



November 3, 2024

Thirty-First 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 Nov 4 | Charles Borromeo, Bishop | | Phil 2:1-14; Lk 14:12-14 | |
| Tues Nov 5 | | | Phil 2:5-11; Lk 14:15-24 | Free Store 4 pm -7 pm SB |
| Wed Nov 6 | | | Phil 2:12-18; Lk 14:25-33 | Bingo -Open 9:30 am - WH Games begin at 11:00 am |
| Thurs Nov 7 | | | Phil 3:3-8a; Lk 15:1-10 | AFE 7 pm WH |
| Fri Nov 8 | | | Phil 3:17--4:1; Lk 16:1-8 | |
| Sat Nov 9 | The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica | 5:00 pm Thomas Herold, Sr., & Thomas Herold, Jr. by Philomena Herold & Don & Mary White | Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12; 1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17 Jn 2:13-22 | No Confessions Free Store 9 am - 12 pm SB |
| Sun Nov 10 | Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time | 10:00 am Patrick J. Grady by University of Dayton Alumni | 1 Kgs 17:10-16; Heb 9:24-28; Mk 12:38-44 | |

Sanctuary Lamp - *Fr. Michael B. Smith*

Holy Family Candle - *Special Intention*

COLLECTION REPORT

| Week Ending | October 20 | October 27 |
|----------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Sunday Offering - | \$ 1,547.00 | \$ 1,762.00 |
| Daily Offering - | \$ 813.50 | \$ 112.00 |
| Holy Day - | \$ 12.50 | \$ 102.00 |
| Total | \$ 2,373.00 | \$ 1,976.00 |
| Weekly offertory budget | <u>\$ 3,200.00</u> | <u>\$ 3,200.00</u> |
| (Shortfall) Overage | \$ (827.00) | \$(1,224.00) |
| YTD Over (short) - | \$(4,713.25) | \$(5,9397.25) |
| St. Vincent de Paul - | \$ 90.00 | 60.00 |
| Cap. Improvement - | | |
| Debt Reduction - | \$ 670.00 | 300.00 |
| Diocese Designated | \$ 237.00 | |
| Envelopes used of 240 sent | 37 | 40 |

Available Mass Dates

Saturdays: 5:00 pm: Feb 22, March 8, 29, Apr 5, 12, May 3
Sundays: 10:00 am: May 25, July 13, 27, Aug 17, 24, 31

Daily Mass & Confessions: Like other parishes in our diocese led by Parish Life Coordinators, we can no longer offer daily Masses because we don't have priests assigned to us. For that same reason, we also do not have Confessions at this location. Please use this handy guide: *St. Augustine:* Confessions on Saturdays at 3 pm & Mondays at 6 pm. Daily Mass: M, W, Th, F, 12:05 pm & Tuesdays at 5:15 pm. *St. Francis:* Confessions on Saturdays from 9-9:45 am & Thursdays from 5:30-6:15 pm. Daily Mass: M-F, 8:15 am & Thursdays at 6:30 pm. Again, this is **not** unique to our parish.

AFE: Our next session will be THIS Thursday, at 7 pm in Waldeisen Hall. Topic for our Mass study: Called Out of the World. Read Ch. 1-3 in Beautiful Eucharist and mark passages important to you for discussion.

Altar & Rosary Society will meet on Tuesday, Nov. 12th at 2 pm in Hitch Hall. They'll be making plans for their November Bake Sale.

Parish Pastoral Council Nominations: We're looking for dedicated women and men willing to help direct the parish's future. Pray about your involvement or think of a parishioner who would make a great council member. Nomination forms may be found at all doors of the church.

Exposition & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: We're beginning a new prayer opportunity at I.C. On the first Friday of the month from 1-2 pm, the church will be open for people to come and sit with Jesus present in the Monstrance on the altar. Come to pray, read, recite your rosary or just reflect. *This new opportunity will begin December 6th* – what a wonderful way to begin Advent! All are welcome.

Sewers: Some of our Server's albs could use some repair. If you'd like to help, please call the rectory.

Acme Cashback: The current program runs through February 15th. Please be sure to place any Acme receipts with Cashback Rewards on them in the baskets by the doors of the church.

Journey with the Pope

“The urgency of replying with good fruits to the call of the Lord, who asks us to become his vineyard, helps us understand what is new and original about the Christian faith. It is not so much the sum of precepts and moral norms but rather, it is first and foremost a proposal of love which God makes through Jesus and continues to make with mankind. It is an invitation to enter into this love story, by becoming a lively and open vine, rich in fruits and hope for everyone. A closed vineyard can become wild and produce wild grapes. We are called to leave this vineyard to put ourselves at the service of our brothers and sisters who are not with us, in order to shake each other and encourage each other, to remind ourselves that we must be the Lord’s vineyard in every environment, and even the more distant and challenging ones.” *Pope Francis*

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS

A scribe asks Jesus to identify the greatest commandments. Jesus responds: **1. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, soul, mind and strength** and **2. Love your neighbor as yourself.** He then says “*There is no other commandment greater than these.*” We’ve had some criticism about the bulletin and its content; some are tired of seeing the same needs week after week. There’s a simple reason for that – the needs persist because people have not stepped forward to share their stewardship to fill those needs; needs get filled, the relentless pleading goes away. Like any family, there are things that need to be done for the family to function well and it’s the same with our family of faith. What we do in the name of God on this property and beyond is meant to introduce others to Jesus and witness to our love for God *and* our love for our neighbors; we’re just trying to live out the Gospel mandate Jesus puts forth in today’s Gospel. We are only one of several parishes being led by a Parish Life Coordinator, but that doesn’t mean they nor we are no longer relevant or that our days are numbered – NOT AT ALL. We have much to offer to the Lord and our neighbors through our worship, ministries, charitable efforts, faith formation opportunities and stewardship SO, come on everyone – I.C. Spirit, catch it! We can truly be and do so much more. Every person matters.

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.

Funeral Dinner Ministry: 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. Please call the rectory to help with this ministry.

Free Store Help: Looking for a fulfilling opportunity? 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 – noon, to check it out & join the team!

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.

Adopt-A-Plot: It’s time for all plot holders to trim and clean up their plots before winter.

St. Vincent de Paul is in need of volunteers in our food pantry. The pantry is open Thursdays noon – 2:00 pm distributing food & hygiene items to those in need. If interested and available, please call Lorie Papp at 330-322-7414. Thank you!

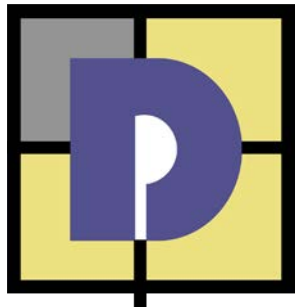
Bingo Help!! We’ve got a dedicated group of weekly Bingo workers, but more helping hands will allow us to rotate workers. Bingo income is critical to our parish finances. Will you please share a few hours of your time once or twice a month to help call Bingo, pass out computers, collect money at the door, call back winners, sell instant tickets or work in the kitchen? If you’re available on Wednesdays, please call parishioner & Bingo manager, Lorie at 330-322-7414. Doors open at 9:30 a.m. and games begin at 11:00 a.m. Any help would be greatly appreciated. Thank you!

Free Store Sack Lunch needs: We’re now averaging over 225 sack lunches every time we’re open. You are making a difference! **What’s needed:** Individually wrapped snack & cookie packages, small individual bags of chips, snack-size plastic bags and size 5 or larger brown paper lunch bags. You may also donate cash which will be used to buy cheese sticks & water. Put **cash donations** in an envelope, mark it “Free Store Lunches,” & 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.

Operation Christmas Child: Collection week’s growing closer. Brochures may be found at all doors of the church. There are also labels for those who would like to pay online and follow the progress of their boxes. *If you write a **check** to cover **shipping**, be sure to make it out to **Samaritan’s Purse.*** Boxes may be turned in at the main doors of the church or the rectory anytime between now and Sunday, Nov. 17th. Please take items out of their original packaging to cut down on waste in 3rd world countries. On behalf of the least of these, thank you!

Offsite Events

Happy Holly Days Christmas Bazaar: Saturday, November 9th from 9-4 & Sunday, November 10th from 10-3 at **St. Matthew’s** Activity Center & school, 2603 Benton Street (in the Ellet area of Akron). Over 100 crafters, home-made baked goods, raffles, luncheon meals, free admission & free parking.



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