January 26, 2025 Third 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 Jan 27	Angela Merici, Virgin & Religious Founder		Heb 9:15, 24-28; Mk 3:22-30	
Tues Jan 28	Thomas Aquinas, Priest & Doctor		Heb 10:1-10; Mk 3:31-35	Free Store - 4pm-7pm - SB Community Meal - 4:30 pm - WH Pastoral Council - 7 pm - HH
Wed Jan 29			Heb 10:11-18; Mk 4:1-20	Bingo - Open 9:30 am - WH
Thurs Jan 30			Heb 10:19-25; Mk 4:21-25	
Fri Jan 31	John Bosco, Priest		Heb 10:32-39; Mk 4:26-34	
Sat Feb 1		5:00 pm Larry Stanley Toni Zamesko	Heb 11:1-2.8-19; Mk 4:35-41	No Confessions Free Store - 9am - 12 pm SB
Sun Feb 2	The Presentation of the Lord	10:00 am Mary Lou Novitsky Family	Mal 3:1-4; Heb 2:14-18; Lk 2:22-40	

Sanctuary Lamp - Special Intention

COLLECTION REPORT

Week Ending	January 12	January 19
Sunday Offering -	\$ 2,784.00	Due to
Daily Offering -		the early
Total	\$ 2,784.00	submission
Weekly offertory budget	\$ 3,200.00	deadline for
(Shortfall) Overage	\$ (416.00)	this bulletin,
YTD Over (short) -	\$(1,384.00)	the collection
St. Vincent de Paul -	\$ 25.00	report for this
Capital Improvement -	\$ 1.050.00	date will be in
Assessments -	\$ 360.00	next week's
Diocese Designated -		bulletin.
Other Gifts -	\$10,000.00	
Envelopes used of 240 sent	47	

Available Mass Dates

Saturdays: 5:00 pm: <u>May</u> 3, 10, 31, <u>Jun</u> 14, 21, 28, <u>Jul</u> 5, 26 **Sundays:** 10:00 am: <u>Aug</u> 31, <u>Sep</u> 28, <u>Dec</u> 14, <u>Jan</u> 4, 11, 18, 25

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.

If you'd like a copy of your 2024 contributions, please call the rectory between 10 am & 4 pm M-F.

Holy Family Candle - Special Intention

Please continue to pray for all the priests who come to celebrate Mass with us. We appreciate them very much.

Parish Pastoral Council will meet **THIS** Tuesday, January 28th at 7 pm in Hitch Hall.

Blessing of Throats: Monday, February 3rd is the Feast of St. Blaise and it is the tradition of the Church to offer the Blessing of the Throats on that day. Our Parish Life Coordinator, Melissa, will offer the Blessing of the Throats at 1:00 pm in the church.

The rectory will be closed Tuesday, February 4th from 10:30 am until 1 pm so that Melissa and Robbie may attend an important Catholic Charities meeting.

Adult Faith Enrichment does not meet in February because of the uncertainty of the weather. Our next session will be Thursday, March 6th.

Snow: Because we have very limited personnel, if we receive a heavy snowfall, entry to the church will be through Hitch Hall only. We have snowblowers and shovels, so if anyone is able to help with snow removal, please call the rectory.

Pastoral Letter: Most of you should have received a copy of Bishop Malesic's first Pastoral Letter to the people of the Diocese of Cleveland with your recent copy of Northeast Ohio Catholic Magazine. If you did not receive a copy, go to www.dioceseofcleveland.org/pastoral-letter We've also placed several copies at the doors of the church. We highly encourage you to read this important letter from our bishop.

Journey with the Pope

"The life of faith consists in the wish to abide in the Lord, and thus in a continuing search for the place where He lives. This means that we are called to surpass a methodical and predictable religiosity, rekindling the encounter with Jesus in prayer, in meditating on the Word of God and in practicing the Sacraments, in order to abide with Him and bear fruit thanks to Him, to His help, to His grace."

Pope Francis

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS

Our reading from 1st Corinthians reminds us of the importance of stewardship. We were all baptized into the Body of Christ, and just like our own physical bodies each of us has a part to play and no part or no person is more important than the other. You might think your toes are not that important or are less important than say your eyes – just stub your toe once and you'll soon think differently! Each body part plays a critical role in our overall health and well-being and if something isn't working correctly, we don't feel well. It's the same way in the Body of Christ. For the Church as a whole and our parish to function well and in a healthy way, each of us must accept and use the gifts we've been given by God. Also, as a family of faith, if one of us is suffering, we need to surround that person with prayer and encouragement and if one of us is honored in some way, we should all share in their joy and happiness. Pray for one another, encourage one another and step forward to share your stewardship so that we can continue to function well and prosper. We are a family -we are I.C.

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!

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.

Ministers: We're in need of altar servers, lectors and ministers of hospitality. Please call the rectory for info.

Kenmore Community Dinner is back: Our next takeout meal will be available THIS Tuesday, January 28th beginning at 4:30 pm in front of Waldeisen Hall. Know someone shut-in who would love a delicious meal – pick one up and deliver it! Menu: Italian casserole – pasta, vegetable, bread and brownies – yummy! **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.

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!

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!

Free Store Sack Lunch needs: You're 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.

Offsite Events

Together in Faith; A Couples Evening: Free event Saturday, February 8th, 6-9:30 pm at St. Joseph Parish 1904 Second St., Cuyahoga Falls, Jones Hall. Cocktail hour, dinner buffet, entertainment, desserts & more. To RSVP go to www.saintjoe.org by February 1st

Catholic Faith Languages: Tuesday, February 11th, 7-8:30 pm at St. Vincent de Paul Family Center, 164 W. Market Street, Akron, 44303. Fr. Ed Estok will offer participants an expanded vision of church community and a path to sharing one's Catholic faith in the world today. RSVP by February 7th by calling 330-535-3135x100 or contacting Ellen@stvincentchurch.com

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