

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF MARY PARISH



January
Month of the
Holy Childhood
of Jesus

January 5, 2020
The Epiphany of the Lord

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 Jan 6	Andre Bessette, Religious	5:30 pm Bob Walters by Altar & Rosary Society	Burkhart	1 Jn 3:22-4:6; Mt 4:12-17, 23-25	
Tues Jan 7	Raymond of Penafort, Priest			1 Jn 4:7-10; Mk 6:34-44	Free Store 4:30 - 7 pm SB
Wed Jan 8		5:30 pm Jerome Harrison by Altar & Rosary Society	Burkhart	1 Jn 4:11-18; Mk 6:45-52	Contemporary Choir 6:45 pm CH
Thur Jan 9				1 Jn 4:19-5:4; Lk 4:14-22	
Fri Jan 10		5:30 pm Shirley Kissner by Family & Friends	Burkhart	1 Jn 5:5-13; Lk 5:12-16	
Sat Jan 11		5:30 pm People of the Parish	5:30 pm Wilson	1 Jn 5:14-21; Jn 3:22-30	Confessions 9 - 10 am CH Free Store 9:30 am - Noon SB
Sun Jan 12	Baptism of the Lord	8:30 am Michael & Corrine Bralek by Family	8:30 am Cline	Is 42:1-4, 6-7; Acts 10:34-38;	
		11 am Chris McDonald by Irene & Norman Stubbs	11 am Hamilton	Mt 3:13-17	

Sanctuary Lamp - Special Intention

Holy Hours: Mon. & Tues. 9 am - 5 pm.
Start something new in 2020 - Come spend an hour each week reading & reflecting in the presence of our Lord. Please come to the rectory for entry to the church.

COLLECTION REPORT

Week Ending	Dec 15	Dec 22
Sunday Offering -	\$3,789.00	\$2,414.00
Daily Offering -	\$1,120.00	\$120.00
Christmas -	\$535.00	\$395.00
Holy Day -	\$74.00	\$10.00
Total	\$5,518.00	\$2,939.00

Weekly Budget		
operating costs	\$3,945.00	\$3,945.00
(Shortfall) Overage	\$1,573.00	(\$1,006.00)
St. Vincent de Paul -	\$5.00	\$5.00
Debt Reduction -	\$125.00	
Religious Retirement	\$80.00	\$20.00
Other Gifts -	\$2,245.53	\$182.00
Envs used of 260 sent	75	70

95 households receiving envelopes have not used them in 2019.

More Christmas Flowers

George & Donna Gabor by M/M Robert Ryan
Robert & Patricia Ryan by M/M Robert Ryan

To receive your 2019 Contribution Statement, call the rectory at 330-753-8429, Monday - Friday, 9 am - 4 pm.

Holy Family Candle - Special Intention

• **Kenmore Community Meal** is back! After taking Christmas and New Year's Eves off we are back on schedule. The next free meal will be served from 5 - 6:30 pm in Waldeisen Hall on Tues., Jan. 28th. Mark your calendars, invite your friends and join us for a delicious meal.

• **Pre-Baptism Class** - The next class will be held Wed., Jan. 29th in the St. Augustine Rectory at 7 pm. This class is required for all parents seeking baptism for their children.

• **World Marriage Day** is February 9th; please see the insert in next week's bulletin for more details on a way to honor your marriage.

• **Christmas Decorations** will be coming down Thurs., January 16th. Many hands make light work so if you can help, come to the church at 6:30 pm.

• **A FE** takes the winter months of January & February off. Our next session will be Mar. 5th and we will be learning about these Saints of the Catholic Reformation: Thomas More, Ignatius of Loyola and Philip Neri.

Thank you to all the Liturgical Ministers who stepped forward to share their stewardship for the Christmas & Mary, Mother of God Holy Day Masses: Altar Servers, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Lectors, Ministers of Hospitality & Musicians. If you are interested in helping in any of these areas, please call the rectory.

History of Popes

#156 – Pope Alexander II - Pope from Sept. 30, 1061 – death, Apr. 21, 1073. Born Anselm da Baggio in Milan, Pope Alexander II was the first pope elected under Pope Nicholas II's papal election rules. Rome's cardinal-bishops, led by St. Peter Damian, were able to elect Alexander and keep him in office in spite of a nasty effort by the Roman nobility to install their own man; thus ending the Roman aristocracy's ability to place anyone on the throne of Peter. During his papacy, Alexander battled against the Emperor Henry IV on several occasions; once when Henry tried divorcing his wife, and another when he tried placing a rival bishop in the Archdiocese of Milan. Alexander apparently had no patience for men who bought their church positions, as much of his papacy was spent dealing with corrupt bishoprics (dioceses) and churches throughout Europe and replacing their leadership with reform-minded clergy. One important effort in particular came in 1066, when William the Conqueror invaded England. With that invasion, Alexander was able to send papal representatives to root out simony among English clergy, who had become dangerously autonomous in their operations. He also played a key part in creating the Latin Church rule of refraining from saying "Alleluia" during Lent and Advent as well in some places. What else was going on in the world at the time? The Sunset Crater volcano, located near Flagstaff, Arizona, is said to have erupted for the first time in either 1064 or 1065.

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS

A new year is a new opportunity for adventures, stewardship, challenges, joys & hardships. Regardless of what lies ahead, the light of Christ will be present to light our way on the path so that we don't wander from Him and get lost. As we make our way through this new year let us carry with us the words of St. Paul in our second reading: we are coheirs, members of the same body (the Body of Christ – the Church) and "copartners in the promise in Christ Jesus through the Gospel." How do we live that out in our daily lives? How do we help others realize their destiny in Christ? As we look at the Gosepl we have the arrival of the Magi who, theologically, have come to represent the Gentile world, non-Jews from all corners of the world. Bring that theme to Kenmore and the mission transfers to non-believers. The Kenmore community is made up of people of different races and ethnic backgrounds. How do we reach out to them and invite them into the Church? How do we lead them to Jesus, the true King as the star led the Magi?

STEWARDSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Free Store – Consider helping others by sorting items for the store. Your stewardship is greatly appreciated.

Adventures in Home Safety! The Fire Marshall has completed inspection of our church, rectory, convent & school buildings. We are required to install illuminated "EXIT" signs at the doors of the church, create dedicated electrical lines for the rectory copy room and in the St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry storage room. "Wishing Well" contribution baskets are at the main doors of the church and the door nearest the parking lot to help cover this unanticipated maintenance expense. Please be generous.

In His Name – We are collecting new warm socks for the homeless through **Project Hope** at Hoban High School. Toiletries for the Peter Maurin Center is ongoing.

Is the weather keeping you home? Please remember: you can stay updated on what's going on by viewing the bulletin at ickenmore.org. Also, be a good steward & *continue to send in your envelopes.*

We extend a warm welcome to all visitors to our parish and hope to see you again!

CareCards – Please keep them coming! To participate, purchase cards of encouragement or use one from the basket in the back of the church, add a short note and sign your name. Put the cards into the envelope (do not seal) & place into the basket. Please turn in cards for the next visit by the end of each month.

Is Your Information Up to Date? If you haven't updated your records, particularly personal contact and emergency phone numbers, please contact the rectory at 330-753-8429 or email your information to ickenmore@yahoo.com.

Other Events

- **RETROUVAILLE:** Has your marriage become unloving or uncaring, your relationship cold, distant, thinking about a separation or divorce? Already separated or divorced, but both of you want to try again? Retrouvaille, which means rediscovery, may help. The program consists of a weekend experience & six follow up sessions; it is supported by the Diocese of Cleveland, but it is open to couples of all faiths. A registration fee of \$150 is required. For dates, info or registration, please call 1-800-470-2230 or visit www.helpourmarriage.org.
- **Padre Pio Talk:** Sun., Jan. 12, noon, Queen of Heaven Church. Cindy Russo will talk about "Blind Faith" or "How Padre Pio Changed My Life." A chalice belonging to Padre Pio will be used at the 11:00 am Mass. Cindy will be available after her talk to pray with individuals while holding the chalice. A priest will be available to hear confessions during this time. A free-will offering will be accepted for Charities Prayer Group Supports. A social sponsored by the Spiritual Life Commission will follow in the Gathering Space of the church.
- **Theology on the Rocks:** Mon., Jan. 13th, 7 pm, VOSH 1414 Riverside Dr., Lakewood Our speaker, Fr. John Manning will discuss the History of the Diocese. Fr. Manning is a judge in the Tribunal office, a delegate for retired priests, and an Assoc. Professor on Church History at Saint Mary's Seminary where he is the \$12 per person - register in advance at www.theologyontherocks.wixsite.com/west