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MERCER, PENNSYLVANIA

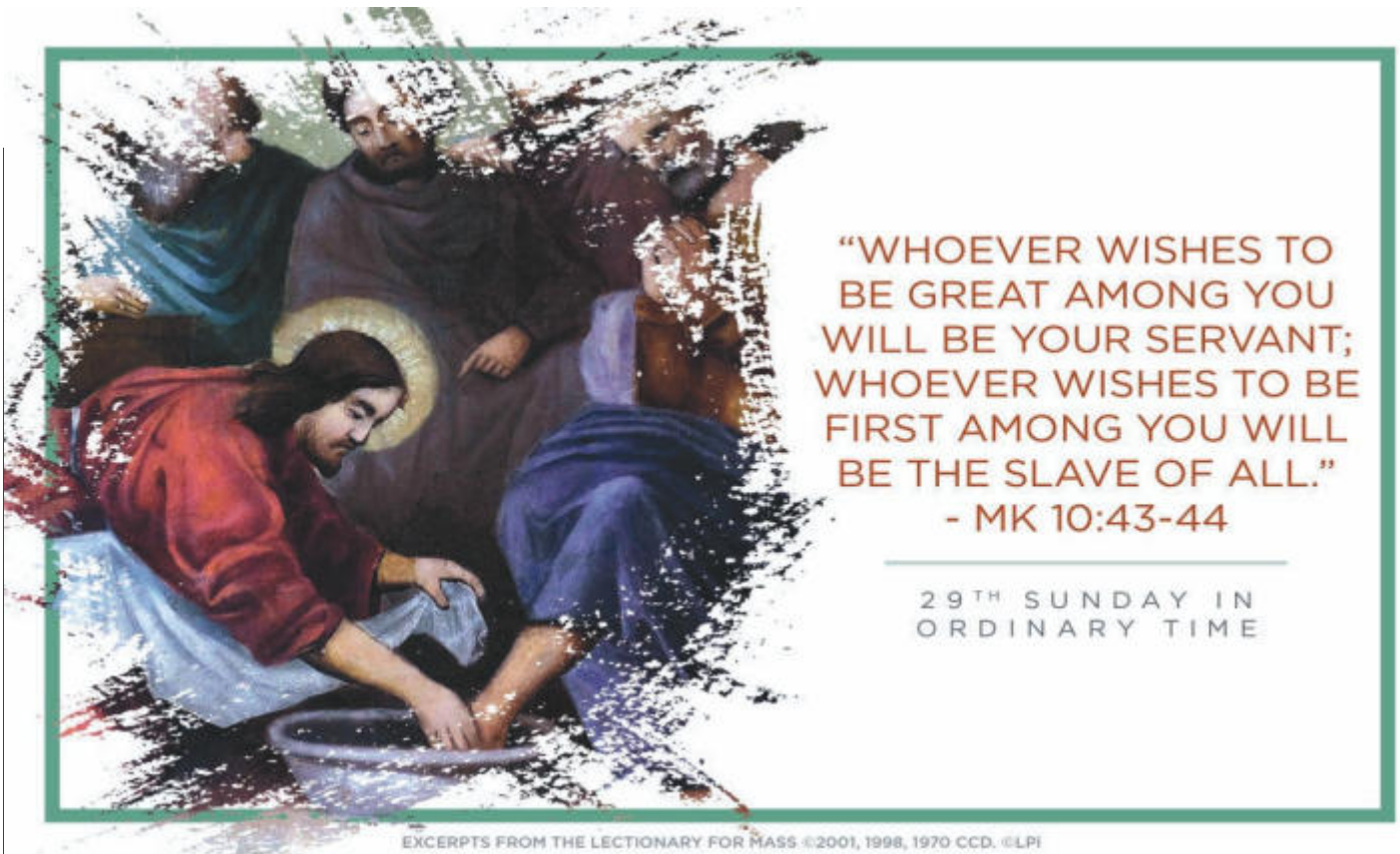
Welcome!

We are so glad to have you with us today here at Immaculate Heart of Mary! This is a very special day, it is the Lord's Day.

Whether this is your first time with us or you are a regular attendee, we want you to know how much we appreciate having you here with us. We trust you will know the goodness of God while celebrating the wonderful presence of the Lord.

God expects greatness from us. But the definition of greatness might be different than we expect. Greatness is defined by service. It means not searching for the spotlight. Instead we help others. Some are physical needs. Some simply need a smile or a kind word.

Be great! Be the slave of all!



OCTOBER 17, 2021
THE YEAR OF SAINT JOSEPH

THE TWENTY NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

How can we help you?

Sacraments

RECONCILIATION

Saturday 6:00 PM & by appointment.

BAPTISM

By individual appointment. Baptism is celebrated during the weekend Liturgies.

MATRIMONY

6 months preparation required.

ANOINTING OF SICK

If you or a loved one are sick, facing surgery or are in any health need, please contact the Parish Office to arrange for the celebration of the Anointing of the Sick.

HOMEBOUND & NURSING HOME

Monthly visits by Pastor & Eucharistic Ministers.
Celebration of the Mass:

Avalon Springs:

10:30 AM - 3rd Friday of the month.

Countryside:

10:30 AM - 4th Friday of the month.

Hospitalized

Please contact the Parish Office for pastoral visit.

Faith Formation

Youth: Gr. 1-11 Sunday 9:00-10:15 AM

Adult: R.C.I.A./Adult Ed. - as scheduled

Social Services

SHARING SHED FOOD PANTRY

2nd & 4th Saturdays: 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM

AA: Tues. at 7:30 PM (Gallagher Hall)

AA: Wed. at 8:00 PM (Gallagher Hall)

AI Anon: Wed. at 8:00 PM (Learning Center)

PRAYER REQUESTS

Mass Intentions: 724-662-2999.

Prayer Chain: Janice: 724-977-7860

e-mail: jdl59@verizon.net

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Church Office Hours:

Monday - Thursday 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

The Most Reverend Lawrence T. Persico
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1-800-374-3723

Very Reverend Matthew Kujawinski V.F.
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IHM PRAYER INTENTIONS



Chuck Leydic
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Louise Hawrylak
Anthony Livorse
Bill Viselli
Bob McGhee
Don Kremm
Amy Packard
Jim Kwaiser
Brian S.
Albert Casacia
Judy Zuzack
Donald Rabold
Shirley Ann Whelan

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Diana Hess
Brendan Minnock
Larry Hines
Emilia Blanchfield
Martha Rupert
Terri Chaney
Bailey Helch
Rita Spirko
Andrew G.
Abigail Joy Campbell
Juliane Vurell

To be included in our prayer chain, call Janice at 724-977-7860, or the rectory at 724-662-2999.

Stewardship of Time, Talent, and Treasure

MINISTERS OF THE ALTAR

ALTAR SERVERS

None Scheduled At This Time

LECTORS

16 Oct 5:00 pm - T. Waterloo
 17 Oct 8:00 am - B. Kehlbeck
 10:30 am - N. Weinel
 23 Oct 5:00 pm - D. Birch
 24 Oct 8:00 am - D. Whittaker
 10:30 am - M. Hazi

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

16 Oct 5:00 pm - M. Suchy
 17 Oct 8:00 am - A. M. Kwaiser
 10:30 am - N. Stauff
 23 Oct 5:00 pm - T. DeMarsh
 24 Oct 8:00 am - J. Sweet
 10:30 am - E. Serge

OFFERTORY FAMILIES

None Scheduled At This Time

RECITATION OF THE ROSARY

16 Oct 4:30 pm - R. Hiteshew
 23 Oct 4:30 pm - P. Acker

COLLECTION COUNTERS

None Scheduled At This Time

SHARING SHED

23 Oct T. Crespo, M. A. Ream, E. Lechman



FAITH FORMATION

Grades 1 - 11
Every Sunday 9 AM - 10:15 AM
 dismissal from Gallagher Hall
unless otherwise noted
Masks required

Sun. Oct. 17: Class
 Sun. Oct. 24: 9:00 am - Class/Grade 3 Reconciliation
 Sun. Oct. 31: 9:00 am - Class/Child Protection
 10:45 am - Coolspring
 Corn Maze
 Field Trip



Be sure to return your permission slips for the Corn Maze today!

Eucharistic
ADORATION

The Blessed Sacrament
is exposed for adoration
each Wednesday
5:00 pm-7:00 pm

Weekly Offering
October 10, 2021

Offertory	\$ 2,672.00
Loose Money	349.90
Facilities Maintenance	85.00
Catholic Education	40.00
Mission Sunday	50.00
All Soul's	210.00
Total:	\$ 3,406.90

ONLINE:

Offertory	\$ 998.00
Cemetery	35.00
Facilities Maintenance	35.00
Fuel & Utilities	110.00
Total:	\$ 1,178.00

Catholic Services Appeal
103 Families Pledged \$44,695
Paid to Date \$41,505

Bishop Persico releases pastoral letter

As part of the Re-membering Our Sunday Story initiative, Bishop Lawrence Persico has released “a pastoral letter in pandemic.” Anchored in the story of the disciples on the road to Emmaus, one section of the letter looks at the challenges we’ve been facing during this time of pandemic. The bishop’s words invite us to consider how Christ has remained with us, even if, like the disciples who unknowingly met Christ, we didn’t always recognize him. Find the letter, as well as questions for reflection and discussion, at www.eriercd.org/SundayStory.html.

From Fr. Matt:

Dear Friends,

All Souls Day is a little more than two weeks away. Be sure to get your intentions in by Sunday, October 31, so we will have your intentions for All Souls Day and the entire month of November.

The Annual Remembrance Mass will be held on All Souls’ Day. If someone you know has died that is not a member of Immaculate Heart and you would like them remembered at that celebration, please contact the office with their name.

Bishop Persico continues to encourage those who are comfortable doing so, as well as those who are not vaccinated, to wear a mask when gathered in church for Mass.

In the gospel passage today, Jesus reminds us that we are imitating Him when we serve, especially when it feels like we are giving our lives. Jesus gave himself freely. It was only because of His great love – for His Father and for us – that He was able to keep serving, keep giving. We must be sure that our motives are pure and always based in love, that’s what we do for God’s glory only, and never for ours. The apostles James and John ask Jesus for a favor. How does this make you feel? Do you think they really understood what they were asking? Do we understand that Jesus’ expectations of the apostles apply to us?

Stay safe,

Fr. Matt



Readings for the week of October 17, 2021

Sunday: Is 53:10-11/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22 /Heb 4:14-16/Mk 10:35-45

Monday: 2 Tm 4:10-17/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18 /Lk 10:1-9

Tuesday: Rom 5:12, 15, 17-19, 20-21/Ps 40:7-8, 8-9, 10, 17/Lk 12:35-38

Wednesday: Rom 6:12-18/Ps 124:1-3, 4-6, 7-8 /Lk 12:39-48

Thursday: Rom 6:19-23/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 /Lk 12:49-53

Friday: Rom 7:18-25/Ps 119:66, 68, 76, 77, 93, 94 /Lk 12:54-59

Saturday: Rom 8:1-11/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 /Lk 13:1-9

Next Sunday: Jer 31:7-9/Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 /Heb 5:1-6/Mk 10:46-5



Please pray for the repose of the soul of Edward L. Peters, who recently died, and for the Peters family.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Margaret Muehlman Smyth, Lori Mahen’s mother, who recently died, and for her family.

MEMBERSHIP FORM

Name _____ Address _____

City _____ Zip _____ Phone (____) _____

Number of People in Household: _____

CIRCLE ONE: Request for Registration Form Change of Address Moving out of Parish Want Envelopes

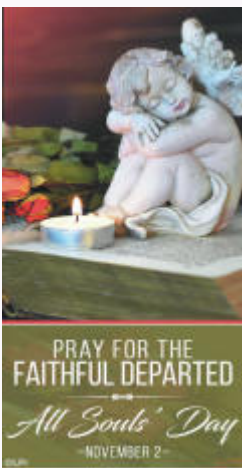
Please drop Membership Form into the collection basket or mail to the Rectory.

Today

104h Anniversary of the Miracle of the Sun
October 17, 2021 2:45 pm
Church of Notre Dame

The World Apostolate of Fatima Blue Army invites everyone to celebrate the 104th Anniversary of the Apparitions of Mary in Fatima, Portugal and the Miracle of the Sun. For more information, contact Tina Scoccia at 724-877-0987.

Due Tomorrow



Annual Remembrance Mass 2021

If there is a loved one who has died this year who is not a member of Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish, and you would like to have them remembered at the Annual Remembrance Mass on Tuesday, November 2, at 6:00 pm, please contact the parish office by Monday, October 18. 724-662-2999 or ihm@zoominternet.net

Next Sunday

Fall Harvest Pancake Breakfast

Sunday, October 24, 2021

8:00 am - 12:30 pm
Gallagher Hall

Proceeds benefit
Immaculate Heart of Mary
Sponsored by Mercer Knights
of Columbus.

Suggested donation: \$5



MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, October 16

5:00 pm **People of the Parish**

Sunday, October 17

8:00 am † **Mary Yingling**
 (Jim & Terry Anderson)

10:30 am † **Martin Jay Hapeman**
 (Fr. Matt & Staff)

Monday, October 18

No Mass

Tuesday, October 19

Mass at St. Mark's Chapel
 † **Joe Lechman** (Ellen)

Wednesday, October 20

8:00 am † **Norbert Borowicz**
 (Scott & Marge McGinnis)

5:00 pm - 7:00 pm Exposition of the
 Blessed Sacrament

Thursday, October 21

8:00 am **Dave Zellmann**
 (Jim & Dottie Joyce)

Friday, October 22

8:00 am † **Andrew Weinel**
 (Bernard & Barb Shaffer)

Saturday, October 23

5:00 pm † **Patty D'Angio**
 (John & Diane Hvisvak)

Sunday, October 24

8:00 am **People of the Parish**
 10:30 am † **Eric Keefe** (Charlotte & Debbie)



Eternal Light

Jesus is the 'Light of the World' and the Sanctuary Candle reminds us of His True Presence.

The Sanctuary Vigil Light is burning this month in memory of James F. Wilson, Sr. as requested by Jean Wilson & Farmartino Families.

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