

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF MARY PARISH



July 26, 2020
Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

HH - Hitch Hall MH - Maher Hall
 SB - School Basement
 R - Rectory CH - Church
 WH - Waldeisen Hall

Date	Observance	Mass Intention	Readings	Event
Mon July 27		5:30 pm Tom Alouf by Family	Jer 13:1-11; Mt 13:31-35	
Tues July 28			Jer 14:17-22; Mt 13:36-43	Kenmore Community Dinner 5 - 6:30 pm WH Kenmore Free Store - Closed
Wed July 29	Martha	5:30 pm Michael Bucy by Ann, Jim & Bob Considine	Jer 15:10, 16-21; Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42	
Thur July 30	Peter Chrysologus, Bishop & Doctor		Jer 18:1-6; Mt 13:47-53	
Fri July 31	Ignatius of Loyola Priest	5:30 pm Patrick Steurer by Family	Jer 26:1-9; Mt 13:54-58	
Sat Aug 1	Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop & Doctor	5:30 pm George & Mike Pifer by Mary Pifer	Jer 26:11-16, 24; Mt 14:1-12	Confessions 9 - 10 am CH Kenmore Free Store - Closed
Sun Aug 2	The Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	8:30 am Don White, Sr. by M/M Wendell Ruppener 11 am People of the Parish	Is 55:1-3; Rom 8:35, 37-39; Mt 14:13-21	

COLLECTION REPORT

Week Ending	July 12	July 19
Sunday Offering -	\$4,194.00	\$3,263.00
Daily -		\$4.00
Total	\$4,194.00	\$3,267.00
Weekly Budget		
operating costs	\$3,700.00	\$3,700.00
(Shortfall) Overage	\$494.00	(\$433.00)
St. Vincent de Paul -	\$40.00	\$55.00
Capital Improvement -	\$220.00	\$605.00
Debt Reduction -		\$40.00
Diocese Designated -	\$150.00	
Other Gifts -		\$350.00
Envs used of 252 sent	87	52

Stewardship of Treasure -

Thank you for your continued faithfulness. Coming to Mass: please bring your envelopes (follow guidelines). Not yet coming to Mass: 1. Drop off envelopes at the back door. 2. Mail in your envelopes. 3. Visit www.catholiccommunity.org/offertory, select the amount & our parish (make sure it's I.C. Akron), put in billing & payment info and click "submit donation". Going to an air-conditioned parish: PLEASE be sure we get your envelopes by following one of the above methods. You've all been doing an amazing job - keep up the good work!

Kenmore Community Dinner - Our next take-out meal will be this Tuesday, July 28th from 5 - 6:30 pm or until we run out. Menu: chicken & rice, veggie, brownies.

R.C.I.A.: If you need to complete your sacraments of initiation, want to become Catholic or know someone who has shown interest in becoming Catholic, please contact the rectory - we'd love to speak with you!

Bingo has reopened!

Door opens at 9:30 am; games begin at 11 am. Because of social distancing, the **capacity** for Bingo will be **46** players. **Mask must be worn.** Enter through door on 16th St. only. Pots reduced due to fewer players. Only snacks & drinks available; you may bring your own food.

The Diocese of Cleveland has a new bishop!

Pope Francis has named the Most Reverend Edward C. Malesic, J.C.L. (degree in Canon Law), as the 12th bishop of the Catholic Diocese of Cleveland. Bishop-designate Malesic is currently the Bishop of the Diocese of Greensburg, PA and will be installed here on Mon., September 14th. We are grateful for this appointment & to Fr. Don Oleksiak for his faithfulness as Diocesan Administrator after Archbishop Perez left for Philadelphia. The press release is available at all doors of the Church.

The **Kenmore Free Store** is currently closed and will be closed when the state is at Level 3 or 4. We look forward to serving you again when the level drops.

History of Popes

#171 –Pope Lucius III - Pope from September 1, 1181 – death, November 25, 1185. Ubaldo Allucingoli was born in Lucca, Italy around the year 1100. Pope Innocent III appointed him cardinal-deacon in 1138 & cardinal-priest three years later. Adrian IV made him Cardinal-Bishop of Ostia in 1158. Ubaldo was serving as the dean of the College of Cardinals & as a key advisor to his predecessor, Alexander III, when he was unanimously elected pope, taking the name Lucius. This was the first election since the Third Lateran Council's two-thirds majority rule was created. He immediately sought to forge a lasting peace between the Church and Emperor Frederick Barbarossa who had become progressively more troublesome as the years dragged on. In 1183, a meeting known as the Diet of Constance brought agreement between the two on preparations for a new crusade. Other issues between the emperor and the pope weren't resolved as easily. When Barbarossa requested that his son Henry be crowned emperor to ensure his family's succession, Lucius balked as he had just learned that young Henry had been betrothed to the daughter of Roger II, the former king of Sicily. The arrangement would have made for one family ruling both Germany and Sicily, so Lucius backed away tactfully while encouraging his successors to do the same. Lucius worked to quash heresy with the papal bull *Ad abolendam* ("On abolition"), as well as with a Synod at Verona in 1184. Though many think otherwise, Lucius III didn't actually establish the Inquisition. The Inquisition, known also as the Holy Office or the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, wasn't created until 1234, at the hands of Pope Gregory IX. What else was going on in the world at the time? In 1185, the Knights Templar finished and moved into their new English headquarters, the Temple Church in London. It still stands today between Fleet Street and the River Thames, despite being heavily damaged by the Germans in World War II.

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS

If you were given the opportunity to have any wish granted, what would you wish for? An end to this horrible pandemic is a given, but after that what would it be: a winning lottery ticket, new car, new clothes, new house? Maybe improved health for you or a loved one or all bills paid off? Solomon had his choice and gave up all earthly goods, as he requested an understanding heart to distinguish right from wrong. Was a spiritual gift, more prayerful spirit, increased faith or closer relationship with Jesus even on your list? We have been given the greatest gift of all – faith – and a life of faith well-lived will gain us life everlasting in the Kingdom of God. Jesus compares the Kingdom to things we, as humans, value and to which we can relate: buried treasure, fine pearls, even a fine catch of fish which would bring a pretty penny. The point is the finder of the valued item knows the value and out of joy sells all to have that item. How valuable is your faith to you? How important is it that you attain the Kingdom? Would you joyfully give up what you have to be counted among those admitted at the Final Judgment? Let us take some time to reflect on what is truly important, what we truly treasure & on the things of faith and God.

STEWARDSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Community Meal Needs: canned fruit, stewed tomatoes, tomato juice, cream of chicken soup, canned frosting. Donations should be placed in the basket under the offertory table behind the last pew.

Adopt A Plot – Thank you to all who have been out to weed, plant & tend their plots - the property is shaping up! If you had a plot & can not tend it, please call the rectory.

In His Name –Toiletries for Peter Maurin Center (ongoing).

FORMED: We hope you are continuing to check out all the amazing articles, series, movies, etc. that can be found at www.formed.org to help you grow in your Catholic faith. We no longer have an account but you can sign up under St. Augustine, Barberton. During this pandemic, it is critical to seek out the Good News and the hope our Lord offers.

Confessions: 9 - 10 am on Saturdays. You **MUST** wear a mask, enter & exit church by the main doors, sanitize your hands (sanitizer bottles in holy water fonts) as you enter and leave; watch the red/green light and sit where there's a sticker. For the integrity of the sacrament & the health, safety & comfort of others, please be prepared to make a good confession then feel free to stay & pray in the church afterwards. If you want to chat with the priest or you need to seek greater counsel, please call the rectory for an appointment.

Catholic Charities Appeal – Update: our parishioners have pledged \$7,347 toward our parish goal of \$12,806. Thank you on behalf of those served by Catholic Charities. If you haven't yet made a gift yet, call Karen Joyce at 216-696-6525 x1910 to give by phone or make a secure online gift at www.CatholicCommunity.org/donate. Please note that the Annual Appeal Team will be conducting a summer Phone-a-thon through August.

Stay Informed – We'll continue to update information, post pictures & video for those who are not yet coming to Mass – we care about you! Visit www.ickenmore.org.

Other Events

• **AM 1260 The Rock!** Now more than ever, our priests need our prayers. AM 1260 The Rock is pleased to support **The Seven Sisters Apostolate**. This Apostolate is a call to strengthen the Church by ensuring that a **Holy Hour** is prayed each day of the week for the sole intention of your pastor or a specific priest. Learn How to Start a Group at Your Parish! Join our Zoom Meeting on Tuesday, August 4th-7 pm at <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87203015661>. For more info, visit www.am1260therock.com or call 216-227-1260.

• **The FEST at Home**– Sun., Aug. 9, 2020. National Christian bands (For King & Country, Matthew West, Danny Gokey, Matt Maher, Building 429, Colton Dixon, Jordan Feliz, We Are Messengers, and Casting Crowns) will come to your home through our website www.theFEST.us with amazing music to inspire you. Visit www.theFEST.us/moms today to register for amazing prizes.