



# Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church



June 16<sup>th</sup> – June 17<sup>th</sup>

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## ***11<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME -TREES***

"And all the trees of the field shall know that I, the Lord, bring low the high tree, lift high the lowly tree, wither up the green tree, and make the withered tree bloom." —Ezekiel 17:24

The Bible begins with the tree of life and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil (Gn 2:9). It ends with the trees of life on the banks of the river of life-giving waters in heaven (Rv 22:1-2). Ezekiel described the Messianic kingdom as a majestic cedar tree on a high mountain (Ez 17:22-23). In contrast, Jesus described His kingdom in a much less impressive way as being like a mustard tree or shrub (Mk 4:32). Finally, the early Church referred to Jesus' cross as a tree (see Acts 13:29).

The cross is the ultimate tree of life bridging Genesis to Revelation, the beginning to the end, earth to heaven, and humanity to God. The tree of the cross is the fulfillment of the Messianic prophecies. It is the means of establishing God's kingdom on earth as it is in heaven. It is the way to enter the kingdom of heaven.

There were trees in paradise. There are trees in heaven. The Spirit called the early Church to view the cross as a tree. The poet Joyce Kilmer was right when he said he would never see anything as wondrous as a tree.

## *Masses & Information*

Monday, Thursday, Friday.....7:30 a.m.  
Saturday:.....5:30 p.m.  
Sunday:.....8:30 a.m.  
Wednesday:.....6:00 p.m.  
Confession: Saturday.....4:30-5:15 p.m.  
Sunday:.....7:55-8:15 a.m. or by appointment  
First Wednesday Adoration.....7:00 – 10:00 p.m.  
MARRIAGE PREPARTION: Contact Father Raj at least six months in advance.

BAPTISMS: Call the rectory for an appointment.

COMMUNION to shut-ins or the ill, call Fr. Raj at 248.7584 or 316.4146

Anyone who cannot come to the communion rail during Mass should let Father Raj know before Mass.

Those who are ill or shut in should contact Bill Homer, if you would want communion brought to your home during the week or on weekends.

## *Masses Intentions*

## *Pray for Our Sick*

Brandi Sustaire, John Detten, Emma Detten, Tammy Bivens, Celeste Connelly, Schellon Major, Ralph Hutsell, Shamara Husemann, Bill Becker, Jim Eakin, Charleen Weller, Leonard Koetting, Alina Becker, Anna Marie Wink, Gary Collins, Willie Mae Barnett, Alice Britten, Alan Acker, Dale Brooks, Pam Bouse, and Dorothy Britten

## *Family Chalice Program*

June 16/17 Ron Kuehler Family  
June 23/24 Rod and Michele Bohr  
June 30/July 1 Mike and Marla Britten  
July 7/8 Alice Kuehler

## *Birthdays*

June 17<sup>th</sup> Joe Britten  
June 18<sup>th</sup> Nicole Barnett Longbine  
June 20<sup>th</sup> Phillip J. Miller

## *Anniversaries*

## *Church Cleaning for June*

Sandie Hickey, Marcia Conrad, Donna Barnett, Melanie Britten, Janice Koetting, Michele Bohr, Rita Lister, Connie Britten, Susan Britten, Rita Poor, Vanessa Eugea, Krista Johnson, Marissa Clement, Melanie King Britten, Lucita Hinson, and Dayna Britten

## *Stewardship Reports*

<b>06-10-18</b>	
Individual	\$1,675.00
Loose	\$ 274.00
Children	\$ 27.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,768.00</b>

### **06-10-18 Building Fund**

Individual & loose	\$ 975.25
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## *Liturgical Ministers*

### **Saturday, June 16<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 5:30 p.m.**

Servers: Lauren and Hope  
Lectors: Ron Kuehler  
Extraor. Com. Minister: Kevin Brown

### **Sunday, June 17<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 11:00 a.m.**

Servers: Madison and K'Leigh  
Lectors: Cliff Britten  
Extraor. Com. Minister: Cari Weinheimer,  
Melanie K Britten, Tabitha Eggemeyer

### **Saturday, June 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2018 at 5:30 p.m.**

Servers: Saffron and Kacie  
Lectors: Jason Eugea  
Extraor. Com. Minister: Vanessa Eugea

### **Sunday, June 24<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 11:00 a.m.**

Servers: Kate and Carrigan  
Lectors: Kay Britten  
Extraor. Com. Minister: Marla Britten,  
Nicole Kuehler, and Susan Britten

### **Saturday, June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 5:30 p.m.**

Servers: Damon and Alex  
Lectors: Ron Kuehler  
Extraor. Com. Minister: Kevin Brown

### **Sunday, July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018 at 8:30 a.m.**

Servers: Braxton and Zadyn  
Lectors: Marcia Conrad  
Extraor. Com. Minister: Barbara Homer,  
Joannie Kling, Michele Bohr

### **Saturday, July 7<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 5:30 p.m.**

Servers: K'Leigh and Madison  
Lectors: Kay Britten  
Extraor. Com. Minister: Jan Britten

### **Sunday, July 8<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 8:30 a.m.**

Servers: Derek and Owen  
Lectors: Cari Weinheimer  
Extraor. Com. Minister: Marla Britten,  
Tabitha Eggemeyer, Susan Britten

## *Announcements:*

**Second Collection:** June 17<sup>th</sup> Peters Pence

**Contact:** Cara Ashford at  
[ashfordcar@gmail.com](mailto:ashfordcar@gmail.com), if you have  
information for the bulletin.

## Announcements:

**\*Next Sunday, June 24, Mass will be at 8:30am**

## 9 Facts About the Sacred Heart

1) The devotion to the Sacred Heart is over 900 years old: In the 11th century St. Peter Damien wrote the following: “It is in the adorable Heart of Jesus that we find every weapon proper to our defense, every remedy for the cure of our ills, the most powerful assistance against the assaults of our enemies, the sweetest consolation to relieve our sufferings, the purest delights to crown our souls with Joy.” 2) There was more than one saint who had visions of the Sacred Heart: In the 1200's three nuns started the monastery of St. Mary of Helfta. The nuns were St. Mechtild of Magdeburg, St. Mechtild of Hakeborn and St. Gertrude the Great. 3) Doesn't everyone have visions? St. Margaret Mary started having visions of Jesus, typically crucified, early in her life. She assumed that this was normal for everyone. 4) The Feast of the Sacred Heart was celebrated before St. Margaret Mary's visions: On August 31, 1670 a celebration in honor of the Sacred Heart was celebrated at the seminary in Rennes. 5) St. Margaret Mary Alacoque had multiple visions of the Sacred Heart: From 1673 – 1675. During the visions Christ told St. Margaret that he wanted three specific devotions done to honor His Sacred Heart – frequent communion, receiving Communion at Mass on the first Friday of the month and regular holy hours. 6) The Jesuits were involved: St. Margaret Mary's confessor was St. Claude de Colombiere. In 1675 Jesus asked St. Margaret to tell Fr. Colombiere about her visions and entrusted the propagation of the devotion to the Sacred Heart to the Sisters of the Visitation and the Society of Jesus. Fr. Colombiere asked St. Margaret to write an account of the visions, consecrated himself to the Sacred Heart and spent the rest of his life spreading information about the devotion in France and England. 7) The Church didn't move quickly: While the Church official granted St. Margaret's order, the Visitandines, permission to celebrate a Mass in honor of the Five Wounds of Christ in 1697, it wasn't until 1856 that Pope Pius IX made the Feast of the Sacred Heart a universal celebration. In 1899 Pope Leo XIII consecrated all mankind to the Sacred Heart. 8) The devotions to the Sacred Heart and the Divine Mercy are closely linked. 9) Jesus was very serious about the mercy He offered through devotion to His Sacred Heart: Jesus made several promises to St. Margaret Mary for those who received communion in a state of grace on nine consecutive first Fridays but the most important one was “I promise the Grace of final perseverance. They will not die in My disgrace, but will receive the Sacraments (if necessary), and My Heart will be sure shelter for them in that extreme moment.

