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SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Baptisms are normally scheduled on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month at 1:00pm. Parent(s) who wish their child to be baptized are expected to be registered in the parish and practicing the faith. The dates for the Pre-Baptismal Class for the 1st child, as well as the Class for the 2nd are listed inside the bulletin. Classes for 1st child are held in the Church and classes for 2nd child are held in the Rectory Meeting Room. Please call the rectory 764-0357 to register.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Couples need to meet with a priest one year before the wedding date to begin marriage preparation.
Call the Rectory for an appointment.

NEW PARISHIONERS

IHM welcomes you!

Please call the Rectory Office for a visit and a copy of your welcome packet.

MASSES

Saturday: 5:00pm (LIVE STREAMED) Sunday: 7:00am, 9:00am, 11:00am Monday — Saturday: 6:30am and 9:00am Holy Day: as scheduled in bulletin

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

(Confessions)

Saturday: 4:00pm to 4:45pm in the Chapel or by appointment

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

Emergency - Call the Rectory, 764-0357

Communion Call - Upon request Eucharistic Ministers will bring Eucharist to the homebound and sick of the parish.

Visitation - Please notify the Rectory of any serious illness in your family or admission to a hospital.

LITURGY



"I give you a new commandment: love one another. As I have loved you, so you also should love one another. This is how all will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another." $- \frac{10}{100} \frac{13:34.35}{1000}$

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Plass 02001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

Readings for the week of May 15, 2022

Sundays: Acts 14:21-27/Ps 145:8-9, 10-11, 12-13/

Rv 21:1-5a/Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35

Monday: Acts 14:5-18/Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 15-16/Jn

14:21-26

Tuesday: Acts 14:19-28/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13ab, 21/

Jn 14:27-31a

Wednesday: Acts 15:1-6/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5/Jn

15:1-8

Thursday: Acts 15:7-21/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 10/Jn 15:9

-11

Friday: Acts 15:22-31/Ps 57:8-9, 10 and 12/Jn

15:12-17

Saturday: Acts 16:1-10/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 5/Jn 15:18-

21

Next Sunday: Acts 15:1-2, 22-29/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 [4]/

Rv 21:10-14, 22-23/Jn 14:23-29

ZOOM Video Pre-Baptism Classes

Date for 1st Child – June 6th at 7:30pm
Date for 2nd or additional Children – May 16th
starting at 7:00pm.

These classes are held via ZOOM video conference.

Please call the Rectory 764-0357 to register

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



The Santa Maria Council of the **Knights of Columbus** is hosting a devotional hour to St. Joseph, the protector of the Holy Family of Nazareth. **Fr. Bill Melnick** will lead a special prayer service on **Tuesday May 17 at 7:00 PM** in the Church. Which will include hymns, scripture and reflection, rosary, and a Litany to St. Joseph.

All are welcome to join us as we reflect on the earthly father of Jesus who provided for the Holy Family through his work and loving protection. We ask his intercession that we too can be examples of strength, integrity, and fidelity to those God placed in our care. Light refreshments will be served afterwards.

IHM Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration



The Ascension of Our Lord - May 26th

"God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: A blare of trumpets for the Lord." (Psalm 47)

Adorers are needed for the following hours:

Sunday: (No Adoration on Sunday from 7am to 2pm)

Tuesday: 11pm

Wednesday: 5am wks 4,5; 1pm, 11pm

Friday: 7pm, 10pm

Saturday: 9pm - weeks 1,2,3,5

(No Adoration on Saturday from 7am to 6pm)

Please contact Kathy Dunworth to be assigned a Holy

Hour.

Call 302-383-6452 or kdunworth@verizon.net

Call the Hotline at 302-764-4326 for closings and updates.

DEVOTIONS AND PRAYER GROUPS

Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration in Chapel:

Sunday 2pm to Saturday 6:30am Saturday 6pm to Sunday at 7am **Rosary: Daily**, after 9am Mass

First Friday and First Saturday Devotion:

Monthly after the 9am Mass

Prayer Groups:

Monday: 7pm- Rosary

Tuesday: 1pm- Marian Movement Of Priests Cenacle Thursday: 1pm – Miraculous Medal



Please welcome the Pilgrim Virgin traveling Statue of Our Lady of Fatima into your homes. Simply sign the binder located outside the Liturgy Office and take the traveling bag home with you on Sunday and return it on Saturday. Sign up for a week that fits your schedule. There's everything you need to pray the Rosary as a family and take advantage of the power of this beautiful prayer gift. Questions? Contact Pat Dargis-302-478-7909.

5th Sunday of Easter Reflection

"It is necessary for us to undergo many hardships to enter the Kingdom of God." Many folks really work very hard to circumvent difficult situations. We prefer the easier way around something, rather than risk inconvenience, hurt or prolonged suffering. It's no wonder euthanasia is rapidly becoming acceptable around the world. Through purely human eyes, there is no issue bypassing the inevitable, taking control and bringing things more swiftly to a place of peace. If this is the way God sees things, then why does Jesus make such a big deal helping us understand the experience of suffering and embrace it? God's wisdom clearly takes us in another direction.

Imagine if we were able to eradicate ALL hardship and suffering. Where would we be? As we look at our own journeys, many of our solid more growth producing life lessons have been born of suffering, disappointment, inconvenience, darkness, and despair. There is something sacred about all of these experiences as God uses them to create something new. Envisioning a life without hardship and suffering brings us to a vision where everything is flat-lined and dull. As much as hardship and suffering are difficult crosses to bear, not taking them up runs the risk of us becoming shallow, empty, and lifeless. Helen Keller remarks that, "a happy life consists not in the absence but in the mastery of hardships." What an incredibly wise insight! Many really successful people and saints were brought to their station in life because they suffered. Suffering teaches us about what's important and propels us to search the depths of our souls for resources and strength we never would have known before.

This is especially true when we love as Jesus asks us to love. Love, perhaps above any other experience, can cause us great hardship, pain, and suffering especially when it's authentic and unconditional. While it can thrust us into an incredible experience of God and life on one hand, it can bruise and wound us deeply on the other. Mastering the art of love is the secret to living life well, walking in the presence of God and investing in the joy of the Gospel. Love and suffering walk hand in hand. Compromising one will compromise the other. Maybe that's why Jesus spent so much time convincing us to accept both.

CHILDREN'S CORNER

Sharing the Gospel

Jesus gave his disciples a new rule. He told them they had to love each other, just like he loved them. What did Jesus mean? Jesus was very patient with his friends. He forgave his friends when they let him down. Jesus comforted his friends when they were afraid. Most of all he helped them grow closer to God.

Prayer

Dear God, help me to love my friends like Jesus did.

Something to Draw

Draw a picture of yourself talking to a friend who is afraid.

May 15, 2022

Please pray for those who are sick especially:



Jack Braconnier, Sr.

and please continue to remember in your prayers the sick and recovering parishioners and their caregivers including:

Jamie Anderson Jay Bedell David Bucci Rich Blankeney Bonnie Blankeney Andrew Brundage Sandy Calderhead Nancy Carney Theresa Cassidy Christine Cavaliere Ryan Chetty Jack Conm Joanne Cunningham Arlene Dalesio Janice Dawson Mary DeLitta Anthony Deldeo Peggy Dragone Edward Felps Marie Finch Linda Finney Rick Finney Shawn Foard Danny Forte Jackie Fiore-Warfield John Furey Katherine Glazier Gail P. Glynn Don A. Grace Richard Harrison Carol Healy John Heaney Helene Hendrixson Caroline Henry Tom Jewett Margaret Kenney Wayne Kershner Brigitta Klug Wendy Lovet Michelle Malloy Terry Mance **Thomas Manlove** Matthew McCormick

Reagan McGovern Rick McNeal Chris Mighton Donna Natelli Sierra Neidlinger Jean Nettleton **Bernard Nowak** Hilda Orlando Patty O'Donnell John Pellegrino Angel Piane **Donald Pietlock** Eric Phillips Alensia Nicole Quigly Jose Riera Carmen Riera Kellianne Robinson Gregg Rooney Sr. Maria Rosas James F. Russell, Jr. Evelyn V. Santos Veronica Scerca Louise Schumock Lenna & Andv Schott Brandon Shain Sue Sheehan Bill Sherwin Theresa Sherwin Connie Silpath Albert Silpath JoAnne Shain Denise Smith Kristin Suda Lou Tiberi Elaine Vadden Maureen A. Viehman Mary Alice Vinc Patricia Westerberg Vickie Weatherby Lucy Winsor Phillip Wolfe Claire Wright Carol Znacko

Please contact the Parish office 764-0357 to place or remove names on the sick list.

The Power of Prayer

Our church has a petitions book in the gathering area where any parishioner can write in a special prayer intention for the living, seriously ill or for any family crisis. The written petitions are remembered at mass during the Prayer of the Faithful as we respond, "Lord, hear our prayer" to the intercessions. Please use this opportunity to include your family and community in our prayers.



Please join us in prayers as we ask for God's guidance and protection of our troops serving around the world. Our prayer "Lord, hold our troops in Your loving hands," especially those associated with our Parish:

Gregory Collins Timothy McAteer Jonathan Meier **Christopher Morris** Michael Coulombe Monica Bray-Abongan

Stephen Hassink Andrew McElravy Joseph Orlando John Udall, III John B. Devine **Bailey Bray**

Blessed are the Peacemakers who serve our Country. If you wish to add the name of a parishioner who is serving in the Military, please contact the Parish Office 764-0357.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Are you looking for a fun service project to fulfill the necessary service hours required of your school's honor society or other service-oriented program? Beginning in September 2022, IHM's Christian Religious Education Program (CRE) will begin its religious education program for parish students in Grades 1 – 8. Classes meet on Tuesday evenings, 6:30 – 8:00 PM. Many students have earned their required service hours by working along with a Catechist in the classroom or on special service projects.

Should you have any interest, please contact IHM's Religious Education Program at 302-762 Religious -5550 or email ihmreled@ihm.org. We look forward to hearing from you!



OUTREACH

A big "Thank You!" to the many IHM cooks who have resumed preparing casseroles for the residents of the House of Joseph and the Mary Mother of Hope House. Our parishioners have been making and delivering casseroles for more than 20 years. The residents are very happy IHM parishioners are sharing their wonderful meals again.

Thank you, Bread Pick Up Teams for a job well done! Over the last 2 years, the 60+ volunteers never missed a day of picking up bread from local businesses and delivering it to agencies that provide food for those in need.

Your dedication, dependability and teamwork is greatly appreciated.



Please pray for the departed parishioners and friends, especially:

Estelle Vanover

Grant eternal rest unto them O Lord, and let the perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen

SOJOURNERS' PLACE



In continuation of our efforts to assist in providing for everyday needs, a bin has been placed in the multi-purpose room to

receive donation of items for the residents.

Suggestions include:

spaghetti, spaghetti sauce, pancake mix, syrup, mashed potatoes, canned fruit and vegetables, vegetable oil, salad dressing, cereal, baked beans and rice, laundry detergent, bleach, paper products, extra-large garbage bags (50 gal).

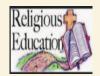
Thank you, faithful and generous IHM parishioners!

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

Will you be traveling and looking for a place to attend Mass this summer? CatholicMassTime.org provides easy access to Mass schedules, church locations, parish contact information and more. The mission is to connect Catholics with church information across the country, in every state within the USA.

Contact Rita McDowell at **rmcdowell@ihm.org** or call 302-764-4693 for more information.

JOIN in the JOURNEY! And give the gift of FAITH



This summer,

An estimated 200 children in grades 1 through 8 will register for CRE 2022-23.

CRE is IHM's Religious Education Program for those children not in Catholic schools.

CRE 2022-23 runs from the end of September through the end of March.

It is held on Tuesday evenings from 6:30-8:00 PM.

Would you like to help children learn about the Catholic faith?

Do you want a rewarding experience?

Become a CRE teacher or teacher's aide!

Volunteer and make a difference in a child's life!

We will grow together in faith!

If interested, please contact the Religious Education Office at ihmreled@ihm.org or (302) 762-5550.

ANNOUNCED MASSES

Monday, May 16 6:30 AM Catherine & Joseph Selecki

9:00 AM Stephen Shea

Tuesday, May 17 6:30 AM Colin McLaughlin

9:00 AM David Smith

Wed., May 18 6:30 AM Giuseppe Scalora

9:00 AM John F. Newell

Thurs., May 19 6:30 AM Joseph Yandoli

9:00 AM Brett Coldiron

Friday, May 20 6:30 AM Marie McCarrick

9:00 AM Jeanne Czech Saturday, May 21 6:30 AM Lorraine Cannon

9:00 AM Gwendolyn Sanders

5:00 PM Joe & Joseph Patrick Cardillo

Sunday, May 22 7:00 AM Arthur E. Watson, Jr.

9:00 AM Martha & Tom Okafor Family

(Living)

11:00 AM Nancy, Joseph & David LaJudice

"Marriage and Family Life Corner"

MARRIAGE MOMENTS: Remember that Jesus' love for humanity brought him to the crucifixion. Ponder what each of you might sacrifice for the other this week.

<u>PARENTING POINTERS</u>: Say a genuine, unexpected "I love you." Tell each one something they do that makes you proud. Recognize something that each one is good at.

Next Saturday, May 21st, tune-in to learn about the work of Wilmington Seamen's Center when Executive Director, Christine Lassiter and volunteer, Joe Ryan, are interviewed. Catholic Forum airs on Saturday afternoons at 1:30 on Relevant Radio 640. You can listen online anytime at cdow.org/CatholicForum, or by searching "Catholic Forum" on Apple, Spotify, iHeartRadio, or Amazon Music podcasts. For photos, information regarding upcoming guests, links and more, "Like" Catholic Forum on Facebook at facebook.com/CatholicForum @CatholicForum



SENIOR SOCIAL

Our final gathering **May 23rd** at **12:30pm** for the Season will be a **pulled-pork potluck lunch** where we all bring something to add with the pot. So that we have an idea of the item you might like to bring, please respond to me soon. Email Peggie Hearn at **2hearns@comcast.net**



ONLINE GIVING



Making plans for the summer? Make sure to plan for your offertory as well! When your summer travels take you away from Sunday services, eGiving lets you continue to support

Immaculate Heart of Mary and the ministries you cherish. You can sign up from your computer, smartphone or tablet, and set up a recurring donation or make a one-time gift.

Recurring gifts sustain our parish through the busy summer months. You'll provide us with consistent support, even if you're away on a Sunday, so the programs, services, and ministries that mean so much to our community will never miss a beat.

Sign up today by visiting faith.direct/DE719, or text 'Enroll' to 443-329-9611.

Thank you for your continued support of our parish family.

FINANCIAL REPORT Week 42-44 Current Year 8,959 Offertory Collection -4/17/2022 4/24/2022 6.670 5/1/2022 13,483 * Online Giving 20.240 Budget YTD 884,000 Actual YTD 923,649 Surplus/(Deficit) 39.649 Easter Collection Budget \$36,000 Actual \$37,513 Surplus/(Deficit) 1,513 *Includes a yearly contribution

IHM School Fall Sports Registration is open

Thank you for your generosity in helping

to meet our parish expenses

Evaluations for soccer and girls' volleyball for Fall 2022 will be held prior to the end of this school year. Go to www.ihmspartans.com for more information or to sign up.

SCHOOL NEWS

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Cool the School

Air Conditioning Fundraiser



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IHM GOLF

The **IHM Golf League** is accepting teams for the 2022 season. All matches are played at **Rock Manor Golf Course** staring in May and concluding in August.

If you would like to join the league or learn more about it please contact Rich Sweeney (302) 463-4797 or Pete Curcio (302) 540-2231.

Save the Date – Friday, September 23rd, 2022.

The IHM Golf outing, hosted by the Knights of Columbus, Santa Maria Council and the IHM Athletic Association, tees off once again at the Ed Oliver Golf Club. Starting with a boxed lunch, afternoon golf will be followed by dinner and silent auction. All proceeds from the silent auction will go to the "Cool the School" fundraising initiative to air condition the IHM school.



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