

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF MARY PARISH



January
Month of the
Holy Childhood
of Jesus

January 24, 2021
Third Sunday of 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 Jan 25	Conversion of St. Paul, Apostle	5:30 pm Michelle Hrabusa by Family	Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22; Mk 16:15-18	
Tues Jan 26	Timothy & Titus, Bishops		2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5; Mk 3:31-35	Kenmore Free Store Closed Until Covid Level 2 or below Kenmore Community Meal 5-6:30 pm WH
Wed Jan 27	Angela Merici, Virgin & Religious Founder Anointing of the Sick	5:30 pm Angie Caruso by Family	Heb 10:11-18; Mk 4:1-20	
Thur Jan 28	Thomas Aquinas, Priest & Doctor		Heb 10:19-25; Mk 4:21-25	
Fri Jan 29		5:30 pm Ambrosio Rinaldi & Richard Rea by Ida Rea	Heb 10:32-39; Mk 4:26-34	
Sat Jan 30		5:30 pm People of the Parish	Heb 11:1-2, 8-19; Mk 4:35-41	Kenmore Free Store Closed Until Covid Level 2 or below Confessions 9 - 10 am CH
Sun Jan 31	Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time	8:30 am Bill & Ruth Faix by Bob & Joyce Shorder 11 am Henry Ferrone by Alice Beatty	Dt 18:15-20; 1 Cor 7:32-35; Mk 1:21-28	

Sanctuary Lamp - Special Intention

Holy Family Candle - Special Intention

COLLECTION REPORT

Week Ending	Jan 10	Jan 17
Sunday Offering -	\$3,953.00	\$2,475.00
Daily Offering -	\$841.00	
Christmas -	\$565.00	
Holy Day -	\$36.00	\$5.00
Total	\$5,395.00	\$2,480.00
Weekly operating costs		
Total Budget	\$3,700.00	\$3,700.00
(Shortfall) Overage	\$1,695.00	(\$1,220.00)
St. Vincent de Paul -	\$110.00	\$20.00
Capital Improvements	\$130.00	\$170.00
Other Gifts -	\$70.00	
Diocese Designated -	\$80.00	\$10.00
Envs used of 244 sent	99	50

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!

We are receiving information from the diocese on how to proceed with many of the liturgical events coming up: **Blessing of Throats, Ash Wednesday** and more. As we approach each of these, we will communicate with you in the bulletin and the website about what to expect, so stay tuned.

Blessing of Throats - St. Blaise Day, Wed., Feb. 3rd. There will be **no** individual blessing of throats with crossed candles. Following the General Intercessions, Fr. Mike will extend hands and pray the prayer of blessing over everyone.

Kenmore Community Meal - Take-out meals will be available in front of Waldeisen Hall **this** Tues., Jan. 26th from 5 - 6:30 pm (or until we run out). Menu: creamed chicken over rice, green beans, bread, Gardner's chocolate pecan pie.

The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick will be celebrated this Wed., Jan. 27th at the 5:30 pm Mass. Please follow regular protocols.

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

History of Popes

192 - Pope St. Celestine V - Pope from July 5, 1294 - Dec. 13, 1294, died May 12, 1296. Pietro Angelerio, born in Naples in the year 1215, entered the Benedictines at an early age. He was soon ordained a priest and his life consisted primarily of solitude and penance. He kept a hermitage on Mt. Morrone and was known for wearing a hair shirt, wrapping himself in heavy chains & fasting every day except Sunday. He observed four Lents each year, during three of which he ate only bread & water. While still a monk, Pietro was the founder of a religious order known then as the Hermits of St. Damian. The order grew out of fellow Benedictines being attracted to his intensely ascetical way of life and included 600 men and 36 monasteries by his death. Because Blessed Gregory X had outlawed the creation of any new orders after the Council of Lyon, Pietro convinced the pope to make his order a branch of the Benedictines instead. The order changed its name when Celestine was elected pope, using the suffix "O.S.B. Cel." to identify its monks. The Celestines were active until the 18th century. After the death of Pope Nicholas IV, it took over two years for the cardinals to elect a new pope. Pietro wrote to the Cardinal-bishop of Ostia warning of divine punishment for the Church if a new pontiff wasn't chosen soon. The cardinal took it as providential and proposed the elderly hermit for what would be a short and unusual papacy. Pietro agreed to his election, taking the name Celestine V. Despite his holiness and virtue, Celestine was woefully ill-equipped for the office. Realizing this, he made sure it was legal for a pope to resign before doing so on Dec. 13, 1294. Celestine himself was the inspiration and solace of Pope Benedict XVI, who made a visit to the saint's tomb in 2009 before later resigning himself. Celestine's successor, Pope Boniface VIII, wishing to avoid being viewed as an antipope, had him confined in the Castle of Fumone for the remainder of his life. St. Celestine V died on May 19, 1296 and is buried in Aquila.

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS

The call of the Lord is a wondrous thing. God calls and in faith, we respond. The strength of our faith plays a major role in whether we are able to fulfill God's call and the mission given us. Jonah was called and sent on mission to Nineveh. We read of the success of his mission in the first reading, but the chapters about his lack of faith and his time in the belly of the whale are not part of our first reading. Simon (Peter), Andrew, James and John are called and follow, but we know of the lack of faith in Peter and of the demands by James and John to sit next to Jesus in heaven. All were called, all were flawed. We are called; we are flawed, but as we learn in Scripture, each eventually fulfilled their mission. To what do you think you have been called? What is holding you back? During this time of pandemic, let us use our stewardship of time in prayer to give thanks for the gift of faith & ask for the strength to fulfill the missions given us by the Lord God.

STEWARDSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

The Christ Child Society is in need of baby blankets no larger than 30 x 30" and infant hats. If you knit or crochet, here's a project for you. If you don't, but would like to purchase some, that's great too. Please bring all donations to the rectory and we'll make sure they get where they need to go. 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 330-825-5949 (note corrected phone number) 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.

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.

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.

Subway Gift Cards: Thank you! We have received enough cards to hold us for a while. We'll let you know when we are running low again.

The 2021 Catholic Charities Annual Appeal will take place the weekend of Feb 20-21. More info to come.

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 – Because the virus is still VERY MUCH with us, we can not even begin to guess when it will be safe for workers & guests. With this continued loss of important income, please continue to use your envelopes as faithfully as you have been. You are all amazing!

SVdP Food Pantry – December report: we provided food for 61 people in 17 households.

Acme Cashback – The current earning period has ended and ALL receipts MUST be turned in at the church or rectory by January 31st.

Stay Informed

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

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

Other Events

Mass for the Protection of Life from Conception to natural death; Queen of Heaven, Thurs., Jan. 28, 8 pm followed by All-Night Adoration. Benediction & Rosary, 8 am, Fri. Jan. 29; Mass at 8:30 am. Call 330-605-6366 for info.