



Date	Observance	Mass Intention	Readings	Event
Mon Oct 3		5:30 pm <b>Howard Clauss</b> by wife, Bea Clauss	Gal 1:6-12; Lk 10:25-37	
Tues Oct 4	Francis of Assisi		Gal 1:13-24; Lk 10:38-42	<b>Kenmore Free Store</b> 4 - 7 pm SB
Wed Oct 5	Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos, Priest	5:30 pm <b>No Mass</b>	Gal 2:1-2, 7-14; Lk 11:1-4	
Thur Oct 6	Bruno, Priest		Gal 3:1-5; Lk 11:5-13	<b>Adult Faith Enrichment</b> 7 - 8:30 pm WH
Fri Oct 7	Out Lady of the Rosary	5:30 pm <b>Dick Blondin</b> by Joe & Beth Langton	Gal 3:7-14; Lk 11:15-26	
Sat Oct 8		5:30 pm <b>Patrick Steurer</b> by Family	Gal 3:22-29; Lk 11:27-28	<b>Confessions</b> 9 - 10 am CH <b>Kenmore Free Store</b> 9 am - noon SB
Sun Oct 9	Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time	8:30 am <b>Dick Blondin</b> by Joe & Beth Langton 11 am <b>People of the Parish</b>	2 Kgs 5:14-17; 2 Tim 2:8-13; Lk 17:11-19	

**Sanctuary Lamp - Special Intention**

**Holy Family Candle - Special Intention**

**COLLECTION REPORT**

Week Ending	Sept 18	Sept 25
<b>Sunday Offering -</b>	\$3,650.00	\$2,715.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$3,650.00</b>	<b>\$2,715.00</b>
<b>Weekly operating costs</b>	<b>\$3,200.00</b>	<b>\$3,200.00</b>
<b>(Shortfall) Overage</b>	<b>\$450.00</b>	<b>(\$485.00)</b>
<b>YTD Over (short) -</b>	<b>\$2,703.50</b>	<b>\$2,218.50</b>
<b>St. Vincent de Paul -</b>	\$10.00	
<b>Cap. Improvement -</b>	\$270.00	\$120.00
<b>Debt Reduction -</b>	\$50.00	
<b>Other Gifts -</b>	\$30.00	
Envs used of 240 sent	59	48

**Stewardship of Treasure:** We know that budgets are very tight right now & the rectory budget is the same way. We depend on your stewardship through the use of your parish envelopes to pay staff a fair wage and pay our bills. Please continue to be the good faithful stewards you have been and if you visit another parish, be sure to send or drop off your envelopes here. Thank you.

**AFE** – Our first session of Adult Faith Enrichment begins this Thursday, October 6<sup>th</sup> and we'll be studying the Nicene Creed. If someone asked you what you believe as a Catholic, what would you say? The Creed is our statement of beliefs and we need to understand it so we can explain it to others so get off the couch and do something that will positively impact your life and the life of those around you. Not registered yet – don't worry, we'll register you. Invite family and friends and join us Thursday from 7-8:30 in Waldeisen Hall.

**R.C.I.A.** – If you know someone interested in becoming Catholic or who thinks they might be interested, please have them call the rectory.

**100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Events – Mark your Calendars!**

- St. Vincent de Paul Blanket Sunday kicks off Oct. 8-9. Use the envelopes at the doors of the church for your donations or go to [www.dioceseofcleveland.org](http://www.dioceseofcleveland.org) then to EVENTS on the top line, scroll to Blanket Sunday & donate online. Donations will buy blankets for the homeless & beds/mattresses for low income persons in need.
  - Pizza Party & Pumpkin decorating: Sun., Oct. 16<sup>th</sup> from 12:30-2:30 in Waldeisen Hall. This is a free event open to all – bring a snack or dessert to share. Decorate a small pumpkin with markers and stickers – no carving, so it's safe for everyone. Please call the rectory by Wednesday, October 12<sup>th</sup> to RSVP.
  - Operation Christmas Child: We are throwing down the 100 Years/100 Boxes challenge! Brochures with suggestions may be found at all doors of the church.
  - Eucharistic Miracle Display: Oct. 17-30 at SS. Cosmas & Damian in Twinsburg. See the bulletin story for details.
  - Anointing of the Sick: Wed., Oct. 26<sup>th</sup>, 5:30 pm Mass.
  - All Saints and All Souls: All Saints, Nov. 1<sup>st</sup>, is a Holy Day of Obligation. All Souls, Nov. 2<sup>nd</sup> is the day we remember and honor our dead.
  - Bake Sale: The Altar & Rosary Society is back with their fall Bake Sale & Raffle the weekend of Nov. 19 & 20.
  - Have you ever considered making a Holy Hour? Sit quietly in the church & spend an hour in prayer, reflection, scripture reading, praying the rosary or the Stations of the Cross. The office will gladly let you in M-F between 9 am and 3:30 pm. Those who attend 5:30 Mass on Saturday – come earlier & participate by praying the rosary.
- Subway/Little Caesar's Cards** – Because people are ringing the bell at all hours, we've discontinued this program.

## History of Popes

**#250 – Pope Pius VI** - Pope from Feb. 15, 1775 – death, Aug. 29, 1799. Giovanni Angelo Braschi was born on Christmas Day 1717 in Cesena, a region in northern Italy. Educated at the local Jesuit college, he went on to study canon law. Having great skill in diplomacy & finance he was named treasurer of the Roman Church in 1766 by Clement XIII. Clement XIV made him cardinal in 1773. He retired to the Abbey of Subiaco, serving as its abbot until his election. Giovanni was nearly vetoed as a papal candidate due to his assumed sympathy for the Jesuits. One of his first acts as pope was pardoning the imprisoned general of the order, Father Ricci. The Swedish king, Gustav III, was able to convince Pius to allow the first Lutheran chapel to be built in Rome. In return, Pius ensured that Gustav authorized the celebration of Mass in Sweden for the first time since the Reformation. His time as pope is most known for its contention with the French Revolution and Napoleon Bonaparte. King Louis XVI had all but bankrupted France by 1789. The government dissolved monasteries & basically attempted to set up a nationalized church in which bishops and priests were chosen by popular vote. Pius convened a secret consistory of cardinals in 1790 to express his concern and wrote to Louis requesting he protect the deposit of faith at all costs which was of no avail. Pius tried to protect Rome from invasion by the French army, who had already overtaken Belgium & Savoy, but Napoleon's armies prevailed. In 1797, the Roman Republic was established and Pius was forced to flee. The pope was eventually captured & imprisoned. Having been ill for most of the year, he expired in Valence on August 29, 1799. What else was going on in the world at the time? The United States of America gained their independence. With that milestone also came America's first bishop, John Carroll of Baltimore, who was chosen by fellow clergy with Pius VI's blessing in 1789. The pontiff would grant America its second see, New Orleans, four years later.

### STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS

The last couple of years have been difficult for everyone. Isolation & quarantine were hardships we hope never to have to face again. It was hard being away from family & friends, including members of our family of faith, but we know the sacrifices made helped keep people safe & healthy. Even though we still need to take precautions, things are better – not perfect, but better. More people are getting out to do the things they enjoy with family & friends, but as we look around the church at Mass, we have to wonder, what happened to our family; where is everyone? Think - who did you used to sit near at Mass before COVID that you haven't seen in a long time? It was a blessing to be able watch Mass on TV when we couldn't go to church, but we've been back to church for quite a while now. Watching Mass & participating at Mass are two entirely different things. One can't experience community sitting at home & one certainly can't receive the Eucharist, Jesus, the Bread of Life and our spiritual nourishment for the journey, while sitting on the couch. We miss the rest of the family and we need to find out where they are & why they're not coming back to church and the Sacraments. Please consider reaching out to friends & family who haven't yet returned and invite them to come back home. If they have questions or concerns, please have them call the rectory so that we can address their concerns and questions. The Lord has called us to witness to His love in this troubled community & we have much to do. We need a strong, united family to get it done. Pray for our parish & fellow parishioners and let's continue to ask our Blessed Mother to intercede for us to her Son.

### STEWARDSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

*A parish family is very much like a personal family. There are jobs and chores that need doing & if they don't get done, things are out of sorts and don't run smoothly. Here is a list of "chores/jobs" that need to be addressed here at the parish – everybody can do something!*

**Secretary to Pastoral Council** – Attend monthly meetings Aug. – Oct. & Jan. - May, take the minutes and email them to members. Please call the rectory to help.

**Liturgical Ministry** – We're in dire need of **Lectors, Altar Servers & Contemporary Choir members.**

Training provided. Please help. We're also looking for some **EHMCs** to take Communion to shut-ins once a month; training provided. Please call the rectory to share your stewardship.

**Free Store Help** – Have a heart for those in need & like to work with friendly, faith-filled people? Stop by Tuesdays, 4-7 pm or Saturdays, 9 am-12, check it out & join the team!

**Bingo** – Are you friendly, good with numbers, calm in the midst of a lot going on? Bingo needs you! We have lots of different jobs: calling Bingo, selling Instant Bingo, learning the office from our amazing Bingo Manager, Lorie. We need more people to serve our clientele and to rotate workers. Bingo income is critical to our parish finances so come help, be part of a team, meet new people and help your parish.

**CareCards** – Let our shut-ins know they are not forgotten & are important to us. Buy or create cards of encouragement, add a short note & sign your name. Put the cards into the envelope (do not seal) & place into the basket. Please, no cards from charitable or religious organizations.

**Needed:** person experienced with computer graphic design to share their stewardship for an important parish project. Call the rectory for information..

Our diocese is participating in a 3 year Eucharistic Revival and in response to that SS Cosmas & Damian Parish in Twinsburg is hosting the **Eucharistic Miracle Display** as chronicled by Blessed Carlos Acutis. Blessed Carlos was a teenager from Italy who developed a website dedicated to the documented & scientifically scrutinized occasions when the Holy Eucharist changed in its physical appearance. The display will be held from Oct. 17 - 30, and is free & open to all. Hours are Mon- Fri, 9 am – 8 pm, Saturdays, 9 am – 4 pm & Sundays, Noon – 4 pm. If you are interested in carpooling to see this miraculous event, we have 2 possible dates: Tues, Oct. 25<sup>th</sup> at 10 am or Sun., Oct. 30<sup>th</sup> at 12:30 pm. Call the rectory with your choice & the one with the most votes will be the date; feel free to go on your own as well.