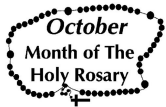


IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF MARY PARISH



October 8, 2017

Twenty-Seventh 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 9	Denis, Bishop & Companions, Martyrs; John Leonardi, Priest	5:30 pm Mary Ann Duhon by Barb Sumey	Keegan	Jon1:1 – 2:2, 11; Lk 10:25-37	
Tues Oct 10				Jon 3:1-10; Lk 10:38-42	Free Store 4:30 – 7 pm SB Altar & Rosary Society 6 pm HH
Wed Oct 11	John XXIII, Pope	5:30 pm Patrick Steurer by Family	Keegan	Jon 4:1-11; Lk 11:1-4	Contemporary Choir 6:45 pm CH
Thur Oct 12				Mal 3:13-20b; Lk 11:5-13	
Fri Oct 13		5:30 pm Marie Abraham by Cecilia Ayoup	Keegan	Jl 1:13-15, 2:1-2; Lk 11:15-26	
Sat Oct 14	Callistus I, Pope & Martyr	5:30 pm People of the Parish	Burkhart	Jl 4:12-21; Lk 11:27-28	Confessions 9 – 10 am CH Free Store 9:30 am – Noon SB
Sun Oct 15	Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time	8:30 am Michael & Corrine Bralek by Family 11 am Deceased Family Members of Bob & Kathy Doerr	8:30 am Baker 11:00 am Coffey Wilson	Is 25:6-10a; Phil 4:12-14, 19-20; Mt 22:1-14	

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.
The Son of Man came to serve and to give his life as ransom for many. Mk10:45

COLLECTION REPORT
Sunday, October 1, 2017

Sunday Offering – \$3,632.10
Cap. Imp./Debt. Red. – \$320
 76 of 335 Envelopes Used.

Hurricane/Calamity Relief. – \$1062.35

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

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

Prayer Line Changes – The Prayer Line is meant to lift in prayer those in immediate need of prayer. Prayer requests will be kept active for one month. If the need continues, another request should be made. Updates on the progress of people for whom prayers are being offered would be greatly appreciated.

Altar & Rosary Society – meeting Tues., Oct. 10th, at 6 pm in Hitch Hall. Please bring soap & jello for SVdp.

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

Parish Council – will meet Tuesday, Oct. 17th at 7 pm in Waldeisen Hall.

The Summit County District **Welcome Mass with Bishop Perez** (ticketed event) will be live streamed at <http://www.holyfamilystow.org/live-streams> on Tues., October 24 at 7 pm.

Will you be traveling out of town? To find churches & Mass times in the area you will be visiting, check out www.masstimes.org.

Lending Library - Please feel free to browse through the books on the shelves on the back wall in Hitch Hall. You may borrow any books that interest you & return them once you have finished with them.

St. Vincent de Paul – September report: we provided food for 199 people in 59 households.

History of Popes

#76 – Pope St. Vitalian, *pronounced: vee-TAHL-ee-ahn* – Pope from July 30, 657 – death, Jan. 27, 672. Little is known about St. Vitalian prior to his election. As pope, Vitalian did much to reconcile the West & the East. Soon after his election, Vitalian sent notice to the emperor, Constans II and Patriarch Peter of Constantinople. Both had maintained a distance from the Orthodox faith, but the letter from Vitalian seemed to soften the emperor, who was becoming unpopular with his citizens for his treatment of St. Martin I & St. Maximus, as well as for the killing of his own brother. Constans responded by confirming the pope's position as head of the Catholic Church, and sending a set of Gospels covered in gold & adorned with precious stones. When the emperor was assassinated in 668, Vitalian helped his son, Constantine IV, succeed to the throne over a usurper, Mezezius. All of this strengthened the tenuous relations between the West & the East. He reconciled a dispute over the date of Easter with the Church in England, and also appointed a new archbishop of Canterbury, the well-educated monk St. Theodore of Tarsus, after the death of Archbishop Deusdedit in 664. It's believed that the use of pipe organs for church music dates back to the 7th Century, specifically during St. Vitalian's papacy. Recognized as a saint by the Roman Church, Vitalian's feast day is the date of his death. He was buried in St. Peter's Basilica. What else was going on in the world at the time? St. Colman, a great Irish missionary, sailed to Ireland with 30 disciples in 668, settling at Inishbofin in County Galway & founding a monastery there. The monastery's ruins are able to be seen today.

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS

Here are some more great ministry options to consider:

Parish Life: Generations of Faith provides faith formation which allows parishioners (adults to junior high students) to better understand and grow in their Catholic Faith. In this day & age it is imperative that we stand firm in our faith lest we get pulled away by the secularism and apathy of our world. Generations meets on the first Thursday of the month from October thru December & March thru May from 7 – 9 pm in Waldeisen Hall. Doors open at 6:30 pm for fellowship and we invite you to bring a snack or dessert to share with others. Come, learn and grow in your faith!

Liturgical: Ministers of Hospitality welcome and assist all who enter the doors of the parish for worship. Hospitality is a key component to community building so welcoming and caring about others, greeting with a friendly smile & firm handshake are very important here at the parish. This group is also responsible for identifying people to bring up the offertory gifts, accepting donations for the food pantry & other collections, taking up the collection and handing out bulletins after Mass. If you are interested in Generations or becoming a Minister of Hospitality please contact the rectory.

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. Tips: Please remove items from their original packaging, allowing you to get more items in your box and eliminating trash problems in 3rd world countries. No liquids: chapstick, yes; lipgloss, no.

Kenmore Free Store – Consider helping out on a Tuesday evening or Saturday morning. Join the sorting crew, welcome our shoppers, help them with checkout. Join others to serve in the name of Jesus. Call the rectory for info or to help.

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.

Other Events

- 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.
- **Day of Prayer with Kathleen Beckman:** Wed., Oct. 11th. 2 events at the Center for Pastoral Leadership. "Praying for Priests & Families: Urgency, Promise & Vision" presented by the Avilas of Cleveland. Registration at 8:45 am, presentations begin at 9:15, followed by Mass, lunch, closing & Rosary; cost is \$25. "Releasing the Power of Prayer for Priestly & Religious Vocations", hors d'oeuvres at 6 pm, keynote address at 7 pm, Rosary at 8 pm. No cost. To RSVP for either or both events call 440-943-7630 or email mavenoso@dioceseofcleveland.org.
- **Theology on Tap Akron:** Oct. 11th, 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.
- Loyola Retreat House **Reverse Raffle:** Oct. 11, 6:30 - 9:30 pm at Guy's Party Centre. Tickets are \$125 each (includes two buffet dinners, open bar, hors d'oeuvres) \$3,000 Grand Prize, plus additional prizes.
- **Writers & Exciters:** A free 4-session workshop for aspiring storytellers, ages 16 - 22 will be held Oct. 13 - 20. To apply contact Dr. Braun at hb Braun@uakron.edu or call 330-972-6243. Participants will receive a tablet, related books and a chance to be published.
- **Women's Board of Catholic Charities Meeting:** Fri., Oct. 13 at 9:30 am at Blessed Trinity, 300 E. Tallmadge Ave. The guest speaker will be an Immigration Attorney from the International Institute.
- **100th Anniversary of Fatima:** St. Anthony Padua, Akron, invites you to visit the Our Lady of Fatima statue on the 13th of any month from May to October; one indulgence can be gained per day. For info, visit www.stanthony-akron.com.