

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF MARY PARISH

September
Month of The Seven
Sorrows of Mary



September 9, 2018
Twenty-Third 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 10		5:30 pm Deceased Costanzo Family by Gene Ryan	Burkhart	1 Cor 5:1-8; Lk 6:6-11	
Tues Sep 11				1 Cor 6:1-11; Lk 6:12-19	Free Store 4:30 - 7 pm SB Altar & Rosary Society 6 pm HH
Wed Sep 12	The Most Holy Name of Mary	No Mass		1 Cor 7:25-31; Lk 6:20-26	
Thur Sep 13	John Chrysostom, Bishop & Doctor			1 Cor 8:1b-7, 11-13; Lk 6:27-38	
Fri Sep 14	The Exaltation of the Holy Cross	5:30 pm Anna Zamesko by Steve & Toni Zamesko	Burkhart	Nm 21:4b-9; Phil 2:6-11; Jn 3:13-17	
Sat Sep 15	Our Lady of Sorrows	5:30 pm Frank Fazio by Family	Morgan	1 Cor 10:14-22; Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35	No Confessions Free Store 9:30 - Noon SB
Sun Sep 16	Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time	8:30 am People of the Parish 11 am Deceased Family Members of Bob & Kathy Doerr	8:30 am Baker 11 am Hamilton	Is 50:5-9a; Jas 2:14-18; Mk 8:27-35	

Sanctuary Lamp - Special Intention

Holy Hours: Mon. & Tues. 9 am - 5 pm.

Please come to the rectory for entry to the church.

There were 3 Holy Hours last week.

Open my eyes to see clearly the wonders of your law. Ps 119:18

COLLECTION REPORT

Sunday, September 2, 2018

92 of 340 Envelopes used.

Sunday Offering. - \$3,832

Cap Imp./Debt. Red. - \$378

We are less than a month away from our **Joyfully Gifted Retreat!** Are you registered yet? Join with Facilitators Terrie Baldwin, Dir. Of Evangelization for the Diocese of Cleveland & Michael Schwark, Pastoral Assoc. at St. Mary, Hudson as they lead you, fellow parishioners and friends from the surrounding area through an exciting day of discovery and insight. There is no cost and the day includes all materials, continental breakfast & lunch. Don't miss out, call the rectory this week to register.

Position Opening: Part-time (c. 18 hrs/week) Maintenance Supervisor. Visit our parish website www.ickenmore.org for job description & application.

Fr. Mike will be off the property until Sept. 27th. Please note the following: **No Confessions** Saturdays, Sept. 15 & 22. **No 5:30 pm Mass** on Wednesdays, Sept. 12, 19 & 26. **No Anointing** of the Sick in September.

Holy Family Candle - Family

➤ **Generations of Faith** has a new name "Adult Faith Enrichment". We invite all adults to join us this year as we learn about how we are called to be holy. In October, November & December we'll use Bishop Robert Barron's video series: Untold Blessings - 3 Paths to Holiness as we seek to discover how to reach our ultimate goal - to be saints. We will take the winter months of January & February off and then in March, April & May, we will study Pope Francis' Apostolic Exhortation, Gaudete et Exsultate - On The Call To Holiness In Today's World. Each household will receive a copy of the exhortation which is only 88 pages in length. Sessions are held on the 1st Thursday of the month from 7 - 9 pm. Doors open at 6:30 for fellowship. We ask that you think & pray about joining us to enrich your Catholic faith. Registration will begin next weekend after all Masses and the cost will be \$10/person.

➤ **Altar & Rosary Society** - Meeting **this Tues., Sept. 11th** at 6 pm in Hitch Hall. Please bring bar soap and/or shampoo for our SVdP Food Pantry. The membership drive continues through the month of September. Envelopes can be found at the end of the pews.

➤ **R.C.I.A.** - If you weren't able to attend the Inquiry Night, but are interested or know someone who is interested in becoming Catholic or being fully initiated in the Catholic Church, please call the rectory at 330-753-8429.

History of Popes

#106 – Pope Adrian II - Pope from Dec. 14, 867 – death, Dec. 14, 872. Adrian, born in 792, was a popular & beloved cardinal at the time of his election, but was an unusual choice given his age. The Roman nobility seemed to use the election of Adrian, a relative of Popes Stephen III and Sergius II, as a response to Pope Nicholas I holding hard-line stances on things like nepotism & rigging papal elections. Adrian was still married with one daughter at the time of his election -- it's unclear whether this was considered scandalous at the time. Tragedy struck in 868 when both his wife and daughter were the victims of Adrian's greedy and power-hungry family as the two were kidnapped and assassinated by Adrian's brother. As pope, Adrian was tasked with mitigating Holy Roman Emperor Lothair's wish to be divorced from his first wife, organizing the succession of Frankish kings following Lothair's death, and trying unsuccessfully to convince the Bulgarian Church to ally with the West instead of the East. All in all, Adrian didn't have much success. Adrian is best known for convening, along with Byzantine Emperor Basil the Macedonian, what became the Church's Eighth Ecumenical Council, the Fourth Council of Constantinople. Adrian was represented by 10 papal legates at the council, which among other things deposed Photius, a layman who had unjustly claimed the office of Patriarch of Constantinople, and restored Ignatius, his predecessor, to the seat. The council also reaffirmed the findings from the Second Council of Nicaea (787) in favor of using holy images and icons in the liturgy and at prayer, and required that images of Christ be granted the same veneration as that of the book of the Gospels. We see this today, for example, in how the priest or deacon will incense both the crucifix and the gospel book in the same fashion. Adrian II was a supporter of Sts. Cyril & Methodius, having given his approval on their continued missionary work to the Slavs, and even granting them a unique privilege to have the liturgy said in the Slavonic language. He died on his fifth anniversary as pope. What else was going on in the world at the time? In 870, construction on Prague Castle was begun. According to the Guinness Book of World Records, the official residence of the Czech Republic's president is currently the largest ancient castle in the world.

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS

In our second reading, St. James reminds us of our call as Children of God, Gospel values & Jesus' teachings. As we watch Jesus in His ministry we see how he is drawn to those in need; to "the least of these." We hear his words about taking care of the poor, widowed & orphaned, of comforting the sick, dying and grieving, of pouring ourselves out for others in humble service; He exemplified that service by taking our sins to the cross. St. James reminds us that we are to show no partiality as we adhere to our faith. We are not to overlook the poor in favor of the well-off; we are all God's children & to those in need, we are the well-off. He further warns us not to make distinctions and become judges of one another & to remember that God chose the poor in the world to be rich in faith and heirs of the Kingdom. How do you share your stewardship to help those less fortunate? We have many opportunities here at I.C. – St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry, Kenmore Free Store, In His Name Ministry and the ongoing collection for the homeless at the Peter Maurin Center. Help, become involved and live out Gospel values.

STEWARDSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

In His Name – We are collecting packaged cracker snacks, breakfast bars, snack bars, etc. for families sitting vigil at the Hospice of Visiting Nurse Service on Ridgewood Rd. Please place your donations in the basket by the main doors. The Peter Maurin Center collection is ongoing.

Wall Painting – 2nd coat is ready to be applied. You may come to paint during the week beginning at 9 am until dark.

Upcoming Projects – We will need stewards to oil chairs in the sanctuary. Stay tuned for project dates.

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

PSR – All public school students in grades 1-8, are required to attend PSR (Religion) classes. Classes begin Sun., Sept. 16th are held from 9 – 10:15 am at St. Augustine. Forms can be found on the book rack. Call 330-745-1080 for updated fees & info.

185th Anniversary Mass – This year we mark the 185th anniversary of the first Catholic priest visiting the Akron area which was still part of the Diocese of Cincinnati. Rev. John Martin Henri, who would later become the Archbishop of Milwaukee, came to say Mass in the log cabin home of James McAllister, a local contractor. To celebrate, all Akron parishes are invited to a special Mass on Thur., Sept. 27th at 7 pm at St. Vincent Parish. Bishop Bohdan J. Danylo & Bishop Martin Amos will be there to help celebrate.

Other Events

• **Cancer Spirituality Group:** the 2nd & 4th Thursdays at St. Matthew Rectory, Akron, 11 am - 12:30 pm. For info, contact: Pat Flaherty, 330-628-5725 or everhiker@sbcglobal.net.

• **Kenmore HS 78/79 class reunion:** Sept. 22, 6 pm, Houston Hall, 3069 Houston Road, Norton. Tickets are \$40 per person and can be purchased at www.eventbrite.com. Search for the Kenmore 78/79 Reunion link.

• **Finding Peace:** An Adult Evening Retreat, Fri., Oct. 5th, 5:15 pm – 9:30 pm, St. Augustine, Barberton. Speaker: Fr. Robert (Bobby) McWilliams. No cost, but a free will offering will be taken. For info, call 330-745-1080 or email dre.staugustine@gmail.com. Registration forms can be found at the back of the church or online at <http://www.staugustinebarberton.org>. Free child care provided, but must be registered by Sept. 28th.

• **Marriage Encounter:** Many spouses seem to be "married" to their career, TV, phones, sports, or their children. Re-examine your married lifestyle and your priorities at our next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend in Streetsboro at the Wingate Inn on Nov 9-11. For info, call 330-305-9963 or visit www.GreatMarriagesOhio.org.