



The Parish Community of  
**IMMACULATE CONCEPTION**

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*Fourth Sunday of Advent*  
 December 18, 2016



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**Parish Office:** Located in the Parish Center

Office hours Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. – 3 p.m.

**Parish Council:**

Mr. Dave Ricker - President

Mr. Bradley Beining

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Mr. Steve Schroeder

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Mrs. Nancy Hohlbein

Mrs. Tina Koester

Mrs. Teresa Schnipke

**Cemetery Sexton:** Nancy Vetter (419) 453-3131

**Cemetery Board President:**

Mr. Jim Eickholt - (419) 453-3684

**REGULAR PARISH SCHEDULE:**

**Weekend Masses:** Saturday: 4:00 PM

Sunday: 10:30 AM

**Daily Masses:**

Monday: NO MASS

Tuesday: 7:00 PM on the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays

Wednesday and Thursday: 8:10 AM

Friday: 8:00 AM

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:** Saturdays at 3:15 p.m.

**Baptism:** First-time parents need to attend baptism instruction (preferably before the birth of your first child).

Baptisms are celebrated anytime agreeable with Father Jerry. To arrange Baptism or Instruction, please call the parish office at (419) 453-3513.

**Marriage:** The Diocese of Toledo requests all marriage dates be set at the parish office at least 6 months prior to the wedding date. Couples must make an appointment to speak with Father Jerry before the date is scheduled.

**Joy-Filled Marriage Workshop:** For a list of workshops in the area or to register, visit [jfmtoledo.eventbrite.com](http://jfmtoledo.eventbrite.com).

**New parishioners** may register as members of our parish family by calling the Parish Office.

**Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT)** is available for your regular weekly Sunday contribution. Forms are available in the church vestibule, the parish office lobby, or by calling the Parish Office at (419) 453-3513.

**Please Note:** Deadline to submit items for the weekly bulletin is Wednesday at 12:00 p.m. Please submit in writing, by email, or fax to (419) 453-2513.

**Notary Services** are available to all Parishioners free of charge in the Parish Office during normal business hours.

**BAPTISM:** Nolan Richard Peck

Son of Evan and Tara Peck

**DEATH:** Please remember the family of Mike Miller who passed away unexpectedly at the age of 53 on December 11th. May he rest in peace.

**Dear Padre'...Question:** *Why does the Church regulate postures and gestures during the Mass? What are the proper postures and gestures for the faithful during Mass?*

The posture and gesture are there to preserve the sacred nature of the liturgy and to benefit the faithful. The norms for posture and gesture are laid out in both the *Sacramentary* (big red book, Roman Missal) and the *General Instruction of the Roman Missal (GIRM)*, you can also find them in your Missalettes. The postures and gestures of both the celebrant and the faithful contribute to the "beauty and noble simplicity" of the liturgy. They point to "the true and full meaning of the different parts of the celebration," and foster the participation of all.

What is done in postures and gestures is often look at as an up and down movement. We stand generally when we are in prayer. We sit generally when we are listening. We kneel when Christ is made present in respect of him in the Eucharist. Sometimes there are other gestures and they will involve hand motions. We make the sign of cross at the beginning and at the end of Mass. We sign ourselves on our head, mouth, and heart at the proclamation of the gospel... "May the word of God be in my mind, on my lips, and in my heart".

During the **Profession of Faith**, our Creed, all are to make a profound bow (a bow of the body) at the words, "By the power of the Holy Spirit he was born of the Virgin Mary and became man." On the Solemnities of the Annunciation (March 25<sup>th</sup>) and of the Nativity of the Lord (December 25<sup>th</sup>), all genuflect if possible at this time.

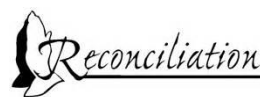
No particular gesture is prescribed for the **Lord's Prayer** for the people. The Presider, as the one presiding over the liturgy extends his hands as he gathers those prayers of others, the faithful and offers them up to our heavenly Father. That is the duty of a priest. Whenever the priest is praying on behalf of the faithful he has his hands extended, the "Oran" position.

At the **Rite of Peace** all are to make an appropriate sign of peace, according to local custom. The sign should express peace, communion, and charity. It is, however, appropriate that each person offer the sign of peace only to those who are nearest and in a sober manner. When **receiving Holy Communion**, the communicant bows his or her head before the Sacrament as a gesture of reverence and receives the Body of the Lord from the minister. When Holy Communion is received under both kinds, the sign of reverence is also made before receiving the Precious Blood. The faithful contribute to the beauty of the liturgy. And by their joyful participation, the faithful more readily direct their minds and hearts toward the sacred mystery of the Mass.

~Padre' Jerry

**YOUTH AND FAMILY MASS - TONIGHT (SUNDAY 12/18) AT 6:00 P.M. EVERYONE IS WELCOME!!**

God's Mercy and Forgiveness is welcome! Area Penance Services scheduled include Monday, Dec. 19th at SPPS/Ottawa at 4:00 and 7:00 p.m. and Wednesday, Dec. 21st at St. Anthony/Columbus Grove at 7:00 p.m.



The Dennis Schimmoeller family would like to thank Father Jerry, family and friends, the EMS, Ottoville Subway, Dee Dee and her help at the luncheon. Thank you for all the love and support shown to us during this difficult time.

~ Dennis Schimmoeller Family



*Fourth Sunday of Advent*

**NEXT WEEK'S MINISTERS OF MASS SERVERS:**

**Weekday Mass Servers (12/21 at 8:10 a.m.):**

Eryn Kemper, Danielle Swint, Rebecca Turnwald

**SATURDAY (12/24) 4:00 p.m. Children's Mass**

**Mass Servers:** Destinie Davis, Kylin Edelbrock, Jacob Ricker, Danielle Swint

**Lectors:** Hannah Boecker, Adeline Miller, Nicholas Brandeberry

**Extraordinary Ministers of Communion:**

Host - Marie Grote, Jill Wenzlick, Lenora Ball, Dee Dee Schlagbaum

Cup - Ann Hemker, Don Schlagbaum

Choir - Bonnie Beining

**Ushers:** Ron Hemker, Adam Schnipke, Bill Beining, Dan Honigford

**Gifts:** Emma Brinkman Issac Brinkman

**Carrying Baby Jesus:** Kiley Hilvers

**SATURDAY (12/24) 7:00 p.m.**

**Mass Servers:** Makayla Miller, Brendan Niemeyer Nolan Miller, Carson Miller

**Lectors:** Virginia Beining

**Extraordinary Ministers of Communion:**

Host - Jerry and Angie Hohlbein, Rose Brickner, Ron Niemeyer

Cup - Donald Warnecke, Janet Von Lehmden

Choir - Janice Warnecke

**Ushers:** Brian Altenburger, Rodney Beining, Todd Miller, Evan Turnwald

**Gifts:** The Family of Ray Miller

**SATURDAY (12/24) 10:00 p.m.**

**Mass Servers:** Paige Hoersten, Michael Steffan, Nicholas Moorman, Emily Moorman

**Lectors:** Cheryl Beining

**Extraordinary Ministers of Communion:**

Host - Angie Niemeyer, Peggy Pohlman, Jack Devitt, Carol Hoersten

Cup - Sharon Meyer, Helen Devitt

Choir - Sheila Miller

**Ushers:** Jerry Kaverman, Tim Kimmet, Dave Fischbach, Tom Markward

**Gifts:** The Family of Joan Eickholt

**SUNDAY (12/25) 8:00 a.m.**

**Mass Servers:** Ashlee Landin, Chad Schnipke, Grant Kortokrax, Eric Von Sossan

**Lector:** Theresa Von Sossan

**Extraordinary Ministers of Communion:**

Host - Christine Herman, Pat Ricker, Michelle Giesige, Mike Ricker

Cup - Judy Eickholt, Jessica Vorst

Choir - Ted Herman

**Ushers:** Gary Turnwald, Darrell Von Sossan, Mike Heitmeyer, Jerry Turnwald

**Gifts:** The family of Valeta Siebeneck

**SUNDAY (12/25) 10:30 a.m.**

**Mass Servers:** Ben Horstman, Alexis Thorbahn, Will Horstman, Conner Wannemacher

**Lector:** Kevin Horstman

**Extraordinary Ministers of Communion:**

Host - Deb Lindeman, Bernice Schnipke, Jim Hoersten, Cherie Kemper

Cup - Cody Kemper, Ann Beining

Choir - Linda Knippen

**Ushers:** Tim Eickholt, Kevin Lindeman, Brian Beining, Duane Boecker

**Gifts:** The Family of Paul & Martha Turnwald

**NEXT WEEKEND'S READINGS (12/24-12/25/2016):**

Isaiah 9:1-9; Titus 2:11-14; Luke 2:1-14

**PRAY THE ROSARY (12/18 to 12/24):**

Chris Wannemacher, Norma Wannemacher, Joyce Wehri, Mary Wehri, Yvonne Wenzlick, Joan Wessell, Phyllis Wurst,

**ALTAR/SANCTUARY CLEANING:** Marge Hicks

ANGEL TREE - Angels are available at all church exits for you to use to remember a loved one this Holiday Season. Simply write your loved one's name on an angel and leave it in the box provided and it will be placed on the Angel Tree for you.



**LITURGIES/MASS INTENTIONS**

**Saturday (12/17) 4:00 p.m.** Carla Landin,

John Nussbaum, Norbert & Alicia Heitmeyer

**Sunday (12/18) FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

**10:30 a.m.** Bob & Ruth Beining, Joe & Henrietta Landin

**6:00 p.m. YOUTH AND FAMILY MASS**

Norbert, Marcella, and Sue Bendele

**Tuesday (12/20) 7:00 p.m.** At St. Barbara/Cloverdale

**Wednesday (12/21) 8:10 a.m.** Bernie & Sally Looser, Viola Friemoth

**Thursday (12/22) 8:10 a.m.** Betty Otte,

Mary Catherine Heckman

**Friday (12/23) 8:00 a.m.** Bob Hoersten

**Saturday (12/24)**

**4:00 p.m.** George Lubeley, Orval Eickholt

**7:00 p.m.** Ray Miller, Bud & Mary Catherine Koester, Angie Miller

**10:00 p.m.** Joan Eickholt

**Sunday (12/25) SOLEMNITY OF THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD (CHRISTMAS)**

**8:00 a.m.** Valeta Siebeneck

**10:30 a.m.** Paul & Martha Turnwald,

Lloyd & Leona Landin, Cletus & Alice Maag

Join St. Joseph Church in Fort Jennings for an interesting Bible Study...**Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible**, an engaging journey through the Bible. The eight part study (30 minute DVD plus 30 minute discussion) begins at St. Joseph's Fellowship Hall on alternate Thursdays from January 12th through April 20th at 7:30 p.m. Cost is \$20 and includes the workbook. Babysitting will be available for each session. Please register early and before January 1st. Registration forms are on the St. Joseph website or contact Larry Schroeder at (419) 302-6672 or Mike Knippen at (419)453-2964.



Give the perfect gift...Give blood!! The American Red Cross blood drive will be Tuesday, December 27th from 12 - 6 p.m. in the Ottoville Parish Hall Banquet Room. To schedule an appointment, call Sue Luersman at (419) 453-3763 or visit [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org) and enter sponsor code: OTTOVILLEPARISH. Receive a free long-sleeved Red Cross t-shirt while supplies last!

It is time to think about plans for **New Year's Eve**. Do you want the chance to win \$3000.00? The **Ottawa K of C** will have a Catholic Mass at the hall at 4:30 p.m. (open to ticket holders only) followed by cocktails at 5:30 p.m. and a wedding style meal at 6:30 p.m. There will be snacks, an open bar, and a chance to win money and prizes. A taxi service will be provided for your ride home. Cost is \$50.00 a ticket. Top prize is \$3000; 2nd prize is \$1500; 3rd prize is \$1000; 4th prize is \$750; 5th prize is \$300. Every 10th ticket wins something. All proceeds go to the K of C Scholarship Fund. For tickets call Pat Gerten (419) 235-1991 or Dan Niese (419) 439-0468.

