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Immaculate Heart of Mary Mass Schedule

Saturday: 4:00 pm **Sunday Masses:** 7:30 am, 10:00 am & 5:00 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: Every Friday of the Month

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



**St. Ann, Palisade Sunday Mass: 9:30 am Holy Days: TBD
10:30 am Mass each Tuesday of the month**

Prayer Opportunities:

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

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

Adoration: Fridays from 9:00 am-5:00 pm in the Chapel

Silent Prayer: 1st & 3rd Thursdays 1:30-2:30 pm in the Seton Room

Centering Prayer: Tuesday Evenings from 7:00 - 8:00 in the IHM Library

Rosary: Every 1st Saturday After 8:00 am Mass in the Chapel

“Everyone who acknowledges
me before others I will
acknowledge before my
Heavenly Father.”

Matthew 10:32



12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

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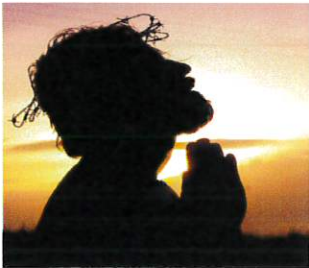
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Please Pray For:

Tiffany Hughes, Barbara Katzer, Mark Brozina, Dorothy Alzes, Natalia Souza, Jean Sullivan,
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Phyllis Veale, Jenna Veale, Kelsay Shackleford, Barbara DeLosa, Shirley Armstrong, Marie Blee,
Beckett Diers, Cindy Lively, Anthony Mundschau, Laely Allons, Sue Burns, Phyllis Shupak,
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Nancy Boggus, Tiffany Hughes, Bernard Kochevar, Emilie Stoddard, Joan Wasinger,
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Richard Hopkins, Stephanie Lane, Marty Olesky, Charles Chisholm, Tim Allons, Nikki Allons, Kim B.
and for all those written in the Red Book of Prayer.

If there is someone you wish to have put on our prayer list please contact Judy in the parish office after receiving permission
from the person or persons.



**TWELFTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR: A:
FEARLESS AND COURAGEOUS DISCIPLESHIP**
(Jer: 20: 10-13; Rom: 5: 12-15; Mat: 10: 26-33)

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 the Prophet Jeremiah. In this passage Jeremiah expresses his anguish and pain. Even when surrounded by enemies and faced with terror from every side, Jeremiah places his total trust in the Lord God. He is convinced that the Lord God is on his side.

The second reading is from the letter of St. Paul to the Romans. In this passage, Paul explains to the Christians in Rome that sin and death came through Adam, the first man. However freedom and life came through Jesus Christ, the second Adam.

"Fear not, you are of more value than many sparrows"

Today's Gospel reading is from St. Matthew. In this passage Jesus invites His disciples to be fearless and courageous in the face of rejection and opposition.

The following points are mentioned:

1. The message of Jesus is not to be hidden but to be proclaimed openly - on the house tops.
2. Disciples should not be afraid of those who kill the body. Instead, be afraid of the one who can kill the soul.
3. Even a tiny sparrow is taken care of by God. Since we are of more value than many sparrows, we should realize that God is in control of our lives and nothing happens without His knowledge and inspiration.
4. Those who acknowledge Jesus and His message openly will be acknowledged by the heavenly Father. Hence, fearless witnessing to Christ will make us worthy to receive eternal reward.

In order to respond wholeheartedly to Jesus' invitation requires great faith, courage and radical commitment. He does not want His disciples to be members of a cowardly Church or a faithless community. He wants us to stand up and be counted for our faith.

"My job seems to be to go around picking up insults and corpses" ~

Bl. Archbishop Oscar Romero of El Salvador.

"I really fear that most of those who call themselves Christians would go on almost as they do, if they believed Christianity to be nothing more than a fable" ~ Bl. Cardinal

Newman.

"Keeping silent in the face of injustice is as DEADLY as the violence itself." ~

Jimmy Carter (Former President of USA).

I wish you all Blessed Sunday and Lovely Weekend to you all. God Bless you. Fr. Selva.

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Catholic Daughters News

Praises! Alleluia! and Whoo-hoo!!

What happens when you put 70+ Catholic women together for three days? Blessings galore, that's what!

Catholic Daughters--Court 941 hosted the Colorado Convention June 9-11 and it was AWESOME!

A little business, lots of fun and food, prayer and community building—the Holy Spirit was definitely gifting us!



Thank you to all of the generous parishioners that supported our fund-raising activities over the past year.

We could not have done it without our priests, members,

and the leaders at all four parishes.

Catholic women, consider joining us. There is a place at the table waiting for you!

Our First Saturday mass on July 1, 2023 will be at 8 a.m. at Immaculate Heart of Mary.



Immaculate Heart of Mary Church is looking to hire a Maintenance assistant/ Grounds Keeper.

This position will be overseeing basic church maintenance duties within the church and outside on the property.

If interested please contact Rick in the Parish office at 970-242-6121 or email raluise@ihmgit.org



Father Chrysogonus will be resuming his Bible Study on Wednesday evenings from 6-7:00 pm.

The first study will begin with the Book of Revelation.

Join us for an evening of spiritual growth and wisdom in our Catholic Faith.



If you are attending or would like to attend our Friday Adoration we are asking that at least 3 people sign up per hour so the Blessed Sacrament is never left alone. We do not want to shorten our hours of Adoration.



Baptism at IHM

If you are looking to have your child baptized here at IHM these are the documents we have to have on file in our office before your Baptism can be scheduled.

These are mandated requirements from the Diocese:

1. Birth Certificate (state issued) of the child/ person being baptized.
2. At Least one Godparent must be a Confirmed Catholic. They must submit a baptismal certificate with notations from their parish of baptism.
3. A letter from the parent explaining why you want your child baptized, how you plan on living the faith, and what you intend to do to help your child receive all the sacraments.
4. A letter from the godparent explaining how they will help their godchild with their faith throughout their life.

A class for parents and godparents may also be required.

Contact our Pastoral Assistant in the parish office to assist you with this process.

Minister Schedule for July 1/2, 2023

All who are on this schedule have chosen to serve.

8:00 am July 1, Mass (†) Jack Rau by Jan Rau
(†) Toello Family by Dan & Dianne Toello
Presider: Fr. Selvanathan

4:00 pm July 1, Mass (†) Sal Sassano by Mike & Teri Born &
Joan Burns
Presider: Fr. Chrysogonus Nwele

Eucharistic: T. Chapman, B. Kline, J. Rau, D. Schmitz, L. Watson & 3 Volunteers
Hospitality: A. Davis, S. Mills & 2 Volunteers
Servers: 2 Volunteers
Lectors: E. Hoy

7:30 am July 2, Mass (†) Lawrence & Betty Suppes by George &
Marie
Presider: Fr. Selvanathan

Eucharistic: J. Snoddy, D. Ulman, C. Ulman & 5 Volunteers
Hospitality: D. Lytle & 3 Volunteers
Servers: 2 Volunteers
Lectors: J. Bennett

9:30 am July 2, Mass at Palisade St. Ann's
Presider: Fr. Chrysogonus Nwele

10 am July 2, Mass (†) Frances Ann Fieldin by Family
Presider: Fr. Selvanathan

Eucharistic: D. Peugh, J. Peugh & 6 Volunteers
Hospitality: E. Bergethon, J. Nasalroad & 2 Volunteers
Servers: 2 Volunteers
Lectors: K. Bergethon & J. Simmons

5:00 pm July 2, (I) IHM Parishioners
Presider: Fr. Chrysogonus Nwele

Eucharistic: M. Calderone, T. Garrison, N. Hall & 5 Volunteers
Hospitality: B. Bianchi, B. Mills & 2 Volunteers
Servers: C. Garrison & Z. Garrison
Lectors: P. Hall & N. Hall

Readings for the Week of June 25, 2023

Sunday: JER 20:10-13 ROM 5:12-15 MT 10:26-33

Monday: GN 12:1-9 MT 7:1-5

Tuesday: GN 13:2, 5-18 MT 7:6, 12-14

Wednesday: GN 15:1-12, 17-18 MT 7:15-20

Thursday: ACTS 12:1-11 2TM 4:6-8, 17-18 MT 16:13-19

Friday: GN 17:1, 9-10, 15-22 MT 8:1-4

Saturday: GN 18:1-15 MT 8:5-17

Calendar of Events Week of June 25, 2023

Sunday, June 25 7:30 am Mass
9:30 am St. Ann's Palisade
5:00 pm Youth Mass
Youth Fellowship to Follow in Friendship Hall

Monday, June 26 8:00 am Mass

Tuesday, June 27 8:00 am Mass
6-9:00 pm Knights
7:00 pm Centering Prayer

Wednesday, June 28 8:00 am Mass
6-7:00 pm Bible Study

Thursday, June 29 8:00 am Mass
9:00 am "The Chosen" in the Youth Room

Friday, June 30 8:00 am Mass
9 am-5:00 pm Adoration in Chapel

Saturday, July 1 8:00 am Morning Prayer
2:00-3:30 pm Confessions
4:00 pm Mass

Mass Intentions

Sunday June 25, 2023

7:30 am - Father's Day Novena

10:00 am - Father's Day Novena

6:00 pm - Father's Day Novena

Monday June 26, 2023

8:00 am - Father's Day Novena

Tuesday June 27, 2023

8:00 am - (†) Joseph Dreilling by Frank & Marlys Hoffman

Wednesday June 28, 2023

8:00 am - (†) Jane Darcy by Daughter

Thursday June 29, 2023

8:00 am - (†) Rose Gordon by Family

Friday June 30, 2023

8:00 am - (I) Josephine Young by Josephine Young

Saturday July 1, 2023

8:00 am - (†) Jack Rau by Jan Rau

8:00 am - (†) Tonello Family by Dan & Dianne Tonello

4:00 pm - (†) Sal Sassano by Mike & Teri Born & Joan Burns

The Origin of Benediction and Adoration

From the Bible, Benediction means good words or words of blessing. In Genesis 14:19-20 Joseph brought his children to Israel and Israel embraced and *blessed them*. The Lord Jesus place blessing on his future followers saying... “*blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed.*” Jn. 2029.

The practice of adoration, which included the people of God formally began in Avignon, France on September 11, 1226. To celebrate and give thanks for the victory over the Albigensians, King Louis VII of France asked the Bishop of Avignon to have the Blessed Sacrament exposed in the Chapel of the Holy Cross. The throng of adorers was so great that the bishop decided to have the adoration continue day and night.

During the Middle Ages, many more of the faithful began to adore the Blessed Sacrament apart from the Mass. At first, the custom was to worship the Holy Eucharist reserved in the tabernacle. Eventually, some came to practice the devotion with the tabernacle doors open. Later still, solemn exposition of the Holy Eucharist, in a monstrance, became the norm. The practice spread through Europe and culminated in the establishment of the *Festum Corporis Chirsti Festus Corpus Domini* —Latin for “the Feast of the Body of Christ”—August 11, 1264. The feast itself, now celebrated each June, helped spread the devotion to the Holy Eucharist. It was not until after the Council of Trent 1545-1563, however, that perpetual adoration began to develop on a worldwide scale. During the Protestant Reformation, church lootings were common, as were desecrations of the Blessed Sacrament. Faithful Catholics made reparation to God by keeping a loving vigil before Him, around the clock. Perpetual adoration became a symbol of constancy in a volatile age.

Throughout Europe and eventually America, new religious orders arose centered on uninterrupted Eucharistic adoration. In the years following the Second Vatican Council, the devotion began to wane, only to rise again in popularity with the encouragement of Pope John Paul II. At 128 years and counting, the Franciscan Sisters of Perpetual Adoration have the oldest Adoration program in the United States.

Cf: <https://kolbeshrine.org/history-of-eucharistic-adoration>

By Fr. Chrysogonus Nwele

Shirley Petroff

Bernadette Hendrickson

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Kids Corner-The Solemnity of the Body of Blood of Christ

Fill-in-the-Blanks

Fill in the blank spaces with the words from the list. Use the letters in boxes to fill in the blanks at the end!

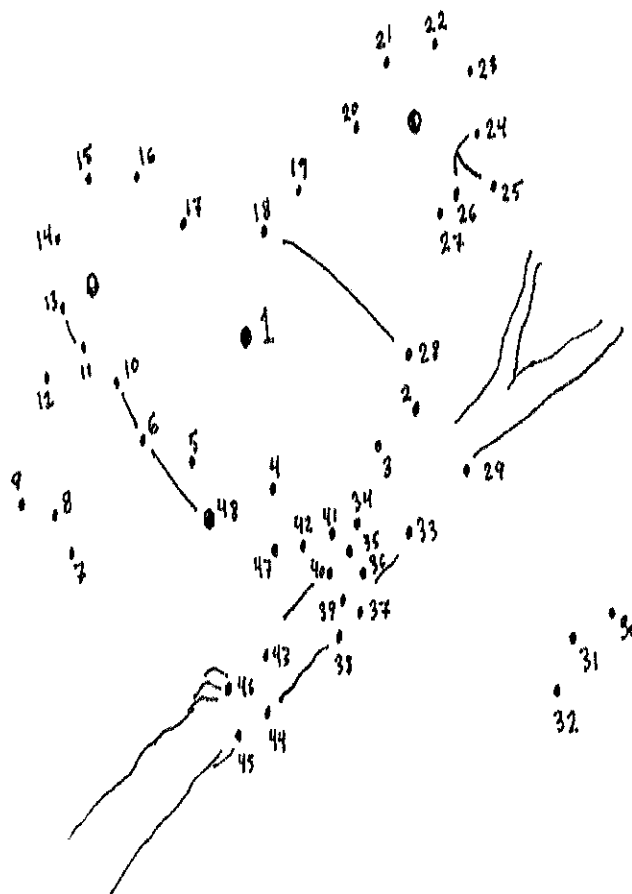
What I tell you in the dark,
utter in the ____□____;
and what you hear whispered,
____□____ upon the
housetops. And do not fear those
who kill the ____□____
but □____ kill the soul;
rather ____□____ him who can kill
both body and soul in Hell.
Are not two ____□____
sold for a ____□____?
And not one of them will fall to the ground FEAR
without your ____□____ will. NOT
But even the hairs □____ your head BUT
are numbered. OF
Fear ____□____, therefore;
you are of ____□____ value than many sparrows.
So ____□____
who acknowledges me before men,
I also will acknowledge
____□____ my Father who is in heaven;
□____ whoever denies me before men, I also
will deny before my Father who is in heaven.

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Answers: LIGHT, PROCLAIM, BODY, CANNOT, FEAR, SPARROWS, PENNY, FATHER'S, OF, NOT, MORE, EVERYONE, BEFORE, BUT, God Cares for you!

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June 25th, 2023



*In today's Gospel reading Jesus says that
God sees even little things.
What little things did He mention?
Connect the dots to find out!*



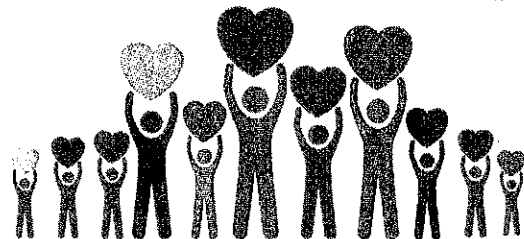
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