

# IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF MARY PARISH



**July 22, 2018**  
**Sixteenth 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 23	Bridget, Religious	5:30 pm <b>Tom Alouf</b> by Family	Compton	Mi 6:1-4, 6-8; Mt 12:38-42	
Tues July 24	Sharbel Makhluof, Priest			Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Mt 12:46-50	<b>Free Store</b> 4:30 - 7 pm <b>SB</b>
Wed July 25	James, Apostle <b>Anointing of the Sick</b>	5:30 pm <b>Patrick Steurer</b> by Family	Compton	2 Cor 4:7-15; Mt 20:20-28	
Thur July 26	Joachim & Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary			Jer 2:1-3, 7-8, 12-13; Mt 13:10-17	
Fri July 27		5:30 pm <b>Shirley Kissner</b> by Family & Friends	Compton	Jer 3:14-17; Mt 13:18-23	
Sat July 28		5:30 pm <b>People of the Parish</b>	Morgan	Jer 7:1-11; Mt 13:24-30	<b>Confessions</b> 9-10 am <b>CH</b> <b>Free Store</b> 9:30 am - Noon <b>SB</b>
Sun July 29	Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	8:30 am <b>Steve Kertesz</b> by the Altar & Rosary Society 11 am <b>Matthew Noble</b> by Betty Molnar	8:30 am Baker 11 am Coffey	2 Kgs 4:42-44; Eph 4:1-6; Jn 6:1-15	

**Sanctuary Lamp - Answered Prayers**

**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.

**Do not return evil for evil, or insult for insult; but, on the contrary, a blessing, because to this you were called, that you might inherit a blessing.** 1 Pt 3:9

**COLLECTION REPORT**

*Sunday, July 15, 2018*

79 of 340 Envelopes used.

**Sunday Offering.** - \$3,156

**Cap. Imp./Debt. Red.** - \$1,000

**Masses**

Praying for our loved ones who have passed and offering a Mass in remembrance is important to us as Catholics. If you'd like to schedule a Mass, please call the rectory; the stipend is \$10. Next available dates are: Fri., Aug. 3<sup>rd</sup>, Mon. Aug. 6<sup>th</sup> and Mon., Aug. 13<sup>th</sup>.

**Is Your Parish Registration Record & Emergency Contact Information Up to Date?** If you haven't updated your records particularly personal contact & emergency phone numbers, please contact the rectory at 330-753-8429 to verify your information is correct.

Thank you to all who came out to the ballpark for our **I.C. Night at the Rubber Ducks**. It was a great night and an exciting game as the Rubber Ducks won 8-7 in 11 innings! Check out [www.ickenmore.org](http://www.ickenmore.org) for photos!

**Going out of town?**

Find parishes & Mass times at [www.masstimes.org](http://www.masstimes.org).

**Visiting another parish?**

Stay up to date on what's happening here by reading the bulletin online at [www.ickenmore.org](http://www.ickenmore.org). Remember: be a good steward & continue to send in your envelopes.

**Summer Reading Program**

You have all heard of summer reading programs for children, but what about you? Our five-year plan speaks to greater, more effective use of our parish library in Hitch Hall. Why not sign out a book or two & use your stewardship of time to learn and grow in your faith! Stop in after Mass or during the week and check it out. Suggestions: take a book home, read and make a Holy Hour upstairs or in Hitch Hall.

**The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick will be celebrated this Wed., July 25<sup>th</sup> at the 5:30 pm Mass.**

## History of Popes

#99 – Pope Eugene II - Pope from May 11, 824 – death, Aug. 27, 827. A Roman by birth, Eugene was the archpriest (pastor, basically) of the Church of St. Sabina in Rome prior to being elected. The history of the four popes before Eugene II told a story of the back-and-forth battle between the Roman aristocrats and the Roman clergy who were normally of lower social stature but bore more sanctity & knowledge of the faith. His election came as a result of the aristocracy strong-arming their way into electing who they wanted. The fallout from the election included, with Eugene's support, rolling back the way popes were selected & allowing laypeople some participation in it, which likely was a move to make sure the Roman nobility could get their way. A rule was also made that a representative of the emperor be present at future elections. Eugene, who had been well-educated, convened a council of 62 bishops in 826 to decide matters of discipline for bishops and priests. Of the 38 canons it produced, among them were the demand that "ignorant bishops and priests be suspended till they had acquired sufficient learning to perform their sacred duties," and also that at least one priest with advanced education be placed in each region's major churches, to ensure that both laypeople and clergy would be properly catechized in the faith. Despite Eugene's orthodoxy in matters of faith and his beneficial administrative reforms, he's by no means remembered as a revered pope. What else was going on in the world at the time? In 827, the Saracens apparently introduced spinach to the Western world, after originally finding the plant in modern-day Iran.

### STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS

In the early Church there were divisions – most notably between Christians who had formerly been Jewish and Christians who came from outside the Jewish tradition (Gentiles). In the second reading, St. Paul refers to Jesus as the One who "broke down the dividing wall of enmity" (hostility, antagonism) bringing those far off (Gentiles) together with those near (Jews). That peace of Christ is something our world is in desperate need of today. Divisions between races and the tensions created by political strife are creating avenues for enmity in our own day. Jeremiah warns about false shepherds who mislead and scatter the people, driving them away from the true Shepherd, Jesus. Look around – our world is full of them. Do you know someone who has been led astray by false shepherds who promise false hope and offer an altered view of reality? Mark paints the picture of a vast crowd lost and hungry for the Truth – this is our world today. How can you use your time, talent and treasure to break down barriers in your family, the parish and our community? What can you do to introduce or re-introduce others to the True Shepherd?

### STEWARDSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

**In His Name** – We are collecting **school supplies & new socks & underwear for school age children** to be distributed through the Free Store: pencils, pens, crayons, folders, rulers, paper, scissors, glue, erasers, etc. **Peter Maurin Center** – razors, shaving cream, Kleenex packs, lip balm, trial-size shampoos, soaps, conditioner, body lotion, mouth wash, tooth paste & tooth brushes.

**CareCards** – Cards are given to our shut-ins on the First Friday of each month during the First Friday communion visit. Cards are also given to those visited in nursing homes or hospitals. To participate, purchase or make a card of encouragement, add a short note and sign your name. Put the card into the envelope (do not seal) and place into the basket for completed cards.

**Wall Painting** – Painting on Monday, Wednesday & Fridays between 4:30 – 8 pm. Please call the rectory to let us know you are coming or if you'd like to come at another time.

**Upcoming Stewardship Projects** – John will need assistance with replacing glass block in front of the school. We will also need stewards to oil chairs in the sanctuary. Stay tuned for project dates.

Archbishop Hoban High School is excited to have several students from China for the 2018-19 academic year and is looking for great families to welcome these students into their home for the school year. Families receive a \$900 monthly stipend to help with the cost of hosting the student. Host families are only required to provide their visiting student with their own room, all meals outside school lunches, and transportation to/from school (the school bus is ok). Otherwise, host families are asked simply to welcome their exchange student as part of the family and help them experience American culture! For info, please contact Kileigh Su at [hostfamily@iperc.org](mailto:hostfamily@iperc.org) or 330-703-1643.

### *Other Events*

- **Caring and Sharing**: for those struggling with divorce, separation or widowhood will be held on Mon., July 23<sup>rd</sup> from 7:30-9 pm at Immaculate Heart of Mary's Convent Bldg. This event is open at no charge to people of all faiths. For info, call Marlene 330-607-6284.
- **The FEST**: Sun., Aug. 5. It's a day of faith, family & fun – all for FREE. Come hear Christian artists: We are Messengers, Mandisa, Big Daddy Weave, & TobyMac, eat Johnsonville brats from the World's Largest Grill, celebrate Mass with Bishop Perez, enjoy displays, activities and an amazing fireworks display! Visit <http://www.theFEST.us> for info.
- **Cancer Spirituality Group**: the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays at St. Matthew Rectory, Akron, 11 am - 12:30 pm. For info, contact: Pat Flaherty, 330-628-5725 or [everhiker@sbcglobal.net](mailto:everhiker@sbcglobal.net).
- **Free Community Dinner**: Last Tuesday of each month at Park United Methodist Church from 5 – 7 pm. All welcome.
- **Embrace Clinic & Care Center** (Community Pregnancy Center) men's ministry runs a series of classes called Steadfast Fathers, and is in need of male volunteers to help facilitate these classes. Call 330-825-1990 for info.