

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF MARY PARISH

Save the Date!
Saturday, September 23
 1 – 4 pm

September 3, 2017
 Twenty-Second 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 Sep 4	Labor Day	9:30 am Louis A. Dirker, Jr. by Fr. Mike	Compton	1 Thes 4:13-18; Lk 4:16-30	Rectory & Food Pantry Closed No Holy Hours
Tues Sep 5	Teresa of Calcutta, Religious			1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11; Lk 4:31-37	Free Store 4:30 – 7 pm SB
Wed Sep 6		5:30 pm Nino & Angie Caruso by Family	Compton	Col 1:1-8; Lk 4:38-44	Contemporary Choir 6:45 pm CH
Thur Sep 7				Col 1:9-14; Lk 5:1-11	SVdP 11:30 am HH
Fri Sep 8	Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary	5:30 pm Zachary Kramer by James Kramer	Compton	Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30; Mt 1:1-16, 18-23	
Sat Sep 9	Peter Claver, Priest	5:30 pm Ann Blondin by Kenny & Sara Hart	Morgan	Col 1:21-23; Lk 6:1-5	Confessions 9 – 10 am CH Free Store 9:30 am – Noon SB
Sun Sep 10	Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time	8:30 am Anna Zamesko by Steve & Toni Zamesko 11 am People of the Parish	8:30 am Brown 11:00 am Ortscheid Ortscheid	Ez 33:7-9; Rom 13:8-10; Mt 18:15-20	

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.

*Whoever keeps the word of Christ, the love of God is truly
 perfected in him. 1 Jn 2:5*

COLLECTION REPORT

Sunday, August 27, 2017

Sunday Offering – \$2,600

Cap. Imp./Debt. Red. – \$50

80 of 339 Envelopes Used.

Vacation - Fr. Mike will be off the property from the afternoon of Sept. 17 thru Oct. 6th. There will be no confessions on Sat., Sept. 23rd or 30th & there will be no Wednesday daily Mass on Sept. 20th, 27th or Oct. 4th. The Mass of Anointing will be moved to Wed., Sept. 13th.

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, Sept. 23rd, 1 – 4 pm** and stay tuned for more information.

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

Holy Family Candle - Special Intention

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.

Generation of Faith - Schedules for 2017-18 will be available next weekend. Registration will begin the weekend of Sept. 16-17 for the Bishop Robert Barron series, "Eucharist – Sacred Meal, Sacrifice, Real Presence".

Altar Society News – Our membership drive will go on through the month of September. Envelopes can be found in the pews. Cost is \$10. The first meeting for 2017-18 will be at 6 pm on Tues., Sept. 12th in Hitch Hall. Please bring shampoo and/or bar soap for the SVdP food pantry.

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. 12th at 7 pm. All are welcome to come and deepen their knowledge of the Church's teaching on marriage.

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.

History of Popes

#71 - Pope Severinus - (pronounced sev-uhr-EYE-nuss) - *Pope from May 28, 640 - death, Aug. 2, 640.* Severinus, a Roman, was likely an old man by the time he took the Chair of Peter, reigning a mere 66 days before dying in office. Just about the only thing Severinus is remembered for is his stand against the wishes of Emperor Heraclius. One of the conditions of his confirmation, set by the emperor, was that the new pope must pledge allegiance to the Monothelitist heresy taught by Sergius, the patriarch of Constantinople. Severinus' consecration, as a result, was delayed for well over a year after Honorius' death. One of his sole acts as pope was building the apse in the old St. Peter's Basilica, where he was eventually buried. What else was going on in the world at the time? The great St. Arnold, patron saint of brewers and archbishop of Metz (northeast France), died at the age of 58.

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS

This column has been dedicated to identifying stewardship aspects of the Sunday scriptures, but we are going to go in a bit of a different direction for a while. We're going to focus on specific stewardship opportunities here at I.C. Everyone can do something is our motto, but you might not be sure of all the different, diverse ways you can share your stewardship. This, like your personal household, is also a household- a household of faith and, like it is at your house, things need to be done and people need to do them or the situation gets out of control quickly. There is much to do here and we look to you, as members of this house, to help. As you see the ministries and programs described, be aware of those that strike a chord with you and write them down. Pray for discernment about where the Lord would have you serve and join with fellow parishioners dedicated to growing our parish and ensuring our future.

STEWARDSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Adopt-A-Plot – Plot holders, please be vigilant about weeding your plots & trimming bushes. Let's keep being a witness to what is possible in our neighborhood.
Bingo Kitchen is in need of help. Can you spare a Wednesday morning even once or twice a month?
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.
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.
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. Call the rectory for more info 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.

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.
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!

Solemn Installation of Bishop Nelson J. Perez as the 11th Bishop of the Catholic Diocese of Cleveland will take place Sept. 5th! Both the Solemn Vespers on Mon., Sept. 4th at 5:30 pm & the Solemn Installation on Tues., Sept. 5th at 2 pm will be streamed online at bishopperezinstallation.org. Live television coverage of the installation Mass will be shown on EWTN cable television network, the CatholicTV cable network and radio stations WCCR AM 1260 The Rock & WILB 1060, Living Bread Radio. Other media outlets, such as Cleveland.com, are expected to stream one or both liturgies on their websites.

Many and gigantic **Thanks** to all who joined in the "Prayer Service for the High Schools Merger" Wed. evening, Aug. 23rd; and much gratitude to our Cookie Elves and Parish Activities Committee for the superb hospitality afterwards. Bless you!!!! *Fr. Mike*

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 or call Marce or Liz at 1-800-470-2230.
- **The Women's Board of Catholic Charities** will meet Fri., Sept. 8th at 9:30 am at Blessed Trinity. For more info, call Connie at 330-899-8381.
- **Theology on Tap:** Wed., Sept. 13th at 7 pm at On Tap at the Harbor, 562 Portage Lakes Dr., Akron, 44319. Newly ordained Rev. Matt Jordan, Parochial Vicar of St. Hilary, will speak on "What is Love? Well, it's complicated." \$5 admission includes appetizers. Come experience faith, fellowship, and food with others in their 20's and 30's.
- **National Day of Remembrance for Aborted Children Memorial Service:** Sat., Sept. 9th, 1 pm to be held near the *Memorial to the Unborn* at Holy Cross Cemetery in Akron. With the accompaniment of the Knights of Columbus Color Guard, memorial service participants include Sen. Frank Larose (Ohio Senate District 27), Ohio Lt. Governor Mary Taylor and keynote speaker Robin Swoboda.