

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF MARY PARISH



November
Month of
The Souls in
Purgatory

November 4, 2018
Thirty-First 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 |
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| Mon Nov 5 | | 5:30 pm Joe & Edna Rataj by Gloria Woods | Burkhart | Phil 2:1-14; Lk 14:12-14 | Joyfully Gifted Small Group 6:30 pm HH |
| Tues Nov 6 | | | | Phil 2:5-11; Lk 14:15-24 | Free Store 4:30 - 7 pm SB |
| Wed Nov 7 | | 5:30 pm Amanda Mills by Barberton Medical Records Dept. | Burkhart | Phil 2:12-18; Lk 14:25-33 | Contemporary Choir 6:45 pm CH |
| Thur Nov 8 | | | | Phil 3:3-8a; Lk 15:1-10 | Adult Faith Enrichment 7 - 9 pm WH |
| Fri Nov 9 | The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica | 5:30 pm Dick & Ann Blondin by Joe & Beth Langton | Burkhart | Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12; 1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17 Jn 2:13-22 | Game Night 6:30 - 8:30 pm HH |
| Sat Nov 10 | Leo the Great, Pope & Doctor | 5:30 pm People of the Parish | Morgan | Phil 4:10-19; Lk 16:9-15 | Confessions 9 am -10 am CH Free Store 9:30 - Noon SB |
| Sun Nov 11 | Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time | 8:30 am Ora Adams by Ida Rea 11 am Deceased Family Members of Bob & Kathy Doerr | 8:30 am Baker 11 am Wilson | 1 Kgs 17:10-16; Heb 9:24-28; Mk 12:38-44 | |

Sanctuary Lamp - Thomas G. Herald

Holy Family Candle - Special Intentions

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.

For just as the sufferings of Christ overflow into our lives; so too does the encouragement we receive through Christ.

2 Cor 1:5

COLLECTION REPORT

Sunday, October 28, 2018

85 of 340 Envelopes used.

Sunday Offering. - \$2,959

Cap Imp./Debt. Red. - \$155

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

Masses- If you'd like to schedule a Mass, please call the rectory. We are currently scheduling Masses for November 2018 to the end of 2019. The stipend is \$10. Next available dates: Nov. 16th, 21st, 23rd, 26th & 30th.

Soup for the Soul 2018 Recipe Booklets are finished & available at the front doors of the church.

SVdP Food Pantry - October report: we provided food for 124 people in 42 households.

Joyfully Gifted Small Groups - The final session will be Nov. 5th at 6:30 pm in Hitch Hall.

➤ **AFE** - Our next session will be held this Thurs., Nov. 8th from 7 - 9 pm in Waldeisen Hall. Our topic: Bishop Barron on "Knowing You Are A Sinner." Doors open at 6:30 pm; bring a snack to share! Not registered yet? Come on Nov. 8th and we'll get you all set up; fee is \$10/pp. Let's grow in faith together.

➤ **Game Night** - Have you decided which game you're going to bring? Have you invited family and friends? Mark your calendars for Fri., Nov. 9th and join us in Hitch Hall for our annual Game Night. Meet new people, learn a new board game, enjoy pizza and fellowship. Bring a snack to share - it will be a fun night. RSVPs must be in by Monday, Nov. 5th to ensure we have enough pizza & pop for everyone.

➤ **Parish Activities** - Planning meeting next Tues., Nov. 13th at 6 pm in Waldeisen Hall. Planning for Holiday on the Blvd. & Dec. 8th Feast Day Lunch. Come, help plan and make these events awesome!

➤ **Altar & Rosary Society** - Meeting Nov. 13th, 6 pm, Hitch Hall. Please bring shampoo & bar soap for SVdP

➤ **A & R Bake Sale** - after Masses Nov. 17th & 18th. We need all the bakers to help make our sale a success again this year. You may bring your baked goods to Hitch Hall at 4 pm on Sat., Nov. 17th or anytime before the 11 am Mass on the 18th. Thank you for your help!

History of Popes

#114 – Pope Romanus (*Pronounced: ROE-muh-noose or roe-MAH-noose*) - Pope from August, 897 until November, 897. Very little is known for sure about Romanus, including the dates of his birth, death, and papal election. During his short time in office, Romanus granted the pallium (stole given to Archbishops) to Vitalis, the Abbot of Italy's Farfa Abbey, and also gave approval to Spanish bishops Gerona and Elna by affirming their possession of their dioceses. His pontificate ended in November 897 when, according to a written account, "he was made a monk," which, seems to be a polite way of saying he was demoted. Romanus was known primarily for being another pope who ascended from one of the many groups fighting over the papacy in Rome during that period. All signs point to Romanus belonging to the party who had imprisoned and murdered his predecessor, Stephen VI, for convening the grisly Cadaver Synod as Romanus made it a point to annul all the decrees and actions of the previous pope.

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS

In today's gospel, Jesus teaches us the two greatest commandments – love of God and love of neighbor. We've all seen the initials "WWJD" which stand for "What Would Jesus Do" and that is certainly something to think about, but consider these letters instead: "WDJD", "What Did Jesus Do". We have a record of what Jesus did in the Gospels and when you study and reflect on them they come down to two things: Love of God and Love of Neighbor. We have so many opportunities for service to God and to our neighbor here at I.C. and we give thanks to those who have stepped forward in faith to follow Jesus and live out these great commandments. You got a good look at all the ways to serve here at our recent Ministry Fair and we are grateful for all those already serving those who just signed up to help. Others of you may still be thinking and praying about how and where to share your stewardship and we'd love to help you – just give us a call. Let's all strive to serve God and our neighbor each and every day in all we do and say. We can make a difference.

STEWARDSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Adopt-A-Plot – Now is the time to cut back, cut down and clean out your plots. The grounds looked beautiful this summer. Thank you!

Bingo is in desperate need of clean-up help on Wednesdays at 2 pm. Duties include: trash removal, sweeping, vacuuming, cleaning glass and cleaning bathrooms. Many hands make light work and this can be done in an hour. Please call the rectory.

In His Name – Operation Christmas Child – Fill a shoebox with hygiene items such as soap, washcloth, toothbrush (no toothpaste), comb, brush, toys, school supplies, etc. Pick up a brochure at the main doors of the church and make a difference in the life of a child who literally has nothing. The Peter Maurin Center collection is ongoing.

Wall Painting – The big wall is done!!! Thank you to *Joe Conrad, Mary Jo Seigman and Fran Herre* for putting on the 2nd coat – outstanding!

KMA Community Thanksgiving Dinner will be held Tues., Nov. 20th at the Kenmore Community Center. We have had 2 turkeys donated, but need people to cook them and need a 3rd turkey, plus desserts & shift workers. Shifts: 3-5, 5-6, 6-7, 7-8. Please call Melissa at the rectory to share your stewardship to donate turkeys, pies or work shifts.

Upcoming Events – Sat., Dec. 1st we will once again participate in Kenmore's Holiday on the Boulevard. We will be welcoming our neighbors to the property and will need parishioners to welcome, help with activities, help in the kitchen and Cookie Elves – we'll need your tasty treats! Stay tuned for more info. The following Saturday, Dec. 8th is our Feast Day and a Holy Day of Obligation. We're going to celebrate with a light lunch after Mass that Saturday morning.

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

Other Events

- **Hope for the Holidays:** a workshop for those grieving the death of loved ones will be held at Our Lady of Victory Parish, 73 North Avenue in Tallmadge in the Parish Center from 7 to 9 pm on Tuesdays, Nov. 6 & 13. For more info or to register, please call 330-633-3672. Bring a friend & join us.
- **Holiday Bazaars:** Our Lady of Victory Parish, 105 North Ave., Tallmadge, Sat., Nov. 10, 10 am - 4 pm. Local crafters, Christmas Shop, gift baskets, raffle, door prizes; homemade baked goods & lunch may be purchased. St. Matthew, Ellet, Sat. & Sun., Nov. 10 & 11, 9 - 4 pm & 10 - 3 pm. Raffles, over 100 exhibits, lunch & goodies available.
- **Encountering Loss & Grief:** Sat., Nov. 10, 9 am - 2 pm, St. Francis de Sales Upper Room. For more information or to register call 330-232-5319 or 330-882-6919. No cost; lunch will be provided.
- **Theology on Tap Akron:** Wed., Nov. 14th, 7 pm. The Harbor Front Grille and Party Center. Rev. Norm Douglas, Pastor, St. Vincent de Paul Church, will speak on "Striving for Excellence and Virtue while Living with Imperfection." \$5 admission includes appetizers. The bar will be open for beverage purchases. Come experience faith, fellowship, and food with other young adults in their 20's and 30's.
- **Divorced, Separated & Widowed Catholics:** Monday, Nov. 12th, 7:30 pm, Immaculate Heart of Mary Convent Building. Elder law attorney, Allen Sweet, will discuss asset protection and Medicaid planning for long-term care. Marlene Maruna, retired social worker, will discuss medical situations that may warrant short or long-term care solutions. This event is open at no cost to single people of all faiths. Refreshments will be at 7:15. For information call Marlene at 330-607-6284.
- **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.