

## September 14, 2025 The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

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

Date	Observance	Mass Intention	Readings	Event
Mon Sep 15	Our Lady of Sorrows		1 Tm 2:1-8; Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35	
Tues Sep 16	Cornelius, Pope & Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs		1 Tm 3:1-13; Lk 7:11-17	Free Store: 4 pm-7 pm SB
Wed Sep 17	Robert Bellamine, Bishop & Doctor; Hildegard of Bingen, Virgin & Doctor		1 Tm 3:14-16; Lk 7:31-35	Bingo: Open 9:30 am WH
<b>Thurs</b> Sep 18			1 Tm 4:12-16; Lk 7:36-50	
<b>Fri</b> Sep 19	Januarius, Bishop & Martyr		1 Tm 6:2c-12; Lk 8:1-3	
Sat Sep 20	Andrew Kim Tae-gon, Priest & Paul Chong Ha-sang, & Companions, Martyrs	5:00 pm <b>Ida Rea</b> by Mr. & Mrs. Mangieri	1 Tm 6:13-16; Lk 8:4-15	Free Store 9 am-12 pm SB
Sun Sep 21	Twenty-Fifth Sunday In Ordinary Time	10:00 am <b>Gary Currans</b> by Family	Am 8:4-7; 1 Tm 2:1-8; Lk 16:1-13 or 16:10-13	

Sanctuary Lamp - Special Intention

#### COLLECTION REPORT

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Week Ending	August 31	September 7
Sunday Offering -	\$ 2,343.05	\$ 1,702.00
Daily Offering -	\$ 765.00	
Total	\$ 3,108.05	\$ 1,702.00
Weekly offertory budget	\$ 3,200.00	<b>\$ 3,200.00</b>
(Shortfall) Overage	\$ (91.95)	\$(1,498.00)
YTD Over (short) -	\$(17,435.61)	\$(18,933.61)
St. Vincent de Paul -	\$ 10.00	\$ 50.00
Capital Improvement -	\$ 50.00	\$ 85.00
Assessments -	\$ 300.00	\$ 60.00
Other Gifts -	\$ 2,050.00	
<b>Diocese Designated -</b>		
Envelopes used of 240 sent	33	40

#### Available Mass Dates

Please use your envelopes!

**Saturdays:** 5:00 pm: <u>Jan</u> 10, <u>Feb</u> 7, 14, 21, 28, <u>Mar</u> 7, 14, 28 **Sundays:** 10:00 am: <u>Feb</u> 1, 8, 15, 22, <u>Mar</u> 8, 22, 29, <u>Apr</u> 5, 12

**Daily Mass & Confessions:** Because we have no priest, we no longer offer daily Masses nor Confessions. Please use this guide: *St. Augustine*: Confessions – Saturdays, 3 pm & Mondays, 6 pm. Daily Mass: M, W, Th, F, 12:05 pm & Tuesdays, 5:15 pm. *St. Francis:* Confessions – Saturdays, 9-9:45 am & Thursdays from 5:30-6:15 pm. Daily Mass: M-F,8:15 am & Thursdays at 6:30 pm.

#### Holy Family Candle - Special Intention

**Town Hall Meeting:** We have several issues regarding the parish that, as a family of faith, we need to discuss. PLEASE make every effort to attend an important Town Hall meeting in Waldeisen Hall on *Sunday, September 28<sup>th</sup> following the 10:00 am Mass.* Doors will be open by 10:30 am. **Please note:** this meeting is for current, registered parishioners only.

**Parish Pastoral Council:** Our next meeting will be Tuesday, September 23<sup>rd</sup> – the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday – at 7 pm in Hitch Hall.

The **Acme Cashback** program runs thru February 15, 2026 so save those Acme receipts. Please see the flyers at the main door and main side door for brand name information.

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

Adult Faith Enrichment: Come, grow in your faith and learn about the life and influence of St. Benedict on Thursday, September 25th from 7-8:15 pm in Waldeisen Hall. We will be viewing a Bishop Robert Barron Pivotal Players DVD about the life of this great monk. There is no cost and all are welcome. Bring a snack to share!

**Journey with Pope Leo XIV:** "Dear friends, as the Second Vatican Council states, 'in every age, the Church carries the responsibility of reading the signs of the times and of interpreting them in the light of the Gospel, if she is to carry out her task. In language intelligible to every generation, she should be able to answer the ever-recurring questions which people ask about the meaning of this present life and of the life to come, and how one is related to the other' (Gaudium et Spes, 4)."

#### **STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS**

Today we celebrate the Feast of the Exaltation or Triumph of the Cross. This feast began in the 7th century when the True Cross was recovered from the Persians. The cross, an instrument of torture, which had been a symbol of defeat became "the source of eternal salvation" (Heb. 5:9) and a symbol of victory over sin and death with the death and Resurrection of Jesus. This victory through the Cross allows us the opportunity for eternal life, but we are sinners and as such we need to be penitent. One way to do that is to accept our daily crosses - our weaknesses and failures, sickness and disappointments and follow Jesus. Remember these words from Matthew: "If any man would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me." We have a God who understands pain and suffering and through the exaltation of His cross, we know that perseverance in carrying ours with hope will lead to salvation and life everlasting.

#### 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.

Bingo: We're in DIRE need of someone who's organized & even tempered to learn from our wonderful Bingo manager, Lorie, about how to run the Bingo office on Wednesdays. If she's unavailable, we have to cancel Bingo and that hurts the parish financially. Please call the rectory with any questions. We can also use help with other Bingo and kitchen jobs so step up and help out!

In His Name: Trial size toiletry items (things that will easily fit into a backpack) for the Peter Maurin Center may be placed in the basket at the main doors of the church.

St. Vincent de Paul Society is in need of volunteers Thursdays noon – 2:00 pm in our food pantry to distribute food & hygiene items to those in need. If interested and available, please call Lorie Papp at 330-322-7414. Thanks.

**Extraordinary Ministers:** We could use some help on First Fridays to take Communion to our shut-ins. Please call us at the rectory to share your stewardship.

**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 Sack Lunch needs: What's needed: Individually wrapped snack & cookie packages, small individual bags of chips, snack-size plastic bags and lunch-size brown paper bags (size 6 or larger). Cash donations will be used to buy cheese sticks, water & 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.

Free Store Help: Have a heart for those in need, like to work with friendly, faith-filled people? Stop by Tuesdays, 4 pm-7 pm or Saturdays, 9 am-noon, to check it out & join the team!

#### **Offsite Events**

Akron Zoo: As a thank you to Summit Co. residents, we're offering Summit County Community Appreciation Days which are free days to enjoy your Akron Zoo for the entire month of September. Tickets must be reserved online in advance at www.akronzoo.org/communitydays. There is a limit of 4 tickets per household, while supplies last. We also have some paper tickets at the rectory for those who can't access them online.

Catholic Cemeteries Support Group: September 21st, "in office" at 3 pm at Holy Cross on Waterloo Rd. and "virtual" at 5 pm. Topic: "Different Types of Grief/Seasons of Grief". For virtual, sign up at http://bit.ly/ccavirtualgriefsupportgroup for login information & to download handout materials.

SS. Anne & Joachim Grandparents Group will meet at St. Paul Parish in room 111 of the school beginning at 6:30 pm on the following Friday dates: Sept. 19, Oct. 31, Nov. 28, Dec. 19, Jan. 30 & Feb. 27. Enter through the Chesterton School doors off the north parking lot. For info, contact Ellen at 330-801-0463.

**EC Luminous Conference:** Holy Family Parish on Saturday, October 4th from 8:30 am to 3:30 pm. This conference is designed to help believers live and share the Gospel in their everyday lives. Early registration is \$49 until September 25th, after this date the fee is \$54. For info: evengelicalcatholic.regfox.com/luminous-ohio

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