

Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish

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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

Wednesday: 12:15 pm

Holy Day Masses 8:00 am 12:00 noon & 6:00 pm

Confessions: Friday 8:30-9:30 am Saturday 8:30-9:30 am & again 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: 5:30 pm 10:30 am Mass every Tuesday

Office hours: M-F 8:00 am-4:00 pm Open during lunch hours

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 Conference Room

Holy Days of Obligation 2025

November 1, 2025 for All Saints Day -
Not Obligatory this year.

Dec. 8, 2025 Immaculate Conception of
the Blessed Virgin Mary

New Confession Times:

Friday morning 8:30-9:30 am

Saturday morning 8:30-9:30 am and
again Saturday afternoon 2:00-3:30 pm

Thirtieth Sunday of Ordinary Time October 26 2025

'O God,
be merciful to me a sinner.'

Luke 18:9-14

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To register as a parishioner at IHM, please stop by the Parish Office.
We would love to meet you!

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8:00-4:00 M-F

Confessions Friday 8:30-9:00 am
Saturday 9:00-9:30 am
2:00-3:30 pm

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a home or hospital visit.

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Volunteer Office Support

I would like to take a moment to acknowledge some remarkable individuals who greatly assist our staff and the IHM community. We are fortunate to have dedicated volunteers who regularly lend a hand with various tasks, such as counting the weekly tithe, answering phones, performing light office duties, and preparing bulk mailings for tithing envelopes and seasonal letters sent to all parishioners.

Our monthly bulk-mailing team includes Shirley and Ben Beauregard, Donna Demond, Elaine Doyle, Bonnie Hartman, Debbie Jacobs, Pat Kimbrell, Karen Kochevar, Dick Lytle, Geri and Charlie Mishmash, Janet Rauen, Marie Schmalz, Betty Smith, Emily Thom, and Dee Ulman. Additionally, Scott Chisholm and Emily Thom help fold 1,500 letters for our Christmas and Easter mailings. Wendy MacAskill and her family also prepare tithing envelopes for mailing. Many of these exceptional volunteers are involved in other roles within the parish as well, with some having volunteered at IHM for over 20 years.

Our weekly Money Counters come in diligently to count tithe, special collections, votive offerings, and donut money. They are Shelly Luff, Kathy Martin, Barb Watts, Geri and Charlee Mishmash, and Bonnie Hartman.

A special acknowledgment goes to Bonnie Hartman, who has organized and scheduled both the money counting and bulk mailing teams for many years. Bonnie also handles the advertising for the back of our bulletins and helps coordinate the Coffee and Donuts on weekends.

We are also supported by two exceptional women who assist our office staff each week. Millie Boling is in the office on Monday mornings, and Justine Tilger comes in on Wednesdays. They answer phones, direct calls to staff members, schedule mass intentions, proof the bulletin, and perform light office work. They address many questions from parishioners and help with various tasks as needed. Both Millie and Justine have been volunteering in our office for over seven years, and they bring joy to our workplace when they are here.

We would be lost without all these people who generously offer their time. Thank you!

Deacons

We have wonderful Deacons that are a big part of our parish. Deacon Luke Konantz & Deacon Michael Doehrman.

Have you ever wondered just **Who is a Deacon?** A deacon is an ordained minister of the Catholic Church. There are three groups, or "orders," of ordained ministers in the Church: bishops, presbyters and deacons. Deacons are ordained as a sacramental sign to the Church and to the world of Christ, who came "to serve and not to be served." The entire Church is called by Christ to serve, and the deacon, in virtue of his sacramental ordination and through his various ministries, is to be a servant in a servant-Church.

What are these "various ministries" of the Deacon? All ordained ministers in the Church are called to the functions of Word, Sacrament and Charity, but bishops, presbyters, and deacons exercise these functions in various ways. As ministers of the Word, deacons proclaim the Gospel, preach, and teach in the name of the Church. As ministers of Sacrament, deacons baptize, lead the faithful in prayer, witness marriages, and conduct wake and funeral services. As ministers of Charity, deacons are leaders in identifying the needs of others, then marshaling the Church's resources to meet those needs. Deacons are also dedicated to eliminating the injustices or inequities that cause such needs. But no matter what specific functions a deacon performs, they flow from his sacramental identity. In other words, it is not only **WHAT** a deacon does, but **WHO** a deacon is, that is important.

To be continued...

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Faith Formation
A Lifelong Journey



Youth Group Information

On Wednesday October 29 we will be painting Pumpkins, so save the date!

Wednesday November 12,
Crowd Thankfulness

Sidewalk Apologetics Training

Mesa Students for Life is hosting a sidewalk apologetics training on November 8th from 8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. in the IHM Parish Hall. Food and drinks will be provided, and there is a ticket fee of \$10.

For those interested there are flyers in the Narthex, please scan the QR code and fill out the Google form, so they can get a head count.

Library News



Traveling Light by Max Lucado

This book is a joy! It guides us through Psalm 23 with lighthearted stories and experiences. It shows us how to let go of the spiritual weight we were never meant to carry, in straight forward and familiar language. You can find this book in the Authors section.

Library hours Saturday 3:30 – 5:30 Sunday 7:30 - 11:30



Don't forget to turn your clocks back one hour on Sunday November 2 at 2:00 am turning it to 1:00 am.

Linda's Financial Corner

Third Quarter Financials

July Income	\$84,546.04	July Expenses	\$112,526.70	July Loss	<\$27,980.66>
August Income	\$95,734.03	August Expenses	\$90,066.81	August Profit	\$5667.22
September Income	\$75,661.62	September Expense	\$96,490.21	September Loss	<\$20,828.59>

Please Pray for

Brent Everheart, Taylor Donaldson, McWilliams Family, Vicki Schledwitz, Nettie Antonelli, Jimmy Weber, Vivian Glaze, Lucas Marchun, Frank Kochevar, Larry Palmer, Gerald Onsrud, Alex & Ashlynn Kirstatter, Alice Davis, Lou Garcia, Kay Dawson, Michael Antonelli, Mary Lou Graham, Bill McKendry, Martha Mondragon, Ida Gauna, Terri Christiansen, Diane Fritzler, Donnie Braning, Joe Albertazzi, Cindy Bain, Dorothy Alves, Arthur Anthony Zamora, Jesse Morrow, Anthony Mundscha, Pat Gobon, Barb Delosa, Les Stefan, Devlyn Coleman, Jan Sewell, Dick Neville, Phyllis Shupak, Penny Olesky, Dori Smeaton, Bernard Kochevar, Emilie Stoddard, Joan Wasinger, Veronica Cukro, Rich Jurewicz, Alice Bristol, 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, the parish Administrative Assistant, after receiving permission from the person or persons whose name you want added.

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On behalf of The Pontifical Mission Societies, thank you for your support of World Mission Sunday last week. Your prayers and contributions are making a real difference in mission territories across the globe. As we close this

World Mission Month, let us continue to pray for those bringing hope to difficult places—and look for ways we can be missionaries of hope in our daily lives.

The mission of the Church is ongoing—and it belongs to all of us.” We invite you to continue the journey.

Subscribe to Mission Magazine, join us in praying the World Mission Rosary Year-round, and stay connected to the Pop’s missions through www.pontificalmissions.org



Thanksgiving Baskets Planning

The IHM Parish Community & HFS generously gives food, funds and their time to provide 130+ families with Thanksgiving baskets each year. We are looking for volunteers now to help with the planning and organization for next month and then volunteer help through the month of November to move food,

setup and pack the boxes. The work is easy, straightforward, and incredibly rewarding.

To volunteer or for more information, contact Chrissy Wesolowski 520-591-7057 or email ced0721@gmail.com



Portugal & Spain Pilgrimage

June 8-18, 2026

Join Very Rev. Derrek Scott & Fr. Joseph Vigil on a powerful journey of faith! Walk in the footsteps of saints, visit the sacred Shrine of Our Lady of Fatima, follow the El Camino, and explore holy sites in Lisbon, Santiago de Compostela, Avila, and Madrid.

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But the Lord stood with me and strengthened me. Learn how to stand with your spouse in good times and bad by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience on: Nov.7-9, Golden, CO; Apr. 18-19, 2026, Lakewood, CO; June 19-21, 2026, Golden, CO. For questions feel free to contact: Brenda & Gary Granger: 720-213-8833 Space is limited, so reserve your weekend early. For more information about Worldwide Marriage Encounter, please visit www.wwme.org Follow us on Instagram and Facebook! [@worldwidemarriageencounter](https://www.instagram.com/worldwidemarriageencounter)

Theology on Tap

Theology on Tap will meet Friday November 14th at 6:00 pm at the downtown Mountain Air Roasters. Come join in on fellowship and a discussion of theology.

This session’s topic is “Thanksgiving”.

For questions, contact Brian at 970-270-5293 or Julianna Campos in the Parish office at 970-242-6121 ext.. 204



Bible Study

Bible Study is Wednesday evenings from 6:00 to 7:00 pm on the Gospel of Luke, ending Wednesday November 19 and then will resume after the new year.



Sidewalk of Hope Days

Mesa Students for Life invite you to come and pray with them outside of the Planned Parenthood in Glenwood Springs. Friday, November 7th. Carpooling available. For more information please contact

Victoria Pierce 970-417-9117 or Jeannette Pierce at 970-783-2908.

Signature collection for Colorado initiatives #108 Penalties for Human Trafficking of a Minor, #109 Male and Female Participation in School Sports, and #110 Prohibit Certain Surgeries on Minors. These initiatives each require nearly 125,000 valid signatures within six months of their kick-off in early September to be placed on the 2026 Colorado. Your support is greatly appreciated!

The designated parish signature collection weekends will be:

November 1-2, the weekend of All Saints and All Souls Feast Days.

Ministry Schedule for Nov. 1/2, 2025

8:00 am Nov. 1 (I) Catholic Daughters
President: Fr. Edwin Ogbanje

4:00 pm Nov. 1 (I) IHM Parishioners
President: Fr. Carl Wertin

Eucharistic: M. Meyers, D.-Schmitz
 Hospitality: S. Mills
 Servers: NOT FILLED
 Lectors: C. Dawson & E. Hoy
 Sacristan: T. Chapman

7:30 am Nov. 2 (†) All Souls
President: Fr. Edwin Ogbanje

Eucharistic: G. Bennett
 Hospitality: J. Davis, L. Davis, L. Duncan, D. Lytle
 Servers: N. Scott & E. Scott
 Lectors: M. Katzer
 Sacristan: J. Snoddy

9:30 am Nov. 2, Sunday Mass at Palisade St. Ann's
President: Fr. Carl Wertin

10 am Nov. 2 (†) All Souls
President: Fr. Edwin Ogbanje

Eucharistic: J. Stuckenschneider
 Hospitality: M. Guidi, C. Nasalroad, J. Nasalroad
 Servers: P. Jones
 Lectors: M. Jones & M. Jones
 Sacristan: NOT FILLED

5:00 pm Nov. 2 (†) All Souls
President: Fr. Carl Wertin

Eucharistic:
 Hospitality:
 Servers:
 Lectors: ALL 5:00 PM POSITIONS
 Sacristan: WILL BE SIGN-UP
 BEFORE MASS ONLY

Readings for the Week of October 26, 2025

Sunday: Sirach 35:12-14, 16-18 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18 Luke 18:9-14
Monday: Romans 8:12-17 Luke 13:10-17
Tuesday: Ephesians 2:19-22 Luke 6:12-16
Wednesday: Romans 8:26-30 Luke 13:22-30
Thursday: Romans 8:31b-39 Luke 13:31-35
Friday: Romans 9:1-5 Luke 14:1-6
Saturday: Revelation 7:2-4, 9-14 1John 3:1-3
 Matthew 5:1-12a

Calendar of Events Oct. 26, 2025

Sunday, Oct. 26 7:30 am Mass
 7-11:30 am Library Open
 8:45-9:45 am Confirmation & 1st Com.
 9:30 am St. Ann's Palisade
 10:00 am Mass
 5:00 pm

Monday, Oct. 27 8:00 am

Tuesday, Oct. 28 8:00 am Mass
 6-9 pm Knights
 7:00 pm Centering Prayer

Wed. Oct. 29 8:00 am
 12:15 pm Mass
 6-7:00 pm Faith Formation Classes
 6-7:00 pm Bible Study

Thurs. Oct 30 8:00 am HFS Mass

Friday, Oct. 31 8:00 am
 8:30-9:30 am Confessions after Mass
 9-5:00 pm Adoration

Saturday, Nov 1 8:00 am Mass
 8:30-9:30 am Confessions
 2:30-3:30 pm Confessions
 3:30-5:30 pm Library Open
 4:00 pm Mass

Holy Family Cookie Harvest Weekend

Mass Intentions

Sunday Oct. 26

7:30 am - (†) Don Ficklin (†) In Honor of Lord of Miracles
 10:00 am - (†) Edwin Schmitz & (†) Peter Meyers
 5:00 pm - (I) IHM Parishioners

Monday Oct. 27

8:00 am - (I) Joseph Conway

Tuesday Oct. 28

8:00 am - (I) Joan Schabron

Wednesday Oct. 29

8:00 am - (†) Marie Davidson
 12:15 pm - (†) James Rauen

Thursday Oct. 30

8:00 am - (†) Brenn Luff

Friday Oct. 31

8:00 am - (†) All Souls in Purgatory, (†) All deceased Relatives (I) IHM & St. Joseph family members (by the same person)

Saturday Nov. 1

8:00 am - (I) Catholic Daughters
 4:00 pm - (I) IHM Parishioners

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Kids Corner- Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Be humble.

In today's Gospel reading Jesus tells the story about two men praying in the temple. One of them, a Pharisee, always looked like he loved God, but on the inside he really only loved himself. The other man was a tax collector. The people in those days hated tax collectors because they took too much money and worked for their enemies.

When the Pharisee was praying he was really just telling God how much better he was than other people. Do you think that God was pleased with his prayer?



The tax collector, on the other hand, was standing far off and prayed to God with his head bowed down, asking God to have mercy on him.

He knew that he was a sinner and that he needed God's help. Do you think that God was pleased with the tax collector's prayer?

Being humble isn't a sad or bad thing. It means knowing that all the good things we have and do come from God. Being humble also lets us be sorry for the selfish things we have done, because it lets us admit that it was our own fault and God can help us overcome our selfishness.

*Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God,
have mercy on me a sinner!*

Answers to Match-up: 1. the good fight 2. the race 3. the faith 4. strength 5. the message 6. glory for ever and ever.

Saint Paul Match-Up

What comes next?

Match up the first parts with the next parts from today's second reading.

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| 1. I have fought ■ | ■ strength |
| 2. I have finished ■ | ■ the faith |
| 3. I have kept ■ | ■ the good fight |
| 4. The Lord gave me ■ | ■ the message. |
| 5. so that the Gentiles could hear ■ | ■ glory forever and ever. |
| 6. To Him be ■ | ■ the race |



2 Timothy 4:6-18



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