# The Good News of Immaculate Heart of Mary

#### September 6, 2020 Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time Parish & School Staff

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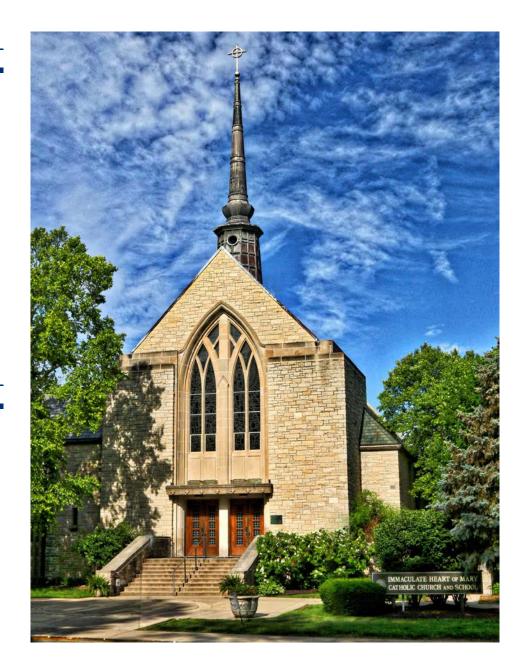
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#### The Mission of Immaculate Heart of Mary

The Immaculate Heart of Mary parish strives to be a vibrant Catholic community with the Gospel of Jesus Christ as our guide. We invite those who seek to strengthen their spirituality and develop their relationships with God through our dynamic liturgy, life long learning, and sharing faith within and outside our community.





#### Mass Schedule

Saturday - 5:30 pm Sunday - 8:00 am 10:00 am

For daily Masses consult inside Mass schedule on pg. 2.

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## 9/06/2020

## Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time



"You, son of man, i have appointed watchman for the house of Israel..." (Ezekiel 33:7)

Many of us are generous with our gifts. However, many of us are not generous in proportion to the gifts we have been given. How often do we give at the minimum level required? Remember, the Lord calls us to nurture and develop our gifts. He calls us to be generous with all the gifts He has given us, especially the one that means the most to us.

## Sign up link for weekend Masses:

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0849afae29a4f58-weekend

## A statement from the five Indiana bishops on the dispensation from the obligation of Sunday Mass attendance

"While commending our pastors and pastoral life coordinators who have gone to great lengths to assure safe worship spaces in our churches, due to the increase in the COVID -19 cases in our state, the Indiana bishops have decided to extend the dispensation from the obligation of Sunday Mass attendance beyond August 15 until November 1, 2020, unless further developments determine otherwise."

Changes to Daily Mass Schedule: No Mass on Friday & 5:30 pm Mass is Thursday.

Schedule of Masses			
Mon., Sept. 7	8:15 am Church	Weekday	Don Beckerich by Mary Ann & Ken Froemming
Tue., Sept. 8		The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary	No Public Mass
Wed., Sept. 9	9:00 am Church School Mass	Saint Peter Claver, Priest	Judy Knapp (Grandmother of Adler & Gus Rodman) by the Perry Family
Thur., Sept. 10	5:30 pm Church	Weekday	Don Beckerich by Mary Ann & Ken Froemming
Fri,. Sept. 11		Weekday	No Public Mass
Sat., Sept. 12	5:30 pm	Vigil: 24th Ordinary Sunday	Bob Kessing by Jim & Gretchen Cain & Family
Sun,. Sept. 13	8:00 am Outdoor Mass	Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time	Nancy L. Otte
	10:00 am		Laura Keefe by Larry & Carol Burch

### Thank you

**Stewardship** August 30, 2020: \$4,501

You may mail in your contributions or use EFT (electronic funds transfer). You can sign up for EFT on our website. (www.ihmindy.org)

## Liturgy

Sunday Eucharist: 8:00 & 10:00 am.

Weekdays: Varies. Please consult the Mass Schedule.

Saturday Vigil: 5:30 pm.

#### Sacrament of Reconciliation:

4:30 pm Saturday or by Appointment. Infant Baptisms

All baptisms take place at one of the weekend Masses chosen by parents. One preparation class for first time parents is required. New parents are encouraged to attend prior to the birth of the child. Godparents are welcome as well. Classes are held the first Monday of February, April, June, August, October & December from 7:30 –9:00 pm. Please call the parish office for the class you will attend.

## Marriages

Engaged couples must start their preparation at least six months prior to the wedding. Preparation includes work with a sponsor couple and Tobit. **A person must be registered & active for 6 months BEFORE plans will be discussed.** 

## Holy Orders

Priesthood or Vocation as a Religious Sister or Brother. Those considering entering the Priesthood or a Religious vocation, please contact our Pastor or the Archdiocesan vocation Office.

#### Holy Communion Service— Postponed at this time

Holy Communion is offered Monday through Friday at 15 minute intervals from 7:00-8:00 am in the Chapel.

### **New Registrations**

Please visit our website at <u>ihmindy.org</u> or call the Parish Office at 257-2266. *Parish Office Hours = M-F 8:00 am - 4:00 pm.* 

## IHM Events & This Week at IHM



## Eucharistic Adoration Come Adore!

First <u>Tuesday</u>, October 6 6:30 am to 9:30 am IHM Church

If you are interested in serving as an attendant for Eucharistic Adoration, you may sign up at:

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/409094ca4a828a64-

"In the Mass and in Eucharistic Adoration we meet the merciful love of God that passes through the Heart of Jesus Christ." ~ Pope John Paul II

## Leader In Me ~ IHM School

The Leader In Me program will look a little different this school year, but we are excited to implement a few new opportunities and activities that will work alongside COVID guidelines. Both the  $5\6$  and  $7\8$  Student Lighthouse Teams will be providing mini lesson ideas and activities to younger grades, as well as writing articles for the school newsletter and parish bulletin. They will interview teachers, parents, coaches, and students for leadership in action. Every student in school will have a pen pal in correlation with the buddy program/leadership teams. They will trade letters, cards, pictures with their pen pal monthly. Students will continue to participate in providing donations to our IHM outreach programs, as well as reaching out to an elderly or lonely neighbor/family member with a monthly call or cheerful note. We challenge all parishioners to do the same. A simple note or call with a "how are you?" or kind words makes such a difference in someone's day. As we progress throughout the school year, we know the students will come up with creative ways to do things while social distancing and following established procedures.



## Fall Blood Drive

Gathering Space October 4, 2020 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Positive identification required Questions Call Tim Lohrstorfer (317) 702-0360



## Morning Prayer of Saint Francis of Assisi

Lord, help me to live this day, quietly, easily; to learn your great strength, trustfully, restfully; to wait for the unfolding of Your will, patiently, serenely; to meet others, peacefully, joyfully; to face tomorrow, confidently, courageously.



Amen

## A Prayer as I put on my mask...

#### Creator, as I prepare to go into the world,

Help me to see the **Sacrament** in the wearing of this cloth— Let it be **"an outward sign** of an **inward grace"**— A tangible and visible way of **living love** for my **neighbor**, As I love myself.

**Christ,** since my lips will be covered, **uncover my heart,** That people would see **my smile** in the crinkles around my eyes. Since my voice may be muffled, help me to **speak clearly**, Not only with words, **but with my actions.** 

Holy Spirit, as the elastic touches my ears, Remind me to listen carefully—and full of care— To all those I meet. May this simple piece of cloth be shield and banner, And each breath that it holds, be filled with Your love.

**In Your name** and in the **name of love** I pray: May it be so, may it be so.

Anonymous



## **Boulevard Place Food Pantry**

IHM Outreach for Boulevard Place Food Pantry is kicking off our NEW SUMMER FOOD DRIVE FOR BOULEVARD PLACE As they continue to feed the patrons arriving daily for the drive through food pick up!

The Drive through system will continue during renovations and during the Covid-19 social restriction stages. SO TAKE a LIGHT BLUE BAG from either entrance of the church /off the BAG STANDS after MASS or any day Monday through Friday 8am-4pm and RETURN to the back of Church!

Please fill the bags fully with the following mixes of items: Spaghetti/ pasta noodles Pasta Sauces: Marinara or Alfredo Canned Tuna/Salmon/Chicken (patron Favorite!) Canned beans any kind/corn Peanut butter main brands Rice mix packets/Tuna helper boxes Cornbread/baking mix (patron favorite) Crackers Cookies packages - 2 per bag (patron favorite) Savory snacks- like nuts Crackers any kind Chunky soups Beef stews/chicken dumplings (patron favorite) Prepackaged meals/ Dinty Moore (patron favorite)





## Outreach Corner

#### Making the poor a priority isn't political, it's the Gospel

Church teaching on giving priority to the well-being of the poor and marginalized is not a political or ideological choice; it lies at the very heart of the Gospel, Pope Francis said at a recent audience. The preferential option for the poor, which includes feeding the hungry and drawing close to the excluded, "is the key criterion of Christian authenticity," he said Aug. 19 during his weekly general audience.

He said a proper response to the pandemic is twofold: "On the one hand, it is essential to find a cure for this small but terrible virus, which has brought the whole world to its knees. On the other, we must also cure a larger virus, that of social injustice, inequality of opportunity, marginalization and the lack of protection for the weakest."

"It would be a scandal if all of the economic assistance we are observing — most of it with public money — were to focus on rescuing those industries that do not contribute to the inclusion of the excluded, the promotion of the least, the common good or the care of creation," the pope said.

These are the four criteria that should be used "for choosing which industries should be helped: 1) those which contribute to the inclusion of the excluded, 2) to the promotion of the least, 3) to the common good and 4) the care of creation." This key element of the church's social teaching "is not a political option, nor is it an ideological option," he said; it is "at the center of the Gospel." Jesus "stood among the sick, the poor, the excluded, showing them God's merciful love," he said.

The preferential option for the poor is a duty for all Christians and communities, he said, and it means doing more than providing needed assistance; it requires remedying the root causes and problems that lead to the need for aid. "The pandemic is a crisis, and we do not emerge from a crisis the same as before: either we come out of it better or we come out of it worse," he said. "We must come out of it better" and build something different.

The world needs an economy and remedies that do not "poison society, such as profits not linked to the creation of dignified jobs," but rather profits that benefit the general public. Recovering from the pandemic will require action rooted in tangible love, "anchored in hope and founded in faith," he said, "otherwise, we will come out of the crisis worse."

(Adapted from <a href="https://www.ncronline.org/">https://www.ncronline.org/</a>)



## Faith Formation Of Children

In order to develop a life-long relationship with God and a strong faith that translates into action, it is important that every person receives a solid foundation of religious education in their childhood. It is the responsibility of the parents to be the first teachers of their children in the faith. The parish of IHM is dedicated to help parents in their efforts and does so through the Sunday Faith Formation program. All children from **Kindergarten age to 8th grade** should be enrolled to ensure continuous growth and maturity of faith.

Registration is required. Please go to <u>www.ihmindy.org</u> to register online on or after September 1, 2020. The fee is \$50.00 per child with a family cap of \$150. First Class is September 20, 2020. Children in 2<sup>nd</sup> grade will be prepared to receive their **Sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Communion**. There is an additional fee of \$75 to register for this. These fees can be waived if necessary. Please talk to Ute Eble or Father Bob to receive the code to waive the fees.

#### In times of COVID-19:

Because of the special circumstances we find ourselves in this year due to the COVID-19 pandemic, we are offering our children the option to participate in the Sunday Faith Formation either in-person with a volunteer teacher, or at-home with the help of their parents.

The at-home option is based on the same curriculum as the in-person teaching and will include working with the text book, multi -media, and doing assignments that connect the family to the IHM community. In-person instructions is scheduled to follow the 10 a.m. / 9.30 a.m. Mass and will follow the COVID-19 safety protocols recommended by the CDC and the local authorities (e.g. wearing masks, physical distancing, staying home when showing symptoms). If school closures are mandated, in-person instruction will switch temporarily to at-home instruction.

Please note that at this time we cannot offer a religious education program for children of pre-school age. This is temporary during the pandemic, and we will gladly provide parents with support and faith formation materials to work with their pre-schoolers at home! Please contact Ute Eble for more information.

## Are You Interested In Becoming Catholic?

Are you an adult interested in becoming Catholic? Are you baptized Catholic but never received First Communion or the Sacrament of Confirmation?

You are invited to join RCIA, starting September 14! We will meet once a week on Mondays from 7 to 9 pm, hopefully in person.

RCIA, i.e. the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, is the Catholic Church's way of initiating new members. It consists of appropriate spiritual formation for each interested individual and the reception of the Sacraments of Initiation, i.e. Baptism, First Holy Communion, and/or Confirmation after approximately one year of preparation. In most cases, the initiation of new members is celebrated at the Easter Vigil.

If you are interested, please email the Director of Religious Education, Ute Eble, at <u>ueble@ihmindy.org</u> or call (317) 257-2266 ext. 102. You are also invited if you are already Catholic but want to learn about our faith on an adult level, or if you feel called to share your faith and help the RCIA candidates with their formation.



## Special Collection September 13

On Sept. 13 the arch/diocese will be taking up the National Collection for The Catholic University of America. Located in the heart of the nation's capital, Catholic University offers graduate and undergraduate courses in more than 180 academic programs. By giving to the National Collection, you will help support more than 6,000 students who are seeking a faith-filled education at an institution that supports cutting edge research in multiple fields. Your investment will enable the University to continue to support the Church and to advance its work of preparing the next generation of leadership, both religious and lay, of our Church and nation. It will also enable the continuance of The Catholic Project, a University initiative jumpstarted by philanthropy which aims to help bishops, priests, and the lay faithful develop a deeper understanding of the lay vocation and principles for effective action in the wake of the recent Church crisis. Through research, new academic programs, and dialogue, the project brings together the clergy and lay leaders to develop solutions to the issues facing our Church and bring about reforms. Thank you for your generosity. Learn more at: collection.catholic.edu.

## Cathedral High School

#### High School Placement Test

Cathedral High School will administer the High School Placement Test on the following Saturdays this fall: October 3, November 7 and December 5. All tests begin promptly at 8:30 am. All parents are encouraged to join us for an information session/tour while your student is taking the test.

Preregister by visiting <u>www.gocathedral.com/placementtest</u>.

#### **Application Deadlines**

Apply by October 1<sup>st</sup> and you will receive your admissions decision by Thanksgiving! Regular admission applications are due by December 15<sup>th</sup>. Please go to <u>gocathedral.com/apply</u> to begin the application process.

#### Financial Aid

Financial Aid applications can be submitted as early as October 1<sup>st</sup> to <u>gocathedral.com/tuitionassistance</u>. If applying for early admission and want your Financial Aid (FA) estimate, FA applications need to be submitted no later than October 31<sup>st</sup>. Regular admission applications need to be submitted no later than December 15<sup>th</sup>.

#### Personalized Tours

Please sign up for individual tours through our website, <u>gocathedal.com/admissions</u>, to schedule. These are being offered frequently and are in lieu of other on campus events.

## Sisters of Providence to host first virtual Come and See retreat

Explore the stirrings of your heart. Join us by Zoom for our first-ever virtual Come and See weekend retreat. The event will begin at 7 pm on Oct. 23, and conclude at 2 pm on Oct. 25. Learn more about the Sisters of Providence of Saint Mary-of-the-Woods, Indiana, and our founder, Saint Mother Theodore Guerin, and how we live out love, mercy and justice. Explore your calling while meeting our sisters. The retreat is open to single, Catholic women ages 18-42. For more information or to sign up, visit <u>ComeandSee.SistersofProvidence.org</u> or call Sister Joni Luna at 361-500-9505 or email jluna@spsmw.org.



Healing Mass for Those Affected by Mental Illness

Monsignor William Stungf, Main Celebrant

St. Mark the Evangelist Catholic Church 535 E Edgewood Ave, Indianapolis, IN 46227

#### Healing Mass:

6:00 pm - Confessions

**7:00 pm** Mass including the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick - Mass will be live streamed and recorded. It will be available **LEBE** on on Voutube

Our Lady of Sorrows, Pray for Us!

#### ble HERE or on Youtube

(precautions will be taken to keep everyone safe) After Mass: Prayer teams will be available to pray with you after mass for your specific intentions (social distancing and masks in place).

## TIME TO SIGN UP!



## September 12, 2020 9 am - 12 noon

CHECK OUT OUR GREAT SESSIONS FOR CATECHISTS, EVANGELIZERS AND RCIA TEAMS & REGISTER TODAY!

WWW.ARCHINDY.ORG/GATHERING



## Parish Joys & Concerns



## Baptism Class - Baptisms

## **Baptism Class**

Our next Baptism class will be held on Monday, October 5,

2020. A class is required for parents. The class needs to be taken only one time. Godparents are welcome to attend.



Please call the parish office to sign up, 317-257-2266.

## Baptisms Please welcome to our community:

Evan James Mellencamp - Baptism date: 9-06-2020 Son of Adam & Lauren Mellencamp

Richard Gerard Darragh III - Baptism date: 9-06-2020 Son of Richard Gerard Jr. & Kelly Darragh



#### Please Pray

Please pray for these members of the IHM Community and their caregivers: Ryan Maddox, Suzanne Cramer, Keith Fessler, Phillip McKiernan, Sarah Zyromski, Lee Wallace, Jeanette Winking, Carolyn Reutter, Ron Rudin (Father of Megan Melton), Leo Hahn, Kim Elkins, Henry Hartwell, Diane Eltzroth, Charles Lane, Janet Snodgrass, Caroline Merrick, Traci Underwood, Barbara Whitsel, Max Breedlove, Cora Vincent, Karen Carter, Karen & Mike Kuehn, Mike Plaaman, Bowen Brant, Sue Bramlett, Chase Clark, Matt Pivec, Roger Broderick, Maeve Bigelow, Rosemary Schilder, Clara Handshoe, Jo Ann Cady, Brock Cagann, and all of our frail elderly.

<u>Add to this list</u> by calling the Parish Office, 317-257-2266. If it's an emergency, alert Fr. Bob at the parish office, or call his cell phone: (317) 727-2667.

**IHM has a Prayer Chain,** made up of parishioners committed to praying for immediate special needs. Contact Gerry Koors at 317-251-2562 or Ellen Healey, 317-439-1030 or <a href="mailto:ewhealey2@gmail.com">ewhealey2@gmail.com</a>.





Contact Chris Hutson at 317-590-2025 to place an ad.

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