



February 23, 2025 Seventh 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 Feb 24			Sir 1:1-10; Mt 9:14-29	
Tues Feb 25			Sir 2:1-11; Mk 9:30-37	Free Store - 4pm-7pm SB Community Meal - 4:30 pm - WH
Wed Feb 26			Sir 4:11-19; Mk 9:38-40	Bingo - Open 9:30 am WH
Thurs Feb 27	Gregory of Narek, Abbot and Doctor of the Church		Sir 5:1-8; Mk 9:41-50	
Fri Feb 28			Sir 6:5-17; Mk 10:1-12	
Sat Mar 1		5:00 pm Andrew M. Ulichney by Patricia Ruckman	Sir 17:1-15; Mk 10:13-16	No Confessions Free Store - 9am - 12 pm SB
Sun Mar 2	Seventh Sunday In Ordinary Time	10:00 am Mary Lou Novitsky by Family	Sir 27:4-7; 1 Cor 15:54-58; Lk 6:39-45	

Sanctuary Lamp - Special Intention

Holy Family Candle - Special Intention

COLLECTION REPORT

Week Ending	February 9	February 16
Sunday Offering -	\$ 1,564.00	Due to
Daily Offering -	\$ 50.00	the early
Holy Day -		submission
Total	\$ 1,614.00	deadline for
Weekly offertory budget	\$ 3,200.00	this bulletin,
(Shortfall) Overage	\$(1,586.00)	the collection
YTD Over (short) -	\$(4,919.00)	report for this
St. Vincent de Paul -	\$ 40.00	date will be in
Capital Improvement -	\$ 30.00	next week's
Assessments -	\$ 120.00	bulletin.
Diocese Designated -		
Other Gifts -		
Envelopes used of 240 sent	31	

Available Mass Dates

Saturdays: 5:00 pm: May 10, 31, Jun 14, 21, 28, Jul 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.

Do you know anyone shut-in who can't get to Mass? Let us know so we can reach out to connect with them.

The Lenten Season is approaching quickly. Ash Wednesday is March 5th with Liturgy of the Word and distribution of Ashes at 1 pm and 5:30 pm. Stations of the Cross will be prayed on Fridays at 5:30 pm.

Adult Faith Enrichment: Thursday, March 6th 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

“The Gospel is the word of life: it does not oppress people, on the contrary, it frees those who are slaves to the many evil spirits of this world: the spirit of vanity, attachment to money, pride, sensuality... The Gospel changes the heart, changes life, transforms evil inclinations into good intentions. The Gospel is capable of changing people!”

Pope Francis

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS

Our weather, as you know, has been bad – ice, snow, extreme cold. We understand that under these conditions, you may not be able to make Mass, but we would ask you to honor your stewardship of treasure to the parish by dropping off or mailing in your envelopes. Bad weather or not, the bills still come and we need your stewardship to meet our financial commitments to our creditors and to be able to pay our hard-working staff. During COVID, you all were amazing in making sure your envelopes got to us and we ask that you make that same commitment now. Also know that both of our leadership councils are looking into lots of fun, different fundraising activities that, along with Bingo, will help us financially. We are still faced with the repair of the church and rectory roofs as well as needed stonework so let's join together to ensure the future of our parish. I.C. Spirit – catch it!

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 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!

Debt Reduction: Your generosity in using the special yellow envelope will help us pay our monthly assessment.

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!

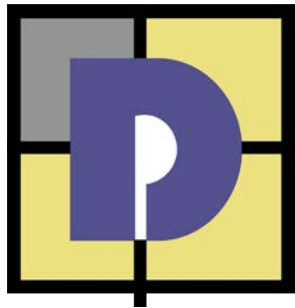
Free Store Sack Lunch needs: You're making a difference! **What's needed:** Individually wrapped snack & cookie packages, cases of water bottles, small individual bags of chips, snack-size plastic bags and lunch-size brown paper bags (size 5 or larger). You may also donate cash which will be used to 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 this 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 1st**, 5:30-9:30 pm at St. Bernard's Parish Hall, 44 University Avenue, Akron. \$75-per-person tickets may be purchased at <https://stbernardakron.org/natr25>. 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 janekillian@gmail.com

Queen of Heaven: Catholic Renewal Ministries is hosting Barbara Heil who will speak on "Beloved Is Where We Begin", Saturday, **March 1st**. 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 22nd 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.



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