

# IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF MARY PARISH



January  
Month of the  
Holy Childhood  
of Jesus

January 12, 2020  
Baptism 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 13	Hilary, Bishop & Doctor	5:30 pm <b>Carl Baker</b> by John & Karen Sboray	Compton	1 Sm 1:1-8; Mk 1:14-20	
Tues Jan 14				1 Sm 1:9-20; Mk 1:21-28	<b>Free Store</b> 4:30 - 7 pm <b>SB</b>
Wed Jan 15		5:30 pm <b>Ambrosio Ranaldi &amp; Richard Rea</b> by Ida Rea	Compton	1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20; Mk 1:29-39	
Thur Jan 16				1 Sm 4:1-11; Mk 1:40-45	
Fri Jan 17	Anthony, Abbot	5:30 pm <b>John, Ann Marie &amp; Beth Ann Kovalchin</b> by Kovalchin Family	Compton	1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a; Mk 2:1-12	
Sat Jan 18		5:30 pm <b>People of the Parish</b>	5:30 pm Wilson	1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19, 10:1; Mk 2:13-17	<b>Confessions</b> 9 - 10 am <b>CH</b> <b>Free Store</b> 9:30 am - Noon <b>SB</b>
Sun Jan 19	Second Sunday In Ordinary Time	8:30 am <b>Don White, Sr.</b> by Richard & Mary Lou Novitsky 11 am <b>Jeanne Kovac</b> by Bea Clauss	8:30 am Cline 11 am Hamilton	Is 49:3, 5-6; 1 Cor 1:1-3; Jn 1:29-34	

## 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 29	Jan 5	Jul 1-Jan 5
Sunday Offering -	\$2,773.00	\$2,795.00	\$93,258.70
Daily Offering -	\$672.00	\$220.00	\$9,778.50
Christmas -	\$10,005.25	\$2,245.00	\$13,200.25
Holy Day -	\$10.00	\$1,252.00	\$4,243.05
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$13,460.05</b>	<b>\$6,512.92</b>	<b>\$120,480.50</b>

Weekly Budget			
operating costs	\$3,945.00	\$3,945.00	\$111,105.00
Christmas Budget -	\$14,057.00		\$14,057.00
<b>Total Budget -</b>	<b>\$18,002.00</b>	<b>\$3,945.00</b>	<b>\$125,162.00</b>

(Shortfall) Overage	<b>(\$4,541.75)</b>	<b>\$2,567.92</b>	<b>(\$4,681.50)</b>
St. Vincent de Paul -	\$10.00	\$285.00	\$2,369.00
Cap. Improvements	\$127.50	\$340.10	\$5,468.60
Debt Reduction -	\$30.00		\$3,876.00
El Savadore		\$35.00	\$35.00
Other Gifts -		\$11,000.00	\$26,881.97
Special Collections (Diocese) -			\$789.00
Envs used of 260 sent	69	73	
192 households receiving envelopes have not used them in 2020.			

## 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. 28<sup>th</sup>. Mark your calendars, invite your friends and join us for a delicious meal.

• **Pre-Baptism Class** - The next class will be held Wed., Jan. 29<sup>th</sup> 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 9<sup>th</sup>; please turn your forms in by noon on Thurs., Feb. 6<sup>th</sup> to participate.

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

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

**Acme Cashback** - Qualifying receipts can be turned in until Jan. 31<sup>st</sup>. Every receipt helps! Thanks!

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

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

## History of Popes

**#157 – Pope Gregory VII** - Pope from April 22, 1071 – death, May 25, 1085. Hildebrand of Soana was born in Tuscany and studied at the Roman monastery of St. Mary Aventine. There he became a pupil of Fr. John Gratian, later known as Pope Gregory VI. Hildebrand followed Gregory VI to Germany after the latter was deposed due to the Benedict IX debacle and would later take the name “Gregory” in honor of him. Hildebrand spent several years serving Pope St. Leo IX and carrying out his reforms after Leo’s death. Due to his familiarity with Church workings and his own personal holiness, Hildebrand was the obvious choice to follow Alexander II. He is best known for his epic quarrels with Emperor Henry IV. It began when Henry tried to declare Gregory deposed. Henry had no idea that Gregory was well-read on the supremacy of the pope. As a result, Gregory declared Henry deposed and ordered all Germany’s bishops to disregard him as their king. Stripped of everything, Henry travelled to Canossa, where the pope was staying and made a public confession, kneeling in the snow in sackcloth for three nights before Gregory lifted his excommunication. Gregory eventually tried to resolve a dispute between Henry & the German princes. Gregory overreached and ultimately was abandoned and disowned by his allies, the reform party in Europe. An antipope, Clement III, was put forth by Henry and Gregory was soon exiled, his support limited to the Normans and the cardinal-bishops. Gregory VII reigned for just over 12 years before dying in exile. One of our more recent popes, Paul VI, pointed to St. Gregory VII as key in affirming the teaching that Jesus is really and substantially present in the Eucharist. Pope Paul VI actually quotes Gregory in his 1965 encyclical *Mysterium Fidei*.

### STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS

When we participate in the liturgy we share our stewardship of time. Time is something God does not have for God is eternal, so when we give God the gift of our time, we honor Him. Our time is important to us as well so we should strive to use it well and to the fullest. The word liturgy comes from the Greek *leitourgia* which means “work of the people” meaning that at Mass we have work to do: listen attentively, participate fully, sing, respond, pray, use all gestures correctly and receive the Eucharist with humility and gratitude. Here are four reminds to help us worship together as a family of faith: 1. Check page 70 of the missalette – during these words “and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary & became man” we are to bow. 2. After the last person receives communion, we may sit or kneel for private prayers of gratitude. 3. When we receive the Body of Christ, receive, step to the side and consume rather than receive & consume as we walk to the cup or to our pew; it’s about reverence for God! 4. If the congregation stands during the Eucharist prayer, they offer a profound bow as the priest genuflects or bows at the Consecration. As we celebrate the Baptism of the Lord, let us recall our own baptisms and our role as the Children of God in our world – beginning with our prayer life and worship.

### 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. *From the Peter Maurin Center: Thank you for your generous donations. Our brothers and sisters in need are truly grateful for your kindness.*

**Snow Removal** – We need able-bodied men, women and students to help with snow removal when needed. Call the rectory to let us know when you are available – early morning, morning, afternoon, early evening. Thank you!

**Church Housekeeping** – We are in need of 2 more people to clean the church once a month. Please call 330-825-5949 to help.

### *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](http://www.helpourmarriage.org).

• **Divorced, Separated and Widowed Catholics** : Mon., Jan. 13<sup>th</sup>, 7:30 pm, Immaculate Heart of Mary Convent Bldg. Karyn Petty, AHA Instructor and affiliated with the Fitness Programs American Council on Fitness, will address the topic “Exercise and How to Fit it In”. This event is open at no cost to single people of all faiths. Refreshments at 7:15. For info call Marlene at 330-607-6284.

• **Catholics Returning Home:** 6 week program beginning Wed., Jan. 15 from 7 to 8:30 pm in the Our Lady of Victory Parish Center Library. This program is an opportunity for anyone to bring healing to their relationships - with God, His Church, others or even within their own hearts. For additional information, please call 330-633-3637.

• **Men’s Conference:** Mark your calendars now for Sat., March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2020 for the Diocese of Cleveland Catholic Men’s Conference. Visit [www.cmfneo.com](http://www.cmfneo.com) for more info.