### Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish

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PASTOR: TBD

Deacon Luke Konantz

Deacon Mike Doehrman

PAROCHIAL VICAR: Fr. Selvanathan an Deacon Leo Truscott



#### Immaculate Heart of Mary Mass Schedule

Saturday: 4:00 pm Sunday Masses: 7:30 and 10:00 am & 5:00 pm Monday-Saturday: 8:00 am

**Holy Day Masses** will be posted in the bulletin & on the website **Reconciliation:** Saturday: 2:00 pm - 3:30 pm or by appointment

Adoration: Every Friday 9am-5:00 pm St. Ann, Palisade Sunday Mass: 9:30 am, Holy Days: TBD 10:30 am Mass every Tuesday

Office hours: M-F 8:00 am-4:00 pm (during the winter months)

#### **Prayer Opportunities:**

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

Morning Mass: Monday-Saturday 8:00am

Silent Prayer: 1st & 3rd Thursdays 1:30-2:30 pm

in the Seton Room

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

Rosary: Every 1st Saturday After 8:00 am Mass

in the Chapel

Centering Prayer: Tuesday Evenings from 7:00 - 8:00

in the IHM Library



### **Healing Masses**

IHM Healing Mass is on the second
Wednesday of every month, ongoing, at 12:00 noon,
for all those suffering from Cancer, serious illness,
any type of disease, healing after surgery and all who
need healing of mind, body & Spirit.

#### Our next Healing Mass is March 13,

We will not have a Healing Mass in February as the second Wednesday is Ash Wednesday this year.

#### RAISING DISCIPLES TO INSPIRE RELATIONSHIPS WITH JESUS

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

#### Parish Staff

#### Pastor

(970) 242-6121 ext. 205

#### Parochial Vicar

Fr. Selvanathan (970) 242-6121 ext.208

#### **Pastoral Assistant**

Judy A. Hettinger
Funerals, Baptisms,
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#### **Parish Secretary**

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#### Maintenance

Maverick Burns Derek Faber (970) 242-6121 ext. 210

## Confessions Saturday 2:00-3:30

#### Parish Office Hours 8:00-4:00 M-F

(for winter months)

Please call the office: To schedule a home or hospital visit.

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#### Bookkeeper Linda Weber 970-242-6121 ext.211

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### **Bible Study**



Please join Bible Study Wednesday evenings from 6-7:00 pm for in the Library.

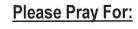
Join us for an evening of spiritual growth and wisdom in our Catholic Faith.



#### IHM Library Hours

Our Library is open, with entry from the front of the church. Sundays 4-5:00 pm Mondays 2:30-

 $3:30~\mathrm{pm}$  Thursdays  $2:30\text{-}3:30~\mathrm{pm}$  Saturdays  $3:4:00~\mathrm{pm}$ . Come in and browse.





Landon Streker, Donna Mae Worrell, Gerald Onsrud, Lloyd Moore, Elvy Vigna, Beth Huber-Robinson, Mardi Evans, Mike Campbell, Samuel Smith, Dave McWilliams, Casandra & Sonny Richards, Yona & Matt Slostad, Wing-Garcia Baby, T.J. Morelli, Jan & Wade Enger, Dallas Mortensen, Amber Price, Marie, Paul & Ramona Blee, Heidi Calhoon, The Allons Family, Mallory O'Conner, Les Stefan, Leta Curry,

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If there is someone you wish to have put on our prayer list please contact Judy the parish Secretary in the office after receiving

#### A Letter From Bishop Berg

Dear Parishioners of Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish,

This is to inform you about the situation and departure of Fr. Chrysogonus Nwele, a priest of the Diocese of Ahiara, Nigeria. Fr. Chrysogonus has served in the Diocese of Pueblo for 12 years. The normal time for an international priest to serve in the Diocese of Pueblo is ten years. The Diocese of Ahiara, Fr. Chrysogonus' home diocese, has been in a state of sede vacante (absence of a bishop), for 13 years. They have recently been blessed with a new bishop.

After consultation with Fr. Chrysogonus, Bishop Berg has made the decision that Fr. Chrysogonus be returned to his home diocese for re-assignment by his new bishop.

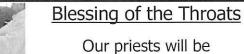
We thank Fr. Chrysogonus for his 12 years of generous service to the Diocese of Pueblo and wish him the best in his future assignment.

For the interim period, Father Henry Wertin, Dean of the Grand Junction Deanery, will serve as Administrator of Immaculate Heart of Mary parish as well as continuing as Pastor of St. Joseph's parish. Father Selva has graciously agreed to serve as onsite Parochial Vicar to handle the day to day responsibilities of Immaculate Heart of Mary parish.

I will be visiting the Grand Junction Deanery next week as we celebrate Catholic Schools Week.

Thank you very much for you prayers and support.

Bishop Stephen Berg



Blessing Throats
after all Masses on the Weekend of
February 3 & 4
in honor of St. Blaise



### Ash Wednesday

February 14, Mass Schedule

8:00 am with Holy Family School 12:00 noon

5:30 pm at St. Ann's Palisade 6:00 pm



#### **Knights of Columbus News**

Each year we honor the deceased Knights of council 13621.

Knights of Columbus Devine Mercy Chaplet will be February 6<sup>th</sup> at 6:40pm in the Chapel.

The Memorial Mass will be February 11<sup>th</sup> at the 10:00am Mass.

#### RAISING DISCIPLES TO INSPIRE RELATIONSHIPS WITH JESUS

In preparation for Lent we have placed a container in the Narthex for your old palms to be burned for Ash Wednesday,



February 14. Please begin bringing your palms in anytime.

Thank You Special thanks to Tim and Gina Gasperini, Karen and Tim Winegartner, Marie, Derek, and

Maverick Burns, Tina Gurule, Tina, Giovan and Harena Treves, Mariah and Aliah, George Goetz and Jeremy, Tracy Hughes for decorations, Tom & Andy Hughes family, Brad, Heather, Tazanna, and Tayden Seago, and Fr. Selva for chopping onions. And for helping make the Chili in a Bread Bowl Supper a great success!

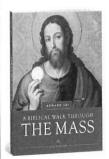


If you're interested in singing with a choir at Mass, this is the time to join us! All ages and levels are welcome; the ability to read music is helpful but not

necessary. You just need a desire to lead the congregation praising God in song! We'll meet in the sanctuary on Saturday, February 3<sup>rd</sup> at 3:00pm to run through music, then sing at the 4pm Mass

(This is in anticipation of a group for Holy Week/Easter Vigil/Easter and monthly beyond that.)

Please contact the parish office at 242-6121 or email <u>musicdirector@ihmgjt.org</u> if you have questions



#### A Biblical Walk Through The Mass

Discover the Beauty, the Riches, and the Profound Meaning of the Mass

Saturday February 10, 2024 from 9:00 am until 3:00 pm in the IHM Parish Hall.

Lunch will be provided by the church. Please RSVP so we know how many to prepare for. We will watch videos as a large group and discuss the lessons between them. The cost is up to you! If you would like to purchase the course materials, the cost is \$27.

Please order through Ascension Press. For more information or to register call Kathy Sassano at 970-773-1824.



#### Catholic Daughters News

Catholic Daughters will be collecting baby items for Birthright January 20 – February 11, Catholic Daughters First Saturday Mass will be February 3, 2024 at 8 a.m. at IHM.



Save the date for the IHM Spaghetti Dinner!

February 11, after the 10:00 mass (11:30)



This weekend we take up the Collection for the Church in Latin America! Many people in Latin America and the Caribbean do not have access to Church programs and ministries because of a rising secular culture, rugged rural terrain, and a shortage of ministers. Your generosity enables our brothers and sisters in Latin America and the Caribbean to share in the life of the Church and grow closer to Christ. Please be generous in the special collection!

To learn more, please visit www.usccb.org/latin-america.

## Minister Schedule for Feb. 3/4, 2023 All who are on this schedule have chosen to serve.

8:00 am Feb. 3, 2024 (I) Alex & Ashlynn Kirstatter by Family Presider: TBA

4:00pm Feb. 3 (†) Sal Sassano by Angie & Maggie

Presider: Fr. Selvanathan

Eucharistic: T. Chapman, K. Sassano, D. Schmitz, L. Watson &

4 Volunteers

Hospitality: S. Mills, A. Davis & 2 Volunteers

Servers: 2 Volunteers Lectors: D. Dinkel

7:30 am Feb. 4 (I) IHM Staff

Presider: Fr. TBA

Eucharistic: C. Ulman, J. Snoddy & 6 Volunteers Hospitality: G. Watts, D. Lytle & 2 Volunteers

Servers: N. Scott & E. Scott

Lectors: A. Smith

9:30 am Feb.4, 2024, Sunday Mass at Palisade St. Ann's

Presider: Fr. Selvanathan

10 am Feb. 4 (†) Sal Sassano by Kathy Sassano

Presider: Fr. TBA

Eucharistic: J. Peugh, D. Peugh & 6 Volunteers Hospitality: J. Nasalroad & 3 Volunteers

Servers: 2 Volunteers

Lectors: D. Seatvet & J. Simmons

5:00 pm Feb. 4 (I) IHM Parishioners

Presider: Fr. Selvanathan

Eucharistic: M. Calderone & 7 Volunteers

Hospitality: B. Mills & 3 Volunteers

Servers: 2 Volunteers Lectors: P. Hall & N. Hall

#### Readings for the Week of January 28, 2024

Sunday: Dt 18:15-20 1 Cor 7:32-35 Mk 1:21-28

**Monday:** 2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13 Mk 5:1-20

Tuesday: 2Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30-19:3 Mk 5:21-

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Wednesday: 2 Sm 24:2, 9-17 Mk 6:1-6

**Thursday:** 1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12 Mk 6:7-13

Friday: Mal 3:1-4 Heb 2:14-18 Lk 2:22-40

**Saturday:** 1 Kgs 3:4-13 Mk 6:30-34

Calendar of Events Week of January 28, 2024	
Sunday, Jan. 28	7:30 am Mass 8:45-9:45 Sac Prep 9:30 am St. Ann's Palisade 10:00 am Mass 11:30 am Faith Formation, Confirmation, RCIA, 2nd Yr. RCIC, Sac Prep 4-5:00 pm Library Open 5:00 pm Mass
Monday, Jan. 29	8:00 am Mass 2:30-3:30 Library Open
Tuesday, Jan. 30	8:00 am Mass 7:00 pm Centering Prayer
Wednesday, Jan. 31	8:00 am Mass 9:00 am Bulk Mailing 6-7:00 pm Bible Study 6-7:00 pm Faith Formation, 1st yr. RCIC, Sac Prep & Parent Class 6-7 Middle & High School Youth Group
Thursday, Feb. 1	8:00 am HFS Mass 9-11 Mary's Moms 1:30-2:30 Silent Prayer 2:30-3:30 pm Library Open
Friday, Feb. 2	8:00 am Mass 9 am-5:00 pm Adoration in Chapel
Saturday, Feb. 3	8:00 am Mass 9am-6pm Marriage Prep Classes 2:00-3:30 pm Confessions 3-4 pm Library Open

#### **Mass Intentions**

#### Sunday Jan. 28

7:30 am -(†) Choe Gasperni by The Hughes Family

10:00 am -(†) Robert Cantrell by Family

5:00 pm-(I) Lou Kerski by Family

#### Monday Jan. 29

8:00 am - (†) Carol Hunter by Cathy & Brian Leubber

#### Tuesday Jan. 30

8:00 am - (†) Marie Jensen by Justine Tilger

#### Wednesday Jan. 31

8:00 am-(†) Francis Fief by Joan Wasinger

#### Thursday Feb. 1

8:00 am-(†) Maxine Stewart by Family

#### Friday Feb. 2

8:00 am-(†) Forgotten Souls in Purgatory by Jane & Michael

Smith

#### Saturday Feb. 3

8:00 am - (I) Alex & Ashlynn Kirstatter by Family

4:00 pm -(†) Sal Sassano by Angie & Maggie



### FOURTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR: B: THE AUTHORITY OF JESUS

(Deut:18: 15-20; 1 Cor:7: 32-35; Mk:1: 21-28)

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 Deuteronomy. Moses instructs the people of Israel that the Lord God will send an outstanding prophet who will proclaim His message and lead the people to the Lord God. The Lord God will put words into the mouth of the prophet and he will speak with authority. This prophecy of Moses finds its fulfillment in Jesus.

The second reading is from the first letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians. Paul reminds the Christian community at Corinth and us that whether married or unmarried, we are called to holiness of life and to live with an undivided devotion to God. He urges those who are celibate to give their undivided attention to the Lord. He wishes that all of us be free from all worries so as to give total attention to the Lord Jesus and His message.

#### With authority He commands

Today's Gospel reading is from St. Mark. We have a specific example of how Jesus spoke with great authority during His public life. Only a genuine person can speak with authority. At that time there were many teachers of the law: Scribes and Pharisees. But they could never speak with authority. Jesus could speak with authority because He had the approval of the heavenly Father and He was filled with the Holy Spirit. He was convinced of what He said and He said what He believed in.

In the second part of today's Gospel we have some examples of how Jesus exercised His authority. A person possessed with an evil spirit was brought to the Lord. Jesus commanded and the evil spirit left the person and the possessed person was totally freed from the power of evil. Today we are living in a world where many people are possessed by various evils. They are the people who are haunted by fear, worries, anxieties, suicidal tendencies, various addictions and many other evil habits. Jesus' authority and power is necessary to heal these unfortunate people.

Hence Jesus exercised His authority to liberate people and to heal them and to bring them closer to God. The prophecy of Moses finds its fulfillment in Jesus. More than ever today we are faced with skepticism about many people in authority both in the secular sphere and in the religious sphere. Unlike them Jesus spoke with authority because He spoke the truth and He backed up His words with His deeds.

"All authority in heaven and on earth is given to me." -Matthew 28:18
"Authority exercised with humility and obedience accepted with delight are the very lines along which our spirits live." - C.S. Lewis

I wish you all Have a wonderful weekend and Lovely Sunday to you. May God bless you. Fr. Selva.

#### RAISING DISCIPLES TO INSPIRE RELATIONSHIPS WITH JESUS

### Kids Corner-Fourth Sunday Ordinary Time

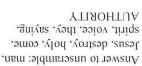
# Baby Jesus is Presented in the Temple

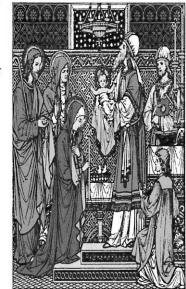
On February second we celebrate the feast of the Presentation of Jesus in the Temple. That is the day that Saint Joseph and Our Lady took the baby Jesus to the Temple in Jerusalem to consecrate Him to God. The Jews were supposed to dedicate their first-born sons to God, so Mary and Joseph were obedient to the law even though their Baby was God Himself!

This was a most amazing moment, even though almost nobody noticed it: here was the great Temple where the people came to worship God, and now God had actually come into it- as a little Baby! But only Mary and Joseph and the prophets Simeon and Anna knew what had happened.

Saint Paul tells us that our bodies are temples of the Holy Spirit. Every time you receive Holy Communion,

it's like baby Jesus entering the Temple. When you go to Communion, remember that you know that amazing secret- that even though the rest of the world might not know, you have just received Jesus! What a special moment!





### Unscramble: Jesus Casts out a Demon

Sort out the letters to fill in the blanks.

Use the letters in the boxes to fill in the last row of boxes.

And immediately there was in their synagogue a
[NMA] with an unclean spirit; and he cried
out, "What have you to do with us,
(ESSJU) of Nazareth? Have you come
to (YDSETRO) us? I know who
you are, the (OYLH) One of God."
But Jesus rebuked him, saying, "Be silent, and
(MEOC) out of him!"
And the unclean (TRSIPI),
convulsing him and crying with a loud
[IOCEV], came out of him.
And [ (YEHT) were all amazed, so that
they questioned among themselves,
(YSNIAG), "What is this? A new
teaching!
<u> </u>



even the unclean spirits, and they obey him."

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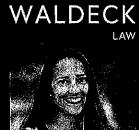
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