

# IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF MARY PARISH



August  
Month of  
The Blessed  
Sacrament

## August 6, 2017 The Transfiguration of the Lord

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 Aug 7	Sixtus II, Pope & Companions, Martyrs; Cajetan, Priest	5:30 pm <b>Ray &amp; Jane Bonham</b> by Melissa Keegan	Coffey	Nm 11:4b-15; Mt 14:13-21	
Tues Aug 8	Dominic, Priest			Nm 12:1-13; Mt 14:22-36	<b>Free Store</b> 4:30 - 7 pm <b>SB</b>
Wed Aug 9	Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, Virgin & Martyr	5:30 pm <b>Fr. Albert A. Kunkel</b> by Kathleen Klise	Coffey	Nm 13:1-2, 25 - 14:1, 26-29a, 34-35; Mt 15:21-28	<b>Contemporary Choir</b> 6:45 pm <b>CH</b>
Thur Aug 10	Lawrence, Deacon & Martyr			2 Cor 9:6-10; Jn 12:24-26	
Fri Aug 11	Clare, Virgin	5:30 pm <b>Ann Blondin</b> by Al & Rosi McClellan	Coffey	Dt 4:32-40; Mt 16:24-28	<b>I.C. Night at the Rubber Ducks</b>
Sat Aug 12	Jane Frances de Chantal, Religious	5:30 pm <b>William Gardner</b> by Gardner Family	Burkhart	Dt 6:4-13; Mt 17:14-20	<b>Confessions</b> 9 - 10 am <b>CH</b> <b>Free Store</b> 9:30 am - Noon <b>SB</b>
Sun Aug 13	The Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	8:30 am <b>People of the Parish</b> 11 am <b>Deceased Family Members of Bob &amp; Kathy Doerr</b>	8:30 am Baker 11:00 am Compton Hamilton	1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a; Rom 9:1-5; Mt 14:22-33	

### Sanctuary Lamp - Special Intention

**Holy Hours:** Mon. & Tues. 9 am - 5 pm.

Please come to the rectory for entry to the church.

There were 3 Holy Hours last week.

*Whoever wishes to come after me, must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me, says the Lord. Mt 16:24*

### COLLECTION REPORT

*Sunday, July 30, 2017*

**Sunday Offering - \$3,212**

**Cap. Imp./Debt. Red. - \$160**

88 of 339 Envelopes Used.

**Operation Christmas Child** - With school supplies going on sale, now is the time to pick some up for your shoeboxes. Changes: no toothpaste/candy.

I would like to thank Fr. Mike and the members of I.C. for all their continued prayers, kindness and support for me through a long, difficult time. It is with a very heavy heart that I tell you my granddaughter, Victoria Frances Milo passed away on July 22, 2017 after a life-long struggle with numerous health issues. Thank you again for your prayers & support. *Love, Bernadette Damron*

**Baseball** - If you did not pick up your tickets at Mass, you may do so this week at the rectory between 9 am and 4 pm, Monday through Friday.

### Holy Family Candle - The Healing of Hearts

#### Holy Day of Obligation

Aug. 15<sup>th</sup> is the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary and the Mass Schedule is as follows: Vigil Mass - 5:30 pm on Mon., Aug. 14<sup>th</sup>; Holy Day - 7 pm on Tues., Aug. 15<sup>th</sup>. Liturgical Ministry needs: Lectors, EMHCs and Minister of Hospitality. Please call the rectory to help.

#### Upcoming

The Eucharist is the "source and summit" of Christian life. Do you know what that means? Do you understand and could you explain the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist to others? How is Mass a sacrifice? Please plan on joining us for our upcoming season of Generations of Faith as we present the Bishop Robert Barron DVD series on the Eucharist.

Thanks to parishioner **Lisa Wilson**, the Bingo Kitchen is the proud owner of new large electric griddle which will help with the preparation of grilled cheese sandwiches, a favorite among the bingo players.

**First Step Program** - If you have questions regarding marriage, divorce & remarriage, the First Step Program can provide answers and help you take the first step toward healing after a divorce. The next local general meeting will be held at St. Paul Parish, Akron on Sept. 12<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm. All are welcome to come and deepen their knowledge of the Church's teaching on marriage.

## History of Popes

**#69 – Pope Boniface V** – Pope from Dec. 23, 619 – death, Oct. 25, 625. Boniface was a native of Naples, but little else is known about him prior to being elected pope nearly a year after the death of St. Adeodatus I. According to the **Liber Pontificalis** he had a great love for the clergy & was described as “the mildest of men.” He decided that those in minor orders shouldn’t be allowed to transport relics, nor should they replace deacons in performing baptisms. He decreed that men whose lives were sought after could take asylum in churches, but that was often ignored by those in pursuit. Boniface had a cemetery completed & consecrated to St. Nicomedes on the Via Nomentana. Known for having held the young English Church close to his heart, Boniface V did much to help the faith grow in that part of the world. The Venerable Bede noted in some of his writings that this pope wrote often to his brothers to the west, in one instance granting the Archbishop of Canterbury permission to consecrate new bishops as needed. He also wrote a letter of congratulations to the first Christian king of Northumbria (modern-day northern England) after his conversion. Boniface V helped to further the tradition of following a person’s last will & testament after death by commanding that the sanctity of wills be kept since at that point they were drawn up by clerics & ecclesiastical notaries. Boniface V was buried in St. Peter’s Basilica. What else was going on in the world at the time? In 620, the town of Cholula was first settled in Central Mexico. It’s thought to be the oldest continuously-occupied town on the entire continent.

### STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS

Today we read of the Transfiguration of Jesus; the unveiling of His glory. To transfigure means to “radically transform a figure or appearance” (dictionary). Jesus’ appearance was radically altered as he emitted a radiance which allowed his face to shine “like the sun” and his clothes to become as “white as light.” To what end? According to the Catholic Encyclopedia, three reasons surface: 1) Christ wanted to bolster the faith of the Apostles prior to His crucifixion and death so they’d recognize His divine glory hidden beneath His human appearance; His real victory concealed in apparent defeat of the cross 2) So His disciples would know He is truly divine, Moses and Elijah gave witness to Him and the voice of God spoke from a cloud 3) So all Christians would learn to hope for their own glory, as they are being transformed by God’s grace. Each day, every moment of every day, is a new opportunity for transformation & conversion by the grace of God. How open are you to it? Ingrain these words of God from the Gospel on your brain. “This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him.” How well do you listen to Jesus? How well do you follow His example? Our stewardship could transform this parish and this community if we choose to cooperate with the Lord, but we must be willing to allow ourselves to be transformed; to see the possibilities with new eyes and a new spirit. It is our desire to spend eternity with God. Let’s be about His work while we await the glorification of our own bodies. Everyone can do something, to what is God calling you?

### STEWARDSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

**Funeral Dinner Ministry** – If you like to cook, we need more people willing to provide a dish for a funeral meal. If you like to serve others, we need men and women willing to be members of the teams who set-up, serve and clean-up when we have a meal. Remember you’re only called into service when we have funeral dinners and we try hard to rotate teams and meal providers. Please reach out to minister to others during difficult times. You may call the rectory for more information or to share your stewardship.

**In His Name** - We are collecting NEW underwear & socks for school-aged children and school supplies which will be distributed through the Free Store, SVdP & the Kenmore After-School Program. Please place donations in the basket by the main doors. The Peter Maurin Center collection is ongoing.

**Mission Dresses** – We are in need of sewers as well as lightweight fabric and trim to make dresses to be sent to the missions in faraway places. Patterns will be provided. Call the rectory if you can help.

**Sunday Collection Counters** - We need more Counters to create rotating teams. If you’re good with figures & haven’t been convicted of a felony, this is for you!

**Parish Finance Council** – Experience with finance, investing, accounting, real estate, financial planning, no felony convictions? We need more members. You need not be a registered parishioner of IC but should be a registered parishioner in the area.

**Kenmore Free Store** – Are you a people person? Consider helping out on a Tuesday evening or Saturday morning. Behind the scenes person? Join the sorting crew! Donations have been amazing, but we need more hands to help sort. Join others to serve in the name of Jesus. Call the rectory for info or to help.

**Bingo Kitchen** is in need of help. Can you spare a Wednesday morning even once or twice a month?

### Off-Site Events

• **Theology on Tap Akron:** On Tap at the Harbor, 7 pm, Wed., Aug. 9<sup>th</sup>. Rev. Anthony Simone, Parochial Vicar of St. Sebastian, will speak on "Don't Worry, Be Happy: The Road of Discipleship is Easier Than You Think." \$5 admission includes appetizers. Bar will be open for beverage purchases. All young adults in their 20's and 30's are welcome.

• **Mass to Honor Nurses:** Thurs., Aug. 10<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm at Queen of Heaven Church. Rev. William Smith, a nurse, Chaplain at St. John Medical Center, Westlake & Director of Pastoral Cares & Health Affairs for the diocese will be the main celebrant. For more info, call Louise at 330-603-0385.

• **Theology on the Rocks:** Mon., Aug. 21<sup>st</sup>, D’Agnese’s at White Pond, 7 pm - appetizers, 7:30 pm - Speaker. Rev. Jacob Bearer, Parochial Vicar, St. Francis de Sales, will speak on “The Dangerous Christ: How Jesus Will Change America”. \$10 admission includes appetizers – cash bar.