

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF MARY PARISH



August
Month of
The Blessed
Sacrament

August 22, 2021
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 23	Rose of Lima, Virgin	5:30 pm Dorothy Gabelman by Family	1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10; Mt 23:13-22	
Tues Aug 24	Bartholomew, Apostle		Rv 21:9b-14; Jn 1:45-51	Kenmore Free Store 4 - 7 pm SB
Wed Aug 25	Louis, Joseph Calasanz, Priest	5:30 pm Annie & Joe Gnap by Bernie Gnap	1 Thes 2:9-13; Mt 23:27-32	Anointing of the Sick
Thur Aug 26			1 Thes 3:7-13; Mt 24:42-51	
Fri Aug 27	Monica	5:30 pm Frank Archual, Jr. by Marilyn Costanzo	1 Thes 4:1-8; Mt 25:1-13	
Sat Aug 28	Augustine, Bishop & Doctor	5:30 pm People of the Parish	1 Thes 4:9-11; Mt 25:14-30	Kenmore Free Store 9 am - noon SB Confessions 9 - 10 am CH
Sun Aug 29	Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time	8:30 am Joseph & Ruth Buhalak by Family 11 am Ronald & Lillian Eggert Bob & Theresa Heim by Family	Dt 4:1-2, 6-8; Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27; Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23	

COLLECTION REPORT

Week Ending	Aug 8	Aug 15
Sunday Offering -	\$4,792.00	\$3,428.25
Daily Offering -		\$45.00
Holy Day Offering-	\$20.00	\$455.00
Total	\$4,812.00	\$3,928.25
Weekly operating costs	\$3,600.00	\$3,600.00
(Shortfall) Overage	\$1,212.00	\$328.25
YTD Over (short) -	\$1,661.00	\$1,989.25
St. Vincent de Paul -	\$75.00	
Capital Improvements -	\$5,140.00	\$670.00
Debt Reduction -	\$345.00	\$150.00
Other Gifts -	\$500.00	
Envs used of 240 sent	89	75

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.

Masses - If you'd like to schedule a Mass, please call the rectory; the stipend is \$10. The next available dates are: Mon., Sept. 6, Fri., Sept. 10, Fri., Sept. 17, Mon., Sept. 20, Wed., Sept. 22 Fri., Sept 24.

The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick will be celebrated this Wed., August 25th at the 5:30 pm Mass.

Community Meal will be available for take-out on Tuesday, August 31st from 5 pm till we run out (usually quickly). Menu: pulled pork, potato salad, possibly fruit and cornbread, brownies

AFE – How much do you know about Fulton Sheen, Flannery O'Connor, G.K. Chesterton or Michelangelo? How well do you understand the priestly, prophetic and kingly mission you were give at Baptism? Come to Adult Faith Enrichment to find out! Schedules and registration forms will be out soon.

Bingo will be back starting October 6! We really need the income we receive from Bingo and we hope to reopen on October 6th, but we need your help – we can't do it without you. Please consider sharing your stewardship in our Bingo program. We have many different positions so call the rectory to find out about them. I.C. Spirit – catch it!

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.

Roof Repair: The roof has been repaired and a blocked drain that dropped water into Waldeisen Hall has been cleared! Trimming on the sides of the building still needs to be completed. Please use your Capital Improvement envelopes to help with this project.

History of Popes

#207 – Eugene IV - Pope from Mar. 3, 1431 – death, Feb. 23, 1447. Gabriele Condulmer was born in 1383 to a wealthy Venetian family. Despite rugged good looks, a commanding presence, and a hefty inheritance as a young man, Gabriele opted for poverty, giving away his possessions and entering Venice’s Augustinian monastery of St. George. His uncle, Pope Gregory XII, made Gabriele a cardinal in 1408 and assigned him to the titular church of St. Clement in Rome. He also served as papal legate for Pope Martin V. He was quickly elected pope following Martin’s death. It’s thought that he took the name Eugene IV because he anticipated a rough time in office and chose to honor Pope Eugene III, a pontiff who also presided over stormy times. As pope, he fought constantly to affirm the pope’s right over the whole Church as it was widely held that a General Council had more sway. Eugene is remembered for his personal piety and remarkable heart of service. Continuing the simple life of a monk even while he was pope, he would openly welcome visitors to his residence & often had no money to his name because of his great generosity. The writer, Vespasiano, recounts a time when the pope began a public prayer and, “Nothing was heard but loud sobbing, so overwhelming was the impression made by the majesty and the piety of the Vicar of Christ, who, in truth, seemed to be He whom he represented.” The pope was nearly killed at one point and was forced to flee Rome in disguise in 1434. He lived in exile in Florence for nearly a decade, making the most of his time there by continuing the work of Martin V by encouraging the burgeoning Renaissance wherever possible. One of Eugene’s famous writings is a papal bull opposing slavery (*Sicut Dudum*; January 13, 1435). A bishop in the Canary Islands reported that several groups had enslaved many of the natives by “taking advantage of their simplicity.” Eugene railed strongly against the practice and commanded that all slaves be released within two weeks of the letter’s publishing, proclaiming that the captors’ very salvation hinged on it. Though a new antipope, Felix V, had come on the scene, all of Christendom was united under the true pope by the time of Eugene’s death. He died February 23, 1447 and was buried in St. Peter’s. His remains were later moved to San Salvatore in Lauro, a small church across the Tiber River. What else was going on in the world at the time? In 1443, Vlad II Dracul began ruling the region of Wallachia in modern day Romania for the second time. Vlad II is particularly notable for being the father of Vlad the Impaler, better known as Dracula.

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS

In our reading from Joshua, we hear these important words, “As for me and my household, we will serve the Lord.” That sentence appears on home décor in many households and is a wonderful reminder to those in the home of their responsibility to serve the Lord, but how do we do that? To serve the Lord means that the Lord comes first in our lives – before spouse or children – for it is only by knowing, loving and serving God that we know how to love and serve others. To serve the Lord means to live by Gospel values, to follow the teachings and example of Jesus, to care for the poor, to speak up for the powerless & work for justice. To serve the Lord means to use our time, talent & treasure to hand on the faith, to share the Good News with others, to participate in the Sacraments and to give ourselves over to God in prayer & worship. To serve the Lord means that others will know the Lord through the things we say and do everyday. To serve the Lord means that we are focused on the things of heaven, not of earth – of eternal life, not the temporary pleasures & temptations of this life. To serve the Lord means we are not swayed nor compromised by secular values and opinions and that we live with joy and hope because Jesus is Lord. “As for me and my household, we will serve the Lord.” How are we doing?

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 by all in the store. 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 & 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

• **Retrouvaille**, which means rediscovery, is supported by the Diocese of Cleveland and is open to couples of all faiths who seek healing in their marital relationship. This program consists of a weekend experience for couples and six follow up sessions. The next local weekend is Sept 10 – 12. A registration fee of \$150 is required to confirm your reservation. For more info concerning the program, or to register, please call Marce or Liz Gliha at 440-357-6580 or 1-800-470-2230 or visit www.helpourmarriage.org.