



January
Month of the
Holy Childhood
of Jesus

January 30, 2022

Fourth 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 Jan 31	John Bosco, Priest	5:30 pm Recovery from Surgery for John Sboray by the Kovalchin Family	2 Sm 15:13-14, 30, 16:5-13; Mk 5:1-20	
Tues Feb 1			2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30 – 19:30; Mk 5:21-43	Kenmore Free Store 4 – 7 pm SB
Wed Feb 2	Presentation of the Lord Blessing of Throats	5:30 pm Dorothy Gabelman by Family	Mal 3:1-4; Heb 2:14-18; Lk 2:22-40	
Thur Feb 3	Blaise, Bishop & Martyr		1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12; Mk 6:7-13	
Fri Feb 4		5:30 pm Annie & Joe Gnap by Bernie Gnap	Sir 47:2-11; Mk 6:14-29	
Sat Feb 5	Agatha, Virgin & Martyr	5:30 pm Philip Rohr by Lawrence Rohr	1 Kgs 3:4-13; Mk 6:30-34	Confessions 9 am CH Kenmore Free Store 9 am – noon SB
Sun Feb 6	Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time	8:30 am People of the Parish 11 am Cliff Wyncki by Richard & Wink Bandelow	Is 6:1-2a, 3-8; 1 Cor 15:1-11; Lk 5:1-11	

Sanctuary Lamp - Special Intention

Holy Family Candle - Special Intention

COLLECTION REPORT

Week Ending	Jan 16	Jan 23
Sunday Offering -	\$4,188.00	\$1,521.00
Holy Day -	\$30.00	
Total	\$4,218.00	\$1,521.00
Weekly operating costs	\$3,600.00	\$3,600.00
(Shortfall) Overage	\$618.00	(\$2,079.00)
YTD Over (short) -	(\$154.25)	(\$2,233.25)
St. Vincent De Paul -	\$70.00	\$10.00
Capital Improvement -	\$800.00	\$13.00
Diocese Designated -	\$29.00	\$48.00
Envs used of 240 sent	59	33

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: Weekdays: Feb. 7, 9, 11, 16, 18; Saturdays, Feb. 12 & 19, 5:30 pm; Sundays, Feb 13, 11 am, Feb 20, 8:30 am.

To receive your 2021 Contribution Statement, call the rectory at 330-753-8429, Monday - Friday, 9 am - 4 pm.

In honor of St. Blaise, the **Blessing of Throats** will be offered at the 5:30 pm Mass on Weds., Feb 2nd.

A FE - There are NO Adult Faith Enrichment sessions in January or February. See you in March.

Synod Listening Session - Watch the bulletin for dates in February. We'll keep the numbers low for the safety of our parishioners.

Heart of a Shepherd - You all are amazing! The goal set by the diocese for our parish was \$36,942 and we were just informed that our pledges have reached \$48,665 – 132%! Thank you so much for your generosity to this campaign.

Due to the alarming rise in **COVID** cases and the contagious nature of Omicron, Bishop Malesic is strongly urging us to wear masks at Mass – daily and weekly. Visitors: You are welcome, but please know that regardless of the protocols at your home parish, you must wear a mask here at I.C. We also ask that you wear a mask when coming to Confession.

The 2022 **Catholic Charities In-Pew Appeal** will be conducted the weekend of Feb. 19 & 20. This year's theme is "Be the Light".

Stay informed, visit www.ickenmore.org for parish updates, announcements, pictures and more.

History of Popes

#223 – Paul IV - Pope from May 23, 1555 – death, Aug. 18, 1559. Giovanni Pietro Caraffa born in Naples on June 28, 1476, was brought into the papal court for the first time at age 18 by his uncle, Cardinal Oliviero Caraffa. He was then sent to England by Pope Leo X, after which he served as nuncio to Spain for several years. Giovanni preferred the quiet, ascetic life of a monk, so in 1524 with Pope Clement VII's permission, he entered the Theatines, an order of priests founded by St. Cajetan. Twelve years later, Pope Paul III called the order back to Rome, promoted Giovanni to cardinal and named him Archbishop of Naples. He was an avid reader of St. Thomas Aquinas, was "rigidly orthodox," and assisted Pope Paul in all areas of church reform. It would seem that, taking the name Paul IV, Giovanni accepted the papacy out of spite for Emperor Charles V. It's thought that the 79-year-old Paul would have turned down his election if the emperor's legate hadn't made it clear that Charles was intent on forbidding Paul to become the next pope. Paul was focused on internal reform of the Church, but was a rather harsh and unbending interpreter of Church law. His merit-based appointments and demands that bishops physically reside in their dioceses were among Paul's positive changes, but his rash decisions driven by personal prejudice, like establishing a ghetto for Roman Jews and forbidding the collection of alms at Mass, were not well-received. Another mistake was elevating his nephew, Carlo Caraffa, to the cardinalate. Caraffa recognized that his uncle wouldn't be in office long, so he set out to pad his own pockets at any cost. To make matters worse, Paul appeared to have been particularly susceptible to manipulation by Caraffa due to both his hatred of the emperor and his obsession with reforming the Church. Thankfully, before his death, Paul recognized his error and the cardinal-nephew was publicly shamed by the pope and stripped entirely of his responsibilities. Unlike his many predecessors, Paul IV was no friend of the arts. He had Michelangelo's pension removed, demanded that he cover up the nudes of the Sistine Chapel's *The Last Judgment* and supposedly even talked of having the chapel's ceiling whitewashed! Following his death, a statue honoring Paul IV was decapitated and the head thrown into the Tiber within a few months after being built. What else was going on in the world at the time? In 1556, the Jesuits introduced India to the printing press, building its first one at St. Paul's College in Goa.

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS

We usually associate our second reading with the sacrament of marriage, however the commentary in the missalette reminds us of the real reason Paul wrote the letter: division. We all argue and disagree from time to time, but when this leads to division it becomes much more serious, even dangerous. Look at what is happening in our country today. Debates have become dysfunctional; opinions have set people against one another to the point of rioting and destruction. There certainly doesn't seem to be much love – not even like! St. Paul reminds us that love is patient and kind. During this time of unrest and COVID, we've seen a shortage in both. Love doesn't seek its own interests, is not quick-tempered and does not rejoice in wrongdoing. Seems that we're not terribly interested in the needs of others and enjoy it when they're wrong and we're right. This is not how we were created by our God. What has happened to us as the Children of God? Let us take some stewardship of time in prayer and reflection to think about our attitudes and actions and let us keep focused not on things of this world, but on the things of heaven.

STEWARDSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Subway Cards – We've had quite a few people come to the rectory door in need of food & our card supply is getting low. We'd love to get more \$5 & \$10 cards so that we can continue to feed the hungry. Drop donations in the collection basket or at the rectory. Thank you.

Church Housekeeping: Can you give the parish a couple hours once a month to help keep the church clean? We could use a couple more people to fill in when needed. Call Cherylyn at 330-825-5949 for more information.

In His Name: Warm socks for Project Hope at Hoban High School and scarves, gloves, hats, toiletries, etc. 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 do not drop off cards from charitable/religious organizations.

Needed: Able-bodied parishioners to help with snow removal. Shoveling, use of snow blowers will be necessary. Please call the rectory to sign up.

The Kenmore Free Store - Store hours are Tuesdays 4 – 7 pm & Saturdays 9 am – noon. Protocol: Masks **must** be worn by everyone in the store. Sanitizer will be available. Donations may be placed in the red cart in front of the school during store hours only.

Other Events

Volunteer Opportunity: Hospice of the Western Reserve. Volunteers are needed to serve patients at the Hospice Houses, in their own homes, & area nursing homes/assisted living facilities. There are also many new virtual and face-to-face opportunities at the newly reopened Medina Inpatient Unit and at Life's Treasures Thrift Shop. Other opportunities include Veterans Serving Veterans, Attorney, Notary and Licensed Hairdresser. Virtual training series are held every month for new volunteers. Prospective volunteers may register for training once prerequisites are met. For more information, contact us at 216-255-9090 or fill out an online application at hospicewr.org/volunteer.