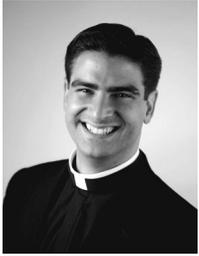


JUNE 4 & JUNE 5, 2022



Dear Friends in Christ,

Pentecost is considered the birthday of the Church. When the Apostles were gathered together, the Holy Spirit came to them as a strong wind, descending upon them as tongues of fire. Inspired and empowered by the Spirit, Peter and the others began preaching the word. We are told later in this chapter, in Acts 2:41, that about *three thousand persons* were baptized that day. The Church was born.

Over 2000 years later, Jesus is still alive in the world and the Spirit continues to work through us, his followers. It must have been something to be in that room when the Holy Spirit entered into the midst of the disciples gathered there! Though that must have been amazing, the truth is that the Spirit is still present today. He comes to us as well. You and I are ordinary people capable of extraordinary things because of the power of the Spirit in us and in the world. His grace inspires us to spread his word, care for those in need, comfort those who suffer, and to live as believers in this world in need of God's love.

Birthdays are often an occasion for gift-giving. Pentecost is no exception. The Holy Spirit bestows abundant spiritual gifts on believers. These gifts may not come in a brightly wrapped box, but their worth is beyond measure. They give us strength when we are weak and courage when we are afraid. We are granted wisdom to inform our judgment and understanding to help us see God in what surrounds us. The gift of counsel allows us to be directed by God in matters necessary for our salvation. Fortitude and fear of the Lord give us a firmness of mind to do good and avoid evil, and help us understand God's power as we hold him in awe and adoration. We are granted knowledge to correctly judge matters of faith and right action, and piety to devote ourselves to God and open ourselves to his will.

These gifts are freely given and provide all we need to live as children of God. We are called to use these gifts to fortify our faith and serve the Father. If someone gave us a new phone, we would not keep it hidden in its box. A new bike would not be left unused in the garage. Instead, we would put them to good use and likely think of the person who gave them to us whenever we used them. In the same way, the Holy Spirit remains with us and wants us to use his gifts to help us grow in our faith and become closer to God. His gifts can also help us call others to join us on our journey. These gifts are not meant to be kept hidden or to be used only for our own needs. They are meant to be shared. They are meant to inspire others and

invite them to join us in the family of God.

Yours in Christ Jesus,
Fr. Marco

Events Calendar	June 6 — June 12
Tues: 9:00 am	First Tuesday Coffee
Fri: 5:30 pm	Youth Group at IHM
Sun: 4:00 pm	Mass in Tagalog

FIRST TUESDAY COFFEE Our next Tuesday Coffee will be held on June 7 in Room PHILIP from 9 am until 11 am. Bring a friend and a non-perishable food item for the Food Pantry. There will be NO Tuesday Coffee during the months of July and August.

SAVE THE DATE On Sunday, June 26 from 2 pm to 5 pm. Bring the whole family for IHM's Multicultural Potluck Parish Picnic and a fond Farewell Party for Fr. Dan! To volunteer, please email Janet.harmon@gmail.com or text 301.904.4760.

PARISH COOKBOOK SALES Our 75th Anniversary parish cookbook "Favorite Recipes to Feed the Heart" should arrive at the end of June. They will be available for pre-order after Mass on June 11 and 12 for \$15 or at the parish office during the week. Once they arrive, the price will be \$20, so order them early! Payment accepted in cash, check or credit/ACH through a website form.

IMPORTANT NOTE The church worship space is undergo construction until roughly the month of September. All church activities will take place in the Parish Hall.

PERPETUAL ADORATION WHILE THE ADORATION CHAPEL IS UNAVAILABLE The IHM Main Church will be closed for floor and pew replacement from June 4 to early August (date to be determined). During this time the Perpetual Adoration Chapel will not be accessible. Adorers will be able to go to a special location in the hall and pray in front of the Tabernacle (the Blessed Sacrament will not be exposed) during normal working hours (about 8am – 8pm). Contact Jeff Harmon at adoration@ihmrcc.org or 240-538-5017 for additional information.



If you or someone you know is inquiring about the Catholic faith, please let them know to email our RCIA coordinator at RCIA@ihmrcc.org.

FEAST OF PENTECOST



June 6 — June 12

Monday	Gn 3:9-15, 20/Ps 87:1-2, 3 and 5, 6-7/ Jn 19:25-34
9:00 am	Janet Harmon (L)
Tuesday	1 Kgs 17:7-16/Ps 4:2-3, 4-5, 7b-8/ Mt 5:13-16
5:30 pm	Marlene Duperval (D)
Wednesday	1 Kgs 18:20-39/Ps 16:1b-2ab, 4, 5ab and 8, 11/ Mt 5:17-19
9:00 am	Joe Griffin Eisley (D)
Thursday	1 Kgs 18:41-46/Ps 65:10, 11, 12-13/ Mt 5:20-26
6:00 pm	Bridgette Heiner (L)
Friday	1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-16/Ps 27:7-8a, 8b-9abc, 13-14/ Mt 5:27-32
9:00 am	Craig and Martha Davie (L)
Saturday	Acts 11:21b-26; 12:1-3/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6/Mt 5:33-37
9:00 am	Antovia Delgado (D)
4:00 pm	Bill Waldron (L)
Sunday	Prv 8:22-31/Ps 8:4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Rom 5:1-5/ Jn 16:12-15
8:30 am	Rev. Patrick Agustin (L)
11:15 am	Rev. Ryan Pineda (L)
1:00 pm	All IHM Parishioners



Dear IHM community,

Greetings! I was pleased to find out last week that I have been assigned as the next parochial vicar of Immaculate Heart of Mary.

I was born in Akron, Ohio, and grew up in Danville, Virginia. I studied earth sciences at the University of Virginia and the University of Maryland before entering seminary for the Archdiocese of Washington in 2004. After attending Seton Hall University for my seminary studies, I was ordained to the priesthood in 2009.

Since then, I have served at several churches in the Archdiocese, including St. Mary of the Mills in Laurel, St. Peter in Waldorf, St. John in Clinton, St. Philip the Apostle in Camp Springs, Our Lady of Victory in Washington, and St. Francis of Assisi in Derwood. I am currently the administrator of Holy Redeemer Church in College Park.

I'm very happy to be joining you in Lexington Park this summer and hope that my presence there can help you in some small way in your journey of Christian discipleship. I look forward to meeting you in July. May God's blessings be with you.

In Christ,

Fr. Ted Hegnauer



ALMOST IMMACULATE IHM THRIFT STORE is in need of help! Please stop by the store during operating hours to check out what we do. Then, if you want to help, please contact Deacon Mike 240-542-8369. We are located in the Kerr House (white building at the street entrance). The thrift store is open Fridays from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm, and Saturdays from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm. Donations (no clothing) accepted during those hours. The thrift shop supports the food pantry and our local community, so stop by and see what

LAZARUS COMMITTEE The Lazarus Committee provides funeral repasts for the funerals of active and registered parishioners. If interested in joining the Lazarus committee or for more information, please contact Pat at 301-863-5133 or Linda at 240-298-5264.

FORMED To sign up to Formed, the premier site to access Catholic Media online, go to www.formed.org and press "sign up" and then "sign up as a parishioner". Type in the ZIP code of the parish "20653", follow the directions to create an account, and then enjoy!

PLEASE PRAY FOR

THE SICK

THAT THEY MAY BE RESTORED TO FULL HEALTH

Audrey Somers, Louise Shafer, Helen Daye, Kathleen Floyd, Mary Oliver, Judith Ann Allgood, Vince Guerin, Jane Keyon, Linda F. Gieser, Ralph Gough Sr., Betty LePore, Bill Wagoner, Vincent Campanella, Joseph Hugh Weiland, Rylee Corliss, Rose Marie Weiland, Alan Stapanon, Ruby Garcia, Mia Garcia, Matthew Riddell, Marie C. Williams, Jim Hoffman, Kaylee Klier, David Kalil, Wanda Slate, Jim Brown, Enedina Melendez

Please note: names will remain on this list for two months, unless otherwise notified. To keep a name on the list, please resubmit by contacting bulletin@ihmrcc.org, or call the Parish Office.

PAPAL PRAYER INTENTION FOR JUNE

We pray for Christian families around the world; may they embody and experience unconditional love and advance in holiness in their daily lives.

Follow us on



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TRAVEL TO THE HOLY LAND! Our Lady Star of the Sea travel club is hosting a trip to the Holy Land in December, 2022 and would like to invite your parish members to join us. Spend Advent in Bethlehem, as we walk in the footsteps of Jesus. Depart December 5, return December 13, 2022. Trip cost is \$999 pp and includes hotel, tours, daily breakfast and dinner. Airfare is additional. A \$300 deposit is all that is needed to hold your place. Please contact Mary Beth Brown for more information: marybeth@bytheseatravel.com or 443-623-6368.

LIFE IN THE SPIRIT Are you searching for God? Are you wondering about your purpose in life? Have you grown lukewarm in your faith? You are invited to attend the Life in the Spirit Seminar at Immaculate Conception on Friday, June 24th and Saturday, June 25th. Beginning Friday night (6 pm to 9 pm) in the Immaculate Conception Parish Center (located behind the church), the evening will start with registration and refreshments followed by the introduction and talks at 7 pm. Then on Saturday, Mass will be celebrated in the church at 8 am then proceed to the Parish Center for Coffee, justice and breakfast followed by talks, lunch, individual prayer, and Q & A. You can register at BreadofLifeCenterforPeac.flocknote.com/signup/91280, call 301-475-7130, or stop by Heavenly Presents, Leonardtown, MD. Registration is very important, it helps for set-up and food. A free will offering will be accepted.

MEN'S NIGHT OF REFLECTION Monday, June 13 at MONDAY, JUNE 13TH, 7:00PM - ST. PETER CLAVER CHURCH, St. Inigoes. This month's talk is "Under Attack - The Eucharist," given by Fr. Larry Swink. Only 30% of Catholics believe in the Real Presence of Jesus in the Holy Eucharist. Come and kneel in adoration before our Lord.... be renewed in the teachings..... allow our Lord to dispel the confusion and doubt. We need to seek, know and be defenders of the truth, the Eucharist. Evening includes Adoration, talk, Confessions and Healing prayers.

WOMEN'S NIGHT OF REFLECTION on Tuesday, June 14, 7 pm at St. Peter Claver Church in St. Inigoes. This month's talk is "Do You Seek Him? The Eucharist," given by Fr. Larry Swink. Do you want a deeper faith and understanding of the Real Presence of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament? So many Catholics do not acknowledge our Lord in the Breaking of the Bread. Come be refreshed, renewed in the teachings..... allow our Lord to dispel the confusion and doubt. We need to seek, know and be defenders of the truth, the Eucharist. Evening includes Adoration, talk, Confessions (6 pm), and Healing prayers.



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL OF IHM Our food pantry provides food to those who need assistance. We'd like to have you help us bag groceries from the food in our food pantry for our clients, or to pick up food from grocery stores in our area that donate to us. We do this throughout the week, excluding weekends. We have meetings just once a month. If you'd like to volunteer in our food pantry, please call 301-863-8193 on Mondays, Wednesdays or Fridays from 8:30 to 11:30 am, which is when the pantry is open. Leave your name and number and we will work to get you started as soon as you'd like.

MASS INTENTIONS may be requested at the parish office during regular office hours (M—F, 8 am—4 pm) in person or by phone (301-863-8144 x11), or by e-mailing julian@ihmrcc.org. Your desired date may not be available. We now have the ability to accept Mass intention stipends online (but only **after** the date has been accepted by the office).

MASS IN THE PARKING LOT As a reminder, during IHM's weekend Masses we have in-parking lot options available. While parked at IHM, if you tune to 99.7 FM you can hear the Mass broadcast live. If you park in the second, smaller parking lot, we will bring out Communion at the appropriate time.

ALTAR FLOWERS/SANCUARY CANDLES If you would like to donate the Altar Flowers or Sanctuary Candles in memory or for special intentions of a loved one, please call the Parish Office or email at cindy@ihmrcc.org.

BULLETIN DEADLINE Please email your submission to bulletin@ihmrcc.org by Wednesday at 10 am prior to the Sunday of publication. All entries are subject to editing.

PRAYER CHAIN The Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton Shrine has a prayer line where you can talk and pray with someone over the phone. The prayer line is open Monday thru Friday from 10-5. Call 1-866-202-4934.

ROSARY PILGRIMAGE Please join us for a Glorious Mystery Rosary Pilgrimage on Saturday June 4, 2022 from 8:30 am until 4:30 pm at Camp Maria Retreat Center-41290 Camp Maria Rd, Leonardtown MD 20650. Speaker is Dr. Gail Yearick, PhD, Cost \$50.00 scholarships are available if needed. Registration: Submit your name, address, phone number and church to normayearick80@gamil.com for more information normayearick80@gmail.com or Camp Maria office 301-475-8330.

June 5, 2022

Written by
THE
FAITHFUL
DISCIPLE

Pentecost Sunday

Acts 2:1-11 | 1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 or Rom 8:8-17 |
Jn 20:19-23 or Jn 14:15-16, 23b-26

GROW AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

“Peace be with you.” On hearing those four simple words, the fear that had paralyzed the disciples gives way to rejoicing. We, too, can feel paralyzed at times – by fear, yes – but also indecision, conflict, negativity, and perhaps even headlines that remind us how fractured our world has become. Yet here is Jesus, wishing us peace and giving us the gift of Pentecost: our Advocate, the Holy Spirit. As Jesus breathes on the disciples, he confers upon them a Spirit of peace that will allow them to push past their fears and build up the Church. “Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained.” We, too, can turn to the Holy Spirit in times of trouble to help us move forward in faith, sharing peace and reconciliation with those we encounter.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

Sometimes after a tiring or stressful day, I head up to my room, kick my feet up, and mindlessly scan social media or whatever other distractions might pop up on my smartphone. A friend read somewhere that doing so amounts to effectively putting your time in the shredder! Today’s readings challenge me and all of us to dig deeper. Why not, instead, find a quiet place to pray, asking the Holy Spirit for a refresh as we move into the next part of our day, which is indeed the first minute of the rest of our lives. There’s nothing wrong with downtime! But in the Holy Spirit, we can find a source of inspiration, energy, and creativity. As St. Paul writes to the Corinthians, “There are different kinds of spiritual gifts but the same Spirit; there are different forms of service but the same Lord; there are different workings but the same God who produces all of them in everyone. To each individual the manifestation of the Spirit is given for some benefit.” Just as Jesus sent out the disciples, he sends us out to share our gifts to build up the Church.

PRAY *We thank you, God, for the ways your Holy Spirit helps us see your love through the people and world around us. We thank you for the gifts of the Spirit within us and for the gift of your Son, Jesus Christ. Holy Spirit, open our hearts as we listen to your word. We ask this in Christ’s name.*