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Immaculate Heart of Mary Mass Schedule

Saturday: 4:00 pm **Sunday Masses:** 7:30 am, 10:00 am & 6:00 pm

Monday-Saturday: 8:00 am **Holy Days:** Anticipated Mass, 6:00 pm

Holy Day Masses 8:00 am & 6:00 pm

Reconciliation: Saturday: 2:00 pm — 3:30 pm or by appointment

Adoration: First Friday of the Month

Office Hours:

M-F 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

St. Ann, Palisade Sunday Mass: 9:15 am Holy Days: TBD

10:30 am Mass each Tuesday of the month



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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.



TWENTY SIXTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR: C: "PERILS OF NEGLECTING THE POOR"

(Amos: 6: 1, 4-7; 1 Tim: 6: 11-16; Lk: 16: 19-21)

Dear friends in Jesus Christ,

I am very happy to see you all through this Homily. The holy mother church invites you and me to reflect on the theme of **"PERILS OF NEGLECTING THE POOR"**. That is what we are going to see in all three reading of today's word of God.

Today's first reading is from the book of the Prophet Amos. In this passage Amos speaks to the wealthy people both from Judah and from Israel. He severely warns the complacent who live luxuriously and neglect the poor and the needy. They do not care for the plight of the poor. Besides their conduct will bring ruin to the whole nation.

The second reading is from the first letter of St. Paul to Timothy. In this passage Paul encourages Timothy and mentions the example of Jesus who was always faithful to His call in the face of hostility and even death. So also he says, Christians should lead a life of righteousness, love and kindness and should be faithful to God's call.

"The parable of the rich man and Lazarus"

Today's Gospel reading is from St. Luke. This passage narrates the parable of the rich man and Lazarus. The rich man (who is not named in the parable) lived a lavish life - expensive clothing, sumptuous meals and palatial houses were at his disposal. Whereas Lazarus- sick, sores all over the body and starving was lying at the gate of the rich man. During his life time on this earth the rich man enjoyed life to the brim whereas Lazarus suffered and finally died.

The sin of the rich man consisted not in what he did but rather what he did not do for this poor man who was in dire need. Finally the rich man too died. Death is a leveler of all inequalities. The reversal of fortunes is the central theme of the parable. With death the roles of the rich man and Lazarus are dramatically and irrevocably reversed. It was the turn of the rich man to get some attention from Abraham and the pity of Lazarus who was enjoying the comfort in the next life. But it was too late. An abyss separated them and it was an abyss for which the rich man himself was responsible. The parable shows what happens when we enjoy our wealth selfishly showing little or no concern for the poor and downtrodden in the society.

This parable invites us to live more simply to share more readily and to live more fully so that we can be followers of the Lord. It is said, "A person's wealth consists not in what he keeps but in what he gives away".

"The parable declares that they, who abound in earthly riches, unless they will relieve the necessities of the poor, shall meet with a heavy condemnation." -

St. Cyril of Jerusalem.

"Our life of poverty is as necessary as the work itself. Only in heaven will we see how much we owe to the poor for helping us to love God better because of them" -

St. Teresa of Calcutta.

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Please Pray For:

Nancy Boggus, Patricia Hurley,
Tiffany Hughes,

Bernard Kochevar, Joan Burns, Emilie Stoddard, Joan Wasinger, Yvonne Beuerle, Gene Stanek, Veronica Cukro, Tia Hasley, Dory Smeaton, Jonathon Aluise, Beverly Wacker, Jack, Rich Jurewicz, Mike Beaudoin, Penney Barger, Steve Mills, Karen Hernandez, Alice Bristol, Patrick Martinez, Vanessa Tuttle, Chris Love, Diane Gigliotti, Gerry Lemarr, Choy Gasperini, Dolores K., Fr. Carlos Gallardo, Theresa Brandorff, Lee Byram, Juli, Alex & Ashlynn Kirstatter, Chuck Rosa, Bob Ferencsik, Richard Hopkins, Olivia, Stephanie Lane, Marty Olesky, Tom Graves, Charles Chisholm, Tim Allons, Nikki Allons & Kim B. and for all those written in the Red Book of Prayer



New Youth Group

IHM is happy to announce there will be middle school and high school YOUTH GROUP

starting October 5th. Wednesday nights from 6:00-7:00pm! Check out our website for more info, dates, and to sign up! We are also looking for volunteers to help sponsor food/snacks, prayer, and volunteer team members!

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Baptism Preparation Classes

For parents wishing to baptize their child/ children, infant, to the age of seven please contact Alison in the parish office for information, at 970-242-6121 or email pastoralassistant@ihmgit.org
Both parents and Godparents must attend.

National Rosary Rally - October 9

Rosary Coast to Coast will be anchored by the National Rosary Rally in front of the US Capitol in Washington DC preceded by the National Eucharistic Procession. Plan to join us together across the country in praying the Glorious Mysteries of the Rosary simultaneously at: 4 pm Eastern, 3 pm Central, **2 pm Mountain**, 1 pm Pacific, noon Alaska, 10 am Hawaii. We will meet on 3rd and Grand Avenue in front of St. Joseph Church and begin promptly at 2 pm. Spread the word! Call Patti Brown for questions (970) 241-6266.



Parish Directories are available in the Parish office M-F 9-5. There is no charge to anyone who had a photo taken but we are asking for a \$10.00 donation per copy to those who did not get their picture taken.



**"EMPTY Bowls is Back"!
Saturday, October 8, 2022**

11:00a.m.-1:30p.m

Grand Valley Catholic Outreach 245 S. 1st Street Grand Junction, CO 81501

\$25.00 ticket buys:

Soup, Dessert and a Handmade Pottery Bowl of your choice to keep!

Tickets available here at IHM in the Parish office, online at catholicoutreach.org,

Catholic Outreach's main office and on the day of the event.

"Feeding the Hungry in the Grand Valley"

Please bring a Mask for your protection



Prayer Blanket Project Update

The last of the completed prayer blankets have been blessed and are out for loving.

The closet has materials that could be used for more. They will be sitting on the north wall of the Friendship room in tubs on Sunday Oct. 2 for any sewers who wish to create more blankets for this wonderful ministry. Any questions please call Bonnie 243-4698.



Catholic Daughters First Saturday Mass will be at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church October 1st at 8 a.m.
All are welcome to attend with us!

Minister Schedule for Oct. 1/2 ,2022

All who are on this schedule have chosen to serve.

8:00 am Oct. 1 (†) Bob Ferguson by Eva Faudree

Presider: Fr. Selvanathan

4 pm Oct. 1 (†) Josefita & Birl Worley by Linda Worley

Presider: Fr. Chrysogonus Nwele

Eucharistic: T. Bianchi, T. Chapman, K. Jarrell, M. Meyers, J. Rau, & L. Watson

Hospitality: A. Davis & 3 Volunteers

Servers: 2 Volunteers

Lector: T. Cooper & D. Dinkel

7:30am Oct. 2 (†) Robert Cannon by Elaine Cannon

Presider: Fr. Chrysogonus Nwele

Eucharistic: C. Ulman, D. Ulman & 6 Volunteers

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

Servers: M. Pierce & 1 Volunteer

Lector: J. Bennett

9:15 am Oct. 2, St. Ann's Palisade

Presider: Fr. Selvanathan

10:00 am Oct. 2, (I) Hurd Family by Grace Varley

Presider: Fr. Chrysogonus Nwele

Eucharistic: D. Peugh, J. Peugh & K. Coomer

Hospitality: J. Nasalroad & 5 Volunteers

Server: P. Jones & 1 Volunteer

Lector: R. Jones & M. Jones

6 pm Oct. 2, (I) Margaret Neumann by Donald Neumann

Presider: Fr. Selvanathan

Eucharistic: J. Downing, M. Calderone, R. Thibault-Lloyd & 4 Volunteers

Hospitality: C. Morelli & 4 Volunteers

Server: 2 Volunteers

Lector: P. Hall & N. Hall

Readings for the Week of September 25, 2022

Sunday: AM 6:1a, 4-7 1TM 6:11-16 LK 16:19-31

Monday: JB 1:6-22 LK 9:46-50

Tuesday: JB 3:1-3, 11-17, 20-23 LK 9:51-56

Wednesday: JB 9:1-12, 14-16 LK 9:57-62

Thursday: DN 7:9-10, 13-14 or RV 12:7-12ab JN 1:47-51

Friday: JB 38:1, 12-21, 40:3-5 LK 10:13-16

Saturday: JB 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17 LK 10:17-24

Prayer Opportunities:

Morning Prayer: Monday-Friday 7:30am in the Sanctuary

Morning Mass: Monday-Saturday 8:00am in the Sanctuary

Calendar of Events Week of September 25, 2022

Sunday, Sept. 25 7:30 am Mass
9:15 am St. Ann's
10:00 am Mass
11:30-12:30 Confirmation, Sac Prep, & RCIC
6:00 pm Mass

Monday, Sept. 26 8:00 am

Tuesday, Sept. 27 8:00 am Mass
5:30-9:30 pm Knights Awards Banquet
7:00 pm Centering Prayer

Wednesday, Sept.28 8:00 am Mass
6-7:00 pm Faith Formation Pre S to 5th Grade, RCIA, RCIC

Thursday, Sept.29 8:00 am Mass

Friday, Sept. 30 8:00 am Mass

Saturday, Oct. 1 8:00 am Mass
First Saturday Rosary
Olive Wood Sales after all Masses
2:00 - 3:30pm Confessions
4:00 pm Mass

Mass Intentions

Sunday Sept. 25, 2022

7:30 am - (I) **Patti Jachom** by Goerge Jachom

10:00 am - (†) **Michael Anthony Gonzales** by Tom & Pat Graves

6:00 pm-(†) **Br. Christopher (Bob Ferguson)** by Chuck Rosa

Monday Sept. 26, 2022

8:00 am -(†) **Marilee Thompson** by Kathleen Hollingsworth

Tuesday Sept.27, 2022

8:00 am - (I) **Mike Phillips & Cindy Adams** by Friends

Wednesday Sept.28, 2022

8:00 am -(†) **Larry Hovis** by Schmalz Family

Thursday Sept.29, 2022

8:00 am-(†) **John & Anna Marie Suppes** by George & Marie

Friday Sept.30, 2022

8:00 am- (I) **Syrian refugees, war & conflict victims, oppressed & persecuted** by Anonymous

Saturday Oct. 1, 2022

8:00 am - (†) **Bob Ferguson** by Eva Faudree

4:00 pm -(†) **Josefita & Birl Worley** by Linda Worley

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WHAT IS THE EUCHARIST

The Sacrifice of the Mass is a worship in which the people of God reenact and make present the birth, ministry, passion, death, resurrection and ascension of Christ in anticipation of His second coming. In the Mass, the people of God proclaim Christ's death, profess His resurrection and await His coming again. In the celebration of the Holy Eucharist, Christ is not re-crucified again, and again and again, each time the Mass is celebrated. This sacrifice is officiated once and for all, by Christ Jesus the Lord; the Church reenacts it in memory of Christ in obedience to His command

The Mass is the sacrifice of the body and Blood of Christ under the appearance of bread and wine. That is why Paul wrote: "For as often as you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until He comes again" 1 Corinthians 11:26

By Whose Authority: By the authority of Christ Himself who commanded His Church to offer this Sacrifice "IN MEMORY OF ME." The church can do this because she bears the authority of Christ and He is united with His church in the Spirit till the end of time, Matt. 28:20.

For What Reason: In the sacrifice of the Mass, the people of God partake in the passion, death and resurrection of the Lord. Most importantly, the people of God offer the sacrifice in obedience to the Lord who commanded His Church to "DO THIS IN MEMORY OF ME." During the sacrifice of the Mass, the Church offers her worship to the Father in the Son through the Spirit; the living, the dead and the unborn are united. In the sacrifice of the Mass, God, human and creation are perfectly united. Jesus, through the office of the priest, does once more, what he did at the Last Supper.

How: From the Last Supper, He continued on the altar of the Cross. Jesus the Lord instituted the sacrifice of Thanksgiving (Holy Eucharist) of His Body and Blood as a perpetual sacrifice to the father for the expiation of sins. In the Holy Mass, the Lord Jesus unites with the priest ontologically, acting in his person. So, the priest, in the person of Christ, acting in the name and on behalf of the universal church and in a sacramental manner, reenacts the same sacrifice - for the people of God to partake. That is why the most important action of the Mass for the people of God is active participation.

Why: The Holy Eucharist unites the faithful with the Lord Jesus who said, "Whoever eats my Flesh and drinks my Blood dwells in me and I in them." Jn. 6:51-53. Again, "Whoever eats my Body and drinks my Blood will live forever and I will raise them up on the last day." Jn. 6:56.

In the Holy Eucharistic celebration, creation brings all its beauty together in Thanksgiving to the Father John 17:21-23, first, for the gift of Christ Jesus through whom our salvation and unity with the father is reassured. For He channeled the heart of the father to His children and the heart of us children to the Father. Malachi 4:5-6. That is why they called him Elijah.

The Eucharist is a Sacrifice, for through it the Lord Jesus expiates all our sins, softens God's heart and gains us access to the Father. It is a thanksgiving, because through it, the Church offers bountiful gratitude to the Father for accepting her children. It is a mission (Mass), for within this sacrifice we are assigned a mission through which we serve God, humanity and creation.

By Father Chrysogonus Nwele, Shirley Petroff & Bernadette Hendrickson

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Kids Corner- Twenty-sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time



Luke 16:19-31

*In today's Gospel reading the rich man asks
Abraham to send Lazarus to him
with a drop of cool water.
But can Lazarus cross between
Heaven and Hell?
See if the maze will let him cross.*

www.thekidsbulletin.com



IHM Eucharistic Adoration

On ALL First Fridays following the 8 am mass
until 5:00 pm. All are invited to come and
spend time with our Lord in the Blessed
Sacrament.

Sign up sheets will be posted one week in
advance if you can commit to one hour.

Contact Anna Neam at 970-424-0546 or Vince Stone
at 720-936-1996 for questions

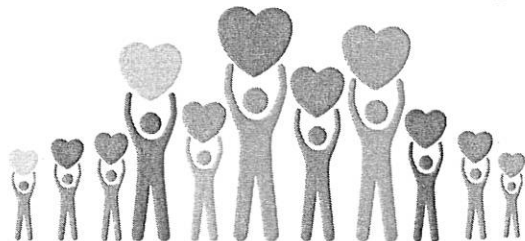


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