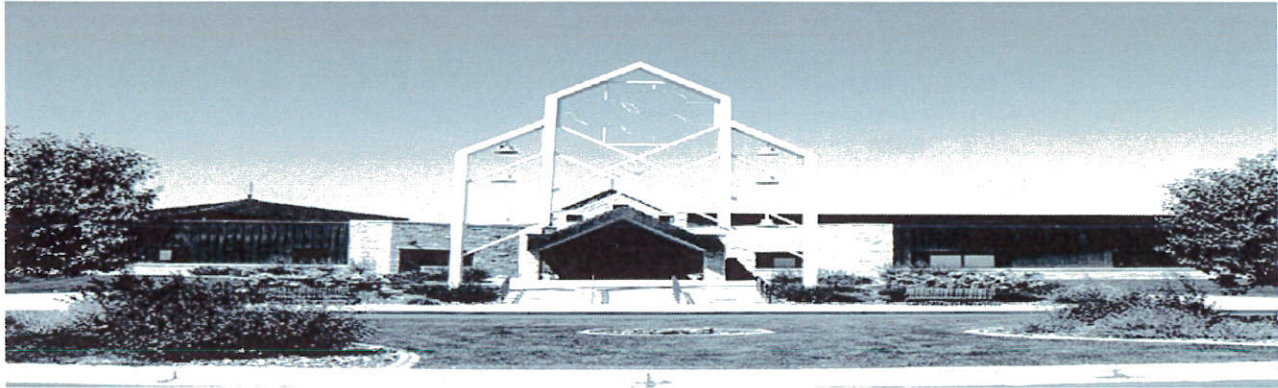


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Blue Mass

The Blue Mass will take place on Saturday, September 11th at 9:30am.

The Blue Mass honors those who died in the tragic events of September 11, 2001,
and all those who serve the public as police officers,
fire-fighters, and emergency medical technicians.



In these times when the shadow of sin casts a long mark on our country, be assured that those who serve in establishing justice in our country are in our prayers.

There will be no 8am Mass on that day.

Immaculate Heart of Mary Mass Schedule

Saturday: 4:00 p.m. Sunday Masses: 7:30 a.m., 10:00 a.m.,
6:00p.m. Monday-Saturday: 8:00 a.m.

Holy Days: Anticipated Mass, 6:00 p.m. | Holy Day Masses, 8:00 a.m. & 6:00 p.m.

Reconciliation: Saturday: 2:00 p.m.— 3:30 p.m. or by appointment

Adoration: To be announced

Office Hours:

M-F, 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

St. Ann, Palisade

Sunday Mass: 9:15 a.m.

Holy Days: TBD

10:30 a.m. Mass each Tuesday of each month

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home or hospital visit

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Confessions Saturday
2:00-3:30

Office Hours
9:00-5:00 M-F

To register as a parishioner at IHM, please stop by the Parish Office.



Weekend Mass Schedule

We would like to welcome you back to
Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish!

4:00 pm on Saturday, 7:30 & 10:00 am and 6:00 pm Sunday

We are continuing to following directives from Mesa County Health Department and the Catholic Diocese of Pueblo regarding COVID-19.

Are you a Registered Parishioner?

If you currently do not receive our yearly Easter & Christmas Letter it is probably because you are not registered with us. Please stop by the office to fill out a registration form or register on our website so that you can be kept informed with our parish.

This allows us to reach out to all of our catholic members.



TWENTY THIRD SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

(Is: 35:4-7a; Jam: 2:1-5; Mk: 7: 31-37)

"EPHPHETHA: BE OPENED"

Dear friends in Jesus Christ,

In today's first reading, Prophet Isaiah speaks about the future changes that will take place by the power of the Lord God. He assures the people of Israel that the Lord God will save His people. He tells them that the blind, the deaf, the lame and the dumb will be healed by the power of the Lord God.

In the second reading, St. James, the Apostle exhorts the members of the Christian community not to be partial to anyone because they are rich or poor. He reminds us that earthly wealth or high positions are no criterion for distinction in the community. All are equal before God.

"He even makes the deaf hear and the dumb speak"

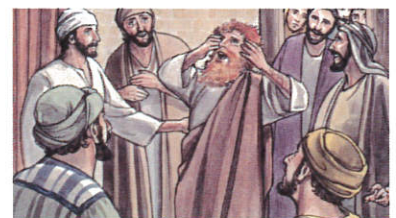
Today's Gospel reading is from St. Mark. This passage describes in detail how Jesus healed a deaf and dumb man. During His public ministry, Jesus healed many people. Thus the prophecy of Isaiah found its fulfillment in Jesus. In the Gospel a deaf and dumb man was brought to Jesus so that He may heal him. Jesus took him aside to a secluded place and put His finger into the man's ears. Then Jesus spat and touched his tongue. Later Jesus commanded "Ephphetha" which means, be opened. Immediately the deaf and dumb man was healed and he was able to hear clearly and speak fluently.

Hearing and speech are gifts of God. Jesus felt compassion for the man who had lacked these gifts. By His words Jesus restored those lost faculties and made him whole. Now it is our turn to realize that Jesus is able to restore all our lost powers, unused and unrecognized talents once we put our trust in the Lord. The touch of our divine Master continues to transform our lives.

"At our own baptism, we were all touched on the ear and the mouth. In this way, we are in the story and are invited to see ourselves in the man who was cured" - Biblical resources.

"I alone cannot do anything. Jesus alone will not do anything. Jesus and I do everything" - St. Teresa of Avila.

Yours in Christ, Fr. Selva





Please Pray For:

Chuck Rosa, Emily Kempton, Chris Love, Sue Burns, Steve Pomeroy, Bob Ferencsik, Tim Allons, Olivia, Taylor Donaldson, Mayela Vallejo, Marty Olesky, Tom Graves, Ashley Johnson, Dan Carlson, Sue Miller, Bob Ferguson, Marty Olesky, Charles Chisholm, Jan Sewell & Ann Melvin, & for all those written in the Red Book of Prayer

Fr. Chrysogonus would like to invite you to hear F. Larry Radice, MM (Mareyknoll) speak about "Christianity in Asia" focusing on China & South East Asia September 10 at 6:00 pm in the IHM Friendship room. All are welcome to attend!



A reminder to please be sure to silence all cell phones. Remember, the **Sanctuary is a Holy place**, after Mass please move all socialization to the narthex as some people will stay to pray.



Lector Training



IHM will be hosting another Lector Training to teach the proper protocols of being a Lector. It will be held September 23, in the Sanctuary at 7:00 pm If you are interested please **RSVP by September 22** by calling the Parish office at 970-242-6121

Knights of Columbus #1062 Golf Tournament

**Saturday, September 17, 2021
8:00 AM start at Chipeta Pines/Orchard Mesa**

The Knights of Columbus #1062 invite you to participate in a fundraising golf tournament scheduled for Saturday, September 18th at 8:00 AM at Chipeta Pines Golf Club.

\$100 per player (\$400 per 4-person team) covers 18 holes, a cart, and prizes. Funds will go toward Knights of Columbus causes, which include scholarships for students, gift baskets for families in need in December, and donations to local organizations throughout the year. This scramble tournament has a limited number of openings. To RSVP for this event, contact Knight member Eloy Alcon at 970-250-4746. Registration is open until September 1st.



Baptism Preparation Classes

For parents wishing to baptize their child/children, infant to the age of seven.

IHM has Baptism Prep Classes offered every month. For your convenience you can take classes even before the baby is born!

For more information, please contact Katie Coomer in the parish office at 970-242-6121 ext. 221 or email kcoomer@ihmgjt.org



Please join us for the Mesa County Right to Life Fall Banquet on Friday, September 17th at 6:00pm at the Clifton Christian Church at 6:00pm. The speaker will be Scott Mauser from the Alpha Omega Institute. Tickets are 20 dollars and are available from members of Mesa County Right to Life. Or call 245-1743 for details.

Homebound Eucharist Ministry Training

Will be held in the friendship hall Thursday September 23 from 6:30-8:00 pm. This training will prepare you for taking the Eucharist out to people who are homebound. Please contact Chris Ensworth at 1-801-560-9523 for more information.



Minister Schedule for Sept.11/12 2021

Due to COVID-19 we are not asking anyone to volunteer that is not comfortable coming in to Mass. All who are on this schedule have chosen to be serving.

8:00 am Sept. 11(†) Robert Knob by Donna Distel

Presider: Fr. Selva Raj

4:00 pm Sept. 11(I) Justine Tilger by Friends

Presider: Fr. Selva Raj

Servers: B. Sneddon

Lectors: K. Church & B. Kline

Eucharistic: T. Chapman & D. Schmitz

Hospitality: R. Bertrand, A. Davis, S. Mills

7:30am, Sept. 12(†) George & Doris Alberts by Larry & Mary Moran

Presider: Fr. Selva Raj

Servers: M. Pierce

Lectors: R. Hurd

Eucharistic: L. Meyers & J. Snoddy

Hospitality: L. Duncan, B. Watts, G. Watts & D. Lytle

9:15 am Sept. 12, St. Ann's Palisade

Presider: Fr. Selva Raj

10:00am, Sept.12 (†) Shirley McCabe by Fred & Jean Mackaness

Presider: Fr. Selva Raj

Servers: D. Hurd

Lectors: K. Bergethon & G. Hurd

Eucharistic: J. Peugh & B. Schaneman

Hospitality:

6:00pm, Sept. 12 (†) William Chenoweth by Peter Chenoweth & Family

Presider: Fr. Selva Raj

Servers:

Lector: M. Herrera

Eucharistic: J. Marston & A. Rubalcaba

Hospitality: A. Alu

Readings for the Week of Sept. 5, 2021

Sunday: IS 35:4-7a JAS 2:1-5 MK 7:31-37

Monday: COL 1:24-2:3 LK 6:6-11

Tuesday: COL 2:6-15 LK 6:12-19

Wednesday: MI 5:1-4a MT 1:1-16, 18-23 or 1:18-23

Thursday: COL 3:12-17 LK 6:27-38

Friday: 1TM 1:1-2, 12-14 LK 6:39-42

Saturday: 1TM 1:15-17 LK 6:43-49

Calendar of Events Week of September 5, 2021

Sunday, Sept. 5	7:30 am Mass 9:15 am St. Ann's 10:00 am Mass 6:00 pm Mass
Monday, Sept. 6	8:00 am Mass OFFICE CLOSED FOR LABOR DAY
Tuesday, Sept. 7	8:00 am Mass 7:00 pm Centering Prayer 7-9:00 Knights 6:30-8:30 Ladies Auxiliary
Wednesday, Sept. 8	8:00 am Mass 9:30-12:00 St. Bridgets Circle
Thursday, Sept. 9	8:00 am HFS Mass 1:30-2:30 pm Silent Prayer 5:30-9:30 Baptism Class
Friday, Sept. 10	8:00 am Morning Mass 6:00 pm Fr. Larry Radice Christianity in Asia
Saturday, Sept. 11	9:30 am Blue Mass 10:30-11:30 Blue Mass Reception 2:00-3:30 Confession 4:00 pm Mass Catholic Daughters Recruiting after Mass

Mass Intentions

Sunday Sept. 5, 2021

7:30 am - (†) **Thomas Sinner** by Schmalz Family

10:00 am -(†) **Peter Han** By Grace

6:00 pm - (†) **Bruce Thompson** by Kathleen Hollingsworth

Monday Sept. 6, 2021

8:00 am-(I) **Katie Coomer & Zulemon Valencia** by Friends

Tuesday Sept. 7, 2021

8:00 am - (†) **Ray Henning** by Justine Tilger

Wednesday Sept. 8, 2021

8:00 am - (†) **John Schnackel** by Denise Buchner

Thursday Sept. 9, 2021

8:00 am - (†) **Pat Smeaton** by Darrell Smeaton

Friday Sept. 10, 2021

8:00 am (†) **Deacon Robert Hunter** by Brian & Cathy Luebbers

Saturday Sept. 11, 2021

8:00 am - (†) **Robert Knob** by Donna Distel

4:00 pm- (I) **Justine Tilger** by Friends

Prayer Opportunities:

Morning Prayer: Monday-Friday 7:30am in the Sanctuary
Morning Mass: Monday-Saturday 8:00am in the Sanctuary

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Knights of Columbus Fund Raiser
Football Fun Crazer Knight will have Fun
 Crazer tickets during the Month of
 September to raise money
 for our charities. For \$10 you play each week
 For 10 weeks. There are 9 Chances to win money each week.
 1st place each week pays \$400.
See a Knight for tickets!

**WE'RE
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IHM has job opportunities
 for a **Youth Minister & Faith Formation
 Director**. If you or anyone you know is
 interested please come to the office to fill out a job
 application. Thank you, Father Chrysogonus.
 970-242-6121

Registrations are now being accepted for all
 Faith Formation- Catechism- CCD- Religious



Education or Youth Group !!

(Whatever you know it by.)

Registration for Faith Formation,
 Sacramental Preparation, and Confirmation is now open.
 Registration closes on Friday, September 10. There are
 brochures with more information in the Narthex,
 registration forms are available in the parish office and
 you may also register online on the parish
 website. Classes begin on Sunday,
 September 12 & Wednesday September 15.

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Thinking about Separation or Divorce?



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For confidential information about or to register for the
 program beginning with a weekend on **September 10-12,
 2021**, call (303) 317-5111 or email:
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www.HelpOurMarriage.com.

Thank you to all of our donors that have given in the past
 to our young Catholics that attend Mesa Catholic at
 Colorado Mesa University. We are glad to announce that
 we will continue to have FOUCS on CMU's premises for
 this coming school year 2021-2022. All the parishes in the
 valley and the Diocese of Pueblo will continue to
 financially support our young Catholics. IHM was assessed
 \$10,150 for this school year and we need to pay it by Oct.
 1st. We have received \$2,000 grant from Catholic
 Extension to help out with the cost. Thank you for all your
 donations and prayers in hope of growing our young
 Catholics will flourish within the catholic faith.

IHM Charitable Giving

Catholic Outreach Donations

May:	\$1,027
June:	\$1,567
July:	\$1,368

Emergency Aid - Assistance to the Poor Donations

May:	\$1,250
June:	\$300
July:	\$300

Holy Family School Subsidy

May:	\$5,585
June:	\$7085
July:	\$4,750

Thank you for all your support!



Catholic Daughters next meeting will be
 on September 12, 2021, 2:30-4:30PM at
 Sacred Heart church in Fruita.
 Next season's calendar will be discussed.



Are you a mom in need of a faith community? If so
 please join us at a *Mary's Moms* meeting. We are
 a group of moms that come together to deepen our
 faith and connect with one another. Our first
 meeting of the semester will be **Thursday,
 September 2nd, from 9am to 11am at the IHM Library**. We
 meet the first and third Thursdays of each month.
 For more information please contact Bernadette Jones
 at 970-245-5722.



Updated Information of Coronavirus at IHM

IHM will be following the latest COVID-19 directives from
 Mesa County Health Department and the Catholic Diocese
 of Pueblo. We have the "Free to Choose" policy if you want
 to wear a face mask or not. We do ask that you please practice per-
 sonal hygiene and be respectful of your fellow parishioners, as some
 are still a higher risk. Thank You, IHM Staff.

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Kids Corner

23rd Sunday of Ordinary Time

Our Lady's Birthday

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WITHOUTYHE
MNBIRTHDAY
AGRMJESUS
PURECHRIST

See if you can
find all the
words in
CAPITALS in
the puzzle.

Use the left
over letters to
fill in the
blanks at the
end



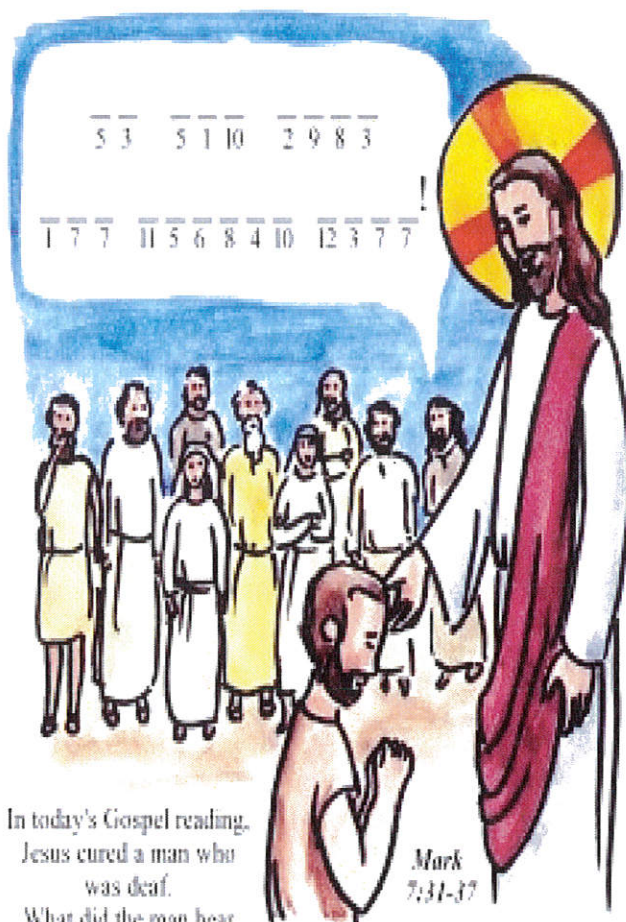
On September 8th we celebrate Mary's BIRTHDAY. She was CHOSEN by God to be the MOTHER of JESUS before she was even BORN. To PREPARE Mary to receive His SON, God made her PURE and WITHOUT SIN right from the first moment of her life.

JOACHIM and ANN were HOLY JEWS who were waiting for the MESSIAH to come. God chose them to be the FATHER and mother of MARY, who would become the mother of CHRIST.



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23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 5th, 2021



In today's Gospel reading,
Jesus cured a man who
was deaf.

What did the man hear
people saying when he
could hear again?

Mark
7:31-37

Use the number code below
to find the answer!

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Answer to Our Lady's Birthday Word-Find:
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