

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF MARY PARISH



April 23, 2017
Second Sunday of Easter

HH - Hitch Hall MH - Maher Hall
SB - School Basement
R - Rectory CH - Church
WH - Waldeisen Hall

Date	Observance	Mass Time & Intention	Server(s)	Readings	Event/Meeting
Mon Apr 24	Fidelis of Sigmaringen, Priest & Martyr	5:30 pm Ambrosio Ranaldi & Richard Rea by Ida Rea	Hamilton	Acts 4:23-31; Jn 3:1-8	
Tues Apr 25	Mark, Evangelist			1 Pt 5:5b-14; Mk 16:15-20	Lifeline Screening - WH Free Store 4:30 - 7 pm SB
Wed Apr 26	Anointing of the Sick	5:30 pm Midge Sutter by Family	Hamilton	Act 5:17-26; Jn 3:16-21	Contemporary Choir 6:45 pm CH
Thur Apr 27				Acts 5:27-33; Jn 3:31-36	
Fri Apr 28	Peter Chanel, Priest & Martyr; Louis Grignion de Montfort, Priest	5:30 pm Frank Jeffery Powell by James Caruso	Hamilton	Acts 5:34-42; Jn 6:1-15	
Sat Apr 29	Catherine of Siena, Virgin & Doctor	5:30 pm Steve Gardner by Gardner Family	Cole	Acts 6:1-7; Jn 6:16-21	Confessions 9 - 10 am CH Free Store 9:30 am - Noon SB Life in the Spirit 1 - 10 pm WH
Sun Apr 30	Third Sunday of Easter	8:30 am People of the Parish 11:00 am David Gombasky by Betty & Scott Gombasky	8:30 am Baker 11:00 am Brewer Brewer	Acts 2:14, 22-33; 1 Pt 1:17-21; Lk 24:13-35	Life in the Spirit 6:30 - 10 pm WH

Sanctuary Lamp - Special Intention

Holy Family Candle - Healing & Conversion

Holy Hours: Mon. & Tues. 9 am – 5 pm.

Please come to the rectory for entry to the church.

There were 4 Holy Hours last week

Let those who fear the Lord say, "His mercy endures forever." Psalm 118:4

COLLECTION REPORT

Sunday, April 16, 2017

Sunday Offering – \$2,407

Cap. Imp./Debt. Red. – \$450

62 of 339 Envelopes Used.

Easter Offering – \$4,537

108 of 339 Envelopes Used.

St. Paul Street Evangelization Training provides a non-confrontational way for you to share Jesus Christ and the truth & beauty of the Catholic Faith with a hungry culture. **Basic Evangelization Training** will be held from 9 am to 5 pm at St. Francis de Sales on May 13th. Cost of \$30 includes lunch & materials. Register by Apr. 29th at www.streetevangelization.com under Upcoming Workshops. For info, call Mike Powers at 330-618-7688 or email 2016.spse@gmail.com.

• **Life in the Spirit** – Join us in Waldeisen Hall on Sat. & Sun., Apr. 29th & 30th for a great opportunity to grow in the joy and peace of the Holy Spirit. There will be prayer, praise & worship, a healing service, Mass (Sat., 5:30 pm), & dinner on Saturday. Cost is \$10 per person or bring a friend save \$5 (\$15 for 2 people). Call the rectory for more info and registration.

• **Generations of Faith** – Our next session is "Mary and the Saints" and it will be held next Thursday, May 4th at 7:15 pm following May Crowning. All are welcome!

• **May Crowning** – All are invited to the Church at 6:45 pm on May 4th for our annual May Crowning ceremony. Following May Crowning, all are invited to Waldeisen Hall for our Generations of Faith session on "Mary and the Saints."

• **LifeLine Screening** will be coming to the parish this Tues., April 25th. Discount coupons are available on the bottom of the posters at the doors of the church.

The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick will be celebrated this Wed., Apr. 26th at the 5:30 pm Mass.

History of Popes

#48 - Pope St. Felix IV (III) - Pope from 526-530 A.D. Died: 530 A.D. Following the imprisonment & death of Pope St. John I, Theodoric, the king of Italy, strongly suggested that Felix be his successor. The clergy and laity followed the king's lead and voted Felix into office on July 12, 526. After Theodoric's death, his daughter, Amalasantha, took the throne until her son reached maturity. While in power, the queen gifted two Roman temples to the Church, which Felix converted into the Church of SS Cosmas & Damian. He is depicted in a mosaic alongside the two saints above the church's high altar. Throughout his reign, Felix dealt with the "Semi-Pelagian" conflict, which dealt with proper teaching on grace and free will. He published his corrections of this heresy as canons at the Council of Orange in 529. When he fell ill in 530, he attempted to appoint his own successor instead of leaving the choice to those who favored the heretical beliefs still boiling in the East or those who supported Gothic rule in Italy. Felix pointed to Boniface, making his wishes well known. Felix died in September of the year 530, but his feast day is celebrated January 30. Only a minority of Roman clergy sided with Boniface as Felix's successor. What else was going on in the world at the time? The Benedictine Order was founded in Naples in 529. Though it's unclear whether St. Benedict intended to found an order, it was that year in which he built the order's first monastery at Subiaco, Italy. Benedict went on to build 11 more abbeys, & his order is just 17 years from their 1500th anniversary.

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS

He is Risen Alleluia! We celebrate this central belief of our faith for 7 weeks in the church, so let's be perfectly clear about what it is we celebrate. Bishop Robert Barron puts it this way, "What Easter means is that Jesus of Nazareth, who claimed throughout his public life to be speaking and acting in the very person of God, and who was brutally put to death by Roman executioners, rose bodily from the dead. That's what it's all about." In our Gospel today, our Risen Lord appears to his disciples bringing resurrection gifts of peace and joy. He also gives them the gift of the Holy Spirit and says to them and to us, his disciples through baptism, "As the Father has sent me, so I send you." How do you live out this commission of the Lord Jesus? How do you use your God-given gifts and your time, talent and treasure to share your faith and build up the church? How much time have you taken to reflect about the events of Holy Week and Easter? What is God sending you out to do?

STEWARDSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

In His Name – The Peter Maurin Center which serves the poor & the homeless in Akron is in desperate need of travel-size toiletries. Please drop your donations in the designated baskets by the main doors of the church.

Adopt-A-Plot – Calling all plot holders, we'd like the property to look beautiful as we welcome our guests for Deacon Bobby's First Mass. Please begin to tend to your sections by weeding, mulching (red mulch), etc. I.C. Proud!

Calling all Cookie Elves! We need your skills and talents for Bobby's reception on May 21st. Cookies, brownies & other finger food pastries will be needed in great numbers; no cakes/pies. Please keep an eye on the bulletin for details. Thank you!

CareCards – To participate, purchase a card of encouragement or use one from the basket in the back of the church, add a short note and sign your name. Put the card into the envelope (do not seal) & place into the basket for completed cards. The cards will then be given to our shut-ins on First Friday or to those visited in nursing homes or hospitals.

Ordination News

Ordination is Friday, May 19th at 7 pm at St. John's Cathedral, Cleveland.

Bus information:

The bus is more than half full so if you would like to attend the ordination Mass...

Time: All persons who turned in form & payment need to be in the church parking lot at 4:30 pm.

The bus will leave promptly at 4:45. Names will be checked off the paid list for entry to the bus.

RSVP: Parishioners only at this time. ***You must turn in flyer & payment together***; first come, first served. No reservations will be accepted by phone.

Cost is \$15 per person, payable by cash or check. Make checks payable to Immaculate Conception with "Bus" on the memo line.

First Mass – Sunday, May 21, 11 am. **Reception** following Mass at the Knights of Columbus Council #3410 Hall on Glenmount.

Ordination Gifts – We have been getting questions about gift ideas for Deacon Bobby on the occasion of his Ordination to Sacred Priesthood. He has a gift registry at www.henningers.com; gift cards or cash are all acceptable. If you check with Henninger's Religious Gifts, go to the Information bar, scroll down and click on "Registries" then click on Bobby's name.

Off-Site Events

• **Caring & Sharing** session for those struggling with divorce, separation or widowhood will be held Mon., Apr. 24th from 7:30 - 9 pm at Immaculate Heart of Mary's Convent Bldg. For more information call Marlene at 330-607-6284.

• **Theology on the Rocks:** Mon., Apr. 24, 7:30 pm, D'Agnes's at White Pond, Akron. Food, Fellowship & Faith for All Adults. Cost: \$10 includes appetizers at 7 pm. Cash bar. Speakers: Candace Bates & Deacon Ray DiMascio; topic: Sustainable Catholicism: How Laudato Si helps us Care for Creation.

• **Theology on Tap:** Wed., May 10th, at 7 pm, Winking Lizard Tavern, Peninsula. Cash bar, \$5 admission includes appetizers. Jason & Brooke Roberts will present "Growing up is Hard to Do: Catholic Adulting". All young adults (ages 20s & 30s) are welcome.