



Dear Parishioners of Immaculate Heart of Mary,

As your incoming parochial vicar *pro-tem*, allow me to introduce myself. I was just ordained a priest of the Archdiocese of Washington on June 17th, following six years of seminary formation at the Pontifical North American College in Rome and our own St. John Paul II Seminary. While in seminary, I have studied theology at the Pontifical Gregorian University and philosophy at Catholic University. I am currently working on a License in Sacred Theology, also from the Gregorian, with a specialization in Dogmatic Theology. I will return to Rome at the end of September to finish this degree.

Prior to entering the seminary, I worked for the Federal Trade Commission as a paralegal. Originally from Georgia, I came to D.C. to study at Georgetown University (International Relations) and remained in the area after graduation. It was during college that I became Catholic and subsequently began considering a vocation to the priesthood.

I am excited to spend my first months as a priest with all of you, and trust that it will be a fruitful time. Please know of my availability to serve you in any way I can.

I look forward to meeting you all; in the meantime, please know of my prayers. I am

Sincerely yours in Christ,
Father Taylor Colwell



SPONSOR A NEW CATHOLIC A Blessed Sunday to all! As we quickly approach the start of RCIA it is a good time to consider the work of those who sponsor the catechumen and candidates through to the Easter Sacraments. Although they may select their own sponsor, the preferred method is to have a team of sponsors at the parish ready to serve. The catechumens then choose from among this team. This ensures the sponsors are faithful practicing Catholics who can share their faith with fidelity and love.

If you are interested in becoming a sponsor, please contact Damaritza Ortiz (damaritza@ihmrcc.org) or the parish office (301-863-8144). We are anxiously waiting to hear from you!

PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION Thank you to everyone who supported the Peter's Pence collection last week! If you missed the collection, it is not too late to give. Visit www.usccb.org/peters-pence to give.

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 The parish office is finding that much of our information for parishioners is outdated.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.

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.

OLSS SUMMER CAMP Our Lady Star of the Sea offers Middle and High School youth an environment where 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.

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
Sponsor/Godparent

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!

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



July 3 — July 9

Monday	Eph 2:19-22/Ps 117:1bc, 2/ Jn 20:24-29
9:00 am	Edward McFillin (D)
Tuesday	Gn 19:15-29/Ps 26:2-3, 9-10, 11-12/ Mt 8:23-27
9:00 am	Rev. Donald Brice (D)
Wednesday	Gn 21:5, 8-20a/Ps 34:7-8, 10-11, 12-13/ Mt 8:28-34
9:00 am	Anna Gates (S)
Thursday	Gn 22:1b-19/Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9/ Mt 9:1-8
5:30 pm	Dcn. Kenneth W. Barrett (D)
Friday	Gn 23:1-4, 19; 24:1-8, 62-67/Ps 106:1b-2, 3-4a, 4b-5/Mt 9:9-13
9:00 am	Terry Wayne Thompson, III (L)
5:30 pm	Dennis McDowell (D)
Saturday	Gn 27:1-5, 15-29/Ps 135:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6/ Mt 9:14-17
9:00 am	Dr. Todd Allen and Family (L)
4:00 pm	Edith Coppinger (D)
Sunday	Zec 9:9-10/Ps 145:1-2, 8-9, 10-11, 13-14/ Rom 8:9, 11-13
8:30 am	Ezra Noel Johnson (L)
11:15 am	Damaritza Ortiz (L)
1:00 pm	All IHM Parishioners

Events Calendar

July 3 — July 9

Sun: 4 pm

Mass in Tagalog

MASS IN TAGALOG IHM invites you to attend a Tagalog Mass on Sunday, July 9 at 4 pm. Please join us after Mass for a potluck Filipino fellowship in the Large Classroom. For more information, contact Joy Gates (240-434-3663) or Dcn. Ronnie Chavez (deaconronnie@ihmrcc.org).

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

BIBLE STUDY Fr. Taylor Colwell is leading a bible study about, "Jesus and the Jewish Roots of the Eucharist" The study will be Wednesdays at 10 am in the Large Classroom from July 12 to August 30.

CHILDREN'S FAITH FORMATION REGISTRATION for the 2023-2024 school year will be available after all Sunday Masses during the month of July, starting Sunday, July 2 and ending Sunday, July 30th. Both new and returning students must register! This Includes Catholic School students in 2nd and 8th grade preparing for 1st Communion or Confirmation.

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, Dennis Berg, Alejandra Spargo, Lisa and Paul Crowe, Adele Bavani, Violette Ghalbouny, Helen Pearson, John Flynn, Linda Miedzinski, Damaritza Ortiz, Michael Briscoe

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 JULY

We pray that Catholics may place the celebration of the Eucharist at the heart of their lives, transforming human relationships in a very deep way and opening to the encounter with God and all their brothers and sisters.



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

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).

CRAFT FAIR AT IHM Immaculate Heart of Mary will be hosting a craft/vendor fair on Saturday, September 30. If you would like to rent a space or have any questions please contact Martha Worrell at craftfair@IHMRCC.org. Sign up and payment is available online at fairvendor.ihmrcc.org

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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 from IHM 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.



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 at 240-542-8369. We are located in the Kerr House (white building at the street entrance). The thrift store is open Fridays from 10 am to 3 pm, and Saturdays from 10 am to 4 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 you can do!

LOYOLA ON THE POTOMAC, A Jesuit Retreat House in Faulkner, MD is open for various retreat weekends, for both men and women. Directed and Private Retreats are also available. See our complete Retreat Schedule at: www.loyolaonthepotomac.com, (301) 392-0800.



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.

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.



IHM MUSIC MINISTRY If you are interested in sharing your musical talents with the parish, there is a place for you in this ministry! Please email Mary at mary@ihmrcc.org.

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 240-925-0021 or Linda at 240-298-5264.

IHM MEN'S GROUP Join us every Saturday morning, from 7 am to 8:30 am in the Large Classroom for Fellowship and Spiritual Growth. Each week we preview the scripture readings for the coming weekend and then watch and discuss a video. For more information contact Mark Baysinger (240-925-2677 or nbay9@hotmail.com).

PERPETUAL ADORATION Did you know our very own Immaculate Heart of Mary offers you the opportunity to participate in Perpetual Adoration? Some may ask "What is Perpetual Adoration?" Perpetual Adoration is a Eucharistic devotion whereby members unite in the adoration before the Most Blessed Sacrament with the goal of adoring The Blessed Sacrament perpetually (24 hours a day). If you are interested, please call our adoration coordinator, Jeff Harmon, at 240-538-5017 or email adoration@ihmrcc.org for more information.

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.



MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER Set off your own fireworks by giving your spouse the gift of a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend! Strengthen, renew, and rekindle your marriage sacrament by attending an upcoming Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experiences on Jul 14-16, 2023 in Rockville and Oct 13-15, 2023 in College Park. Early sign up is recommended. For more information visit our website at: <https://moments4marriage.org> or contact us at applications@moments4marriage.org or 301-500-0871.

HOLY LAND TRIP Our Lady Star of the Sea Travel Club in Solomons is hosting a trip to the Holy Land this coming November. Last year's trip exceeded our expectations, so we have decided to offer it again. The trip dates are November 28 (depart the U.S) to December 6 (return home). The per person cost of \$999 includes hotel, daily breakfast and dinner, bus, and all tours with a private guide. Airfare and trip insurance is additional. (Current airfare is around \$900) Please contact Mary Beth Brown at 443-623-6368, or e-mail marybeth@bytheseatravel.com for more information.



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July 2, 2023

Written by
THE
FAITHFUL
DISCIPLE

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

2 Kgs 4: 8-11, 14-16a | Rom 6: 3-4, 8-11 | Mt 10:37-42

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

In today's first reading, the Shunammite woman recognized that Elisha was "a holy man of God." She and her husband then went on to provide Elisha with hospitality and lodging, and she was rewarded with a son. But how did she recognize Elisha as the holy prophet that he was? Recognition, or lack of it, is a recurrent theme in Scripture – from Mary Magdalene not recognizing the risen Lord at the tomb to the disciples not recognizing Jesus on the road to Emmaus. In the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus himself encouraged his listeners to learn to recognize "false prophets" because they bear bad fruit. What do we need to open our eyes to and recognize today? Perhaps the realization that Jesus' life and teachings always point us to life – life with him and in him, on earth and for eternity. As members of the body of Christ, let us ask the Holy Spirit to fill us with his love so that we may bear good fruit and always choose the road that leads to that life.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

"Whoever finds his life will lose it, and whoever loses his life for my sake will find it." Perhaps we should consider these words from Jesus in today's Gospel a challenge. Yes, we know that faithful discipleship comes with demands. But "losing our life"? I like to think of it as going "all in" in our response to Jesus. Investing the most we can in our relationship with Jesus means recognizing that he is the way and the truth and the life. And then we must act upon that. How? Put God first in your life. Serve him before all else. Let our relationship with Christ be like the frame that holds a building up – let it define us, strengthen us, and shape us. And may it allow us to recognize his loving presence in each moment of our lives.

ACTION The summer months are hot in the northern hemisphere, and traveling, running errands, and doing things for oneself can be difficult for those who are adversely affected by the heat. Take a look around you – at your neighbors or even those who are part of your daily circle of encounters – and be intentional at recognizing who they are (a child of God) and what their needs might be. Offer specific assistance to them related to that need, as the Shunammite woman and her husband did for Elisha.