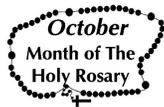


# IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF MARY PARISH



**October 1, 2017**  
**Twenty-Sixth 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 Oct 2	The Holy Guardian Angels	5:30 pm <b>Ruth Buhalak</b> by Family	Cole	Zec 8:1-8; Mt 18:1-5	
Tues Oct 3				Zec 8:20-23; Lk 9:51-56	<b>Free Store</b> 4:30 - 7 pm <b>SB</b>
Wed Oct 4	Francis of Assisi	<b>No Mass</b>		Neh 2:1-8; Lk 9:57-62	<b>Contemporary Choir</b> 6 45 pm <b>CH</b>
Thur Oct 5	Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos, Priest			Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12; Lk 10:1-12	<b>SVdP</b> 11:30 am <b>HH</b> <b>Generations of Faith</b> 7 - 9 pm <b>WH</b>
Fri Oct 6	Bruno, Priest; Blessed Marie Rose Durocher, Virgin	5:30 pm <b>Shirley Kissner</b> by Family & Friends	Cole	Bar 1:15-22; Lk 10:13-16	<b>First Friday Home</b> <b>Communion Calls</b>
Sat Oct 7	Our Lady of the Rosary	5:30 pm <b>50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of</b> <b>Mike &amp; Donna Meyers</b>	Burkhart	Bar 4:5-12, 27-29; Lk 10:17-24	<b>Confessions</b> 9 - 10 am <b>CH</b> <b>Free Store</b> 9:30 am - Noon <b>SB</b>
Sun Oct 8	Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time	8:30 am <b>People of the Parish</b> 11 am <b>John &amp; Mary Ann Duhon</b> by Barb Sumej	8:30 am Baker 11:00 am Coffey Wilson	Is 5:1-7; Phil 4:6-9; Mt 21:33-43	

**Sanctuary Lamp - Thomas Herold**

**Holy Family Candle - 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.

*Bless the Lord, O my soul! O Lord, my God, you are great indeed! You are clothed with majesty and glory. Ps 104:1*

**COLLECTION REPORT**

*Sunday, September 24, 2017*

**Sunday Offering - \$2,397**

**Cap. Imp./Debt. Red. - \$30**

68 of 335 Envelopes Used.

**Vacation - Fr. Mike** will be off the property thru Oct. 6<sup>th</sup>. There will be **no daily Mass** on Wednesday, Oct. 4<sup>th</sup>.

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

**The SVdP Blanket Sunday collection** will be held next weekend Oct. 7/8. The Diocesan St. Vincent de Paul Society is requesting monetary donations for bulk purchases of blankets & other needed items for the poor. Envelopes are available at the doors of the church and can be returned in the collection basket. You can also donate online at [www.svdpcle.org](http://www.svdpcle.org).

**Bulletin** - all items to be included in the bulletin must be submitted to the rectory by 10 am on Mondays.

**RCIA** has begun at St. Augustine. If you know someone interested in becoming Catholic or in exploring the possibility, please have them call the rectory ASAP.

**Generations of Faith** - Our first session is this Thursday as we begin our study of the Eucharist. Doors open at 6:30 pm and the session begins at 7 pm. Please bring your copy of the Catechism of the Catholic Church and your bible. We invite you to bring a snack or dessert to share! If you have not registered, you may do so by calling the rectory this week or just come on Thursday and we'll register you then.

**Thank you** to all who took the time to participate in the **Listening Session** last Saturday. Thank you to those who came to the make-up session Tuesday. We SO appreciate your interest in the future of our parish & value the insights you shared. These insights, experiences and suggestions will guide us as we begin to work on our 5 year plan.

**Altar & Rosary Society** - meeting Tues., Oct. 10<sup>th</sup>, at 6 pm in Hitch Hall.

**Pre-Baptism Class** - Tues., Oct. 17<sup>th</sup>, 7 pm in Hitch Hall. This class is required for all parents seeking to have their children baptized into the Catholic faith.

## History of Popes

#75 – Pope St. Eugene I *aka Eugenius I* – Pope from Aug. 10, 654 – death, June 2, 657. Eugene was a Roman; his father's name was Rufianus. He served as a priest for most of his adult life, and was known for being a gentle, holy, & charitable man. The circumstances around his election were irregular. Eugene was elected during his predecessor's lifetime, as it appears the emperor tried to force a papal election after Pope St. Martin I's arrest and exile in 653. The clergy in Rome responded by electing an equally holy and orthodox pope to replace Martin I. It's said that even Martin I recognized Eugene as pope. However, though Martin never formally resigned and canonically there can only ever be one legit pope at a time, the exact details are lost to history. Since Monothelitism persisted, Eugene sent an envoy to Constantinople, both to notify the emperor of his election and to continue lobbying for an orthodox profession of faith from him. The emperor tricked Eugene's representatives & sent back to the pope a revision of his own. St. Maximus the Confessor, while still imprisoned by the emperor, thought the revision was utter nonsense & made his feelings known to the pope. It is likely that Eugene would have met the same fate as St. Martin had the Muslim army not overtaken Emperor Constans II at the Battle of Phoenix in 655. Pope St. Eugene I welcomed the 20-year-old English king, St. Wilfrid, on his first visit to Rome around the year 654. The Venerable Bede recounts the pope "placed his blessed hand on the head of the youthful servant of God, prayed for him & blessed him." St. Eugene died in Rome. What else was going on in the world at the time? The year 656 brought the first Islamic Civil War when an armed revolt erupted in Egypt. The subsequent infighting brought the expanse of Muslim rule to an abrupt stop.

### STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS

Here are some more opportunities for service at our parish: **Parish Life: Funeral Dinner Ministry** ministers to bereaved families by providing a meal and the opportunity to share stories & memories following a funeral Mass. Those involved in this ministry are called upon only when a funeral dinner is requested. There are several ways to share stewardship: Be a member of the team who serves the meal which includes assisting families, set-up & clean-up, offer to prepare a dish, dessert or salad for the meal, offer to help with set-up or clean-up. Please call the rectory to be part of this ministry. **Service: Operation Christmas Child** shares the love of God with children in need around the world by filling shoeboxes or plastic containers with personal hygiene items, toys, games, school supplies, religious symbols, stickers, etc. This is done in conjunction with Samaritan's Purse. The collection is held each year in October in advance of National Collection Week in November. You may fill a box or boxes, donate items for boxes or donate the cost of shipping boxes. Information and "How To" tips are placed at the main doors of the church at the beginning of October and tips appear in the bulletin to guide you.

### STEWARDSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

**Operation Christmas Child** – It's time to collect items & assemble your shoeboxes! Brochures are available at the main doors of the church which will help you in packing your shoeboxes. Notable changes: no candy or toothpaste; shipping cost - \$9. OCC boxes may be found at Hobby Lobby or Chik-Fil-A, use one of your own or a plastic container which can be re-used to catch rain water or store items. Thank you. More information to follow. Tip: Please remove items from their original packaging. This will allow you to get more items in your box and will eliminate trash problems in 3<sup>rd</sup> world countries.

**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.

**Mission Dresses** – Like to sew? Why not use your skill to make dresses which will be sent to the missions. Patterns will be provided. Donations of lightweight fabric & trim appreciated. Call the rectory to help.

**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.

### Other Events

• **October Rosary Devotion & Procession:** Oct. 1, 3 - 5 pm, Loyola Retreat House, 700 Killinger Rd, 44216. Co-sponsored by St. Francis de Sales Parish. Limited seating available for those unable to process. A social will follow. No cost, but freewill offerings will be appreciated. Registration appreciated, but not required, by calling 330-896-2315. More info at [loyolaretreathouse.com](http://loyolaretreathouse.com).

• **An Invitation From Mary:** Oct. 6-7, Loyola Retreat House. Conversations on the Promise, Passion, Purification, & Power of the Blessed Virgin Mary directed by author David Paul Eich. \$95 per person. 700 Killinger Rd., 44216. Registration form at [loyolaretreathouse.com](http://loyolaretreathouse.com) or call 330-896-2315.

• **Ethnic Rosary:** Prince of Peace, Oct. 7<sup>th</sup>, 4:15 pm, 1263 Shannon Ave, Norton.

• **Fatima Anniversary Mass:** For the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the apparitions of the Blessed Mother at Fatima, Portugal in 1917, Bishop Perez will celebrate with a Mass on Sat., Oct. 7<sup>th</sup> at 10 am in St. John Cathedral in Cleveland. Parking is available in the lot behind the Cathedral.

• A 6-week **Bereavement Support Series** will begin Tues., Oct. 10 from 7 to 9 pm at Our Lady of Victory Parish Ctr., Tallmadge. For more info or to register, call 330-633-3672.

• **Theology on Tap Akron:** Oct. 11<sup>th</sup>, 7 pm, HiHO Brewing Company, 1707 Front St., Cuy. Falls. Fr. John Valencheck, pastor of St. Sebastian Parish, will speak on "Eighch - EE - Double Hockey Sticks - The scandal of a merciful God." Admission is \$5 and includes appetizers. The bar will be open for those who would like to purchase beverages. Come experience faith, fellowship, and food with other young adults in their 20's and 30's.