

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF MARY PARISH



July 30, 2017
Seventeenth 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 July 31	Ignatius of Loyola, Priest	5:30 pm Vicky Franz by Hirschfelt Family	Keegan	Ex 32:15-24, 30-34; Mt 13:31-35	R.C.I.A. Info Night 7 pm HH
Tues Aug 1	Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop & Doctor			Ex 33:7-11, 34:5b-9, 28; Mt 13:36-43	Free Store 4:30 - 7 pm SB
Wed Aug 2	Eusebius of Vercelli, Bishop; Peter Julian Eymard, Priest	5:30 pm Mona McLaughlin by Louis & Eleanor Lore	Keegan	Ex 34:29-35; Mt 13:44-46	
Thur Aug 3				Ex 40:16-21, 34-38; Mt 13:47-53	SVdP 11: 30 am HH
Fri Aug 4	John Vianney, Priest	5:30 pm Zachary Kramer by James Kramer	Keegan	Lv 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37; Mt 13:54-58	
Sat Aug 5	Dedication of the Basilica of Saint Mary Major	5:30 pm Our Lady's Intentions by Mary Jo Seigman	Burkhart	Lv 25:1, 8-17; Mt 14:1-12	Confessions 9 - 10 am CH Free Store 9:30 am - Noon SB
Sun Aug 6	The Transfiguration of the Lord	8:30 am Ray Durant by Friends 11 am People of the Parish	8:30 am Baker 11:00 am Compton Hamilton	Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; 2 Pt 1:16-19; Mt 17:1-9	The FEST Center for Pastoral Leadership, Wickliffe

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.

I will heal their defection; I will love them freely for my wrath is turned away from them. Hosea 14:5

COLLECTION REPORT

Sunday, July 23, 2017

Sunday Offering – \$2,923

Cap. Imp./Debt. Red. – \$308

87 of 339 Envelopes Used.

The FEST - Sunday, August 6th, Center for Pastoral Leadership, Wickliffe. Join Catholics from throughout the diocese for a day of faith, family & fun including free concerts by national recording artists, raffles, outdoor Mass, fun activities & displays, fireworks & more. Affordable food or bring your own. Visit www.theFEST.us for details. **Bus to The FEST:** \$12 for roundtrip & t-shirt. Call Visitation of Mary rectory at 330-535-4141 for info.

Baseball – All RSVPs & payment for the Rubber Ducks game **must** be turned in by the end of the day this Tues., Aug. 1st. If you miss the deadline and would like to go, you will have to purchase your own tickets. Tickets will be distributed in the sacristy after all Masses next weekend or you may pick them up at the rectory beginning August 7th.

Holy Family Candle - Special Intention

R.C.I.A. Info Night – This Mon., July 31st at 7 pm in Hitch Hall. There are many unchurched in our area and it is our responsibility as the Baptized and as Disciples to encourage them to seek the Lord. Fr. Mike or Melissa will be happy to answer any pre-meeting questions. Let us build up our parish and the Church.

Holy Day of Obligation - Aug. 15th is the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary and the Mass Schedule is as follows: Vigil Mass – 5:30 pm on Mon., Aug. 14th; Holy Day – 7 pm on Tues., Aug. 15th. 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 Bishop Robert Barron teaches about the Eucharist.

THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION FAMILY

New Parishioners
Louis Palmieri & Family

Deaths
Marie Abraham

History of Popes

#68 – Pope Adeodatus I – (pronounced: AH-dee-oh-DAH-toose) aka Deusdedit or Deodatus, - *Pope from Oct. 19, 615 – November 8, 618.* Not much is known about St. Adeodatus prior to his becoming pope other than he was elected amidst turmoil in Italy. St. Adeodatus was best known for being the first pope to use leaden seals on his pontifical documents, called bullae in Latin. This is where the term “papal bull” comes from, since the seals were initially used to show that a document was authentically from the pope. In fact, a seal from Adeodatus is still preserved. It depicts the Good Shepherd among a flock of sheep and the letters Alpha and Omega underneath, while the opposite side reads the inscription Deusdedit Papae. Both Adeodatus and Deusdedit bear similar meanings causing confusion as to what to call Pope #68. Adeodatus means given by God, while Deusdedit means God has given. As a result, both are considered variations on the same name. He was well known as a man of charity & zeal, given his care for those afflicted by a great earthquake and a later outbreak of leprosy in the area. Adeodatus dealt with fallout from even more political rebellions, at one point welcoming the imperial general to Rome from Constantinople. Adeodatus reigned for just over three years, dying on what is now his feast day, Nov. 8. What else was going on in the world at the time? In 616, Aethelbert of Kent, the first Christian Anglo-Saxon king, died in England after reigning 26 years. He’s actually now known as St. Aethelbert, having been highly esteemed for establishing Christianity among the Anglo-Saxon people. His feast day is February 25.

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS

In our Gospel, Jesus teaches about the Kingdom of God using three parables. Parables are not used much today so let’s begin with the classic definition from Protestant theologian C.H. Dodd, “a metaphor or simile drawn from nature or common life, arresting the hearer by its vividness or strangeness and leaving the mind in sufficient doubt about its precise application or tease it into active thought.” Sometimes we need something to brush away the cobwebs and lead us into reflection. What do treasure, a pearl and a net full of fish have to do with the Kingdom? Each in its own way is valuable, priceless to the finder. For the baptized, the Kingdom is a priceless treasure which we should be doing all we can to obtain now. How well do you live out Gospel values? How sincere is your worship and prayer life? How generous are you with your time, talent & treasure. Let’s go back to the net of fish. Good fish = saved; Bad fish = cast out. At the end of time when the angels separate the wicked from the righteous, will you be saved or cast out?

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.

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? Call the rectory to sign-up.

In His Name - We are collecting 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.

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

Off-Site Events

• **Theology on Tap Akron:** On Tap at the Harbor, 7 pm, Wed., Aug. 9th. 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.

• **Theology on the Rocks:** Food, Fellowship and Faith for Adults. Mon., Aug. 21st, D’Agnese’s at White Pond, 7 pm - appetizers, 7:30 pm - Speaker. Fr. Jacob Bearer, Parochial Vicar, St. Francis de Sales Parish, will speak on “The Dangerous Christ: How Jesus will Change America”. \$10 admission includes appetizers – cash bar.

• **Retrouvaille Weekend:** Sept. 8-10 - A Lifeline for Troubled Marriages. RETROUVAILLE (rediscovery), which is supported by the Catholic diocese of Cleveland, but open to couples of all faiths, consists of a weekend experience for couples and six follow up sessions. A registration fee of \$150 is required to confirm your reservation. For more information concerning the program, or to register, please call Marce or Liz Gliha at 440-357-6580 or 1-800-470-2230, or go online to www.helpourmarriage.org.