

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF MARY PARISH



June
Month of
The Sacred
Heart of Jesus

June 6, 2021

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

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

Date	Observance	Mass Intention	Readings	Event
Mon June 7		5:30 pm Patrick Steurer by Family	2 Cor 1:1-7; Mt 5:1-12	
Tues June 8			2 Cor 1:18-22; Mt 5:13-16	Kenmore Free Store 4 - 7 pm SB
Wed June 9	Ephrem, Deacon & Doctor	5:30 pm Jerry Velloney by Family	2 Cor 3:4-11; Mt 5:17-19	
Thur June 10			2 Cor 3:15 - 4:1, 3-6; Mt 5:20-26	
Fri June 11	The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus	5:30 pm Steve Lauro by Mary Jane Andrews	Hos 11:1, 3-4, 8c-9; Eph 3:8-12, 14-19; Jn 19:31-37	
Sat June 12	The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary	5:30 pm People of the Parish	2 Cor 5:14-21; Lk 2:41-51	Kenmore Free Store 9 am - noon SB Confessions 9 - 10 am CH
Sun June 13	Eleventh Sunday In Ordinary Time	8:30 am Charles & Norma Jackson by Kevin Hudak 11 am Deceased Family Members of Bob & Kathy Doerr	Ez 17:22-24; 2 Cor 5:6-10; Mk 4:26-34	

COLLECTION REPORT

<i>Week Ending</i>	<i>May 23</i>	<i>May 30</i>
Sunday Offering -	\$3,561.00	Due to
Easter Offering -	\$5.00	the early
Total	\$3,566.00	submission
Weekly operating costs	\$3,700.00	of the bulletin,
(Shortfall) Overage	(\$134.00)	the collection
YTD Over (short) -	(\$9,491.44)	report will be
St. Vincent de Paul -	\$20.00	included in
Capital Improvements -	\$20.00	next week's
Debt Reduction -	\$48.00	bulletin
Other Gifts -	\$100.00	
Envs used of 240 sent	54	

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.

Roof Repair: Work will be going on for the next week or so. Please use your Capital Improvement envelopes to help with this important project.

Special Dates for Father Mike

June 7 - Birthday; June 8, 1974 - Ordination Anniversary

Rubber Ducks Outing - Stadiums will soon be at full capacity so talk to family and friends about our Akron Rubber Ducks game on July 23rd. It will be so good to be outside to enjoy a great ball game and fireworks.

Graduating High School & College Students - We'd love to know your future plans so please call, email or drop a note at the rectory to let us know what you'll be doing. We are proud of you!

Kenmore Free Store has reopened! Store hours are: Tuesdays 4 - 7 pm and Saturdays 9 am - noon. Donations may be dropped off in front of the school during store hours only - please place them in the red cart. Protocol - Masks must be worn. Hands must be sanitized as you enter the registration area. Five shoppers allowed in at a time. Shoppers will have 15 minutes to shop & 5 minutes to check out. Please send only one representative per family so we can serve more people.

Rectory Hours: There will be a temporary change in rectory and phone hours on the following days: Wednesday, June 9, Thursday, June 10 and Friday - June 11. Phones will be answered from 9 - 12 & 1 - 4. Rectory hours will be 9 - 4 pm. Monday, June 14 may see a short phone and rectory hour day. We will return to regular phone and office hours, 9 - 5 on Tuesday, June 15. Thank you for understanding.

History of Popes

#197 -Pope Benedict XII - Pope from Dec. 30, 1334 – death, April 25, 1342. Born in the 1280s, Jacques Fournier was a youth when he entered the Cistercian order at the monastery in Boulbonne, France. He was soon moved to Fontfroide where his uncle, Arnold Novelli was the abbot. When Arnold was elevated to cardinal in 1310, Jacques was chosen to take his place although he was still working to earn a doctorate in theology. In 1317, Jacques was made bishop in his home diocese of Palmiers. He spent the next several years rooting out the Catharist heresy – essentially the belief that the “Gods” of the New and Old Testaments were different. He then moved to Mirepoix in 1326. He was made cardinal a year later. A seven-day conclave resulted in the election of Pope Benedict XII. Preferring to use diplomacy as a means of enforcing policy, he was able to negotiate peacefully with Louis of Bavaria for most of his papacy, but found difficulty in mediating between England & France, wherein the Hundred Years’ War was brewing. Unable to move back to Rome as he desired, he commissioned the grand Palais des Papes, the papal castle and historical center of Avignon that still stands today. He resolved Pope John XXII’s Beatific Vision controversy in 1336, by dogmatically defining that the souls of the just see God immediately after death in the apostolic constitution *Benedictus Deus*. Benedict was considered a truly holy & zealous Defender of the Faith. He was best known for reorganizing several offices to employ better men & to clear out bishops, abbots, and other clergy who loitered in Avignon instead of caring for the souls to which they had been entrusted. Benedict hit religious orders hard with reforms, noting how far many had strayed from their original charisms. He died at Avignon and was buried in Avignon Cathedral. What else was going on in the world at the time? The year 1337 marked the end of a devastating famine in China, which had lasted four years & claimed the lives of six million.

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS

Holy Communion, the Body and Blood of Christ, is a tremendous gift from God. It is our spiritual nourishment; food for our souls. As our physical bodies need food (fuel) to operate properly, so too do our spiritual bodies because they are “the subject of human consciousness and freedom, soul and body together form one unique human nature.” (CCC) For our human nature to be healthy and whole, we need to feed both body and soul and because the soul was created by God and is immortal, its source of nourishment comes from God and is God. “To receive Communion is to receive Christ himself who has offered himself for us.” (CCC #1382) Christ is present to us in many ways – His word, the Church’s prayer, the poor and sick, the minister, one another, “but most especially in the Eucharistic species; His Body and Blood” as we are reminded by the Vatican II document *Sacrosanctum Concilium*. The Catholic Encyclopedia states that the “Eucharist is the sacrament of the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ in which He is present under the forms of bread and wine offering Himself in the Sacrifice of the Mass and giving Himself as spiritual food to the faithful.” For us, Communion is not simple bread and wine, but Christ truly present in His Body and Blood. The Council of Trent in 1551 affirmed this teaching stating that in the most blessed sacrament of the Eucharist “the body and blood, together with the soul and divinity of our Lord Jesus Christ and, therefore, the *whole Christ is truly, really and substantially* contained.” Eucharist means “thanksgiving” so when you come to Mass and receive Communion, reflect on & give thanks for the tremendous gift and the loving sacrifice Jesus made for us.

STEWARDSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

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 for information. All stewards are requested to send their email address to cherylyn.gruic@gmail.com to facilitate communications.

Adopt-A-Plot: Would you like a plot to call your own, one that you can weed, plant, mulch and tend? Do you like working outside in the fresh air? Do you like working in the soil? If so, call the rectory and we will set you up! Those who have plots, it’s time to get out to weed and clean up.

Property Beautification: Help is needed to pull out dead shrubbery and clear out the beds in front of the school and the far end of Waldeisen Hall. Call the rectory to share your stewardship.

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.

Housekeeping: Now that the pandemic is receding, the parish rectory is in need of a housekeeping service. Please call the rectory at 330-753-8429 with any referrals. Local service is preferred.

Bingo - Because the virus is still with us, 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!

Catholic Charities Annual Appeal - During June, the Catholic Charities Annual Appeal will raise funds and awareness for Catholic Charities Mental Health & Addiction Services through an online social media campaign. Thanks to a generous donor, all donations will be matched up to \$100,000. Visit CatholicCommunity.org/HEALTH to support these important programs and services across all eight counties in the Diocese of Cleveland!

Community Meal Needs: You all have been so very generous that we have an excess of items so for the time being, we have no needs. Please stay tuned!

Masses - If you would like to schedule a Mass, please call the rectory; the stipend is \$10. The next available dates are: Mon., June 28, Fri., July 2 & Sat., July 3.