



October 22, 2023
Twenty-Ninth 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 Oct 23	John of Capistrano, Priest	5:30 Dorothy Gableman by Family	Rom 4:20-25; Lk 12:13-21	
Tues Oct 24	Anthony Mary Claret, Bishop		Rom 5:12, 15b, 17-19, 20b-21 Lk 12:35-38	Free Store 4 - 7 pm - SB Pastoral Council 6:30 pm - HH
Wed Oct 25	Anointing of the Sick	5:30 John Belik by Helen & Pat Milo	Rom 6:12-18; Lk 12:39-48	Bingo: WH - Open 9:30 am Game 11:00 am
Thur Oct 26			Rom 6:19-23; Lk 12:49-53	
Fri Oct 27		5:30 pm Patrick Steurer by Family	Rom 7:18-25a; Lk 12:54-59	
Sat Oct 28	Simon & Jude, Apostles	5:30 pm Joe Scarcella By Joe & Beth Langton	Eph 2:19-22; Lk 6:12-16	Free Store 9 am - 12 pm SB
Sun Oct 29	Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time	8:30 am Mary Lou Novitsky by Novitsky Family 11:00 am Bob Doerr by John & Emily Yeager	Ex 22:20-26; 1 Thes 1:5c-10; Mt 22:34-40	

Sanctuary Lamp - Special Intention

Holy Family Candle - Special Intention

COLLECTION REPORT

Week Ending	October 8	October 15
Sunday Offering -	\$ 3,130.00	\$ 2,013.85
Daily Offering -	\$ 480.00	
Holy Day -		
Total	\$ 3,610.00	\$ 2,013.85
Weekly offertory budget	\$ 3,200.00	\$ 3,200.00
(Shortfall) Overage	\$ 410.00	\$(1,186.15)
YTD Over (short) -	\$ 9,869.00	\$ 8,682.85
St. Vincent de Paul -	\$ 70.00	\$ 40.00
Cap. Improvement -		\$ 30.00
Debt Reduction -	\$ 1,030.00	\$ 450.00
Propogation of the Faith -	\$ 25.00	\$ 3.00
Envs used of 240 sent	59	47

Available Mass Dates - Weekdays: 5:30 pm: October 23, 25, 27, 30, 31 November 2, 10, 13, 17, 20, 29

Saturdays: 5:30 pm: November 18, December 2, 9, 30

Sundays: 8:30 am: November 12, 19, 26

Sundays: 11 am: February 11, 2024

Debt Reduction: Your generosity in using the special yellow envelope will help us pay our monthly assessment of \$2,701.00 to the diocese. Thank you.

Mass of the Anointing of the Sick: This Wednesday, October 25th at 5:30 pm. This is a regional celebration so invite Catholic friends and family who would like to receive this sacrament.

Parish Pastoral Council will meet this Tuesday, October 24th at 6:30 p.m in Hitch Hall.

Having a Parish Life Coordinator instead of a resident pastor is different and I get it, but we've always been and will continue to be Immaculate Conception of Mary Parish with an amazing legacy and much of which to be proud. Do you have a question about what I do, parish procedure, a ministry or program? Do you have a suggestion that might benefit our parish and parishioners? Please feel free to call and make an appointment with me because I'd love to hear what's on your mind; my door is open for you. Melissa

Holy Day of Obligation: November 1st is the Solemnity of All Saints when we rejoice with all the men, women and children who celebrate the heavenly liturgy. If you attended Catholic School, you may remember dressing up as a saint and processing around the school and neighborhood. Where do you think the secular world got the idea of costumes for Halloween? Which saint did you choose for your Confirmation? **Masses:** Vigil Mass will be celebrated on Tuesday, October 31st at 5:30 pm. Mass on the Holy Day, Wednesday, November 1st will be celebrated at 5:30 pm.

All Souls Day: On November 2nd the Church observes the Commemoration Of All The Faithful Departed when we remember our dead. We have all experienced the loss of a loved one and so we invite you to come, remember, honor them and celebrate. Those buried from our parish during the past year will be remembered in a special way. **Mass** will be celebrated on Thursday, November 2nd at 5:30 pm.

Journey with the Pope: "Marian devotion has a privileged place. Mary is an advocate, but these days the word advocate is too functional. It is better to say that she is a "facilitator". Mary is a facilitator when conflicts and problems arise, such as the lack of wine at the wedding. She helps us to "untie the knots" that can be created in us and between us. In other words, Mary also paves the way for friendship between peoples, inviting us to turn our gaze to the origin and goal of our existence, which is Jesus Christ, and encourages us to follow His example, walking the paths of peace, kindness, listening and patient and trusting dialogue."

Pope Francis

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS

Being Stewards of the Faith

The Catechism of the Catholic Church is divided into 4 parts and it is the Second Part, *The Celebration of the Christian Mystery*, that will be the focus for our reflections on the Sacrament of the Eucharist. Sacraments are signs of grace, instituted by Christ and given to the Church. Each time we receive a sacrament, we receive grace and strengthen our relationship with Jesus. Sacraments are "actions of the Holy Spirit at work in His Body, the Church. They are 'the masterworks of God' in the new and everlasting covenant." (#1116). The Catechism reminds us that the Sacraments of Christian Initiation, or the sacraments needed to be a full member of the Church, are Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist and that they lay the foundation for our lives as Christians. "The Holy Eucharist completes Christian initiation. Those who have been raised to the dignity of the royal priesthood by Baptism and configured more deeply to Christ by Confirmation participate with the whole community in the Lord's own sacrifice by means of the Eucharist." (#1322) Please take the time to read, think about and share these reflections.

STEWARDSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

A parish family is like a personal family. There are jobs & chores that need doing & if they don't get done, things don't run smoothly. Here are "chores/jobs" that need doing.

Liturgical Ministries: We only have 6 active servers so we can't even cover all the Masses. We need men, women and students to step forward to assist at the altar. We're also seeking students & adults to proclaim the readings as **Lectors**. Training will be provided for both ministries. 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 pm, to check it out & join the team!

Funeral Dinner Ministry can use help. Be part of the team who puts on the meal and ministers to the family or sign up to be called when food is needed. Call the rectory.

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. Your cards are distributed during First Friday Communion Calls. Please, no cards from charitable or religious organizations.

Bingo: We are in real need of Bingo help. Do you have even one Wednesday a month to call Bingo, sell Instant Bingo or learn the office from our amazing Bingo Manager, Lorie? We need more people to serve our clientele & rotate workers. Bingo income is **critical** to our parish finances so come help, be part of a team, meet new people & help your parish.

Acme Cashback: The current campaign began August 1st. Purchase Acme Brand, Top Care, etc., save your Acme receipts and place them in the baskets at the doors to help raise funds for the parish.

Adopt-A-Plot: Sadly, it's nearing time to winterize your plots. The grounds looked so beautiful all spring and summer and we were recognized once again by the city. Great job everyone!

Church Housekeeping: We're looking for people who want to help keep the church looking clean by vacuuming & dusting and can give a couple hours once a month. Please call the rectory to share your stewardship

In His Name: Trial size toiletry items (things that will easily fit in a backpack) for the Peter Maurin Center may be placed in the basket at the main doors of the church.

Free Store Sack Lunch needs: Our community is hungry and the need is great. We're in need of individually wrapped snack & cookie packages, cases of individual 8oz. bottles of water, small individual bags of chips, peanut butter & jelly, snack-size plastic bags & lunch-size brown paper bags (size 5 or larger). You may also donate cash which the team will use to buy eggs, cheese sticks and other supplies. You may put cash donations in an envelope, mark it "Free Store Lunches," & drop it in the collection basket. Please place donated items in the basket behind the last pew. Thank you so much.

MORE

Thank you to all who came to our Pizza and Pumpkin Decorating Event – a good time was had by all! Special thanks to Lorie Papp, our Parish Activities Committee, Acme Stores, Marco's Pizza, Papa John's, Papa-Roni and Rocco's Pizza establishments. Check the website to see some of the wonderful creations your fellow parishioners came up with.

Door Repair: North Hill Glass has replaced both doors and side panels at the back of the school with poly carbon sheets which can't be broken. The cost was \$2,000.00 which was taken from the Capital Improvement account.

Operation Christmas Child: Collection week is November 13th - 20th. Brochures with instructions on how to pack your shoebox may be found at all doors of the church. These boxes go to children throughout the world who live in extreme poverty and may be the only gifts they ever receive.

Other Events

Prayer Service for Ukraine: Wednesdays at 6 pm, Holy Ghost Ukrainian Catholic Church, Brown St. The service is about 30 minutes long & in English. All are welcome.

Ohio Defends Life: Saturday, October 28th, 1:00-2:30 pm at Holy Family Parish, Stow (in the church). Issue 1 information for voters presented by Peter Range, Chief Executive Officer, Ohio Right to Life.

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