

# IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF MARY PARISH

September  
Month of The Seven  
Sorrows of Mary



September 8, 2019  
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 9	Peter Claver, Priest	5:30 pm <b>Don White, Sr.</b> by Altar & Rosary Society	Hamilton	Col 1:24 – 2:3; Lk 6:6-11	
Tues Sep 10				Col 2:6-15; Lk 6:12-19	<b>Free Store</b> 4:30 pm – 7 pm <b>SB</b> <b>Altar &amp; Rosary Society</b> 6 pm <b>HH</b>
Wed Sep 11		5:30 pm <b>Dorothy Gabelman</b> by Family	Hamilton	Col 3:1-11; Lk 6:20-26	
Thur Sep 12	The Most Holy Name of Mary			Col 3:12-17; Lk 6:27-38	
Fri Sep 13	John Chrysostom, Bishop & Doctor	5:30 pm <b>Theresa Yeager</b> by Judy Grillo	Hamilton	1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14; Lk 6:39-49	
Sat Sep 14	The Exaltation of the Holy Cross	5:30 pm <b>People of the Parish</b>	Morgan	Nm 21:4b-9; Jn 3:13-17	<b>No Confessions</b> <b>Free Store</b> 9:30 – Noon <b>SB</b>
Sun Sep 15	Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time	8:30 am <b>Anna Zamesko</b> by Steve & Toni Zamekso 11 am <b>Deceased Family Members of Bob &amp; Kathy Doerr</b>	8:30 am Brown Cline 11 am Ortscheid Ortscheid	Ex 32:7-11, 13-14; 1 Tm 1:12-17; Lk 15:1-32	

## 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 made last week.

For you were once darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Live as children of light for light produces every kind of goodness and righteousness and truth. Ephesians 5:8-9

COLLECTION REPORT	Week Ending	
	Aug 25	Sep 1
Sunday Offering -	\$3,022.00	will be
Holy Day -	25.00	reported
Daily Offering -	860.00	next week
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$3,907.00</b>	
<b>Weekly Budget to operating costs</b>	<b>\$3,945.00</b>	
<b>(Shortfall) Overage</b>	<b>(38.00)</b>	
St. Vincent de Paul -	125.00	
Capital Improvements -	40.00	
Other Gifts -	25.00	
Envelopes used of 268 sent	104	
102 households receiving bi-monthly Sunday Offertory envelopes have not used them in 2019		

**Acme Cashback** - Please place all Acme receipts in the baskets by the doors of the church. Pick up items for the community meal & help both the meal & the parish.

## Holy Family Candle - Special Intention

**AFE – Adult Faith Enrichment** – Schedules for the 2019-2020 season are available at the doors of the church. We will be using programs from FORMED: Who AM I to Judge, True Reformers and Footprints of God. Registration begins next weekend and the cost is \$10 a person.

**Schedule Changes** – Fr. Mike will be off the property from Sept. 12<sup>th</sup> – Sept. 28<sup>th</sup>. There will be no Confessions on Saturdays, Sept. 14<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> and no 5:30 pm Mass on Wednesdays, Sept. 18<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup>.

**Altar & Rosary Society** – Meeting Sept. 10<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm in Hitch Hall. Please bring bar soap or shampoo for SVdP. Our Membership Drive will run throughout September. Envelopes will be at the end of the pews. Cost is \$10, men and women are welcome to join.

**Community Meal** – The next meal is September 24<sup>th</sup> from 5 – 6:30 pm in Waldeisen Hall.

**PSR** – All public school students in grades 1-8, are required to attend PSR (Religion) classes. Classes start Sept. 15<sup>th</sup> and are held at St. Augustine, Barb. Call 330-745-1080 for updated fees & information.

**SVdP Food Pantry** – August report: we provided food for 224 people in 73 households.

## History of Popes

**#141 - Pope John XVIII** - Pope from January, 1004 - July, 1009. Pope John XVIII, originally named Fasanus, was born in Rapagnano, Italy. He was hand-picked to be pope by Rome's ruler, John Crescentius, who was a tyrant who loved control. John's five-year reign was basically limited to Church administration. One of John's few significant acts as pope was settling a dispute between himself & two French bishops. John supported the monastic reform movement and was eager to grant renewed privileges to a number of abbeys. Both the Archbishop of Sens & Bishop of Orleans took issue with one of those grants - John's extension to the Abbey of Fleury. As a result they tried forcing the abbot to burn the papal charters. John XVIII was so incensed by their action that he called the emperor, summoned both bishops to Rome, then threatened the pair with church punishments for their entire kingdoms if they didn't back down. John resigned the papacy in July 1009 and died in St. Paul's monastery near Rome soon afterward. Pope John XVIII is one of just 11 popes throughout history who have resigned instead of dying in office or being forcibly removed. What else was going on in the world at the time? May 1, 1006 marked the date of the brightest supernova ever recorded. It was written about in China, Japan, Europe, and the Middle East, and was apparently bright enough that a person could read clearly in the middle of a night with a dark moon.

### STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS

As stewards and disciples we're called to develop a proper perspective about our relationships and our material possessions; it is something that is critical for followers of Jesus. The Gospel is difficult, but it puts into perspective that which is being asked of us. No one *wants* to carry a cross, we do not *want* to hate our loved ones, but a total commitment to Jesus demands that we develop a healthy sense of detachment from worldly things. God must come first in our lives - before family, before our job, before our stuff, otherwise we can't know how to love, how to be honest, how to show compassion and mercy, how to forgive. There are costs to discipleship. We must be ready to renounce our possessions if that is asked of us and we must be able to see things through, to complete the mission given us by God and to be vigilant against allowing the practice of the faith to wane and our allegiance to Christ become lax. Everything we are, do and have are gifts from God and the most important is the gift of faith which we grow into as we make our way through life.

### STEWARDSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

**Kenmore Community Meal** - A free community meal served in Waldeisen Hall on the last Tuesday of the month from 5 - 6:30 pm. **Ways to help:** in the kitchen, as a greeter or a server. Help keep costs down by donating requested items in the basket at the front entrance of the church. Requested items: creamed soups, canned tomatoes, dessert mixes, canned fruit, canned chicken, vegetables, beef broth/stock. Thank you!

**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.

**Masses** - If you would like to schedule a Mass, please call the rectory; the stipend is \$10. There are only 12 Mass intentions available through the end of 2019.

Bishop Robert Barron has written a book addressing the abuse crisis in the Church, titled Letter to a Suffering Church: A Bishop Speaks on the Sexual Abuse Crisis and copies are available on the table at the back of the church. In conjunction with the book, Fr. David Majikas, Pastor, St. Augustine will lead a discussion group on Tues., Sept. 17<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm in the cafeteria. Pick up a copy, read it and share it with others. If you are going to the discussion group, please read the book prior to the meeting.

### Other Events

- **Divorced, Separated, & Widowed Catholics of Akron** (DSWC) will kick off the 2019-2020 season on Mon., Sept. 9 in the former Immaculate Heart of Mary Convent Building with Pizza at 7 pm and a Panel Presentation at 7:30 to discuss personal stories and coping with grief from the loss of a spouse, through separation, divorce, or death. For more information call Marlene at 330-607-6284.
- **Theology on the Rocks:** Food, Fellowship & Faith for Adults, Mon., Sept. 16<sup>th</sup>, The Tangier-Bistro Bar. Fr. Jacob Bearer will discuss 'Why & How to Pray for Healing Today'. 7 pm appetizers, 7:30 pm speaker. \$10 admission includes appetizers. Cash bar.
- **St. Padre Pio Prayer Group:** The next monthly meeting will be on Sept. 20<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm with Mass prior to the meeting at St. Raphael Center, Inc., 4365 Fulton Drive N.W., Canton.
- **Retrouvaille Weekend:** September 27-29, 2019. This is a Lifeline for Troubled Marriages. Has your marriage become unloving or uncaring - your relationship cold, distant - thinking about a separation or divorce? Are you already separated/divorced but both of you want to try again? The Retrouvaille program may help. RETROUVAILLE, which means rediscovery, is supported by the Catholic diocese of Cleveland and is open to couples of all faiths. This program consists of a weekend experience & 6 follow up sessions. A \$150 registration fee required. For more info or to register, Call Marce or Liz Gliha at 440-357-6580 or 1-800-470-2230 or visit [www.helpourmarriage.org](http://www.helpourmarriage.org).
- **Loyola Retreat House Reverse Raffle & Auction:** Wed., October 9, 6:30 pm, Guy's Party Center. This is a great opportunity to win \$3,000 and support Loyola Retreat House. For more information or to register, visit [www.loyolaretreathouse.com](http://www.loyolaretreathouse.com) or call 330-896-2315.