



# November 24, 2024

## Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

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

Date	Observance	Mass Intention	Readings	Event
Mon Nov 25	Catherine of Alexandria, Virgin & Martyr		Rv 14:1-3, 4b-5; Lk 21:1-4	
Tues Nov 26			Rv 14:14-19; Lk 21:5-11	<b>Free Store Closed</b>
Wed Nov 27			Rv 15:1-4; Lk 21:12-19	<b>Bingo</b> - Open 9:30 am - WH Games begin at 11:00 am
Thurs Nov 28	Thanksgiving Day	<b>No Mass at I.C. Mass at St. Augustine, 9am</b>	Rv 18:1-2, 21-23, 19:1-3, 9a; Lk 21:20-28	<b>Rectory &amp; Food Pantry Closed</b>
Fri Nov 29			Rv 20:1-4, 11 – 21:2 Lk 21:29-23	<b>Rectory Closed</b>
Sat Nov 30	Andrew, Apostle	5:00 pm <b>Kim Wahl</b> by Ralph DeVoe	Rom 10:9-18; Mt 4:18-22	<b>No Confessions Free Store Closed</b>
Sun Dec 1	First Sunday of Advent	10:00 am <b>Living &amp; Deceased Members of Altar &amp; Rosary Society</b> by Altar & Rosary Society	Jer 33:14-16; 1 Thes 3:12 – 4:2; Lk 21:25-28, 34-36	

**Sanctuary Lamp - Bob Doerr**

**Holy Family Candle - Special Intention**

### COLLECTION REPORT

<i>Week Ending</i>	<i>November 10</i>	<i>November 17</i>
Sunday Offering -	\$ 2,123.00	\$ 2,561.00
Daily Offering -	\$ 210.00	
Holy Day -	\$ 5.00	
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 2,338.00</b>	<b>\$ 2,561.00</b>
Weekly offertory budget	<u>\$ 3,200.00</u>	<u>\$ 3,200.00</u>
(Shortfall) Overage	\$ (862.00)	\$ (639.00)
YTD Over (short) -	\$(7,017.25)	\$(7,656.25)
St. Vincent de Paul -	\$ 35.00	
Cap. Improvement -	\$ 110.00	\$ 200.00
Debt Reduction -		
Diocese Designated -		
Other Gifts -	\$ 25.00	
Envelopes used of 240 sent	40	38

**Available Mass Dates**

**Saturdays:** 5:00 pm: Mar 29, Apr 12, May 3, 10, 17, 24, 31

**Sundays:** 10:00 am: May 25, Aug 17, 31, Sep 28, Nov 23

**Daily Mass & Confessions:** Because we have no priest, we no longer offer daily Masses nor Confessions. Please use this handy guide: *St. Augustine:* Confessions - Saturdays at 3 pm & Mondays at 6 pm. Daily Mass: M, W, Th, F, 12:05 pm & Tuesdays, 5:15 pm. *St. Francis:* Confessions - 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.

**Holiday Hours:** There will be NO Thanksgiving Day Mass at I.C. Mass will be celebrated at St. Augustine at 9:00 am. Our rectory will be CLOSED Thanksgiving Day & Friday, November 29th. The Kenmore Free Store will be closed both Tuesday, November 26<sup>th</sup> and Saturday, November 30<sup>th</sup>.

**We Give Catholic:** Tuesday, December 3rd is Giving Tuesday around the nation. Our diocese created the #weGIVECATHOLIC campaign to keep dollars local to assist parishes, Catholic schools & organizations. We're again participating to raise money to renovate the space between the school & hall. We're naming the area The Fr. Michael B. Smith Memorial Garden and hope to raise funds for retaining walls, steps & landscaping. PLEASE tell family, friends & employers about this opportunity to help our parish as many look for end of the year charitable tax deductions. Check it out at [www.wegivecatholic.org](http://www.wegivecatholic.org), go to "Search", type in Immaculate, then click on our site. Donations may be made online or checks may be made out to Immaculate Conception with We Give Catholic on the memo line. Let your friends & relatives know of all the good things going on at I.C. and ask them to consider making a donation.

**Exposition & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:** On the First Friday of each month from 1-2 pm, we're offering the opportunity to sit & pray with Jesus present in the Monstrance. *This new opportunity will begin December 6th* – what a wonderful way to begin Advent! All are welcome.

**December 8th** is the **Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception**, is a **Holy Day** of Obligation and our **parish feast day**. We invite all to come to Hitch Hall after Mass that Sunday for coffee, donuts and fellowship. **However, because the 8th falls on a Sunday, the Solemnity has been moved to Monday, December 9<sup>th</sup> and is to be observed as a Holy Day of Obligation. Mass will be celebrated at 5:30 pm.**

## Journey with the Pope

"Here then is some advice for making important choices. When I do not know what to do, how to make a definitive choice, an important decision, a decision that involves Jesus' love, what must I do? Before deciding, let us imagine that we are standing in front of Jesus, as at the end of life, before He who is love. And imagining ourselves there, in His presence, at the threshold of eternity, we make the decision for today. We must decide in this way: always looking to eternity, looking at Jesus. It may not be the easiest, it may not be the most immediate, but it will be the right one."

Pope Francis

### STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS

This weekend marks the final Sunday of the current liturgical season. It's a good time to reflect on the past year, not so much in terms of the resolutions we broke, but on the spiritual. Today we celebrate the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe. *Lord* is a divine title so when we say Jesus is Lord, we're affirming our belief that He is Divine. The Greek translation of the Hebrew word *Messiah*, meaning "anointed," give us the title *Christ*. It is proper to Jesus because he perfectly accomplished His mission as priest, prophet, and king and was anointed with the Holy Spirit as The Christ. We were given those same 3 roles at baptism – how well are you living them out? Jesus exercises His role as *King* by drawing all people to Himself through His death and Resurrection and making Himself the servant of all. How well have you honored your King through your service and sharing of your faith? As our Creed states, Jesus, the King of the Universe "will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and His kingdom will have no end." Let us reflect on our lives. Does yours give honor and glory to our King? How will you be judged when He comes in glory.?

### 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 serving team 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!

**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.

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

**Bingo Help!!** Our dedicated group of Bingo workers need some help. Bingo income is critical to our parish finances so will you please share a few hours of your time 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 Wednesdays, please call parishioner & Bingo manager, Lorie at 330-322-7414. Doors open at 9:30 a.m.; games begin at 11 a.m. Any help would be greatly appreciated. Thank you!

**Free Store Sack Lunch needs:** You are making a difference! **What's needed:** Individually wrapped snack & cookie packages, cases of water bottles, small individual bags of chips, snack-size plastic bags and lunch-size brown paper bags (size 5 or larger). You may also donate cash which will be used to buy cheese sticks & other supplies. 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.

**Upcoming:** Mark your calendars for Tuesday, December 17th at 6:30 pm & come decorate the church for Christmas.

### Offsite Events

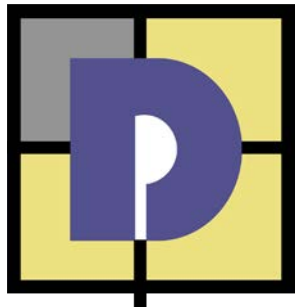
**St. Augustine Youth Groups: High School:** "Growing Closer to Christ Together" on Sundays, 3:30-5:15 pm in Room 207 of the school. All are welcome.

**Middle School Youth Program:** "Edge" on Wednesdays, 7-8:30 pm in Room 207 of the school. All are welcome.

**Advent Talk by Bishop Woost:** December 2<sup>nd</sup>, 7 pm at St. Francis de Sales Parish. The bishop will speak on "Contemplative Prayer and Mystical Living." After the talk, all are welcome to stay for night prayer in the church.

**Light the Blvd:** Kenmore Blvd., Friday, December 6 from 4-9 pm. Music, craft show, activities for kids, Santa Claus and more! Check the fliers on the bulletin boards for more information & times & join the fun!

**Catholic Charities Counseling** is available to those feeling overwhelmed during the holiday season. Call 1-(800) 860-7373.



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