June 17 & 18, 2023



Dear Friends in Christ,

Today we are celebrating our parish's patronal feast. The Immaculate Heart of Mary is normally celebrated on the Saturday after the Sacred Heart, which is two Fridays after Holy Trinity Sunday. Since our Archdiocesan priest ordinations

seem always to be scheduled for that Saturday, and so that the entire parish family can celebrate the patronal feast, I make use of one of the (few) powers I have as pastor, and move our celebration to Sunday. This means that the readings for this weekend are those for the Immaculate Heart of Mary, not the 11th Sunday of Ordinary Time.

In our reading from Luke's Gospel, we hear the familiar story of the finding of the boy Jesus in the temple. The story clearly shows that the Holy Family had many of the same ordinary trials that every other family has. Jesus, the Son of God, wandered off like any adolescent boy might and caused his parents some anxiety. He didn't do it out of disobedience or sin, however, but in response to a calling and desire he had to go to the temple to be with God the Father, where he ends up having deep theological discussions with the rabbis. While the story has a happy ending, it was a time of worry and fear for Mary and Joseph. Like any loving parents, they wanted to protect their son and give him a happy childhood. Even though they appeared to be like any other family to the world around them, they lived with constant reminders that Jesus was no ordinary son.

Isn't it beautiful that our reading ends by telling us that Mary kept all these experiences in her heart? As we celebrate her Immaculate Heart today, we consider how full of love that heart must have been for Jesus. Maybe that is what helped her heart to be so immaculate. Filling our hearts with love for Jesus is the best way to cleanse them of evil and fill them with joy. Of course our hearts can also suffer fear, anxiety, or pain, as our Blessed Mother's heart did. Love does not shield us from all trials, but love does have a way of overcoming the weeds that try to choke out our joy at being close to Jesus. May we be filled with that love as we ponder in our hearts the different ways Jesus has made himself known in our lives.

Yours in Christ Jesus, Fr. Marco

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 though Friday from 10 am to 5 pm. Call 1-866-202-4934.

UPDATE NEEDED! The parish office is finding that much of our information for parishioners is outdated. Please call or email the parish office to update any new home addresses, email addresses, home and cell phone numbers, new family members, family members no longer in the household, or any other parishioner data that may have changed since you registered. The parish number is 301-863-8144, or you can email our secretary Julián Ortiz at julian@ihmrcc.org.

NEW MASS PARTS! We have returned to Ordinary Time (for "ordinal", or "counted" – there's nothing "ordinary" about it!). When we change liturgical seasons, we change the Mass settings music (that's the music for the Kyrie, Gloria, Holy, Acclamation, Amen, and Lamb of God.). At Immaculate Heart, the congregation knows quite a few settings. During the time of Easter, we had been singing the Celtic Mass. We had also used the Heritage Mass, the Chant Mass, and Mass of Christ the Savior. Starting on June 17/18th, we will begin using the Mass of Renewal. Each week we will replace one of the Celtic Mass parts with a new one from the Mass of Renewal. If you'd like to listen to the Gloria, you can check out this link http://youtu.be/

HOMESCHOOL FAMILY MASS Bring in the new school year with the Mass for Homeschool Families Sunday, September 10 10:00 a.m. Come celebrate the Holy Eucharist with other homeschool families from across the archdiocese and receive a blessing on your homeschool endeavors from his Eminence, Wilton Cardinal Gregory. Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception Crypt Church 400 Michigan Ave. NE Washington, DC To assist us in planning, please RSVP to MendezE@adw.org

BOTTLES ARE DUE! The Baby Bottle Blitz Bottle are due. Please turn them in to the receptacles in the main entrances of the church or to the parish office.

OLSS SUMMER CAMP Our Lady Star of the Sea offers Middle and High School youth an environment were they can totally unplug, grow deeper in authentic and virtuous friendships and have time with our seminarians. Let's face it, teenagers are being pulled in many directions, OLSS's Summer Camp helps our youth grow in virtue and navigate in moral choices. Of course it wouldn't be a summer camp without Volleyball, Water Balloon fights, scavenger hunts, Pie eating contests and much more!! Register at: https://tinyurl.com/5d298dmt. The camp is for incoming 6th - 10th grade students and takes place from July 24 through July 28 from 9 am to 1 pm in the Our Lady Star of the Sea - Providence Room. Cost is \$85 and is due before June 23.

FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY



June 19 — June 25

Monday 2 Cor 6:1-10/Ps 98:1, 2b, 3ab, 3cd-4/

Mt 5:38-42

9:00 am Steven Fillorano (L)

Tuesday 2 Cor 8:1-9/Ps 146:2, 5-6ab, 6c-7, 8-9a/

Mt 5:43-48

5:30 pm Rev. Pawel Sass (L)

Wednesday 2 Cor 9:6-11/Ps 112:1bc-2, 3-4, 9/

Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

9:00 am Rev. Donald Brice (D)

Thursday 2 Cor 11:1-11/Ps 111:1b-2, 3-4, 7-8/

Mt 6:7-15

5:30 pm Helen Pearson (L)

Friday 2 Cor 11:18, 21-30/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/

Mt 6:19-23

9:00 am Martinez Family (D)

Saturday Is 49:1-6/139:1b-3, 13-14ab, 14c-15/

Acts 13:22-26/Lk 1:57-66, 80

9:00 am Domecilia Stapanon (D)

4:00 pm Steve Svelan (D)

Sunday Jer 20:10-13/Ps 69:8-10, 14, 17, 33-35/

8:30 am Cathleen Renn (D)
11:15 am Carmen Colby (L)
1:00 pm All IHM Parishioners

DRIVE THRU DINNER Sacred Heart in Bushwood is hosting their annual June Drive-Thru Dinner on Sunday, June 25 from 11 am until sold out. The menu includes: fried chicken, crab cakes, country ham, potato salad, cole slaw, green beans, beets, and rolls. Carry-Outs are \$30. There will be a bake tables with treats for sale outside as well.

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).

MUSIC RECITAL There will be a Voice and Piano recital of sacred song by Fr. David Beaubien and Janis Nowlan, accompanist, on Sunday, June 25 at 3 pm at St. Aloysius Church, Leonardtown. Selections include vocal pieces by Bach, Mozart, Haydn, Stephen Foster, Scriabin, and Vaughan Williams, with piano pieces by Debussy and Satie. (Free of charge).

Events Calendar June 19 — June 25

Sun: 3 to 7 pm "Beyond the Air pods" Youth

Event

THE VOICE OF ONE CRYING IN THE DESERT The Bread of Life Center for Peace is hosting a retreat of this name on Saturday, June 24 at St. Aloysius. The retreat starts at 7:30 am with Mass and includes, several talks, lunch, and a Healing Service in the evening. The speaker is Fr. James Blount, SOLT. Registration is online at: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/the-voice-of-the-one-crying-in-the-desert-tickets-630527955087. Eventbrite only allows 1 ticket per donation and requires each attendee to register separately, please keep this in mind when filling out your information. The suggested donation to cover Breakfast and Lunch is \$18 per person. For more information, call (301) 475-7139 for more information or to register over the phone.

MASS IN THE PARKING LOT 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 if you have your hazard lights on.

PLEASE PRAY FOR

THE SICK THAT THEY MAY BE RESTORED TO FULL HEALTH

Audrey Somers, Kathleen Floyd, Mary Oliver, Jane Kenyon, Linda F. Gieser, Ralph Gough Sr., Betty LePore, Joseph, Rylee Corliss, Alan Stapanon, Ruby Garcia, Mia Garcia, Matthew Riddell, Marie C. Williams, Kaylee Klier, Wanda Slater, Enedina Melendez, Hector Perez, Josephine, Glenn Thompson III, John Worrell, Jim Makin, Carmen Colby, Gary Green, Grace Miedzinski, Bruce Riddell, Katelyn Corliss, Robert Weaver, Linda Jones, Devlin Rich, Ana Gates, Mike Price, Corrine Geraty, Dennis Berg, Alejandra Spargo, Lisa and Paul Crowe, Adele Bavani, Violette Ghalbouny, Helen Pearson, John Flynn

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 that the international community may commit in a concrete way to ensuring the abolition of torture and guarantee support to victims and their families.



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QUO VADIS CAMP FOR HIGH SCHOOL BOYS will be held from Sunday, July 23 to Wednesday, July 26. High-school age young men who desire to grow in holiness will have an opportunity for Mass, prayer, and Eucharistic Adoration. There will also be plenty of time for recreation, sports, and fraternity. Bus transportation with stops at Lexington Park, Largo, and Rockville will be available. Online registration is open at https://dcpriest.org/2023-quo-vadis-camp.

ALTAR FLOWERS/SANCTUARY 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.

PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION Next week we will take up the Peter's Pence Collection to support he Universal Church and the work of the Holy See, including helping Pope Francis to carry out his charitable works. These works benefit our brothers and sisters on the margins of society, including victims of war, oppression, and disasters. Please be generous! For more information, visit www.obolodisanpietro.va/en.html.

CATECHISTS NEEDED The Faith Formation office is in need of catechists (teachers of the faith) for both the Children's Faith Formation and for the RCIA Teens and Adults. If you have a desire to teach the next generation of Catholics or just want to learn more about this calling, please contact Damaritza Ortiz at 301-863-8793 or cff@ihmrcc.org.

RCIA CATECHISTS NEEDED! We are each called to be Missionary Disciples. You don't have to go on a mission half-way around the world! Grow where you are planted right here at Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish. The Rite of Christian Initiation ministry is in need of Team members for various positions:

Catechist for Children age 7-12 Catechist for Teens age 13-17 Catechist For Adults Prayer Team members Hospitality Sponsors for Candidates

The Archdiocese of Washington is offering RCIA training on August 5th, at Our Lady Star of the Sea, Solomons, MD. Please Contact Damaritza Ortiz in the Faith Formation Office at (301) 863-8793 to begin this adventure!

TREASURE STEWARDSHIP

FY July 2022– June 2023 May 31, 2023	Offertory	Maintenance Fund
Offertory Online Giving	\$26,918.96 \$19,032.00	\$3,4517.00 \$1,945.00
Needed Monthly	\$51,392.39	\$5,000.00
Collected YTD	\$502,509.52	\$62,451.74
Needed YTD	\$565,316.29	\$55,000.00
CAPITAL CAMPAIGN		
Campaign runs October 2019– October 2022	Total Pledged	Given up to May 31, 2023
	\$687,357.00	\$718,549.23

Thank you for faithfully sharing a portion of the gifts God has given to you!

MASS CHANGE Mass on Tuesday, July 4th will be at 9 am. Happy Independence Day!

CEMETERY NOTICE Cemetery decorations during grass mowing season (until November 15) are limited to real, cut flowers. Other decorations are being removed.

IN NEED OF FOOD DONATIONS St. Vincent de Paul of IHM is greatly in need of non-perishable food donations and monetary donations! The number of people in the community that are in need of our services has greatly increased and we are struggling to provide those services and require help. Food donations can be placed in the brown containers at the main entrances to the church. Financial donations can be marked for St. Vincent de Paul of IHM and placed in the collection baskets at the Masses. We thank you for helping us in our mission to provide assistance to those in need in our community.

To sign up for 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 7/10 code of the parish "20652" follow the directions to

the ZIP code of the parish "20653", follow the directions to create an account, and then enjoy!