

December 7, 2025 Second Sunday of Advent

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

Date	Observance	Mass Intention	Readings	Event
Mon Dec 8	The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary	5:30 pm Fr. Mike by Melissa Keegan	Gn 3:9-15, 20; Eph 1:3-6, 11-12; Lk 1:26-38	Holy Day
Tues Dec 9	Juan Diego Cuauhtlatoatzin		Is 40:1-11 Mt 18:12-14	Free Store 4 pm-7 pm SB
Wed Dec 10	Our Lady of Loreto		Is 40:25-31; Mt 11:28-30	Bingo Open 9:30 am WH Games begin at 11:00 am
Thurs Dec 11	Damasus I, Pope		Is 41:13-20; Mt 11:11-15	Adult Faith Enrichment 7 pm WH
Fri Dec 12	Our Lady of Guadalupe		Zec 2:14-17; Lk 1:39-47	Exposition & Adoration 1-2 pm CH
Sat Dec 13	Lucy, Virgin & Martyr	5:00 pm Candy Caruso by Family	Sir 48:1-4, 9-11; Mt 17:9a, 10-13	Free Store 9 am – 12 pm SB
Sun Dec 14	Third Sunday Of Advent	10:00 am Bob Doerr by Kathy Doerr	Is 35:1-6a, 10 Jas 5:7-10; Mt 11:2-11	

Sanctuary Lamp - Special Intention

COLLECTION REPORT

Week Ending	November 23	November 30
Sunday Offering -	\$ 1,673.00	\$ 3,080.00
Daily Offering -	\$ 552.92	
Holy Day		\$ 100.00
Total	\$ 2,225.92	\$ 3,180.00
Weekly offertory budget	\$ 3,200.00	\$ 3,200.00
(Shortfall) Overage	\$ (974.08)	\$ (20.00)
**YTD Over (short) -	\$(11,873.56)	\$(11,893.56)
St. Vincent de Paul -	\$ 10.00	\$ 30.00
Capital Improvement		
Assassments		

Assessments

Other Gifts

**YTD has been adjusted to reflect the new fiscal year which began on 7/1/25.

Envelopes used of 240 sent 35 37

Available Mass Dates

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: Feb 1, 8, 15, 22, Mar 8, 22, 29, Apr 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

Parish Town Hall Meeting: There will be an important meeting for all current parishioners only on Sunday, December 21st following the 10 am Mass in Waldeisen Hall. We do have some good news to share regarding our social justice/outreach ministries.

Holy Day: This Monday, December 8th is the Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, a Holy Day of Obligation and our parish feast day. Mass will be celebrated at 5:30 pm and we invite you to wear something blue to Mass to honor our Blessed Mother.

Adult Faith Enrichment: Our next session will be THIS Thursday, December 11th. We'll study the life of St. Augustine and his amazing transformation from sinner to saint. We will begin the evening at 7 pm. For our 12 Apostles, please come at 6:30 pm.

Communion Calls & Exposition & Adoration will take place **this** Friday, December 12th.

Bambinelli Sunday: Next Sunday, December 13th and 14th, we'll be offering a blessing of your Christ Child figurines so be sure to bring them with you to Mass.

Church Decorating: Come and help make our church beautiful for Christmas on Monday, December 22nd beginning at 6:30 pm.

Snow Entry: If we get a heavy snow during the weekends, entry to the church will be through Hitch Hall only. We do not have the personnel to remove snow effectively.

Journey with Pope Leo XIV: "The path to peace demands hearts and minds trained in concern for others and capable of perceiving the common good in today's world. For the road to peace involves everyone and leads to the fostering of right relationships between all living beings."

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS

Can you imagine a world where these unlikely pairs walk side by side in peace: wolves and lambs, leopards and young goats, calves and lion cubs, cows and bears, human babies and poisonous snakes? It's difficult enough for us to imaging women, men and children of different races, creeds and nations living in peace! The sad thing is that is doesn't have to be this way. John the Baptist tells us that repentance is the key to peace and harmony. As we enter deeper into the Advent season, for what would you seek repentance? What attitudes and behaviors are you harboring that are not of God? Take time to seek reconciliation with God and your fellow man.

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.

In His Name: Trial size toiletry items (things that will easily fit into a backpack) like toothpaste, toothbrushes, deodorant, shampoo, floss, new combs, brushes, soap, socks etc. for the homeless who go to 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.

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 and join the team! Your help will be greatly appreciated.

Acme Cashback: With holidays are coming up, purchase items from the brands that will also help our parish with cashback rewards. Please see the fliers at the main and main side doors for information.

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.

CHRISTmas Greetings Across the Pews: We're once again offering you the opportunity to send CHRISTmas greetings to your fellow parishioners! If you didn't get a form last week, you may find them at the doors of the church. Fill it out and return it to the rectory by Wednesday, December 17th so that we can have them in the pews for the weekend of December 20th & 21st for you to take home and read.

Offsite Events

Christmas Open House Thursday, December 11th from 4 pm to 7 pm at Right to Life of Northeast Ohio, 300 N. Cleve-Mass Rd., Akron. The event is free but please call 234-334-0088 to register.

Catholic Cemeteries Support Group: December 21st, "in office" at 3 pm at Holy Cross on Waterloo Rd. and " virtual" at 5 pm. Visit www.clecem.org/Events or call Renee at 216-930-4866 for details.

Retrouvaille The next Retrouvaille of Cleveland program begins with a weekend scheduled for February 13-15 at Kent State University Hotel and Conference Center. Registration ends January 3rd. Additional information can be found at www.helpourmarriage.org or call 216-509-0301.

Separated and Divorced Support Group: The Diocese of Cleveland is offering a 9-week divorce recovery group beginning January 16th through March 13th from 7–9 pm at St. Hilary Parish. The group will be limited to 10-12 participants and will focus on dealing with complex feelings and finding coping strategies. For initial inquiries, contact St. Hilary's at 330-867-1055, ext. 200.

Catholic Charities Summit County Adult Day Services helps older adults stay social, & enjoy engaging activities Monday through Friday. With custom care groups for all levels of ability, compassionate staff & health services, your loved one will be in safe, nurturing hands. Daily programs include exercise, community outings and spiritual reflection, all provided in a supportive, social environment. For information, call 330-762-2000.

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