

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF MARY PARISH



August
Month of
The Blessed
Sacrament

August 15, 2021

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

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

Date	Observance	Mass Intention	Readings	Event
Mon Aug 16	Stephen of Hungary	5:30 pm Reecia Drexler by William Drexler	Jgs 2:11-19; Mt 19:16-22	R.C.I.A. Info Night 7 pm HH
Tues Aug 17			Jgs 6:11-24a; Mt 19:23-30	Kenmore Free Store 4 - 7 pm SB
Wed Aug 18		5:30 pm Betty Bozsik by Bernie Gnap	Jgs 9:6-15; Mt 20:1-16	
Thur Aug 19	John Eudes, Priest		Jgs 11:29-39a; Mt 22:1-14	
Fri Aug 20	Bernard, Abbot & Doctor	5:30 pm Michael Andrews by Mary Jane Andrews	Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22; Mt 22:34-40	
Sat Aug 21	Pius X, Pope	5:30 pm Jeanne Kovac by mother, Bea Clauss	Ru 2:1-3, 8-11, 4:13-17; Mt 23:1-2	Kenmore Free Store 9 am - noon SB Confessions 9 - 10 am CH
		8:30 am Pat Tomaiko by Joe & Beth Langton 11 am Domenick Felice by John & Cartie Antonelli	Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b; Eph 5:21-32; Jn 6:60-69	
Sun Aug 22	Twenty-First Sunday of Ordinary Time			

COLLECTION REPORT

Week Ending	Aug 1	Aug 8
Sunday Offering -	\$4,047.00	\$4,792.00
Holy Day Offering-	\$10.00	\$20.00
Total	\$4,057.00	\$4,812.00
Weekly operating costs	\$3,600.00	\$3,600.00
(Shortfall) Overage	\$457.00	\$1,212.00
YTD Over (short) -	\$449.00	\$1,661.00
St. Vincent de Paul -	\$130.00	\$75.00
Capital Improvements -	\$395.00	\$5,140.00
Debt Reduction -	\$565.00	\$345.00
Other Gifts -		\$500.00
Envs used of 240 sent	69	89

Stewardship of Treasure: Your parish envelopes are a sign of your willingness to practice the Stewardship of Treasure assuring the continued ministry of Immaculate Conception to the people of Kenmore. If you visit another parish or are not yet coming to Mass, please send in or drop off your envelopes. Thank you.

Roof Repair: The work has begun! Please use your Capital Improvement envelopes to help with this important project.

Masses - If you'd like to schedule a Mass, please call the rectory; the stipend is \$10. The next available dates are: Mon., Aug. 23, Wed., Aug. 25, Fri., Aug. 27, Sat., Aug. 28, Mon., Aug. 30, Wed, Sept. 1, Fri., Sept 3.

R.C.I.A. Info Night #2 will be held **this** Mon., Aug. 16th at 7 pm in Hitch Hall (under the church). R.C.I.A. stands for Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults & is the process used by the Catholic Church to bring people into the Church. Do you know someone who has shown interest in the Catholic faith, been asking questions or has told you they want to become Catholic? If so, be sure to tell them about this Information Night, extend an invitation and come with them to offer support & encouragement. This is for people never baptized, those baptized in another tradition and uncatechized Catholics who have not completed their Sacraments of Initiation. Let's build up the Body of Christ!

AFE – We're finalizing plans for the 2021-22 sessions of **Adult Faith Enrichment** and we hope you will join us to learn more about your Catholic faith.

Bingo will be back starting October 6! We will need floor workers, bingo callers and instant ticket sellers. If you are able to share your stewardship, please call the rectory. With this continued loss of important income, please continue to use your envelopes as faithfully as you have been. You are all amazing!

Liturgical Ministers – We are in great need of Lectors, Ministers of Hospitality and Servers. To share your stewardship in these ministries, please call the rectory.

History of Popes

#206 – Martin V - Pope from Nov. 11, 1417 – death, Feb. 20, 1431. Odo Colonna descended from two powerful Roman families -- the Colonnas and the Contis. The Colonna family itself included 27 cardinals before Odo. He held numerous offices throughout his life before becoming the first in his line to ascend all the way to the Chair of Peter. His support of Antipope John XXIII during the Western Schism got him excommunicated by Gregory XII, but in the time between Gregory's resignation and his own election, Odo was reconciled to Rome. Odo was elected unanimously at the Council of Constance on the Feast of St. Martin of Tours and took the name Martin in honor of the great soldier-saint. Merely a cardinal-deacon, he was ordained a priest two days after his election and consecrated a bishop the following day. Rome was in pieces and was all but uninhabitable, so Martin spent his first couple of years in office on a tour of Europe. This time was spent reclaiming lands & allegiance for the true papacy, mending the many broken fences from four decades of Western Schism. Due to Rome's horrible condition, he faced considerable pressure to move the Holy See elsewhere. However, Martin insisted, saying: "In Rome alone is the pope at his post, like the pilot at the helm of a vessel." He continued the work after moving to Rome for good in 1420, working tirelessly to restore deteriorated churches, bridges, and palaces, appointing Roman citizens to oversee the city cleanup and rebuilding efforts. He commissioned cardinals to bankroll the repair of their titular churches and saw great success. Martin is credited for laying the groundwork of the Roman Renaissance due to his use of master artists and builders from the famous Tuscan School. His impact was felt for centuries afterward. What else was going on in the world at the time? The late 1420s marked the inexplicable rise and conquest of the French army over many English strongholds, led by the diminutive teenager St. Joan of Arc. Despite winning the Siege of Orléans in 1429, Joan was captured the following spring. She would be tried and condemned unjustly to death, being burned at the stake just months after Pope Martin V's own death.

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS

In our Gospel, we hear the beautiful words of Mary's Magnificat in which she proclaims the greatness of the Lord and acknowledges the great things the Almighty has done for her. How often do we give praise to God and acknowledge all God has done for us? Mary also recalls all God has done for the lowly and the hungry, how God has shown mercy on those who fear Him, scattered the proud and cast down the mighty. We are the Children of God; created in the image of God and it is our responsibility to care for those in need, speak on behalf of the powerless and work for justice – This is our call to stewardship. How are you using your time, talent & treasure to carry on the mission given you by God? How do the words of the Magnificat speak to you?

STEWARDSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

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 do not drop off cards from various charitable/religious organizations.

In His Name: School supplies to be distributed through the Free Store and the SVdP Food Pantry.

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.

Kenmore Free Store: Store hours are Tuesdays 4 – 7 pm & Saturdays 9 am – noon. **Protocol:** Masks should be worn if you have not been fully vaccinated. Sanitizer will be available. There is no longer a limit on the number of shoppers allowed in the store at once nor on the time they can shop. Donations may be dropped off in front of the school during store hours only – please place them in the red cart.

Community Meal Needs – Canned fruit and canned potatoes.

Adopt-A-Plot: Thank you to all – the property is looking great! We do have some spots that need attention so call the rectory if you would like to help.

Acme Cashback is back! Check the posters at the doors of the church for participating brands and help the parish by purchasing these brands. Look at the donation list for the Community Meal and help them and the parish at the same time!

Other Events

• **Volunteer Opportunity:** St. Mary School, Akron, provides a quality education for a diverse student population mostly from families below the poverty level. Students face many challenges and need assistance with homework & basic skills. The St. Mary Enrichment Center needs adults, and college & high school students for After School Tutoring on Thursday afternoons from 3:15 to 4:15 p.m. Tutor Orientation will be Sept. 9 at 3:30 pm and Tutoring begins Sept. 16. To volunteer, contact Deb Sesek at debsesek@gmail.com or 234-206-1069.

• **Christ Child Society of Akron (CCSA)** has served local children & families for over 60 years through loving, compassionate & hands-on service in support of basic human needs. We'd love to have you join us! Applications are available through <https://tinyurl.com/w6nz66fj> or by contacting Lori Phillips, 330-608-1920. For more info on the Christ Child Society, visit christchildsofakron.org.

• **3rd Annual Cleveland Catholic Women's Conference:** Sat., Oct. 9th, Hilton Garden Inn & Conference Center, Mayfield, Ohio. Speakers include Sarah Swafford, Mother Jeanette of the Mercedarian Sisters of Cleveland, Maggie Craig, and musicians Kira and Jeff Andrea. The day includes Mass with Bishop Malesic, and opportunities for prayer, confession, Eucharistic adoration, and forming friendships with other women of faith. Visit www.clecatholicwomen.org to register or for info. Cost is \$45 per person (\$25 for students, free for religious.) AM 1260 The Rock will be broadcasting live. For more info, contact Jen Ricard, Chairperson at 330-687-3885 or jenricard@tobcle.org or Bernadette Boguski at 216-618-6677 or bboguski@am1260therock.com.