

# IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF MARY PARISH



August  
Month of  
The Blessed  
Sacrament

August 27, 2017  
Twenty-First 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 Aug 28	Augustine, Bishop & Doctor	5:30 pm <b>James Sutphin (Jimmy)</b>	Wilson	1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10; Mt 23:13-22	
Tues Aug 29	The Passion of St. John the Baptist			1 Thes 2:1-8; Mk 6:17-29	<b>Free Store</b> 4:30 - 7 pm <b>SB</b>
Wed Aug 30	<b>Anointing of the Sick</b>	5:30 pm <b>Special Intention</b> by Mary Jane Andrews	Wilson	1 Thes 2:9-13; Mt 23:27-32	<b>Contemporary Choir</b> 6:45 pm <b>CH</b>
Thur Aug 31				1 Thes 3:7-13; Mt 24:42-51	
Fri Sep 1		5:30 pm <b>Mary Ann Duhon</b> by Martha J. Klein	Wilson	1 Thes 4:1-8; Mt 25:1-13	
Sat Sep 2		5:30 pm <b>People of the Parish</b>	Morgan	1 Thes 4:9-11; Mt 25:14-30	<b>Confessions</b> 9 - 10 am <b>CH</b> <b>Free Store Closed</b>
Sun Sep 3	Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time	8:30 am <b>Joseph &amp; Ruth Buhalak</b> by Family 11 am <b>Deceased Family Members of Bob &amp; Kathy Doerr</b>	8:30 am Brown 11:00 am Ortscheid Ortscheid	Jer 20:7-9; Rom 12:1-2; Mt 16:21-27	

## 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.

*I set the Lord ever before me; with him at my right hand I shall not be disturbed.* Ps 16:8

### COLLECTION REPORT

*Sunday, August 20, 2017*

**Sunday Offering** - \$2,873

**Cap. Imp./Debt. Red.** - \$600

86 of 339 Envelopes Used.

For the last several months, Parish Pastoral Council has been engaged in a parish planning initiative called **Planning a Future Full of Hope**. Parishioner participation is a critical part of the plan, so please mark your calendar for Saturday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1 - 4 pm and stay tuned for more information.

Our parish was the #5 top earner for the previous **Acme Cashback** earning period! Be sure to place all your Acme receipts in the baskets by the doors of the church.

**Labor Day** - Mass will be at 9:30 am. The Rectory and the Food Pantry will be closed. There will be no daily Mass at 5:30 pm and no Holy Hours. The Free Store will be closed Sat., Sept. 3<sup>rd</sup>.

## Holy Family Candle - Special Intention

### 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.

With great joy, we prepare for the **Solemn Installation of Bishop Nelson J. Perez** as the 11<sup>th</sup> Bishop of the Catholic Diocese of Cleveland on Sept. 5<sup>th</sup>, 2017! Both the Solemn Vespers on Mon., Sept. 4<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 pm and the Solemn Installation on Tues., Sept. 5<sup>th</sup> at 2 pm will be available on various forms of media! Stay tuned for more info on how to be connected to this incredible moment in our diocesan history!

**First Step Program** - If you have questions regarding marriage, divorce, annulments & remarriage, the First Step Program can provide answers and help you take the first step toward healing after a divorce. The next meeting will be held at St. Paul, 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.

*The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick will be celebrated this Wed., Aug. 30<sup>th</sup> at the 5:30 pm Mass.*

## History of Popes

**#70 - Pope Honorius I** - (pronounced ah-NOR-ee-us) - *Pope from Oct. 27, 625 - death, Oct. 12, 628.* Honorius was elected pope just 2 days after the death of Boniface V. Dwindling Byzantine power in the West meant that the pope had to take charge of upholding the civil infrastructure, managing the Roman aqueducts & the city's water supply, in addition to already overseeing the food supply. As pope, Honorius helped mend a schism between the Roman Church & the diocese in Aquileia, a region in the northeast corner of Italy. He also wrote to Spain's bishops to inspire zeal for the faith, contributed much to the continued evangelization of Britain & helped the Irish Church adopt the Roman celebration of Easter. Honorius I is perhaps best known for having been condemned as a heretic by an ecumenical council of the Church, and is yet another pope used as an argument against papal infallibility. A new heresy, called Monothelism, had risen into the highest levels of the Church, teaching that Christ only had one will -- a combination of the Divine & human. Honorius received a letter from the Monothelite patriarch of Constantinople, Sergius, asking him whether Christ had one "operation" or two. Given the ambiguous language, Honorius decided to condemn both versions of Sergius' phrasing, a move some saw as heretical. In reality, Honorius was simply negligent by not being more specific in his response, allowing the heresy to grow. His condemnation as a heretic at the Third Council of Constantinople of 680 was revised & reissued by Pope Leo II still condemning him, but only for negligence in not preventing the heresy from spreading. Despite all this, when he died, it was with a good reputation. The Catholic Encyclopedia states that "few popes did more for the restoration & beautifying of churches of Rome" than Honorius. He rebuilt & fixed up St. Peter's Basilica, as well as restoring the Churches of St. Agnes and St. Pancratius. **What else was going on in the world at the time?** On June 8, 632, the Muslim prophet Muhammad died at Medina at the age of 63.

## STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS

In our Gospel, Jesus asks his disciples a couple of very important questions. The first is to find out who the general public thinks the Son of Man is. According to the Catholic Encyclopedia, "Son of Man" is a New Testament title for Christ which is found almost exclusively in the Gospels and is used by Jesus to describe himself as the Christ. Remember, Christ is not Jesus' last name; it means "messiah" or "anointed one." "Son of Man" refers to the humility of Christ; "Son of God" refers to His divinity. The disciples report that people think the Son of Man, the Messiah, is John the Baptist, Elijah or one of the prophets. Then Jesus asks THE question, "But who do you say that I am?" Peter, in a divinely inspired moment, answers, "You are the Christ, the Son of the Living God." Now, what if you are having a discussion with a friend who isn't Catholic or Christian or who has stopped going to church and the discussion turns to religion and your friend asks you who you think Jesus is or why you follow Him? How would you answer? How well could you articulate your faith and your beliefs? What if Jesus, himself, asked you? As stewards of the faith, we must be able to answer these questions; we must be able to explain why we are Catholic, why we go to Mass, why we share our time, talent and treasure in the service of the Lord and His Church. Take some time this week to reflect on Jesus' question.

## STEWARDSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

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

**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.

**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 team. Remember you're only called into service when we have funeral dinners and we rotate teams and meal providers. You may call the rectory for more information or to share your stewardship.

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

**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!

**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?

**PSR News** - All public school students, grades 1-8 are required to attend PSR classes held at our cluster partner, St. Augustine. Forms and schedules are available at the main doors of the church.

## Other Events

• **Retrouvaille Weekend:** Sept. 8-10 - A Lifeline for Troubled Marriages. RETROUVAILLE consists of a weekend for couples and six follow up sessions. A registration fee of \$150 is required to confirm your reservation. For more info or to register, please visit [www.helpourmarriage.org](http://www.helpourmarriage.org) or call Marce or Liz at 1-800-470-2230.

• **The Women's Board of Catholic Charities** will meet Fri., Sept. 8<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 am at Blessed Trinity. For more info, call Connie at 330-899-8381.