

STEWARDSHIP

In today's second reading, we hear the author of the letter to the Hebrews liken the daily life of the Christian steward to a race, a long-distance race perhaps, certainly not a sprint; requiring endurance and a single-minded focus on Jesus at the finish line. Good stewards are firmly committed to running the race, to live the Christian life to the fullest, to keep their eyes focused on Jesus. They don't grow weary. They don't lose heart. They know there is immense joy waiting for them at the finish line. Are you fully committed to living each day for Christ? Are you running the race, or are you simply jogging? Just walking? Sitting? Going backwards? Going nowhere? Some of us may want to reflect on what we can do to run the race with even more conviction. Others may want to reflect on how to simply enter the race and start running.



**Masses
for the Week**

Monday	Aug. 19	St. John Eudes, Priest No Mass – ICC 9:00am Our Lady of Lourdes - Ada
Tuesday	Aug. 20	St. Bernard, Abbot No Mass – ICC 9:00am Our Lady of Lourdes - Ada
Wednesday	Aug. 21	St. Pius X, Pope 9:00am Special Intention – ICC No Mass - OLL
Thursday	Aug. 22	No Mass – ICC or OLL
Friday	Aug. 23	St. Rose of Lima, Virgin 9:00am Richard Howe – ICC No Mass - OLL
Saturday	Aug. 24	Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time 4:00pm For the Parish - ICC 6:30pm Our Lady of Lourdes, Ada
Sunday	Aug. 25	Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time 9:00am John & Mary Scharf - ICC 11:00am Our Lady of Lourdes – Ada 7:00pm Spanish Mass



**Weekly Readings for
Masses August 19 - 25**

Monday	Judges 2:11-19 & Matthew 19:16-22
Tuesday	Judges 6:11-24a & Matthew 19:23-30
Wednesday	Judges 9:6-15 & Matthew 20:1-16
Thursday	Judges 11:29-39a & Matthew 22:1-14
Friday	Ruth 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22 & Matthew 22:34-40
Saturday	Revelations 21:9b-14 & John 1:45-51
Sunday	Isaiah 66:18-21 Hebrews 12:5-7, 11-13 Luke 13:22-30



Week of August 11	
Regular 56(env)	\$1907.00
Loose	167.00
Capital	122.00
Total	\$2196.00

Mass Schedule

	Confessions	Mass Every	Mass Every
<u>Parish</u>	<u>Every Saturday</u>	<u>Saturday</u>	<u>Sunday</u>
ICC	3:30pm	4:00pm	9:00am
OLL	6:00pm	6:30pm	11:00am

“New Emergency Line – for Anointing of the Sick, ER visits, pending deaths, etc. – has been established in order to reach the Pastor; the new emergency number is 419-673-6720. This number is not for regular business, but for true spiritual emergencies only....The phone greeting here at Immaculate Conception also continues, as in the past, to allow you the option of hitting an extension to reach Fr. Jeffrey locally for these occasions.”

Please remember to keep our Nursing Home Parishioners and the Home Bound and the sick in your prayers:

- Kate Strahm, Mary Teets, Charlene Hilty,
- Norma Chatfield, Becky Droll, Larry Mullins,
- John Porter, Sr., Judy Krych, and Diane Jaeger.

Our Lady of Lourdes Picnic

Sunday, August 18 at 12:30pm at Shelter 7 at The Ada War Memorial Park. They provide the meat, corn, and drinks. Just bring a side dish or dessert to share. Hope to see you there!!

August Mass Schedule
During the month of August while Fr. Jeff is on vacation, Fr. Ferguson will be having daily Mass here at Immaculate Conception on Wednesdays and Fridays at 9:00am. Fr. Ferguson's day off is on Thursday.

The Kenton Knights of Columbus will be having a Pancake & Sausage Breakfast after the 9am mass in Kenton on Sunday, September 1.
St. Vincent DePaul will NOT be meeting until Sept. 15

PSR

PSR for pre-school thru 8th grade will begin on Sunday, September 15 after the 9:00am Mass. Registration forms will be mailed out or can be found in the back of church.

Youth Group

We will be having a Youth Group this year for all high school students or students who have been confirmed. This will held on the first and third Sundays of the month after the 9:00am Mass beginning Sunday, October 6 in the Upper Room of the Convent.

Good News Café Scripture Study

Will begin the first fall series on Tuesday, Sept 17. Group meets after Tuesday am Mass, 9:45 to 12 noon. The session begins with a light refreshments, then moves to prayer and discussion of questions. The first topic is Peacemaking and Nonviolence.

RCIA † Come and See!

Do you have a non Catholic family member or friend who might like to know more about the Catholic faith or know of someone who was baptized Catholic but has been away from the Church? Perhaps you know someone who has been coming to Mass for a while, but is not Catholic. Invite them to look deeper into the richness of Catholicism! Come with them to meet with other faithful Catholics who are serving as catechists in the RCIA program. RCIA, the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults, is a restoration of the ancient practice, which began around 350, as a way for the Church to welcome adults into the Community of Believers. It enables people to either embrace the Faith for the first time or helps those baptized as Catholics to complete their faith formation. It is a process of discerning the stages of conversion leading to sacramental initiation. It is a time of inquiry, learning, prayer, and discovery of community. Those participating have the opportunity to ask questions about the Church and to hear about the message of Jesus Christ and how it is lived out in the Catholic Church. For more info and to register for this year's RCIA, email iccatholic@windstream.net or call the office at 419-675-1162. You are also welcome to contact Fr. Ferguson for more information about the RCIA process.

Bishop's Annual Appeal



"God Makes Every Grace Abundant"

Thanks to all who have responded to the Bishop's Annual Appeal.

I encourage all who have not yet made a pledge to prayerfully consider what you can afford to give and support

this important appeal from our Bishop. We are seeking 100% parishioner participation! Any amount raised over this goal will be returned to our parish to be used for the maintenance needs of our parish. Envelopes can be found in the pews or picked up at the office.

Thank you for your generous contributions!

Another gorgeous day we had for our festival. God has been good to us. Thanks to ALL who put in many hours before, during, and after the festival. Your hard work and help was greatly appreciated. Great Festival!!

Congratulations to the following winners from our Festival Raffle Drawing!

\$1,500	-	Jodine McKinley
\$ 500	-	Cathy Ray
\$ 250	-	Mary King
\$ 150	-	Seona Harpel
\$ 100	-	Ann Marie Murphy
50/50 Drawing	-	Mark M
\$ 50 (Raffle Sales)	-	LuAnn Sherman

Basket winners can be found on inserted bulletin.

Immaculate Conception and Our Lady of Lourdes Fair Booth –

September 3 thru 8 –

Please sign up on sheet in back of church if you can help work the Hardin County Fair Booth. Fair passes and grounds parking passes will be provided. We will also need people to help set up on Monday, September 3. Your help is greatly appreciated

KENTON MAINTENANCE ASST POSITION OPEN:

ICC parish is looking for a paid P/T assistant for maintenance; some custodial, groundskeeping, snow shoveling, minor repairs, etc. Would coordinate with maintenance director. Estimated 5-10 hrs/wk; flexible. Send resume or application to Fr. Ferguson at 222 E. Highland Ave, Ada, OH 45810.

Maria Stein Shrine

Heritage Day Celebration - September 22 – 1 to 5pm

It's an annual, family-friendly event with lots of exciting things to do and see. Join us as we celebrate our heritage with food, fun, games and so much more.

Columbus Catholic Renewal

Do you need hope? Do you NEED HEALING? Come experience the AWE and WONDER of the Lord at the foot of the Blessed Sacrament! The Columbus Catholic Renewal is proud to announce a Healing Mass and Mini-Conference with Father McAlear at St. Peter's Catholic Church on Sept 13th & 14th. Father McAlear, from Boston Massachusetts, will be providing teachings about forgiveness, healing, faith, and the Eucharist. Please visit www.cccolumbus.org for details and to register for this free event.

Josephinum 4-Miler!

September 21st at Glacier Ridge Metro Park, Dublin. Support our future priests and help represent your parish at this fun family event! Park and assemble by 8:00 a.m. at the Club at Corazon, 7155 Corazon Drive, Dublin, Bishop Robert Brennan will start the race! Register at: www.m3ssports.com/events/josephinum.htm