

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF MARY PARISH



August
Month of
The Blessed
Sacrament

August 23, 2020
Twenty-First 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 Aug 24	Bartholomew, Apostle	5:30 pm Betty Takacs by Family	Rv 21:9b-14; Jn 1:45-51	
Tues Aug 25	Louis, Joseph Calasanz, Priest		2 Thes 2:1-3a, 14-17; Mt 23:23-36	Kenmore Free Store 4 - 7 pm SB Kenmore Community Dinner (take-out) 5 - 6:30 pm WH
Wed Aug 26		5:30 pm Rev. Edward Maher by Fr. Mike	2 Thes 3:6-10, 16-18; Mt 23:27-32	
Thur Aug 27	Monica		1 Cor 1:1-9; Mt 24:42-51	
Fri Aug 28	Augustine, Bishop & Doctor	5:30 pm Earl Price by the Altar & Rosary Society	1 Cor 1:17-25; Mt 25:1-13	
Sat Aug 29	The Passion of St. John the Baptist	5:30 pm Deceased Members of the Witzl Family by Frank Witzl	1 Cor 1:26-31; Mk 6:17-29	Confessions 9 - 10 am CH Kenmore Free Store 9 am - Noon SB
Sun Aug 30	The Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time	8:30 am People of the Parish 11 am Deceased Members of the Eggert and Heim Family by Chris Eggert	Jer 20:7-9; Rom 12:1-2; Mt 16:21-27	

Sanctuary Lamp - Special Intention

Holy Family Candle - Special Intention

COLLECTION REPORT

<i>Week Ending</i>	<i>Aug 9</i>	<i>Aug 16</i>
Sunday Offering -	\$3,295.00	\$5,110.00
Daily -		\$60.00
Holy Day -	\$27.00	\$570.00
Total	\$3,322.00	\$5,740.00
Weekly Budget		
operating costs	\$3,700.00	\$3,700.00
(Shortfall) Overage	(\$378.00)	\$2,040.00
St. Vincent de Paul -	\$85.00	\$26.00
Capital Improvement -	\$100.00	\$565.00
Debt Reduction -	\$235.00	\$115.00
Diocese Designated -		\$130.00
Envs used of 252 sent	95	67

Stewardship of Treasure

Thank you for your continued faithfulness. Coming to Mass: please bring your envelopes (follow guidelines). Not yet coming to Mass: Drop off envelopes at the back door or mail in your envelopes. 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!

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: 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 Kenmore Free Store is open and will be open as long as the county is at level 2 or lower. You **must wear a mask/face covering.** We are allowing five shoppers in at a time in 20 minute intervals. Because of this, 30 minutes have been added to shopping hours: Tuesday, 4 - 7 pm and Saturday, 9 am - noon. **Donations:** The bin will remain closed, but donations will be accepted in front of the school on 16th St. SW **during store hours only.**

The next **Kenmore Community Meal** will be available for take-out Tue., Aug. 25th in front of Waldeisen Hall. Menu: Johnny mac, veggie, fruit & bread.

History of Popes

#175 –Pope Celestine III - Pope from Mar. 30, 1191 – death, Jan. 8, 1198. Giacinto Bobone, born into Roman nobility in 1106, was known well for his education, holiness, & eloquence. In 1144, Pope Celestine II appointed Giacinto to cardinal-deacon and assigned him to the Roman basilica of Santa Maria in Cosmedin. At age 85, a cardinal for nearly *fifty years*, he was elected pope 10 days after Clement III's death, taking the name "Celestine III". The dispute over who should rule Germany and Sicily continued as Henry VI of Germany was en route to Rome when Clement died. Celestine made sure that one of his first acts as pope was to crown Henry to succeed his father, Barbarossa as Holy Roman Emperor. Celestine, not about to let Henry rule Sicily too, followed Clement's lead and recognized Tancred as king there. What happened next was somewhat miraculous. In 1194, Tancred died & was succeeded by his toddler son, William III. Henry tried to use that opportunity to build his own empire, but he died three years later, leaving *his* kingdom to his sole heir, Frederick II, also a toddler. Fifty years of imperial threats & papal stress had disappeared almost overnight. Celestine excommunicated the kidnapers of King Richard the Lionheart of England in 1193. He staunchly defended the Church's laws on marriage when Alfonso IX of Portugal wanted to marry his cousin, Theresa. Celestine canonized four saints during his time as pope: St. Malachy of Armagh, St. Bernward of Hildesheim, St. John Gualbert & St. Ubaldo of Gubbio. What else was going on in the world at the time? In 1191, the monks of Glastonbury Abbey in England discovered two graves: that of a large knight & a blonde woman. According to legend, they believed the pair to be King Arthur and Queen Guinevere. A contemporary testimony two years later -- though not an eyewitness account -- reported that with the bodies was a leaden cross bearing a Latin inscription: "*Here lies interred the famous King Arthur on the Isle of Avalon.*"

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS

"But who do you say that I am?" This question, posed by Jesus to His disciples, is a question Jesus poses to each one of us, His disciples & stewards. At baptism we are made Children of God, claimed for Christ, marked with the Sign of the Cross and begin a life long journey of faith. This journey is a process of daily conversion and transformation as we allow God to mold us into who we were created to be. We become members of the Body of Christ, the Church and we are called to follow the example of Jesus as we learn to love and serve. We learn about Jesus, the Son of God and 2nd Person of the Trinity who willingly gave up His life for us that we might be free of the shackles of sin and death and enjoy life everlasting with Him in Heaven. This we know in our heads, but what about our hearts? We can tell others the story of Jesus, but can we articulate our faith in the Son of Man and Son of God? What is your relationship with Jesus? Is it that of an historical figure or great prophet or is Jesus your Lord, Savior and Redeemer, the Word of God made flesh? If Jesus asked you face to face, "who do you say that I am?" what would you say? How would you answer?

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.

In His Name – School supplies to be distributed to families in the Free Store and Food Pantry. Please place your items in the basket by the main doors! Toiletries for Peter Maurin Center (ongoing).

The **Acme Cashback** program is in full swing! Place all Acme receipts in the baskets by the doors of the church. Check the list of needed items for the community meal and help both the meal and the parish.

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.

FORMED: We encourage you 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.

Other Events

•**Rosary for our Nation:** For nine Tuesday evenings beginning Sept. 1st at 6 pm, St. Francis de Sales will have a public recitation of the Rosary & private prayers specifically for the healing of our country. Social distancing requirements are in place. 6:30 pm Mass following the Rosary.

•**News from AM 1260 The Rock!** Tune in every Saturday to hear discussion on what is happening within the Church and world. "The Church Alive" featuring Dr. Matthew Bunson, Brian Patrick, and Fr. Thomas Petri, OP airs twice at 7 am and 1 pm. Be up to date with Catholic current events!

•**2nd Annual Cleveland Catholic Women's Conference:** Sat. Oct. 17. Registration for the live-streamed conference is \$25; to register, visit www.clecatholicwomen.org. Register by October 1 to receive a "conference care package" in the mail. For more information, contact Bernadette Boguski at 216-618-6677 or Jen Ricard at 216-302-8594.