



**April 7, 2024**  
**Second Sunday of Easter**  
**Divine Mercy Sunday**

HH - Hitch Hall MH - Maher Hall  
 SB - School Basement  
 R - Rectory CH - Church  
 WH - Waldeisen Hall

Date	Observance	Mass Intention	Readings	Event
Mon Apr 8	The Annunciation of the Lord	5:30 pm <b>Leonard Borden</b> by Zelei Family	Is 7:10-14, 8:10; Heb 10:4-10; Lk 1:26-38	
Tues Apr 9			Acts 4:32-37; Jn 3:7b-15	<b>Free Store 4-7 pm SB</b>
Wed Apr 10			Acts 5:17-26; Jn 3:16-21	<b>Bingo: WH - Open 9:30 am</b> Games begin at 11:00 am
Thurs Apr 11	Stanislaus, Bishop & Martyr		Acts 5:27-33; Jn 3:31-36	
Fri Apr 12		5:30 pm <b>Rose Yen</b> by Maria Chapman	Acts 5:34-42; Jn 6:1-15	
Sat Apr 13	Martin I, Pope & Martyr	5:30 pm <b>Betty &amp; Lynn Molnar</b> by Molnar Family	Acts 6:1-7; Jn 6:16-21	<b>Confessions 9 am - 10 am CH</b> <b>Free Store 9 am - 12 pm SB</b>
Sun Apr 14	Third Sunday of Easter	8:30 am <b>Leonard Borden</b> by Ray Compton 11:00 am <b>Bob Doerr</b> by Kathy Doerr	Act 3:13-15, 17-19; 1 Jn 2:1-5a; Lk 24:35-48	

**Sanctuary Lamp - Special Intention**

**Holy Family Candle - Special Intention**

**COLLECTION REPORT**

Week Ending	March 24	March 31
Sunday Offering -	\$ 2,189.15	\$ 2,097.01
Daily Offering -	\$ 470.00	\$ 65.00
Easter -	\$ 240.00	\$ 3,310.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 2,899.15</b>	<b>\$ 5,472.01</b>
Weekly offertory budget	<b>\$ 3,200.00</b>	<b>\$ 3,200.00</b>
(Shortfall) Overage	<b>\$ (300.85)</b>	<b>\$ 2,272.01</b>
YTD Over (short) -	<b>\$23,735.61</b>	<b>\$26,007.62</b>
St. Vincent de Paul -	\$ 110.00	
Cap. Improvement -		
Debt Reduction -		\$ 60.00
Other Gifts -	\$10,195.00	
Diocese Designated -	\$ 532.00	\$ 20.00
Envelopes used of 240 sent	50	40

**Available Mass Dates – Weekdays:** 5:30 pm: April 15, 22, 24, 29, May 3, 6, 10, 20, 31, June 3, 7, 10, 14, 17, 21  
**Saturdays:** 5:30 pm: April 27, May 4, 11, 18, June 1, 8, 15, 22  
**Sundays:** 8:30 am: April 28, May 5, 19, June 2, 9, 16, 23, 30  
**Sundays:** 11:00 am: June 9, Sept. 22, 29, Oct. 20, 27, Dec. 8

**Baptism Class:** If you have a baby to be baptized or are expecting a child, you are required to attend a baptism class. The next class will be held at I.C. in Hitch Hall at 7 pm on Wednesday, April 17<sup>th</sup>. God parents are welcome. Please call the rectory at 330-753-8429 to RSVP.

**Parish Activities Committee:** The Parish is holding a **Mini Reverse Raffle** on **Saturday, May 18<sup>th</sup>** at the Knights of Columbus Council 3410 Hall on Glenmount Ave. **This is a major parish fundraiser and we need everyone's help. Tickets are \$40 per person** which includes entry into the raffle, dinner, beverage and dessert.

**What we need you to do:** **1.** Buy tickets. **2.** Spread the word. **3.** Invite your family and friends to purchase tickets and join the fun. Tickets may be purchased at the rectory during office hours.

**HELP:** For the following, please call the rectory to let us know when you can come – many hands make light work!  
**1.** Help with set-up on Friday the 17<sup>th</sup>. **2.** Help during the event with food service and other needs. **3.** Help with clean-up after the event on the 18<sup>th</sup>. **4. Cookie Elves:** We'll need cakes, pies, cookies, etc. for dessert. Watch for more information soon. **I.C. Spirit – catch it**

**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.

**Thank you** to all musicians and liturgical ministers who gave of their stewardship during Holy Week. Special shout-out to Joe & Beth!

Liturgical Musician, Matt Andreski, has taken another position and we have begun the search for a replacement. In the meantime, please pick up those hymnals and sing!

## Journey with the Pope

'My peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you.' "What is this peace that the world does not know, and the Lord gives us? This peace is the Holy Spirit. It is the presence of God in us, it is God's 'power of peace'. It is He, the Holy Spirit, who disarms the heart and fills it with serenity. It is He, the Holy Spirit, who loosens rigidity and extinguishes the temptations to attack others. It is He, the Holy Spirit, who reminds us that there are brothers and sisters beside us, not obstacles or adversaries. It is He, the Holy Spirit, who gives us the strength to forgive, to begin again, to set out anew because we cannot do this with our own strength. And it is with Him, with the Holy Spirit, that we become men and women of peace." *Pope Francis*

### STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS

Our reading from Acts of the Apostles gives us a wonderful description of the life of the early Christian Communities: Of one heart and mind, sacrificing and sharing what they had with others so that no one found themselves in need. How beautiful! What was written so long ago, is the model our parish, all Catholic parishes and Christian churches should be striving to follow. The donations that come in for our outreach ministries are remarkable and do so much to help those in need, but have you ever considered sharing your stewardship to help in person, meet sisters and brothers who come to us for assistance and hear their stories? It will change you. We are, together, Immaculate Conception Parish; a family, called to be of one heart and mind in our Catholic faith, but there are times we seem disconnected, disgruntled and disheartened. Why? All families have disagreements, but speaking with love and compassion helps bring solutions; it's no different at the parish. Let's talk to one another and listen with respect, work together, play together, invite back those we haven't seen in awhile and find out where they've been. We have a wonderful legacy and we've been given a mission by the Lord Jesus. It will take all of us to carry it out.

### 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.*

**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!

**Church Housekeeping:** We're looking for people who want to help keep God's house looking clean by vacuuming & dusting. Can you 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.

**Funeral Dinner Ministry** can use help. Be a 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.

**Bingo:** We're in 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 so we can rotate our workers. Bingo income is critical to our parish finances so come help, be part of a team, meet new people & help your parish.

**Free Store Sack Lunch needs:** Our Kenmore community is hungry and the need is great. **What is needed:** Individually wrapped snack & cookie packages, cases of water bottles, 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," and drop it in the collection basket or write a **check to The Kenmore Free Store**. Please place donated items in the basket behind the last pew. On behalf of those in need, thank you.

**Kenmore Community Garden:** If you would like to tend a garden this year or would like to split one with family or friends, please call the rectory so that we can reserve one for you. Gardeners are responsible for planting, watering, weeding and harvesting.

### MORE

The **Altar & Rosary Society** would like to thank everybody for their donations, baked goods & help which made our Bake Sale a great success. Congratulations to all the winners at the raffle!

To receive your **2023 contribution statement**, please call the rectory at 330-753-8429, Monday – Friday, 10 am – 4pm.

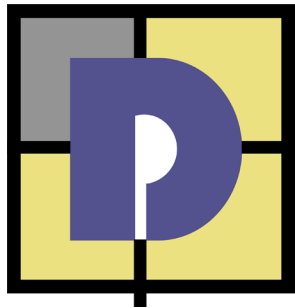
**St. Augustine School Enrollment:** St. Augustine School has begun enrollment for the 2024/25 school year. As you know, Ed Choice was recently written into law making private education much more affordable. Packets with information about the school and the Ed Choice Scholarship request form may be found on the bottom shelf of the book rack at the back of the church. If you're interested in giving your child a quality Catholic education, please pick one up today.

### *Offsite Events*

**Hoban Spring Play:** The Little Mermaid. April 12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm, April 14<sup>th</sup> at 2:30 pm. Tickets: \$15, \$12 & \$8. Go to <https://www.showtix4u.com/events/24816> to purchase.

**Right to Life of N.O. Celebrate Life Dinner:** April 13<sup>th</sup> at SYB Party Center, Stow. Social hour at 4pm; dinner & program begin at 5pm. Go to [www.rtlofneo.com](http://www.rtlofneo.com) & click "2024 Celebrate Life Dinner" under the events tab or call 234-334-0088.

**Theology on the Rocks:** Monday, April 15<sup>th</sup>, 7 pm at Our Lady of the Cedars, 507 S. Cleve-Mass Rd., Fairlawn. Fr. Ian Kelly will speak on "Saints and Healing Throughout the Centuries." \$15 admission fee. RSVP by April 12<sup>th</sup> at [johnsonk@stsebastian.org](mailto:johnsonk@stsebastian.org) or 330-836-2233, ext. 134. Fr. Kelly was the Deacon for our 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Mass!



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