



March 2, 2025

Eighth 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 Mar 3	Katherine Drexel, Virgin		Sir 17:20-24; Mk 10:17-27	
Tues Mar 4	Casimir		Sir 35:1-12; Mk 10:28-31	Free Store - 4pm-7pm SB
Wed Mar 5	Ash Wednesday		Jl 2:12-18; 2 Cor 5:20 - 6:2; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18	Bingo - Open 9:30 am WH Liturgy of the Word & Ashes 1 pm & 5:30 pm CH
Thurs Mar 6			Dt 30:15-20; Lk 9:22-25	Adult Faith Enrichment 7 pm WH
Fri Mar 7	Perpetua & Felicity, Martyrs		Is 58:1-9a; Mt 9:14-15	Exposition & Adoration 1-2 pm CH Stations of the Cross 5:30 pm CH
Sat Mar 8	John of God, Religious	5:00 pm Sandra Wilson by John & Pam Ciarlariello & JoAnn Krummel	Is 58:9b-14; Lk 5:27-32	No Confessions Free Store - 9am - 12 pm SB
Sun Mar 9	First Sunday of Lent	10:00 am Living & Deceased Members of Altar & Rosary Society by Altar & Rosary Society	Dt 26:4-10; Rom 10:8-13; Lk 4:1-13	

Sanctuary Lamp - Special Intention

Holy Family Candle - Special Intention

COLLECTION REPORT

Week Ending	February 16	February 23
Sunday Offering -	\$ 1,858.00	\$2,387.00
Daily Offering -	\$ 150.00	
Holy Day -		
Total	\$ 2,008.00	\$2,387.00
Weekly offertory budget	\$ 3,200.00	\$3,200.00
(Shortfall) Overage	\$(1,192.00)	\$(813.00)
YTD Over (short) -	\$(5,736.00)	\$6,549.00)
St. Vincent de Paul -		
Capital Improvement -	\$ 265.00	
Assessments -	\$ 25.00	\$ 340.00
Diocese Designated -	\$ 232.00	
Other Gifts -	\$2,319.55	
Envelopes used of 240 sent	33	55

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.

Lent: Ash Wednesday is *THIS Wednesday*. Liturgy of the Word services with Distribution of Ashes at 1 pm and 5:30 pm. **Stations of the Cross** will be prayed on the Fridays of Lent at 5:30 pm. **Rice Bowls** to support Catholic Relief Services, Bishop Robert Barron's **Lenten Gospel Reflection Books** and the helpful **Journey Through Lent** flier may be found at all doors of the church.

Fast & Abstinence: Ash Wednesday & Good Friday are obligatory days of fast & abstinence. Fasting is obligatory for all between 18 and 59 years old. Fasting allows a person one full meal & two smaller meals, not to equal one full meal; no snacking between meals. Abstinence from meat and meat products is obligatory beginning at 14. Fridays in Lent are obligatory days of complete abstinence.

Adult Faith Enrichment: **THIS** Thursday, March 6th. Topic: "Responding to God." Please read Chapters 6, 7 and 8 in Beautiful Eucharist. Doors will open at 6:45 pm.

Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will be **THIS** Friday from 1-2 pm in the church for prayer and reflection.

Last week, the parish paid out over \$11,000.00 in bills including; Assessment of \$2,825.00, Master Insurance (monthly) of \$3,479.00, Property Tax bill (bi-annual) of \$3,055.79, along with regular bills. We appreciate your efforts to help the parish by faithfully using your envelopes.

Journey with the Pope

“Let us learn this way of reacting from Our Lady: to arise, especially when difficulties threaten to crush us. To arise so as not to get bogged down in problems, sinking into self-pity or falling into a sadness that paralyzes us. But why get up? Because God is great and is ready to lift us up again if we reach out to Him. So let us cast to Him the negative thoughts, the fears that block every impulse and that prevent us from moving forward. And then let us do as Mary did: let us look around and look for someone to whom we can be of help.”

Pope Francis

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS

As we head into the Lenten season this week, our readings remind us that there is much in our lives for which we need to atone. We are sinners, each one of us, and we need to take responsibility for our sins. St. Paul reminds us that if we work to avoid corruption and the things of this world and strive to be steadfast in faith and devoted to the Lord's work, death has no hold over us because Jesus gave us victory through His sacrifice on the cross. St. Luke reminds us to be mindful of feelings of superiority over others, ego and the blame game. As we begin Lent, let's take a good look inside and identify those things which are not of God and endeavor to put others first and produce good fruit for the Kingdom.

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.

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 330-22-7414. 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.

Offsite Events

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.

Divorced, Separated & Widowed: "Caring & Sharing Session on Monday, March 10th from 7-8:30 pm at Immaculate Heart of Mary's Convent Building. The event is open at no charge to people of all faiths. For info call 330-607-6284.

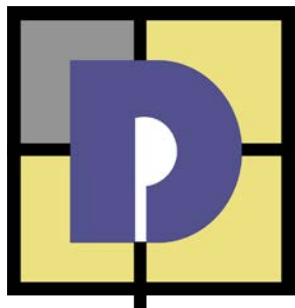
Lenten Mission: St. Sebastian: March 16-18; 7 pm. Bishop Michael Woost will speak on "Called To Be Pilgrims of Hope." This mission will offer participants the opportunity to obtain the Jubilee plenary indulgence.

Lenten Mission: St. Joseph: March 16-18 7 pm. Fr. Sal Shevchuk, Pastor, Holy Ghost Ukrainian Catholic Church & Family on "The Call to Holiness: Man, Woman, Marriage & Family.

Lenten Evening of Recollection: St. Anthony, Tuesday, March 25th from 7-8 pm with P.J. and Miguel Chavez; Benediction included.

Lenten Fish Fry: Knights of Columbus Council 3410. 2055 Glenmount Ave., 44319 from 4:30 – 7:00 pm.

Menu: baked cod, fried pollock, breaded shrimp, & chicken tenders. Dinners include 2 sides (extra sides available): baked potato, hot rice, fries, slaw, mac & cheese. Dessert: pies. Coffee tea & milk are free. Pop may be purchased at the pop bar. Place orders in person, by phone at 330-773-3410 or online at www.akronkofc.com. Cash and credit cards are accepted.



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