

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF MARY PARISH



January
Month of the
Holy Childhood
of Jesus

January 10, 2021
The Baptism of the Lord

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

Date	Observance	Mass Intention	Readings	Event
Mon Jan 11		5:30 pm Dorothy Gabelman by Family	Heb 1:1-6; Mt 1:14-20	
Tues Jan 12			Heb 2:5-12; Mk 1:21-28	Kenmore Free Store Closed Until Covid Level 2 or below
Wed Jan 13	Hilary, Bishop & Doctor	5:30 pm Joan Ballway by Chris & Lillian Esker	Heb 2:14-18; Mk 1:29-39	
Thur Jan 14			Heb 3:7-14; Mk 1:40-45	
Fri Jan 15		5:30 pm Catherine & John Shorder by Bob & Joyce Shorder	Heb 4:1-5, 11; Mk 2:1-12	
Sat Jan 16		5:30 pm People of the Parish	Heb 4:12-16; Mk 2:13-17	Kenmore Free Store Closed Until Covid Level 2 or below Confessions 9 - 10 am CH
Sun Jan 17	Second Sunday in Ordinary Time	8:30 am George & Verna Hudak by Kevin Hudak 11 am Deceased Family Members of Bob & Kathy Doerr	1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19; 1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20; Jn 1:35-42	

Sancutary Lamp - Special Intention

Holy Family Candle - James Zeager

COLLECTION REPORT

Week Ending	Dec 27	Jan 3
Sunday Offering -	\$3,464.00	\$2,950.00
Daily Offering -		\$631.00
Christmas -	\$6,030.00	\$2,945.00
Holy Day -	\$115.00	\$1,397.00
Total	\$9,609.00	\$7,923.00
Christmas Budget	\$13,800.00	
Weekly operating costs	\$3,700.00	\$3,700.00
Total Budget	\$17,500.00	\$3,700.00
(Shortfall) Overage	(\$7,891.00)	\$4,223.00
St. Vincent de Paul -	\$20.00	150.00
Capital Improvements -		\$300.00
Debt Reduction -	\$20.00	
Other Gifts -	\$20,380.00	
Diocese Designated -	\$75.00	
Envs used of 244 sent	60	59

Stewardship of Treasure: With the suspension of Bingo, parish envelopes become even more critical so if you are: Coming to Mass: please bring your envelopes. Not yet coming to Mass: Drop off envelopes at the back door or mail them in. Visiting another parish: PLEASE be sure we get your envelopes by one of the above methods. You've all been doing an amazing job – keep it up!

The Kenmore Free Store is closed and will remain closed until the county drops to Level 2. Donations are not being accepted at this time.

Bingo – It was hoped that Bingo would be able to start again in January, but because the virus is still VERY MUCH with us, this can not happen and we can not even begin to guess when it will be safe for workers and guests. With this continued loss of important income, please continue to use your envelopes as faithfully as you have been. You are all amazing!

Kenmore Community Meal is back! Take-out meals will be available in front of Waldeisen Hall on Tues., Jan. 26th from 5 - 6:30 pm (or until we run out). Menu: creamed chicken over rice, green beans, bread, brownie.

Adult Faith Enrichment takes the bad weather months of January and February off. We'll meet again in March. Stay safe and well!

World Marriage Day will be celebrated the weekend of Feb. 13 & 14. Watch for a flyer in next week's bulletin if you would like to participate & honor your marriage.

If you or someone in your household has tested positive for Covid, please notify the rectory so we may pray for you and make necessary adjustments.

History of Popes

190 - Pope Honorius IV - Pope from Apr. 2, 1285 – death, Apr. 3, 1287. Giacomo Savelli, the son of a Roman senator, was part of a well-known family. Giacomo studied at the University of Paris and later served at a nearby cathedral. He was oddly assigned as rector of a church in England which he had never visited. Pope Urban IV elevated him to Cardinal-Deacon in 1261, also making him captain of the papal army in Tuscany. He was one of the six cardinals who took three years to elect Blessed Gregory X as pope in 1271. He attended the Council of Lyons in 1274, was sent to Viterbo in 1276 by Adrian V, and ultimately became Protodeacon of the College of Cardinals in 1277, crowning both Nicholas III & Martin IV. Honorius IV took his name after his great uncle Pope Honorius III. He was 75 years old at his election and, took office on April 2, 1285 while still a deacon. He was ordained a priest on May 19, then consecrated a bishop and crowned pope on May 20. He suffered severely from either gout or arthritis and could barely stand or walk. It's said that he required help raising the Host during the Consecration at Mass. Honorius was the last pope in Church history to have once been married. He was a widower and is known to have had at least two sons. Honorius was a patron of the many mendicant religious orders, granting many privileges to them during his time in office. He established chairs at the University of Paris to learn Eastern languages, specifically for the purpose of converting Muslims & seeking reunion with the Eastern churches. He, like many of his predecessors, dealt with the situation in Sicily throughout his papacy. Charles of Anjou had died and his son Charles II had no interest in the crown and was willing to let Sicily fall into the hands of Peter of Aragon and his sons, James & Alfonso. Wishing to keep his interests in Sicily, the pope excommunicated the newly-crowned James and sanctioned an attack in the early spring of 1287. The papal armies were soundly defeated by the Aragonese admiral, Roger de Lauria, though Honorius died before learning the news. What else was going on in the world at the time? Construction on the incredible Altar of St. James at the Cathedral of San Zeno in Pistoia, Italy began and the incredible, landmark work containing nearly one ton of silver took nearly 200 years to complete.

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS

Today we celebrate the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord and it gives us the opportunity to reflect on the meaning of our own baptisms. The symbols: Water stands for new life & the washing away of original sin. The candle represents Jesus, the Light of the World who lights the way for us as we make our way through the life-long journey of faith. The white garment symbolizes new creation; we have “put on” Christ. Chrism, the oil with which we are anointed gives us healing & strength. The effects of Baptism are that it cleanses our souls of original & personal sin, it makes us a Child of God with the right to heaven, it incorporates us into a family of faith – the church, it gives us the gifts of the Holy Spirit, gives us a share in God's life, indelibly marks us with the Sign of the Cross and admits us to Christ's roles as priest, prophet & king. All this is ours; the question is – how well are we living out our new identity? How well are we using the gifts of the Spirit? Do we use them for the good of the family of faith to which we belong? What does the Sign of the Cross with which we have been marked mean to you? Think about this – The God of the universe, the Creator of all things, visible and invisible has called you, each one of the baptized, to be the adopted son or daughter of God! We may carry many identities in our lifetime (parent, sibling, spouse, employee, etc.) but no other identity is more important than that of Child of God for it sets in motion how we live out all other identities, guides our decisions & choices, inspires our treatment of others – everything. How will do you live out your role as priest in your prayer life and Mass attendance; your role as prophet through your witness to the faith, your role as king by working for justice and sharing your stewardship? A new year brings new opportunities; let's live for Christ and others in each one.

STEWARDSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Subway Gift Cards - We would appreciate any donations of Subway gift cards in \$5 or \$10 amounts to be distributed to the homeless and hungry who knock on our rectory door. Thank you.

In His Name – Hats, gloves, scarves, warm socks and toiletries for the homeless served by the Peter Maurin Center. Please place donations in the basket by the main doors of the church. Thank you.

Church Housekeeping: We are in desperate need of two more people to help one Monday or one Friday a month. Call Cherylyn at 330-825-5959 for information. Schedules for 2021 are available at the main doors of the church. All stewards are requested to send their email address to cherylyn.gruic@gmail.com to facilitate communications.

Kenmore Community Meal Needs: brownie mix

Parish Library – Stop by our library in Hitch Hall during the week, before or after Mass or see books available for check-out on the tables by the main doors.

Stay Informed – Check out our website at www.ickenmore.org for all kinds of interesting stories, pictures and videos.

Acme Cashback – The current earning period ended. Please turn in your receipts in the baskets at all doors of the church before the end of January.

CareCards – Please keep them coming! To participate, purchase cards of encouragement, 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.

To receive your 2020 Contribution Statement, call the rectory at 330-753-8429, Monday - Friday, 9 am - 4 pm.