



## February 27, 2022

### Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

| Date          | Observance                  | Mass Intention  | Readings  | Event  |
|---------------|-----------------------------|---|---|--|
| Mon<br>Feb 28 |                             | 5:30 pm<br><b>Frank Archual, Jr.</b><br>by Helen Czuchan  | 1 Pt 1:3-9;<br>Mk 10:17-27                          |  |
| Tues<br>Mar 1 |                             |   | 1 Pt 1:10-16;<br>Mk 10:28-31                        | <b>Kenmore Free Store</b><br>4 - 7 pm SB                                     |
| Wed<br>Mar 2  | Ash Wednesday               | 5:30 pm<br><b>Deceased Members of<br/>Mother Mary's Music Makers</b><br>by MMMM   | Jl 2:12-18;<br>2 Cor 5:20 - 6:2;<br>Mt 6:1-6, 16-18 |  |
| Thur<br>Mar 3 | Katharine Drexel,<br>Virgin |   | Dt 30:15-20;<br>Lk 9:22-25                          | <b>Adult Faith Enrichment</b><br>7 pm WH                                     |
| Fri<br>Mar 4  | Casimir                     | 5:30 pm<br><b>John, Ann Marie &amp; Beth Ann Kovalchin</b><br>by Family   | Is 58:1-9a;<br>Mt 9:14-15                           |  |
| Sat<br>Mar 5  |                             | 5:30 pm<br><b>People of the Parish</b>  | Is 58:9b-14;<br>Lk 5:27-32                          | <b>Confessions</b><br>9 am CH<br><b>Kenmore Free Store</b><br>9 am - noon SB |
| Sun<br>Mar 6  | First Sunday<br>of Lent     | 8:30 am<br><b>Deceased Members of<br/>The Altar &amp; Rosary Society</b><br>11 am<br><b>Ralph &amp; Ina Keegan</b><br>by Pauline & Maryanne Kovalchin | Dt 26:4-10;<br>Rom 10:8-13;<br>Lk 4:1-13            |  |

**Sanctuary Lamp - Special Intention**

**Holy Family Candle - Special Intention**

### COLLECTION REPORT

| Week Ending            | Feb 13              | Feb 20              |
|------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Sunday Offering -      | \$4,466.00          | \$2,526.00          |
| Daily Offering -       | \$30.00             |                     |
| <b>Total</b>           | <b>\$4,496.00</b>   | <b>\$2,526.00</b>   |
| Weekly operating costs | <u>\$3,600.00</u>   | <u>\$3,600.00</u>   |
| (Shortfall) Overage    | <b>\$896.00</b>     | <b>(\$1,074.00)</b> |
| YTD Over (short) -     | <b>(\$2,748.75)</b> | <b>(\$3,822.75)</b> |
| St. Vincent De Paul -  | \$200.00            | \$865.00            |
| Capital Improvement -  | \$30.00             | \$680.00            |
| Debt Reduction -       | \$115.00            |                     |
| Diocese Designated -   | \$10.00             | \$15.00             |
| Envs used of 240 sent  | 74                  | 57                  |

**Stewardship of Treasure:** Your parish envelopes are a sign of your willingness to practice the Stewardship of Treasure assuring the continued ministry of our parish 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.

Thank you to all who participated in the 2022 **Catholic Charities In-Pew Appeal** last weekend. If you wish make a donation either online or through the mail, please visit [www.ccdocle.org](http://www.ccdocle.org) for instructions. Be sure to mark Immaculate Conception - Akron as your home parish. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

**AFE** - We will gather **this** Thursday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> in Waldeisen Hall to view and discuss Part 1 of Bishop Barron's series Jesus: Priest, Prophet, King. We will also view Bishop Sheen's Life Worth Living - The Meaning of Love. Masks must be worn. Bring your own beverage/snack; coffee will be served. Doors will open at 6:45 pm.

**99<sup>th</sup> Parish Anniversary** - March 23<sup>rd</sup>. Stay tuned for more information

**Synod Listening Session** - Pope Francis wants to hear from you about how the Holy Spirit is moving in the Church. Every Catholic parish is to participate. Sessions will be held in Hitch Hall - masks required. Sessions consist of listening, reflection & discussion and takes about 1½ - 2 hours. Session dates: Tues., March 8 at 1 pm; Sun., March 13<sup>th</sup> at 12:30 pm; Wed., March 16<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm; Thurs., March 24 at 1 pm; Mon., March 28<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm. Folks, **this is important**. Please take this seriously and make your RSVP to the rectory at 330-753-8429.

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

#### Family News Corner

Welcome to the **Markie Family**: Kyle, Brittany, Jacob & Lily! So glad you are now part of the I.C. Family.

## History of Popes

#227 – **Sixtus V** - Pope from April 24, 1585 – death, August 27, 1590. Felice Peretti lived a full & diverse existence before becoming pope at the age of 64. His family had fled Dalmatia to escape the Turks. His father was a gardener and Felice cared for swine in his youth. He entered the Franciscans at 12 and was ordained a priest at 26. In Rome, he was renowned for his preaching, a skill which introduced him to future popes, Paul IV & St. Pius V, in 1552. He was well acquainted with St. Ignatius & St. Philip Neri, as well. In 1566, Pope St. Pius V made Felice his personal confessor. He had a stormy relationship with Pope Gregory XIII, borne out of their opposing views on Spanish politics. Recognizing that Felice was born to lead, it took the cardinals just four days to elect him as pontiff. Taking the name Sixtus, his five years in office were full of his characteristic vigor and energy for the continued reform of the Church. He avoided nepotism at all costs, sealed the number of cardinals at 70 and further cemented Rome as the center of Church affairs. Though he tended to be stubborn and severe in his demeanor, his papacy was of great benefit to the Church at large. Pope Sixtus V is best known for bringing law, order & restoration to Rome at a time when chaos ran rampant. Bands of men, numbering in the thousands, terrorized Rome and the surrounding countryside. After putting down this lawlessness, Sixtus set to work rebuilding the Lateran Palace and constructing the Vatican Library, the dome of St. Peter's Basilica, an aqueduct, and the papal apartments among others. The tradition of *ad limina* visits, in which a bishop visits Rome every five years to give an account of the state of his diocese, was begun by Pope Sixtus V and continues to this day. What else was going on in the world at the time? In 1587, the despotic Queen Elizabeth I of England had her cousin, Mary, Queen of Scots, beheaded in Fotheringhay Castle for supposedly plotting to kill Elizabeth.

### STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS

St. Paul writes, "...be firm, steadfast, always fully devoted to the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord your labor is not in vain." What is the work of the Lord? It's sharing the Good News of Jesus Christ; sharing our faith with others to build up the Body of Christ. How do we do that? By being faithful in prayer & worship, we set an example. By helping those in need, giving comfort, lending an ear, bringing a meal, writing a letter, we set an example. By sharing our time, talent and treasure, we set an example. By standing for the powerless and working for justice, we set an example. By being humble and kind, merciful and forgiving, we set an example and all of these examples show others how a disciple and steward of Jesus Christ looks and acts. Let us all be devoted to the work of the Lord every day, in every way.

### STEWARDSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

**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.

**Community Meal Needs:** Canned frosting, brownie mixes, boxed potato flakes, beef stock or broth, chicken stock or broth.

**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.

**Liturgical Ministers:** Need Lector and Ministers of Hospitality for Ash Wednesday 5:30 pm Mass.

**Masses** - If you'd like to schedule a Mass, please call the rectory; the stipend is \$10. The next available dates are: Weekdays: Mar. 9, 11, 14, 16, 18, 21; Saturdays: Mar. 19 & 26, 5:30 pm; Sundays, Mar. 13, 11 am; Mar. 20, 8:30 am; Mar. 27, 8:30 & 11 am.

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.

Stay informed, visit [www.ickenmore.org](http://www.ickenmore.org) for parish updates, announcements, pictures and more.

### **Lent begins this Wednesday**

The 3 pillars of **Lent** are: prayer, fasting & almsgiving.

**Prayer** – Read the daily Mass readings, sign up to receive a daily reflection at [lentreflections.com](http://lentreflections.com) or [dynamiccatholic.com](http://dynamiccatholic.com), attend daily Mass, make a Holy Hour, go to confession. Make **Fridays** special by worshipping at the 5:30 pm Mass, staying for private prayer time from 6 – 6:30 pm & then praying the Stations of the Cross at 6:30 pm.

**Fasting** - Ash Wednesday & Good Friday are days of fast & abstinence. Fasting is obligatory for all between 18 & 59 years old, allowing a person to eat one full meal, two smaller meals, not to equal one full meal with no in-between meal snacks. Abstinence (from meat and meat products) is obligatory beginning at age 14. Fridays in Lent are days of complete abstinence.

**Almsgiving** – Rice bowl containers are available at all doors of the church. Your Lenten alms will help Catholic Relief Services (CRS) fight hunger and poverty here at home and around the world. Your donations will make a difference!

### *Other Events*

• **Pre-Cana Day:** Sat., Mar. 12<sup>th</sup>, 8 am – 7 pm, St. Mary, Hudson. This day is for engaged couples preparing for marriage in the Catholic Church. Cost is \$95 per couple. To register, visit [www.stmaryhudson.cc/marriage](http://www.stmaryhudson.cc/marriage). Deadline is March 5<sup>th</sup>.