

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

Date	Observance	Mass Intention	Readings	Event
Mon Apr 18		5:30 pm Health of Father Mike by Kovalchin Family	Acts 2:14, 22-33; Mt 28:8-15	
Tues Apr 19			Acts 2:36-41; Jn 20:11-18	Kenmore Free Store 4 - 7 pm SB
Wed Apr 20		5:30 pm Bob Johnson by Fr. Mike	Acts 3:1-10; Lk 24:13-35	
Thur Apr 21			Acts 3:11-26; Lk 24:35-48	
Fri Apr 22		5:30 pm Ed Grannon by Joe & Beth Langton	Acts 4:1-12; Jn 21:1-14	
Sat Apr 23		5:30 pm Ed & Martha Blondin by Joe & Beth Langton	Acts 4:13-21; Mk 16:9-15	Confessions 9 - 10 am CH Kenmore Free Store 9 am - noon SB
	Second Sunday of Easter	8:30 am Joe & Annie Gnap by Bernie Gnap 11 am Lillian & Ronald Eggert Bob & Theresa Heim by Larry & Joyce Eggert	Acts 5:12-16; Rev 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19; Jn 20:19-31	
Sun Apr 24	Divine Mercy Sunday			

Sanctuary Lamp - Health of Father Mike

Holy Family Candle - Special Intention

COLLECTION REPORT

Week Ending	Apr 3	Apr 10
Sunday Offering -	\$5,110.00	Due to the
Easter Offering -	\$20.00	early submission
Daily Offering -	\$52.00	of the bulletin,
Total	\$5,182.00	last week's
Weekly operating costs	\$3,600.00	information
(Shortfall) Overage	\$1,582.00	will appear
YTD Over (short) -	(\$4,591.65)	in next week's
St. Vincent De Paul -	\$190.00	bulletin
Capital Improvement -	\$240.00	
Debt Reduction -	\$265.00	
Envs used of 240 sent	73	

Stewardship of Treasure: If you look at the Collection Report, you'll see that we have fallen behind on our YTD goal – the bad weather weekends really affected us. 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 Appeal**. If you wish to make a donation, visit www.ccdocle.org for instructions. Be sure to mark Immaculate Conception – Akron as your home parish.

Anniversary Committee

As we move into our 100th year, we're forming a committee charged with planning & implementing events for the parish. If you would like to share your stewardship and help out, please call the rectory at 330-753-8429. Let's come together to worship, celebrate and have some fun – we need it! Our first meeting will be Wed., April 27th at 6:30 pm in Hitch Hall.

Baptism Class

The next class will be held **this** Tuesday, April 19th at 7 pm in the St. Augustine Rectory. This is a requirement for parents seeking baptism for their children.

Community Meal

Our next take-out meal will be available on Tuesday, Apr. 26th beginning at 5 pm. Be there early – we run out quickly! Menu: Creamed chicken, mashed potatoes, corn, fruit, bread, brownies.

Parish Pastoral Council will meet Tuesday, Apr. 26th at 7 pm in Hitch Hall.

Thank you to all who made our **Palm Sunday Bake Sale** a success: our bakers, committee members and helpers, and those who donated raffle items. Special thanks to Beth Langton & Lorie Papp. This parish rocks! I.C. Spirit – Catch it!

Easter Sunday Reflection from The Word Among Us

For all the "Alleluias" we will sing at Mass today, there is an unsettling lack of finality in the Gospel reading. With Mary Magdalene, we discover an empty tomb. With Peter and John, we run to that tomb only to find burial cloths and with them we come away with more questions than answers. Where's the joy? Where are the alleluias? St. Paul gives us a clue in the second reading. "Seek what is above", he tells us. We've already been raised with Jesus; now is the time to seek out a personal encounter with him. Don't just wait for the Lord to appear. Go and look for Him. Be like Mary Magdalene, who wouldn't rest until she found the One she was looking for. She was privileged to be the first person to see the risen Lord. Be like the disciples on the road to Emmaus, who listened intently as Jesus spoke to them. Their hearts began to burn, and they recognized him as he broke bread with them. Even be like Thomas, who insisted on having his own personal encounter with the Lord. He ended up proclaiming "My Lord and my God!" Seek the Lord today. Cry out "Glory to God!" with all your heart. As you renew your baptismal promises, proclaim, "I do!" with firm conviction. Pray, "only say the word and my soul shall be healed", trusting that Jesus really has saved you. Christ is risen. He has defeated death. He has done everything that you could never do in order to rescue you. Now he asks you to do the one thing he cannot do for you: seek Him. He promises that if you do, you will find him. Upon finding him, you will join the angels and saints in their unending "Alleluia!" *Jesus, fill me with your joy today!*

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS

He is Risen, Alleluia! Can you imagine after all the events that occurred from Palm Sunday's exultant, triumphant entry into Jerusalem, through the Last Supper, arrest and "trial" of Jesus on Holy Thursday, onto the sentencing and execution on Good Friday – you go to the tomb to anoint the body and it's gone! What else could possibly happen? RESURRECTION!!! Jesus, fulfilling His mission to the very end has been raised up from the dead opening the gates of heaven to all believers. His victory over sin and death allows us to experience everlasting life with him in heaven. There is no better Good News. Let us boldly share this Good News with others and witness to our faith every day. Happy Easter!

STEWARDSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

In His Name: Toiletries 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: Green beans, corn, noodles, beef broth or stock, brownie or cake mixes, canned frosting, canned mushrooms.

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.

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.

Do you know of someone who has been away from the Church or is shut-in and can't get to Mass? Please let us know so we can reach out to connect with them.

Masses - If you'd like to schedule a Mass, please call the rectory; the stipend is \$10. The next available dates are: Weekdays: Apr. 25, 29, May 2, 6, 9, 16, 18, 20; Saturdays: Apr. 30, May 7, 28, 5:30 pm; Sundays, May 1, 8, 22, 29, 8:30 am, May 22, 11 am.

Low Gluten Host - If you have difficulty with gluten, we have low gluten hosts. Please let us know when you arrive for Mass and we'll explain the procedure.

Activity Survey - We'd like to know what types of activities you'd like to see the parish sponsor during our 100th year. Please pick up a survey at the doors of the church, check off the activities you'd participate in or add some & turn it in to the rectory or in the collection.

Rice Bowl - If you have not yet turned in your Rice Bowl alms, please do so by this Wednesday, Apr. 20th.

The Kenmore Free Store - Store hours are Tuesdays from 4 - 7 pm & Saturdays from 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.

Council Nominations - Parish Council Nomination forms are available at all doors of the church. Please consider serving on this important leadership council.

Other Events

• **Divine Mercy Service:** Sunday, Apr. 24, 2:30 pm, Queen of Heaven Parish, Uniontown. Service will include: Prayer Service with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Chaplet of Divine Mercy, Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament and Veneration of the Divine Mercy Image, followed by a social gathering. Prayer Service will be livestreamed on the parish website at www.queenofheavenparish.org/mass-livestream.

• **Couples Day Out** (for married & engaged couples) Sat., April 30, 9 am - 1 pm, St. Sebastian Church. Cost: \$25 per person. Light snack & beverage provided.

• **Loyola Retreat House:** For info or to register for events, visit www.loyolaretreathouse.com or call 330-896-2315.

Mom's Day of Prayer - Tues., May 17, 9 am to 2 pm. Mothers, grandmothers and spiritual mothers welcome. Cost is \$25; includes lunch.

Encounter with Silence - June 26 - July 2. This retreat is a week of radical Gospel spirituality lead by Fr. Neil Walters. Cost: \$500; includes meals & accommodations. **A Window to Heaven:** An Introductory Icon Retreat, July 31-

August 5. Retreat includes instruction, Mass, time for personal prayer & reflection. Cost: \$600; includes overnight accommodations, meals, & all art supplies to create your icon.