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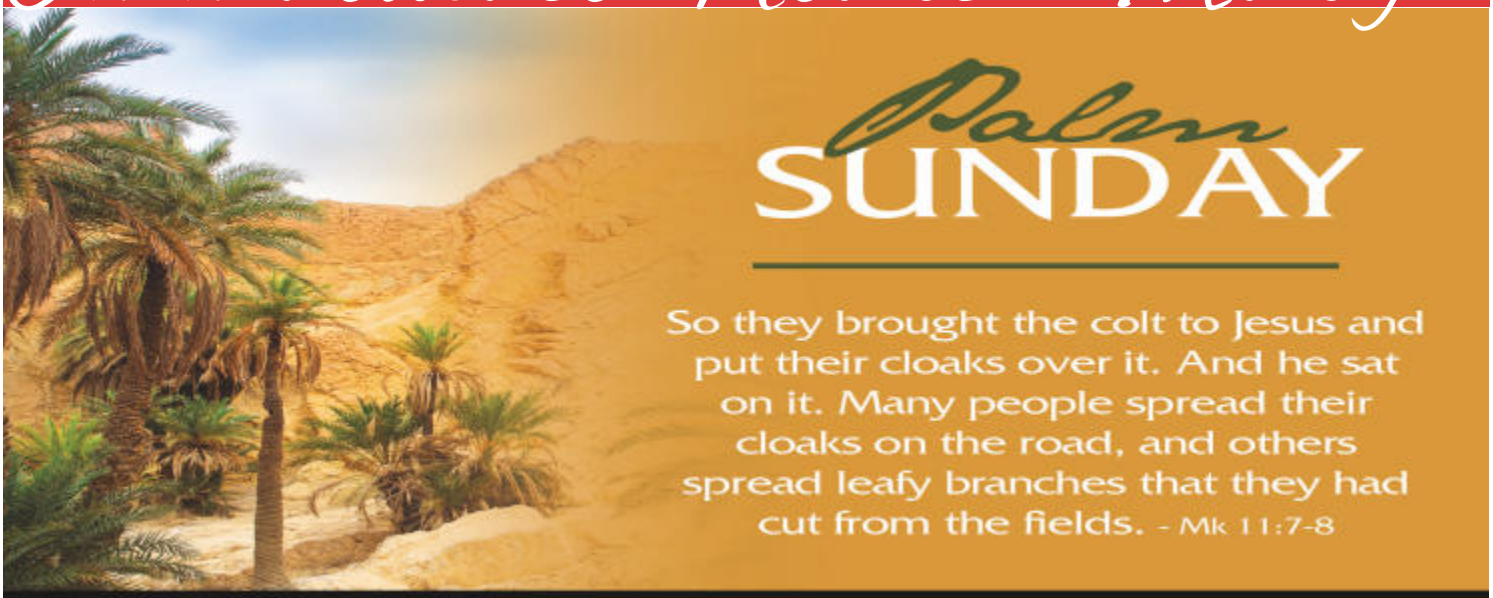

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LITURGIES

No Saturday Vigil Mass
Sunday Masses: 8:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.
Holyday Mass: To be announced
Daily Mass: Wednesday and Friday: 9:00 a.m.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Confessions @ St. Joseph on Saturdays at 3:30 pm

WEDDINGS

Please call the rectory at least six months in advance to begin preparations to celebrate the Sacrament of Matrimony.

BAPTISMS

The Sacrament is celebrated within the Mass on any Sunday of the month. Baptism Prep classes are held on the 3rd Monday of the month at 7:30 p.m. in the school. Please call the rectory at 330-793-9988 to register.

MSGR. PROKOP PARISH CENTER

Please contact John Mashiska, Parish Center manager, at 330-270-0650 for all inquiries or to schedule a booking. Office hours are Monday–Friday from 9 a.m. to 12 Noon.

NEW PARISHIONERS

New parishioners are always welcome. Anyone 18 yrs. or older is invited to be a registered member. Please call the rectory for a registration packet or visit our website to register online.

PARISH STAFF

Very Rev. Gregory F. Fedor, V.F. ……Canonical Pastor
Deacon Gregory J. Wood…….Parish Administrator
Mary Ellen Chance…….Parish Administrative Assistant
Mary Jo Orsini …….. Dir. of Religious Education/Pastoral Associate
Paula Potkonicky……..Religious Education Secretary
Edward Phillips……Director of Music
John Mashiska……...Parish Center Manager
Lisa Eicher……Housekeeper
Matt Hlebak ……Parish Custodian and Grounds and Maintenance
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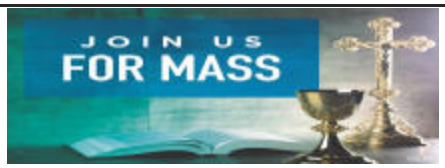
RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

The rectory is open Monday through Thursday from 8:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. and on Friday from 8:00 a.m. until 12 Noon. The office is closed from 12 Noon until 1:00 p.m. for the lunch hour.

BULLETIN DEADLINE: Monday at 12 Noon



SUNDAY, MARCH 28—PALM SUNDAY
8:00 a.m. The Rachic Family—M/M Chad Rachic
11:00 a.m. John and Johnny DiFelice—Wife and Family

Wednesday, March 31
9:00 a.m. William Grinta—Wife, Ruth
6:00 p.m. Tennebrae

Thursday, April 1—Holy Thursday
7:00 p.m. Mass of the Lord's Supper

Friday, April 2—Good Friday
No Morning Mass
12 Noon Liturgy of the Cross
3:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross

Saturday, April 3—Holy Saturday
1:00 p.m. Blessing of Food Baskets
8:00 p.m. Easter Vigil Mass at St. Joseph's

SUNDAY, APRIL 4—EASTER SUNDAY
8:00 a.m. All Living and Deceased Parishioners of IHM
11:00 a.m. All Living and Deceased Parishioners of IHM

Readings for the week of March 28, 2021

Sunday: Mk 11:1-10 or Jn 12:12-16/Is 50:4-7/Ps 22:8-9, 17 -18, 19-20, 23-24 [2a]/Phil 2:6-11/Mk 14:1—15:47
Monday: Is 42:1-7/Ps 27:1, 2, 3, 13-14 [1a]/Jn 12:1-11
Tuesday: Is 49:1-6/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5ab-6ab, 15 and 17 [cf. 15ab]/Jn 13:21-33, 36-38
Wednesday: Is 50:4-9a/Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31 and 33-34 [14c]/Mt 26:14-25
Thursday: Ex 12:1-8, 11-14/Ps 116:12-13, 15-16bc,17-18 [cf. 1 Cor 10:16]/1 Cor 11:23-26/Jn 13:1-15
Friday: Is 52:13—53:12/Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-16, 17, 25 [Lk 23:46]/Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9/Jn 18:1—19:42
Saturday: Vigil: Gn 1:1—2:2
Easter Sunday: Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23 [24]/Col 3:1-4

Mass Servers

Sun., April 4, @ 8:00 a.m. Deacon Greg

Sun., April 4, @ 11:00 a.m. Deacon Greg

Your Sacrificial Offering

Weekly Budget Amount Needed...$12,000.00
Sunday Collection (3/21)…….$5,510.25
Heat and Air……$5.00
Candles……..$84.00

SANCTUARY LAMP INTENTIONS
Blessed Mother Loretta Yohman Cousin, Adeline
Tab All Pastors, Sisters, Teachers and Staff of IHM
O. L. O. F. All Living and Deceased Parishioners of IHM

Sunday, March 28—Palm Sunday
Palms Distributed at all Masses
Liturgies at 8 and 11 a.m.
RCIA Class
Tuesday, March 30
9 a.m. Bible Study—Rectory Meeting Room
Wednesday, March 31
9 a.m. Morning Mass
1-6 p.m. Red Cross Blood Drive Parish Center
No Stations of the Cross
6 p.m. Tennebrae
Thursday, April 1—Holy Thursday
7 p.m. Mass of the Lord's Supper
No Rosary or Adoration
Friday, April 2—Good Friday
No Morning Mass
All Church Offices Closed for the Holiday
12 noon—Liturgy of the Cross
3 p.m. Stations of the Cross
4-7 p.m. Lenten Fish Dinner—Carry out only—Parish Ctr.
Saturday, April 3—Holy Saturday
1 p.m.—Blessing of Food Baskets in Church
8 p.m. Easter Vigil Mass at St. Joseph's
Sunday, April 4—Easter Sunday
Liturgies at 8 and 11 a.m.
No RCIA today

CHRISM MASS: The Annual Chrism Mass will be held on **Tuesday, March 30th, at 10:30 a.m. at St. Columba Cathedral.** Due to pandemic restrictions and limited seating, the Chrism Mass is closed to the public and attendance is by invitation only. You are invited to watch the Chrism Mass via live stream at***www.doy.org/Media/CathedralLiveStream.*** It will be rebroadcast on ETC-Ecumenical Television Channel on **Tuesday, March 30th, at 8 p.m.** and on **Wednesday, March 31st at 10 a.m.**

This Sunday as we celebrate what the Church calls Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord, we participate mentally and spiritually in two parades. The first is in the entrance Gospel where we join with the crowds shouting, "Hosanna! Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessed is the kingdom of our Father, David, that is to come! Hosanna in the Highest!" And, the second is the march from Jerusalem through the city to outside the walls culminating at Calvary.

From waving palms in triumph for our Messiah to envisioning our Savior carrying His cross, crowned with thorns, mocked, bullied, tortured and about to be killed. Think of it this way—palms that we wave in triumph become withered as they die but the cross is forever—for all time.

We are entering Holy Week and this Sunday is not just another Sunday with a few extras thrown in. It is the beginning of the week when we celebrate the Paschal Mystery, the entire basis of our Christian faith. Throughout His ministry, Jesus tries to teach His followers that the way of the kingdom is through self-emptying love.

The cross is His love and as we follow Him this week we show our willingness to be with Him through His suffering so that on Easter we can celebrate His triumph. This is a Holy Week because a man like us, but also Divine, gave His life so that we may live.

Deacon Greg Wood

BEFORE MASS
Be thoughtful, Be silent, Be reverent!
Speak with the Lord

DURING MASS
Allow the Lord to Speak with You

AFTER MASS
Speak to One Another

TREASURE 500

Week 18 **Elaine Flower** $50

TREASURE 500 IS BACK!!! Drawings for Treasure 500 began the week of November 22. You may continue to enter as many times as you wish by dropping your entries into the collection baskets or by mailing them to the rectory.

You may now resume using the envelopes provided in your packets. Enter soon if you want to be sure that your number is still available. Thank you for your support of this project and **GOOD LUCK!!**

Stewardship Committee

WE WOULD LIKE TO EXTEND a most grateful, heartfelt thank you to an anonymous parishioner who so graciously covered the cost of our new Sacred Vessels and Sacramentaries for the Altar. We purchased a new Chalice and Paten, a lidded ciborium and 3 open ciboriums for the distribution of the Eucharist. Two new Sacramentaries were also included for use by the celebrant during Mass. These gifts were donated in memory of a family member and will be used for many years to come.

WE WOULD ALSO LIKE TO THANK the anonymous donor who purchased our new Paschal Candle for this year. The gift was given to honor and remember all of our current and former Pastors, Sisters, School Teachers and Parish Staffs including all Volunteers for the church in any of the many ministries and organizations of our parish. We thank you for your thoughtful and kind gesture.

BE SURE TO SUPPORT the many vendors listed on the last page of our parish bulletin. It is through their advertising dollars that we are able to publish and supply you with the weekly bulletin free of charge. Make sure you mention that you saw their ad in a recent copy of the bulletin.

OUR PRAYERS FOR HEALTH AND BLESSINGS are requested by the following individuals**: Sophia Anguilli, Karen Balchick, Alec Blankenship, Ivan Croell, Ken Coyle, Dorothy Del Greco, Mary Jo DeLucia, Dorothy Jean Furden, Wade "Stretch" Gilliland, Sebastian Haefke, Claire Harmson, William Hatcher, Pauline Harris, Orlando Iacobucci, Audra Jones, Betty Kana, Don Kollar, Marin Krause,Thomas Kovalchik, Charlotte Leonard, George Leschinsky, Ish Lopez, Mark McGhee, Terri McMahon, April and Robert Mackall, John Mashiska, Sr., Phyllis Miller, Michael Murphy, Mary C. Nanowsky, Ray Pallante, Fr. Steve Popovich, Debbie Quigley, Patricia Roberts, Sophia and Gus Ruschau, Nora Sabella, Nancy Sachire, Jeanette Sheridan, Joseph Stanavich, Kari Sturdevant, Rachel Terzak, and Nadine Wiand.**

ANYONE NEEDING PRAYERS can request their name be added to the above list. They do not have to be a parishioner. Names are added weekly from our parish hospital list. If anyone not longer needs this ministry, please be kind enough to call he rectory and have that name removed.

A HEARTFELT THANK YOU to everyone who has made a commitment to the **2021 Annual Bishop's Appeal.** To date, **29** of our **729** registered families have responded. However, we need the support of all members of our parish if we are to be successful in reaching our goal of **$42,700.** The Diocese would like each parish to have **100%** participation. This just means that you are to fill out an envelope, make a pledge or donation—**OR...**if you are unable to do so, please just mark the envelope accordingly and turn it in. *Even if you prefer not to donate or pledge.* We just need some type of response from each and every parishioner.

If you have not yet responded to the 2021 Annual Bishop's Appeal, please do so at this time using the commitment envelopes available at all church entrances or by sending your commitment envelope to the parish office. Parishioners who have not yet responded will be contacted soon about making a commitment.

ON BEHALF OF THE SOCIAL CONCERNS committee, we would like to give many thanks to all who donated to our **Annual Christmas Sharing Tree.** Despite the fact that it has been an extremely hard year for money, especially the organizations we assist, the donations from IHM parishioners were very generous.
Hopefully in this coming year, we can return to our normal way of participating with the Sharing Tree. Once again, thank you and **May God Bless all of you.**

25TH, 40TH, 50TH AND OVER Wedding Anniversaries will be celebrated by the Diocese on **Sunday, June 13, 2021**, **at St. Columba Cathedral at 2 p.m.** for couples observing these anniversaries in 2021.

The celebration will include Mass with Bishop David J. Bonnar, renewal of the marriage vows and a personalized certificate for each couple. Couples may opt to attend the celebratory Mass in person or they may participate remotely via live streaming on the Diocesan website at www.doy.org. Limited spaces are available for couples at the Cathedral. **You must make reservations in advance for this event by contacting the rectory office at 330-793-9988 by May 10.**

POPE FRANCIS has asked our parish to support the **Pontifical Good Friday Collection** which helps Christians in the Holy Land. Through the Pontifical Good Friday collection, you stand in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land as a witness of peace, supporting Catholics there in parishes and schools, maintaining Christian shrines and caring for refugees in the Holy Land. Please use the envelope provided in your packets and please be generous!

THE RICE BOWLS are to be turned in at the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday evening. If you are unable to do it at that time, you may turn it in at any Mass during Holy Week or Easter Sunday. Thank you for your generous response to those less fortunate.

PLEASE PRAY FOR the repose of the soul of **Paul A. D'Eramo** and **Jean Puhalla.** May God grant her eternal rest and may He comfort her family and friends during this time of sorrow and loss.

PLEASE REMEMBER TO WEAR A MASK!!

OUR NEXT IHM FOOD PANTRY distribution will be on **Friday, April 23, 2021, from 2-5 p.m.** for anyone needing this assistance. During this time of uncertainty, we are only able to offer this assistance **once per month** until further notice. We do need the help of any able bodied men, women or young adults to help with the distribution. We are relying on your continued support through donations of food stuffs and through the donation boxes in church and the envelope in your monthly packets. Thank you! Thank you! Thank you! And, our clients thank you too!

Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

Today we have officially entered Holy Week with Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord beginning with the triumphant entrance of Jesus, the King, into Jerusalem. The story then moves swiftly to God's whole purpose of becoming flesh—to offer the once-and-for-all sacrifice of His life in order to wipe out sin and the influence of Satan forever. Like the people in the crowd, we envision a mighty God who would use all His power to eliminate poverty, suffering and hate. Instead we encounter a man fully-in-tune with His Father, knowing that it is only through self-emptying love and mercy that crushes the force of evil.

The brutality of the Passion and death of Jesus didn't make sense to first century Christians. It doesn't make sense to us today in the 21st Century. But that is not the end of the story. Jesus reached deep within Himself because He knew that submitting to this suffering would provide an example to us of the power of humility and giving up our will to God. This is the extent of God's great love for us. After the cross is victory over death and sin. Do we believe that God's love is so powerful that He would die for us His broken people?

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

We are the caring and loving Catholic community of Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish, founded in 1954 and located in Austintown.

Graced by God in the celebration of the Liturgy and the Sacraments, we live and witness the Gospel through helping others in our community and world.

As stewards of many gifts and followers of Jesus Christ, our future will be one of hope and promise.

URSULINE HIGH SCHOOL is sponsoring its **Shamrock Raffle.** Tickets are **$10** each and benefit Ursuline students. Drawing will be held on **April 15th** and winner need not be present. Call **330-744-4563** for tickets or buy from any Ursuline student. Prizes are as follows:

First prize: **$10,000**
Second prize: **$2,500**
Third prize: **$1,000**

WALK FOR LIFE: This year's walk will take place on **Saturday, May 8, 2021.** Walkers!! Please visit ***phcwalk.com*** to register and receive your very own fund raising page. Invite your sponsors to make their donations here. **For more information, please call Jessica Pollock at 330-788-4000, ext. 13.**

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