

# February 16, 2025 Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Date	Observance	Mass Intention	Readings	Event
<b>Mon</b> Feb 17	The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order		Gn 4:1-15, 25; Mk 8:11-13	Rectory Closed in Early Afternoon
<b>Tues</b> Feb 18			Gn 6:5-8, 7-15, 10; Mk 8:14-21	Free Store – 4pm-7pm SB
Wed Feb 19			Gn 8:6-13, 20-22; Mk 8:22-26	Bingo – Open 9:30 am WH
<b>Thurs</b> Feb 20			Gn 9:1-13; Mk 8:27-33	
<b>Fri</b> Feb 21	Peter Damian, Bishop & Doctor		Gn 11:1-9; Mk 8:34 – 9:1	
<b>Sat</b> Feb 22	The Chair of St. Peter the Apostle	5:00 pm <b>Leonard Borden</b> by Zelei Family	1 Pt 5:1-4; Mt 16:13-19	No Confessions Free Store – 9am – 12 pm SB
<b>Sun</b> Feb 23	Seventh Sunday In Ordinary Time	10:00 am <b>Christopher (Mac)</b> <b>McDonald</b> by Ken McDonald	1 Sm 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23; 1 Cor 15:45-49; Lk 6:27-38	
Sanctua	ary Lamp - Special Intention	n 1	Holy Family Candle - $S_i$	pecial Intention

#### COLLECTION REPORT

Week Ending	February 2	February 9		
Sunday Offering -	\$ 2,108.00	\$ 1,564.00		
Daily Offering -	\$ 545.00	\$ 50.00		
Holy Day -	\$ 150.00			
Total	\$ 2,803.00	\$ 1,614.00		
Weekly offertory budget	\$ 3,200.00	\$ 3,200.00		
(Shortfall) Overage	\$ (397.00)	\$(1,586.00)		
YTD Over (short) -	\$(3,333.00)	\$(4,919.00)		
St. Vincent de Paul -	\$ 165.00	\$ 40.00		
Capital Improvement -		\$ 30.00		
Assessments -	\$ 430.00	\$ 120.00		
Diocese Designated -	\$ 50.00			
Other Gifts -	\$ 200.00			
Special Collection -				
Envelopes used of 240 sent	47	31		

#### **Available Mass Dates**

Saturdays: 5:00 pm: <u>May</u> 10, 31, <u>Jun</u> 14, 21, 28, <u>Jul</u> 26 Sundays: 10:00 am: Sep 28, Dec 14, Jan 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.

**Debt Reduction:** Your generosity in using the special yellow envelope will help us pay our monthly assessment. The rectory will be closed this Monday, February 17th in the early afternoon for a staff gathering.

**Pastoral Council** will meet on Tuesday, February 25th at 7 pm in Hitch Hall.

Adult Faith Enrichment: Thursday, March 6<sup>th</sup> and our topic will be "Responding to God." Please read Chapters 6, 7 and 8 in Beautiful Eucharist. Doors will open at 6:45 pm. You are welcome to bring a snack to share with the group.

**Snow:** 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.

**IRA Information:** As Christian stewards, we share the responsibility of making our Church a community of faith and a vibrant source of service to the larger community. That includes not only providing financial support for now, but also building a firm financial foundation for the future. Did you know that your IRA can be a tool to help you do this? If you're 70-1/2 years old or older, you can make a Qualified Charitable Distribution for up to \$1,000,000 from your IRA directly to our parish. It doesn't count as taxable income and it can satisfy your "required minimum distribution." Have you considered naming I.C. as a beneficiary of your IRA or even in your will? Speak to your financial advisor about this, contact https://www.catholiccommunity.org/ira or contact Moira Wopershall at 216-696-6525 x8070 (diocese) for more information. I.C. Spirit – catch it.

#### Journey with the Pope

"Jesus, who goes towards wounded humanity, shows us the face of the Father. It may be that within us there is still the idea of a distant, cold God, who is indifferent to our fate. On the contrary, the Gospel shows us that, after teaching in the synagogue, Jesus goes out, so that the Word He has preached may reach, touch and heal people. By doing this, He reveals to us that God is not a detached master who speaks to us from on high. On the contrary, He is a Father filled with love who makes Himself close to us, who visits our homes, who wants to save and liberate, heal from every ill of the body and spirit. God is always close to us." *Pope Francis* 

## STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS

Between our first reading from Jeremiah and our Gospel from Luke, it's clear that a life lived in the Lord will allow us to flourish as human beings, understand what is truly important in life, have hope, encourage and affirm others, grow into all that God has called us to be and bear fruit for the Kingdom. In order to do so, however, we must do one thing - admit our dependence on God and acknowledge that we can't do it all ourselves. That's not an easy thing to do because we want to be in control, but it's only when we give over control to the Lord that we become truly free. Remember, we are stewards of all that we have, all that we are and all that we do because they are all gifts from God and it's our call to share them with others; share what we have, show who we are and share what we do so that we can lift up those around us who are hungry and searching for peace and hope.

#### 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 15<sup>th</sup> and all tapes must be turned in by February 23rd. Please be sure to place any Acme receipts with Cashback Rewards on them in the baskets by the doors of the church.

**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.

**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**!! 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'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.

**Kenmore Community Meal:** Our next meal is Tuesday, February 25th beginning at 4:30 pm in front of Waldeisen Hall. Menu: creamy chicken and rice with vegetables, applesauce, bread, & brownies. Needs: cream of chicken soup, chicken broth or stock, canned veggies & applesauce.

## **Offsite** Events

**Night at the Races Mardi Gras Celebration:** Saturday, March 1<sup>st</sup>, 5:30-9:30 pm at St. Bernard's Parish Hall, 44 University Avenue, Akron. \$75-per-person tickets may be purchased at <u>https://stbernardakron.org/natr25</u>. Included is admission, beverage ticket for the bar, your meal & entry into the door prizes raffle. This event supports St. Bernard's three Hunger Programs For questions, contact Jane Killian at <u>janekillian@gmail.com</u>

**Queen of Heaven:** Catholic Renewal Ministries is hosting Barbara Heil who will speak on "Beloved Is Where We Begin", Saturday, **March 1**<sup>st</sup>. Registration at 9:30 am followed by Praise & Worship, Teaching & Healing Prayer. For info call 330-687-8843 or go to www.crmweb.org. Advance registration by February 22<sup>nd</sup> is \$35, lunch included; at the door is \$35 - NO lunch. **Exalt!:** Queen of Heaven, 1800 Steese Rd., Uniontown, 7 pm on **March 6th**. Adoration, prayer, worship, music, quiet time, testimonials and Scripture – all are welcome.

