: • seating is limited to the first 100 couples to register. Each attending couple will be allowed one additional guest to accompany them if necessary • all couples that register will receive a certificate • all those not in attendance may watch a live-stream of the Mass Bishop Thomas is overjoyed to be able to celebrate this Mass with the married couples of our diocese, especially during this challenging time. May God continue to bless us with strong and holy marriages, and to build up his Church through the vocation of married love.



### BIRTHDAY PARADE FOR BERNIE CALVELAGE'S 95<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY

The Calvelage family would like to invite anyone who is interested to participate in a birthday parade to celebrate Bernie Calvelage's 95<sup>th</sup> birthday. Bernie will be turning 95 on August 18th, so to help

the second oldest man in Ottoville celebrate his birthday COVID style, There will be a vehicle parade past his house. If you would like to be a part of the celebration, please meet behind the church a little before 3:00 p.m. this afternoon, Sunday, August 16<sup>th</sup>! Bernie was a World War II Veteran and is very patriotic so he would really enjoy seeing everyone's American spirit on display.



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