

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF MARY PARISH



November
Month of
The Souls in
Purgatory

November 19, 2017
Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

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 Nov 20		5:30 pm Craig Ball by Tim & Missy Cole	Keegan	1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63; Lk 18:35-43	
Tues Nov 21	The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary			2 Mc 6:18-31; Lk 19:1-10	KMA Thanksgiving Dinner at the Kenmore Community Center 5:30 - 7 pm SB
Wed Nov 22	Cecilia, Virgin & Martyr	5:30 pm Scott Gilchrist by Fr. Mike	Keegan	2 Mc 7:1, 20-31; Lk 19:11-28	Contemporary Choir 6:45 pm CH
Thur Nov 23	Thanksgiving Day	9:30 am Ann Blondin by M/M Harold Brownlee	Keegan	1 Mc 2:15-29; Lk 19:41-44	Rectory and Food Pantry Closed
Fri Nov 24	Andrew Dung-Lac, Priest & Companions, Martyrs	5:30 pm Albert Kunkel, Sr. by Alberta Kunkel	Keegan	1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59; Lk 19:45-48	Rectory Closed
Sat Nov 25	Catherine of Alexandria, Virgin & Martyr	5:30 pm Victoria Milo by Joe & Beth Langton	Morgan	1 Mc 6:1-13; Lk 20:27-40	Confessions 9 - 10 am CH Free Store Closed Eucharistic Exposition 4 - 5:30 pm CH
Sun Nov 26	Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe	8:30 am People of the Parish 11 am Edward & Mona McLaughlin by Louise & Ron Olenick	8:30 am Brown 11:00 am Ortscheid Ortscheid	Ez 34:11-12, 15-17; 1 Cor 15:20-26, 28; Mt 25:31-46	Eucharistic Exposition 9:15 am - 11 am CH

Sanctuary Lamp - Special Intention

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.

For God formed us to be imperishable; the image of His own nature he made us. Wisdom 2:23

COLLECTION REPORT

Sunday, Nov. 12, 2017

Sunday Offering - \$3,207

Cap. Imp./Debt. Red. - \$60

95 of 340 Envelopes Used.

Thanksgiving Day Mass - 9:30 am. Bring something from your meal to be blessed, thereby blessing your meal and all who will gather at table.

Thanksgiving Week Schedule - The rectory will be closed Thursday & Friday. The Food Pantry will be closed on Thursday. The Free Store will be closed both Tuesday & Saturday this week. Give thanks and enjoy!

Acme Cashback - Be sure to place all your Acme receipts in the baskets by the doors of the church.

Holy Family Candle - Special Intention

The Parish Activities Committee would like to thank all of those who attended the **Scotch Doubles Bowling** event this past Saturday night. Everyone seemed to have a great time. We look forward to our next event.

KMA Community Thanksgiving Dinner - This Tues., Nov. 21st from 5:30 - 7 pm. Enjoy dinner, dessert, crafts, activities and fellowship. This is a free event and all are welcome!

Liturgical Ministers are needed for Dec. 7th 5:30 vigil Mass & Dec. 8th 7 pm Holy Day Mass as we celebrate the **Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception**, a Holy Day of Obligation & our Feast Day. Please call the rectory to share your stewardship.

We will celebrate **Christ the King** next weekend. We will have **Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament** on Sat., Nov. 25, 4 - 5:30 pm & Sun., Nov 26, 9:15 - 11 am. Come, spend time in prayer before the Lord.

Journey through Advent Forms will be available at the doors of the church beginning next weekend. Be sure to pick one up for everything you need to know for the upcoming holy season of Advent.

Grateful Giving

Reflection: Spending Time – Stewardship of time is one of the three interlinked dimensions of our call to stewardship. Just as with our financial resources, we talk about spending time, saving time and wasting time. But how well do we steward our time, or use it in a way that reflects our gratitude to God for every hour of every day? According to the latest government survey, the average American spends about 5 hours of “spare” time each day in these activities: 2.8 hours watching tv, 38 minutes socializing & communicating, 20 minutes reading, 20 minutes using the computer for fun, 17 minutes participating in sports, exercise or active recreation, 16 minutes relaxing & thinking, 20 minutes on “other activities”. (Bureau of Labor Statistics) How do you use your leisure time? Where do your priorities lie? How much time do you give back to God – in prayer, study, or volunteering in parish? “Teach us to count our days aright, that we may gain wisdom of heart.” (Psalm 90:12)

Program Update – Our Grateful Giving program continues to be very well received by the people of Immaculate Conception. To date, 100 households have increased their weekly contribution in response to the letter from Fr. Mike, representing a combined weekly increase of \$1,071.05. The average increase in the weekly offering is \$10.71. If you have not already done so, please use the special Grateful Giving envelope to indicate your new level of giving, and use your regular envelope packet for succeeding weeks.

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS

Here are more stewardship opportunities: **Service: Mission Dresses** is a ministry for those who like to sew & is a collaborative ministry with St. Augustine. This dedicated group makes dresses for girls in countries all over the world. So far over 300 dresses have found their way to places such as Africa, Haiti, El Salvador, Argentina, Honduras, Philippines & Peru. Patterns are provided for those interested. Clean fabrics, trim, etc. are most appreciated. To help, please call the rectory; donated materials may be dropped off at the rectory. **Liturgical: Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion** help distribute the Eucharist at weekend Masses and special liturgies when needed and take Communion to the Sick and Shut-in on the first Friday of each month. EMHCs minister at the discretion of the pastors and must attend a diocesan training & parish orientation before being commissioned for ministry at Immaculate Conception.

STEWARDSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

CareCards are a wonderful way to let members of our parish family who are unable to join us due to health issues know they are remembered & cared for.

Christmas is coming, so please take a few moments to sign a Christmas card for someone who is shut-in. Cards will be delivered with First Friday Communion on **Dec. 1**. Unsigned cards are available at the table at the main doors of the church. Please sign a card, add a cheery note but do not seal the envelope and drop in the basket on the table.

Holiday on the Blvd – Once again the parish will be a trolley stop for Holiday on the Boulevard on Sat., Dec. 2nd. Cookie elves – we need cookies, brownies and other finger-food type treats, & lots of them, to be dropped off at Waldeisen Hall before 10 am on Dec 2nd. Help is needed setting and cleaning up, serving snacks and greeting visitors. If you are able to assist for a few hours, call the rectory to share your stewardship.

Kenmore Free Store – Looking for a meaningful way to use your stewardship to serve & minister to others? Call the rectory or stop by the school basement on Tuesdays 4:30 – 7 pm or Saturdays 9:30 – noon.

KMA Community Thanksgiving Dinner

This Tues., Nov. 21st from 5:30 - 7 pm.

Shift Schedule:

3 – 5 pm: J. Conrad, B. Lecky, T. & E. Clark, M. Cole.

5 – 6 pm: B. & L. Eggert, J. Brown, C. & C. Wilson, S. Wilson, L. Wilson, Z. Wilson, J. Wilson.

6 – 7 pm: J. & J. Osolin, T. & S. Berlin, E. & L. Roeger.

7 – 8 pm/teardown: R. & A. McClellan, S. Petrich, **Turkeys:** T. Berlin, L. Swain, B. Lecky, M. Kovalchin (rectory cook).

Desserts: J. Conrad, L. Roeger, C. Gruic, M. Cole, B. Langton, R. McClellan, J. Osolin, S. Petrich, L. Vanca.

All donated foods must be delivered to the Community Center by 4 pm.

Other Events

• **Theology on the Rocks:** Mon., Nov. 20th, D’Agnese’s at White Pond, 7 pm – Appetizers, 7:30 pm speaker Fr. Jim Cosgrove will present “Confess Your Face Off: What the Theology of the Face Can Do for Reconciliation.” \$10 admission includes appetizers – Cash bar. Sponsored by St. Sebastian Parish, Akron

• **Retrouvaille Weekend** – Jan. 19 – 21, 2018, Cleveland. Retrouvaille (rediscovery), a lifeline for troubled marriages is supported by the Diocese of Cleveland, but open to couples of all faiths and consists of a weekend experience with six follow up sessions. A registration fee of \$150 is required to confirm your reservation. For more info or to register, please call Marce or Liz Gliha at 440-357-6580 or 1-800-470-2230 or visit www.helpourmarriage.org.

• **Cancer Spirituality Group:** Meetings are twice a month on the 2nd & 4th Thursdays at St. Matthew Rectory, Akron from 11 am - 12:30 pm. This interfaith group is co-facilitated by cancer survivors Pat Flaherty & Linda Herold. For more info, please contact: Pat Flaherty at (330) 628-5725 or at everhiker@sbcglobal.net.

• **Caregiver Support:** The Summit Adult Day Services’ support group meets the last Wednesday of each month at 10 am at 812 Biruta St. For info, call 330-762-2000. Free care provided for the older adult while caregivers attend the meetings.