

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF MARY PARISH

May
Month of
The Blessed
Mother



April 30, 2017
Third 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 May 1	Joseph the Worker	5:30 pm Anna Rauti by Family	Burkhart	Acts 6:8-15; Jn 6:22-29	
Tues May 2	Athanasius, Bishop & Doctor			Acts 7:51 – 8:1a; Jn 6:30-35	Free Store 4:30 – 7 pm SB
Wed May 3	Philip & James, Apostles	5:30 pm Mona McLaughlin by Larry & Donna Fick	Burkhart	1 Cor 15:1-8; Jn 14:6-14	Contemporary Choir 6:45 pm CH
Thur May 4				Acts 8:26-40; Jn 6:44-51	SVdP 11:30 am MH May Crowning 6:45 pm CH Generations of Faith 7:15 pm WH
Fri May 5		5:30 pm Steve Zamesko by Steve & Toni Zamesko	Burkhart	Acts 9:1-20; Jn 6:52-59	
Sat May 6		5:30 pm Sr. Mary Justine, C.S.A. by Chris & Noreen McDonald	Morgan	Acts 9:31-42; Jn 6:60-69	Confessions 9 – 10 am CH Free Store 9:30 am – Noon SB
	Fourth Sunday of Easter	8:30 am People of the Parish	8:30 am Brown	Acts 2:14a, 36-41;	
Sun May 7	World Day of Prayer for Vocations	11:00 am Howard Clauss by wife, Bea Clauss	11:00 am Ortscheid Ortscheid	1 Pt 2:20b-25; Jn 10:1-10	

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

Then he told them "Go into the whole world and proclaim the good news to all creation." Mark 16:15

COLLECTION REPORT

Sunday, April 23, 2017

Sunday Offering – \$2,896

Cap. Imp./Debt. Red. – \$6

83 of 339 Envelopes Used.

Thank you to everyone who participated in our **Lenten almsgiving ministry**. We have sent a check for \$673 to the St. Barnabas Salvadoran Mission. Our funds will be used by their local St. Vincent de Paul (Obras de Caridad) to help the 26,000 parishioners who are spread out over 26 villages. The area suffers from 95% unemployment so our funds will be well received.

Thank you to all who made our Holy Week Services so beautiful. To our musicians, Lectors, EMHCs, Altar Servers, Ministers of Hospitality and those who had their feet washed, thank you for sharing your stewardship.

Ordination Banns | Robert Dale McWilliams

•**May Crowning** – To help honor our Blessed Mother we ask you to bring flowers to adorn her altar. May Crowning will be held on Thursday, May 4th at 6:45 pm in the church. Following May Crowning, all are invited to Waldeisen Hall for our Generations of Faith session on "Mary and the Saints."

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

•**Kenmore Free Store** – We have officially moved the store into the basement of the school! Come by & visit or even better, become one of our ministry partners and help greet shoppers, sort donations, and help with checkout. Call the rectory to help or with questions.

World Day of Prayer for Vocations is celebrated each year on the Fourth Sunday of Easter. As a parish we pray and ask God to guide those discerning and desiring to see God's unique plans for them so that fulfillment and joy may come to them. We also look upon those who have already committed themselves to their vocations and we pray for their resolve and strength to living out their call.

History of Popes

#55 - Pope Boniface II (pronounced BAWN-ih-fuss) - *Pope from 530-532 A.D. Died: 532 A.D.* Boniface II, a descendent of the Ostrogoths, was the first pope to be of Germanic ancestry. Boniface II was serving under Pope St. Felix IV when he was suddenly nominated as the next pope. After Felix's death, only a minority of clergy supported Boniface; the rest supported a man named Dioscorus. The two were elected on the same day -- September 22, 530 -- marking the seventh time the Church dealt with a pope-antipope situation. Due to the untimely death of Dioscorus just 22 days after the election & the subsequent pledges of obedience to Boniface from all who voted for Dioscorus, Boniface was able to remain pope. Boniface reigned for almost exactly two more years, dying on October 17, 532. Boniface II was known for being a pope of the poor. Among his acts of charity was the support of Rome's suffering faithful, whom he aided during a year of famine. What else was going on in the world at the time? In Constantinople (now Istanbul), construction was begun on the great Hagia Sophia (Greek for "Holy Wisdom"). When completed in 537, it was a basilica of the Church and seat of the Patriarch of Constantinople for nearly a thousand years, before being conquered and made into an imperial mosque for over 400 years. Since 1935, it's existed as a museum.

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS

In the Gospel, two of Jesus' disciples were walking to Emmaus, 7 miles from Jerusalem. They were talking and debating all the events that happened regarding Jesus. A man joined them on the walk & asked what they were discussing. Surprised that the stranger knew nothing about the Passion, death and Resurrection of Jesus, they began to explain. Now imagine you and a friend are walking the streets of Kenmore after Easter Sunday, having experienced the events of Holy Week and someone comes along side & asks what you are discussing. How would you explain? What would you say? Would you be able to describe the events of Holy Week with a bold confidence? As stewards of the faith, it's imperative that we understand & can clearly explain our Catholic faith to others. It is our responsibility as the Baptized, to carry on the missionary work of the church and bring others to Christ. Feel inadequate? Remember, the same Spirit that raised Jesus from the dead lives in you! Peter gives us a wonderful picture of what can happen when we choose to cooperate with the Spirit as he stands up and boldly proclaims Jesus as Lord and Messiah. Let the Spirit loose and proclaim Easter joy to all you meet!

STEWARDSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

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, planting, etc. We hope to bulk purchase red mulch to spread across all plots, more details to come. I.C. Proud!

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.

Contemporary Choir – Can you carry a tune? Do you play guitar or other instrument? We have just the ministry for you! Practices are on Wednesday evenings at 6:45 pm. Don't read music? That's ok, just come and check it out or call the rectory.

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: **You must turn in flyer & payment together;** first come, first served. No reservations 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. **Cookie Elves** we are going to need lots & lots of cookies, brownies and finger pastries (no pies or cakes) for soon-to-be Father Bobby's reception. All donations will be received on Saturday, May 20th from 4 pm to 7 pm in Waldeisen (front door) or may be dropped off at the K of C Hall on Sunday, May 21st after 8:30 am.

Setup Help – Due to an event at the K of C hall the night before, we cannot get in to decorate for the reception until 8 am on Sunday, May 21st. We'll need help that morning to help set up and decorate. The more people who come, the faster we'll get done so we can be back in time for Mass. All people willing to help are asked to be at the Knight's Hall on Glenmount at 8:30 am, Sunday, May 21st. Please call the rectory to share your stewardship. All hands on deck!

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

• **National Day of Prayer Community Worship Service:**

This Thurs., May 4th, 6 pm, Sunnyside Park Gazebo, weather permitting; in case of bad weather, service will be held in the Park UMC Sanctuary.