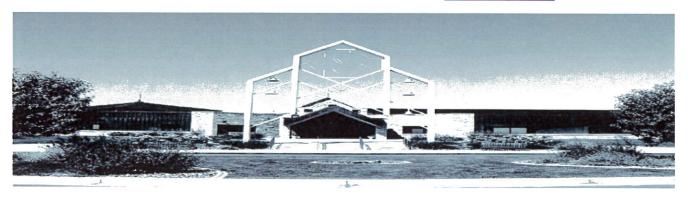
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PASTOR Rev. Chrysogonus Nwele, Ph.D.

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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

Retiring

We would like to announce the retirement of Margaret McWilliams at the end of this month.

Margaret has worked in the Parish Office for more than 20 years.

Through the years Margaret was receptionist at one time, has been involved with the volunteer program, and more recently assists with bulk mailings along with sharing in the financial duties of posting contributions, updating the database and the sales and record keeping of the Columbarium. She also assists with many other clerical duties as needed.

Our Parish office will never be the same once she is gone.

We do wish her well in her deserved retirement and look forward to seeing her at Mass Sunday mornings with her family!

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Chris Ensworth 801-560-9523

Please call the office to schedule a home or hospital visit

Emergency Anointing (970) 242-6121 — press 9

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 to Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish!

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

St. Ann's in Palisade 9:15 am Sunday



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.



FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT: C:

"THE RETURN OF THE PRODIGAL SON"
(Jos: 5:9-12; 2Cor:5: 17-21; Lk; 15: 1-3 and 11-32)

Dear friends in Jesus Christ,

I am very happy to see you all through this homily. Today's first reading is from the book of Joshua. This passage describes how the Israelites were freed from the slavery of Egypt by the mighty power of the Lord God and their journey to the Promised Land. Their first act of public worship and thanksgiving to the Lord God on entering their home land was the celebration of the Passover feast lasting seven days. Their possession of the land became a reality when they ate the produce of the land of Canaan.

Second reading is from the second letter of St. Paul to Corinthians. In this passage Paul explains to the Corinthian community that the whole aim of Christ's mission was to bring about reconciliation between God and humankind. The Apostle reminds us that we are ambassadors for Christ and for God.

"I will arise and go to my father"

Today's Gospel reading is from St. Luke. This passage has one of the immortal parables of Jesus - the parable of the prodigal son. It has been called the greatest short story ever told. This is a story about a father and his two sons. The father loved his sons very much. Yet the younger son asked for his share of the property and he spent his money in loose living. When he had spent all that he possessed, he found himself in a very miserable situation - feeding the pigs.

Desperate as he was he came to his senses and realized the great love of his loving father. Finally he returned to his father thinking that he would be accepted at least as a servant in his father's house. The loving father accepted him back unconditionally and showered love and affection on his lost son. The father's love for the lost son vividly explains God's unconditional forgiveness and love for the lost ones.

In the second part of the parable we meet the elder son who served the father faithfully. The elder son was not amused by the turn of events. He in fact revolted against the father for his forgiving love for the younger son. His attitude was harsh and judgmental.

This parable tells us about the story of our own lives. The part played by the prodigal son and the elder son are two sides of the same coin- our own selves. Let us remind ourselves during this Lent that the merciful father is always waiting for us to return to Him and our loving God is prodigal with His forgiveness and mercy.

"Love never reasons, but profusely gives: it gives like a thoughtless prodigal its all, and then trembles lest it has done too little." - H. More

"Every parent is at some time the father of the unreturned prodigal with nothing to do but keep his house open to hope". - John Clardl.

Thank you very much, I wish you all a very Happy and Lovely Sunday and weekend. God bless you all. Amen. Fr. Selva.

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Baptism Preparation Classes

For parents wishing to baptize their infant child/children 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



Knights of Columbus Fish Fry

The Knights of Columbus famous
Lenten Fish Fry
will be every Friday during Lent March 25 and April 1 & 8th.
From 4:30 to 7:00 pm in the Parish Hall.

Menu will be:

Baked Cod or Fried Pollock Coleslaw.

French Fries or Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Clam Chowder Soup, Rolls & Butter and Dessert

The cost is: Adults \$12.00 Children ages 6-12 \$6.00 and Children under 6 are Free.

There will be NO pancake breakfasts in March & April.



Please Pray For:

Jonny Lewis, Rich Jurewicz, Mike Beaudoin,
Penney Barger, Steve Mills, Karen Hernandez,
Alice Bristol, Patrick Martinez, Vanessa Tuttle, Chris
Love, Diane Gigliotti, Gerry Lemarr, Jerry Brin, Choy
Gasperini, Dolores K., Family of Karl John,
Fr. Carlos Gallardo, Nancy Boggus, Theresa Brandorff,
Lee Byram, Juli, Alex & Ashlynn Kirstatter,
Chuck Rosa, Sue Burns, Bob Ferencsik,
Richard Hopkins, Olivia, Stephanie Lane,
Mayela Vallejo, Marty Olesky,
Tom Graves, Bob Ferguson, Charles Chisholm,
Tim Allons, Nikki Allons, Msgr. Dan Huber,
for all of our parishioners suffering from Covid-19 &
for all those written in the
Red Book of Prayer



On the weekend of February 27, there was a Wedding/Engagement Ring found in the Sanctuary and turned in to the Parish office. If you have lost such a ring please call the office with a description of the ring for verification. 970-242-6121

A Lifeline for Marriage -



You Can Help Your Marriage –
Do you feel alone? Are you frustrated or
angry with each other?

Do you argue...or have you just stopped talking to each other? Does talking about it only make it worse?

Retrouvaille (pronounced retro-vi with a long i) helps couples through difficult times in their marriages.

This program has helped 10's of 100's of couples experiencing difficulties in their marriage. For confidential information about or to register for the program beginning with a

weekend on April 1-3, 2022, call (303) 317-5111 or email: retrouvaille.co@gmail.com or visit the website at

www.HelpOurMarriage.com.



Please know IHM is always welcoming to anyone who wants to volunteer. We have never told anyone we don't want volunteers serving, not even during Covid.

Back in September we asked everyone who was serving as

Eucharistic Minister, Hospitality Minister, Lector or Altar Serving to please fill out a "Blue Change Form" so we have current contact information and so we would know who wanted to continue to serve or come back after Covid.

If you wish to **return now** to your Ministry or If you want to **begin a new Ministry**, please fill out the "Blue Change Form" and you will be added to the next Ministry schedule.

You can pick up a "Blue Form" in the Sacristy, hall way or information table in the Narthex.

We need help with each of the above Ministries for all Masses.

Minister Schedule for April 2/3, 2022 All who are on this schedule have chosen to serve.

8:00 am April 2 (†) Henry & Germaine Martinez by Shettler Family

4:00 pm April 2 (†) Dorothy Calderone by Rhonda Thibault-Lloyd .

Presider: Fr. Chrysogonus Nwele Eucharistic: T. Chapman & E. Hoy Hospitality: R. Bertrand, A. Davis

Servers: 2 Volunteers Lector: D. Dinkel & J. Rau

7:30am April 3 (†) Theresa Bykowski by Larry & Mary Moran

Presider: Fr. Chrysogonus Nwele Eucharistic: M. Kiser & J. Snoddy

Hospitality: L. Duncan, D. Lytle, A. Ambrosier

Servers: M. Pierce Lector: J. Bennett

9:15 am April 3 St. Ann's Palisade

Presider: Fr. Selvanathan

10:00 am April 3 (I) IHM Parishioners

Presider: Fr. Chrysogonus Nwele

Eucharistic: J. Peugh
Hospitality: 4 Volunteers

Server: D. Hurd

Lector: G. Hurd & M. Hurd

6:00 pm April 3 (†) Joe Bystedt by Kerski Family

Presider: Fr. Selvanathan

Eucharistic: J. Downing & A. Rubalcaba

Hospitality: C. Morelli

Server: P. Jones

Lector: M. Jones & R. Jones

Readings for the Week of March 27, 2022

Sunday: JOS 5:9a, 10-12 2COR 5:17-21 LK 15:1-3, 11-32

Monday: IS 65:17-21 JN 4:43-54

Tuesday: EZ 47:1-9,12 JN 5:1-16

Wednesday: IS 49:8-15 JN 5:17-30

Thursday: EX 32:7-14 JN 5:31-47

Friday: WIS 2:1a, 12-22 JN 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

Saturday: JER 11:18-20 JN 7:40-53

Calendar of Events Week of March 27, 2022	
Sunday, Mar. 27	7:30 am Mass
	9:15 am St. Ann's
	10:00 am Mass
	11:30-12:30 Confirmation
	11:30 -12:30 Sac Prep
	11:30 -12:30 RCIC
	12:30-1:30 RCIA
	6:00 pm Mass
Monday, Mar. 28	8:00 am Mass
Tuesday, Mar. 29	8:00 am Mass
	9:30-10:30 am No Greater Love Bible Study
	6:30-7:30 pm No Greater Love Bible Study
	7:00 pm Centering Prayer
Wednesday, Mar. 30	8:00 am Mass
	9 am - 7 pm Adoration
	NO Classes
Thursday, Mar. 31	8:00 am Mass
Friday, April 1	8:00 am Mass 9-11 am
	1st Friday Adoration
	4:30-7:00 pm Knights Fish Fry
	5:30 pm Stations of the Cross
Saturday, April 2	8:00am Mass
	1st Saturday Rosary
	2:00 pm to 3:30pm Confessions
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Prayer Opportunities:

4:00 pm Mass

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

Mass Intentions

Sunday Mar. 27, 2022

7:30 am - (I) Daniel Huber by Huber Family

10:00 am - (†) Joe Bystedt by Family

6:00 pm -(†) Dorothy Calderone by Jan Steinkirchner & Family

Monday Mar. 28, 2022

8:00 am - (†) Karen Miller by Michele Steinkirchner & Family

Tuesday Mar. 29, 2022

8:00 am - (†) Dorothy Caldersone by Lu, Cathy, Joseph

Wednesday Mar. 30, 2022

8:00 am - (†) Mary Hagerty by Justine Tilger

8:00 am -(I) Ben Spalding by Elaine Cannon

Thursday Mar. 31, 2022

8:00 am - (I) Chrissey Zaums by Friends

Friday April 1, 2022

8:00 am - (†) Joe Bystedt by Family

Saturday April 2, 2022

8:00 am - (†) Henry & Germaine Martinez by Shettler Family

4:00 pm - (†) Dorothy Calderone by Rhonda Thibault-Lloyd

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2022 LENTEN RETREAT



Spiritual Talks followed by Q & A with Fr. Matthew Wertin.

"REDISCOVER HOW TO MAKE ROOM FOR MORE OF GOD'S GRACE, PLUS HOW TO BUILD A FIRE IN THE MIDST OF THE DARKNESS OF

> April 7 & 8 from 6 - 8 pm in the Parish Hall April 8 & 9 After the 8 am

THIS FALLEN WORLD."

MASS EVENING & MORNING TALKS
ARE THE SAME TOPICS



Individual appointments will also be available during the day on April 8



Stations of the Cross
will be Friday evenings during
Lent at 5:30 pm in the Sanctuary.
Groups from IHM that will be assisting with the
Stations of the Cross are:
April 1 Mary's Mom's
April 8 Focus Group & Deacon Luke
April 15 Good Friday Choir & Liturgy Circle
Thank you!

St. Ann's stations of the Cross will be 12:00 noon Fridays



Adoration

Immaculate Heart Mary is offering Adoration of our Lord all day Wednesdays during lent from 9:00 am until 7:00 pm in the Chapel



<u>Updated Information of</u> <u>Coronavirus at IHM</u>

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. Although due to the increased cases in Mesa County and IHM being a congregate setting, we are asking all to consider wearing a mask to mass. We do ask that you please practice personal hygiene and be respectful of your fellow parishioners, as some are still a higher risk. Thank You, IHM Staff.

Our Lady of Guadalupe Shrine

Everyone is Invited!
Ground Breaking for the Shrine
will be Monday March 28th at
5:30 pm at Sacred Heart Catholic
Church in Fruita.
Food and refreshments will be
served.



Marriage Banns: 2nd Bann Daryl Mamerto Linsao, Jr. to Marjery Barrera

Today there will have a second Collection for **Catholic Relief Services.**



Catholic Daughters is now accepting applications for their Scholarships. They are available to senior girls who are going to college or a trade school this fall.

First place is \$1,000 and second place is \$500
The applications can be picked up in the Parish office
Mon.-Fri. 9- 5pm They are due back before May1st
to Mary Folchert, regent for Catholic Daughters for Mount
of the Holy Cross #941. Mary's information is on the
application. Or they can be dropped off at the Parish
office.



Secular Franciscans
Secular Franciscans (Brother Juniper
Fraternity) will be meeting
April 3, 2022 at 6:00 pm at
Scared Heart in Fruita.

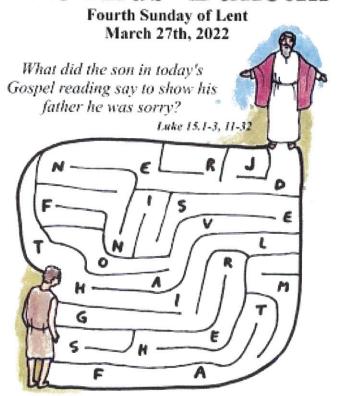
We are pursuing a deeper spirituality through the teachings, traditions, and guidance of St. Francis of Assisi.

Please come and meet with us to discern if this is a charism that God wants in your life. For more information, call Deena Hogue 970-234-1452 or email amberina@bresnan.net

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Kids Corner Forth Sunday of Lent

The Kids' Bulletin

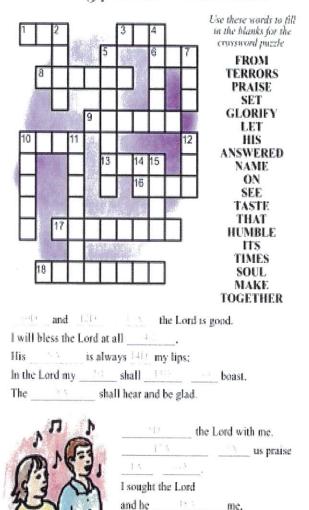


As you go through the maze, use only the letters in the right path to fill in the blanks:

Answer to Maze: Father I have sinned.

Answers to Cross-Word: ACROSS: 1. his, 3. let, 6. its 8. humble 9. praise 10. that 13. from 16. name 17. together 18. Answered DOWM: 2. Soul 4. times 5. glorify 7.set 10. taste. 11. terrors 12. See 14. On 15. make

Psalm 34 Cross-Word Puzzle



Save the Date

IHM's VBS will be June 6-10 9am-12:00 noon. We are in need of adult volunteers. If you are interested in participating, please contact Justine in the parish office at

970-242-6121 or email faithformation@ihmght.org

This is an excellent way to fill subsidy requirements.

Holy Family School SUBSIDY FORMS

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are now available in the parish office.
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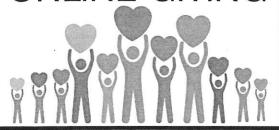


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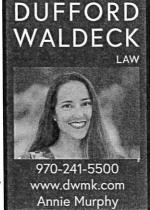
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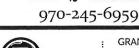
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