

**IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH**

189-A N. Church Street • P.O. Box 296 • Ottoville, OH 45876

Telephone: (419) 453-3513 • Fax (419) 453-2513 •

Email: [immac@bright.net](mailto:immac@bright.net)

Office Hours: 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

*"Building Strong Catholic Families...Building Strong Catholic Youth"***IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH MISSION STATEMENT***Building Strong Catholic Families...Building Strong Catholic Youth*

Our parish is composed of people like me who strive to make it what it is.

I want to always be encouraging and to engage others to be a faithful Dynamic Catholic.

I will lead by my prayerful example so as to help make my parish more prayerful.

In my worship, I will encourage others to worship.

In giving, I will be an example of sharing.



In being a parish of loyalty and love, of fearlessness and faith, of compassion, charity, and mercy I will continue to encourage our mission of:

*Building Strong Catholic Families...  
Building Strong Catholic Youth*

*All are welcome in this place!*

**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.jfintoledo.eventbrite.com](http://www.jfintoledo.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.

**ANOINTING OF THE SICK:** Contact the Parish Office at (419) 453-3513. In case of an emergency, call Father Jerry's cell phone.

**BULLETIN ARTICLES SHOULD BE SUBMITTED BY  
10:00 A.M. ON WEDNESDAY**

**PASTOR:** Reverend Jerry Schetter

Cell Phone: (419) 305-5149

Rectory (Emergencies Only): (419) 453-2510

Email: [frjschetter@bright.net](mailto:frjschetter@bright.net)**DEACON SENIOR STATUS:**

Deacon Jose' Flores

**FAITH FORMATION COORDINATOR OF  
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:** Sherrie Looser

Office Phone: (419) 453-3513

Email: [icreligious@bright.net](mailto:icreligious@bright.net)**YOUTH MINISTER:** Renee Kelch

Cell Phone: (419) 236-4006

Email: [icyministry@bright.net](mailto:icyministry@bright.net)**DIRECTOR OF MUSIC:** Irene Miller

Home Phone: (419) 453-3275

**FLOWERS:** Sue Beining

Home Phone: (419) 453-3826

**SACRISTAN:** Lisa Bendele**MAINTENANCE:** Todd Knippen

Cell Phone: (419) 236-5068

**MAINTENANCE ASSISTANT:** Chris Burgei

Cell Phone: (419) 796-9559

**PARISH CENTER RESERVATIONS/RENTALS:**

Call the Parish Office (419) 453-3513

**BUSINESS MANAGER/SECRETARY:** Tina Weber

Office Phone: (419) 453-3513

Cell Phone (Emergencies Only): (419) 796-0189

Email: [immac@bright.net](mailto:immac@bright.net)**NOTARY SERVICES** are available free of charge during regular office hours.**PASTORAL COUNCIL MEMBERS:**

Adam Schnipke—President

Missy Leis

Crista Swint

Cory Eickholt

Julie Brickner

David Wurst

Lenny Wannemacher

Connie Schnipke

**FINANCE COUNCIL MEMBERS:**

Brian Beining

Chris Ricker

Dave Burgei

Cheryl Siefker

Theresa Von Sossan

**CEMETERY BOARD PRESIDENT:** Jim Eickholt

Home Phone: (419) 453-3684

**CEMETERY SEXTON:** Nancy Vetter

Cell Phone: (419) 230-2553

**MASS SCHEDULE**

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

SATURDAY: 4:00 p.m.

SUNDAY: 10:30 a.m.



# Mass Intentions

9/5 (Saturday)

4:00 p.m. **The Kaufman & Miller Families**  
**Catherine Brinkman (30 Day)**  
**60th Wedding Anniversary of**  
**Bob & Arlene Bendele**

5:30 p.m. *Mass at St. Barbara-Cloverdale*

9/6 (Sunday)

8:00 a.m. *Mass at St. Barbara-Cloverdale*

10:30 a.m. **Jerome Turnwald**

9/9 (Wednesday)

8:00 a.m. **Marilyn Kaufman**

9/10 (Thursday)

8:00 a.m. **Norman & Diane Buettner**

7:00 p.m. *Mass at St. Barbara-Cloverdale*

9/11 (Friday)

8:00 a.m. **Ron & Joan Wessell**

9:00 a.m. *Mass at St. Barbara-Cloverdale*

9/12 (Saturday)

4:00 p.m. **George Knippen**  
**Chuck Burgei (30 Day)**

5:30 p.m. *Mass at St. Barbara-Cloverdale*

9/13 (Sunday)

8:00 a.m. *Mass at St. Barbara-Cloverdale*

10:30 a.m. **Hubert & Coletta Reindle and**  
**Edmund & Martha Schimmoeller**

**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:** The following couple requests your prayers as they prepare for their upcoming wedding:

*Ryan Kahle and Anna Bendele (1)*

**ALTAR FLOWERS and MEMORIAL CANDLES** for this weekend are in memory of *the Kaufman and Miller Families.*

**Next Weekend's Readings (September 12-13, 2020)**  
Sirach 27:30-28:7; Romans 14:7-9; Matthew 18:21-35

## **ALTAR/SANCTUARY CLEANING**

**For the week of September 6th:**  
The Dale & Lisa Bendele Family

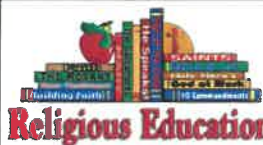


**Dear Padre'...Question:** *Prayer, it doesn't seem to work?* Lord, teach us to pray! (Luke 11:1) We hear it said that a man will suffer in his life if he does not pray; I question it. What will suffer is the life of the Son of God in him, which is nourished not by food, but by prayer. When one is baptized from above, the life of the Son of God is born in him, and he can either starve that life or nourish it. Prayer is the way the life of God is nourished within us. We look upon prayer as a means of getting things for ourselves. The Bible idea of prayer is that we may get to know God Himself. Prayer is the nourishing of our relationship with God.

A famous athlete with a good sense of humor suffered a severely twisted knee. When the doctor examined him he found torn cartilage. The athlete asked the doctor, "When my knee heals, will I be able to dance?" Of course you will, the doctor reassured him. "Then you're a miracle healer," exclaimed the sportsman, I never could before!

Cures are not those that enable people to do something they were unable to do previously. A man with a broken leg should pray for it to function properly, not for the ability to win a marathon if he had never run one. A woman who has lost her hearing should pray for the ability to hear normally again, not to hear in a superhuman way. Beyond this, we may also pray for cures that are spiritual in nature. One who may generally be susceptible to depression may pray that the burden be lifted, not that he or she not ever experience anything negative in life. Our prayer, in other words, may be insistent, frequent, urgent in tone...but always reasonable. Of its nature, prayer is always suppose to work, as we are in touch with God. Prayer is always centered on our faith.

Ask, and God will do. We need to give Jesus Christ a chance; give Him elbow room. No man will ever do this unless he is at his wits' end. When someone is at his or her wits' end, it is not a cowardly thing to pray. It is the only way he can get into touch with reality. Be yourself before God and present your problems, the things you know you have come to your wits' end over. As long as you are self-sufficient, you do not need to ask God for anything. **- Padre' Jerry**



## **Religious Education**

**Religious Education**—Just a reminder to turn in your children's Religious Education Authorization form, Covid-19 Acknowledgement of Risks form, and Religious Education Payment form with payment (grades K-8 only) by September 11<sup>th</sup>. Classes will begin at the parish center for grades 1-6 on September 23 and grades 7-12 on September 30 from 6:30-7:30 pm. Kindergarten will be receiving a book with some at home activities to work on for the remainder of the calendar year with classes starting for them in January.



The Fort Jennings Community Blood Drive will be Wednesday, September 9th from noon to 6:00 p.m. at the Fort Jennings Legion Hall. For an appointment, call Alice Wieging at (419) 286-2774 or Dianne Miehl at (419) 863-0067. You can also go on-line at [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org). WALK-INS are welcome. PLEASE WEAR A MASK! Thank you for your support!

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the **2020 Collection for the Holy Land** was postponed from Holy Week until next weekend, September 12-13. The annual Holy Land Collection not only helps to maintain churches and shrines located at holy sites, but, above all, helps to support the pastoral, welfare, educational and social works that the Church undertakes in caring for the local population. Please place your contribution in an envelope marked Holy Land.





**Immaculate Conception  
Parish Festival  
Sunday, October 4, 2020**

• **FESTIVAL BIG TICKETS** can be returned to the Parish Office, mailed to P.O. Box 296, Ottoville, placed in the designated containers at each church exit, or returned the day of the Festival dinners. There will also be someone in the back of church after weekend masses to accept your tickets! **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 that 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!

- **DINNER TICKETS (DRIVE-THRU ONLY)** are being sold and are **PRE-SALE ONLY!!!** They can be purchased in the Parish Office weekdays during regular business hours (8 a.m. to 3 p.m.) or after masses through September 20th. Cost is \$10.00 per ticket and includes chicken and beef, mashed potatoes/gravy, noodles, green beans, and cole slaw.
- **50/50 TICKETS** will be sold at the end of the drive-thru line the day of the dinners. Cost is \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00! You can also purchase these in advance in the Parish Office! Winning number will posted on Facebook and/or in the Parish Bulletin.
- **RAFFLE BOOTH** donations are coming in daily!! Please drop off donations in the Parish Office or call to arrange for pickup. We would like to have all donations by September 11th. There are some beautiful Raffle Booth items available and you can see them and purchase tickets in the Parish Center Fitness/K of C Room during the following times:

- Normal Parish Office business hours.
- Wednesday evenings September 9th, 16th, and 23rd from 6-7:00 p.m.
- Tuesday, September 29th from 5-7:00 p.m.
- Thursday, October 1st from 5-7:00 p.m.
- For approximately 1 hour after masses on September 19th, 20th, 26th, and 27th.
- Day of the Dinner Drive-thru pick up from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Drawings will take place at 3:00 p.m. on October 4th. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, the drawings will not be open to the public. Pictures of items are being posted each Friday on Facebook!!

• **DAY OF FESTIVAL (Sunday, October 4th) HELP IS STILL NEEDED** as follows:

- 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and 12:30 to 2:30 p.m.—Kitchen help is needed on the serving line to help place food in carry-out containers
- 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and 12:30 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.—Delivering meals to cars driving thru to pick up meals.
- 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and 12:30 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.—Dishwashers are needed

Call the Parish Office if you can help!! This is a wonderful opportunity for Confirmation students to give back to their Parish!!! Please give an hour or two of your time to help make our scaled-down Parish Festival a success.

**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.

**SERVERS**

<b>Sept. 12 (Saturday)</b> 4:00	Addison Geise, Olesya Herman, Nick Herman
<b>Sept. 13 (Sunday)</b> 10:30	Carson Miller, Jackson Ricker, Elyse Walston

**LECTORS**

<b>Sept. 12 (Saturday)</b> 4:00	Theresa Von Sossan
<b>Sept. 13 (Sunday)</b> 10:30	Rose Wenzlick

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION**

<b>Sept. 12 (Saturday)</b> 4:00	Zachary Herman, Ted Herman
<b>Sept. 13 (Sunday)</b> 10:30	Mike Ricker, Jim Hoersten

**USHERS**

<b>Sept. 12 (Saturday)</b> 4:00	Gary Pohlman, Darrell Von Sossan
<b>Sept. 13 (Sunday)</b> 10:30	Chris Burgei, Otto Wenzlick

**LADIES TO PRAY THE ROSARY**

<b>September 6 (Sunday)</b>	Jeanne Wannemacher
<b>September 7 (Monday)</b>	Ruth (Jim) Wannemacher
<b>September 8 (Tuesday)</b>	Marie Warnecke
<b>September 9 (Wednesday)</b>	Tina Weber
<b>September 10 (Thursday)</b>	Joyce Wehri
<b>September 11 (Friday)</b>	Kathy Wehri
<b>September 12 (Saturday)</b>	Megan Wehri



This week we would like to recognize a "behind the scenes" volunteer that we would really like to bring to the front! Lisa Bendele was asked years ago by the previous Sacristan, our beloved, Annie Landwher, to help with being Sacristan and Lisa said she would always make excuses. But in His time, we are thankful Lisa was finally feeling the pull to get more engaged in her faith! She came from a nondenominational upbringing, and converted to Catholicism due to

a spiritual nudge and blessings from her mother. Lisa and her husband have been married 33 years and when she is not busy with helping in the church, she enjoys spending time with their children and grandchildren, gardening, and farming. While serving as Sacristan, Lisa prepares the gifts for Father, the Host in the Tabernacle, helps the servers, makes sure the correct color of curtain is placed on the Alter, and assists with funerals, weddings and visiting priests. Lisa gives credit to the Holy Spirit working through her as she volunteers for the Parish Festival, serves as an Extraordinary Eucharistic Minister and adult server, and will be this years' 3<sup>rd</sup> grade religious education teacher. She is a member of the Rosary Altar Society and attended CRHP last year. Lisa appreciates the encouragement and patience from her parish community as it helps her grow in her relationship with Christ. She considers it a blessing and honor to be serving Immaculate Conception. Thank you very much, Lisa, for your commitment and it is our privilege to have you!



### ROSARY RECITINGS

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

### 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!



**Armor of God Rosary Processions:** Join us as we come together to pray for our nation publicly! Our Lady said, "Say the Rosary every day to obtain peace for the world." Let us pray the rosary together!!! Join us for a rosary walk! We will process from

the church to the courthouse and then back to the church praying the rosary as we process. Please bring your rosary, comfortable walking shoes, and a water bottle. Pictures or posters with Our Lady and Our Lord are especially welcome! Dates: **Saturday, September 12th, 2:00 p.m.** at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Wapakoneta or **Saturday, September 26th, 2:00 p.m.** at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Celina, Meet in front of the church. For any questions call (419) 852-0794.



### 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!**

#### Prayer for the Dignity of Work and the Rights of Workers

Lord God, Master of the Vineyard, How wonderful that you have invited us who labor by the sweat of our brow to be workers in the vineyard and assist your work to shape the world around us.

As we seek to respond to this call, make us attentive to those who seek work but cannot find it. Help us listen to the struggles of those who work hard to provide for their families but still have trouble making ends meet.

Open our eyes to the struggles of those exploited and help us speak for just wages and safe conditions, the freedom to organize, and time for renewal. For work was made for humankind and not humankind for work. Let it not be a vehicle for exploitation but a radiant expression of our human dignity.

Give all who labor listening hearts that we may pause from our work to receive your gift of rest. Fill us with your Holy Spirit that you might work through us to let your justice reign.

**Amen.**

**Creative Edge**  
Cabinets & Woodworking  
419-453-3416  
Custom Cabinets • Counter Tops  
Closet Organizers • Garage Gear

**BUCKEYE EXTERMINATING**  
"Your local connection for all your pest problems."  
419-453-3931 buckeye1.com

JIM RHODES  
REAL ESTATE AGENT  
**DYE**  
REAL ESTATE & LAND COMPANY  
www.dyerealestate.com  
cjrhodes@bright.net  
3021 Harding Hwy, Suite E  
Lima, OH 45804  
419-236-3616

*Lord*  
I pray  
to be *Led* to  
and by you

BOB KLIMA, Owner  
**Klima's**  
CARPET CLEANING  
P.O. Box 39 Ottoville, OH 45876  
419-453-3578 or Toll Free 1-888-872-1445

- Residential
- Auto
- Commercial
- Certified for Warranty Work

**Window Creations, LLC**  
Stained Glass Studios  
Storm Glass • Painting • Custom Framing  
419-453-2004 www.bstudios.net

**Love-Heitmeyer Funeral Home**  
Jackson Township, Ohio  
419-286-6586  
Traditional Funerals Cremation Services  
Pre-Arrangement Specialists Monument Sales

The **Ottoville Bank Company**  
Telephone: (419)453-3313

*the mustard seed*  
Christian Gifts & Educational Resources  
STORE HOURS:  
Tues., Thurs., Fri. 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.  
Wed. 12 to 8 p.m.  
Sat. 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.  
150 Church St., Glandorf, OH (419) 538-7220  
mustardseedgiftshop@gmail.com  
www.mustardseedgiftshop.com  
Call or stop in to order Funeral Arrangements.

**BEINING NURSERY & LANDSCAPING, LLC**  
"Helping people get as much enjoyment from the outside of their home as they get from the inside."  
www.beiningnursery.com

Hopkins, Klausung, Schroeder, & Von Sossan, Attorneys at Law  
**HKSVS**  
Offices in Ottoville and Ottawa  
(419) 523-6104

**JOANN GERDEMAN**  
DELPHOS GRANITE WORKS  
"Where Quality is Etched in Stone."  
18201 Road 24 R, Ottoville, Ohio 45876  
Telephone: (419) 453-3762  
Email: jedjo@bright.net  
Website: www.delphosgraniteworks.com

Christopher J. Ricker, CPA  
2579 Shawnee Road  
Lima OH 45806  
419-331-1040  
Chris.ricker@reacpa.com  
www.reacpa.com

**Rea & associates**

**VFW**  
VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS  
POST 3740  
103 East Third Street  
Ottoville, OH 45876

**ALTENBURGER INSURANCE AGENCY, LLC**  
123 East Main Street • P.O. Box 266  
Ottoville, Ohio 45876-0266  
Phone: 419.453.3424

Please support our community/parish businesses who support our Parish!