

Catholic Schools

The beginning of wisdom is fear of the Lord,
and knowledge of the Holy One is understanding.

Proverbs 9:10



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SUNDAY MASS

Saturday

5 p.m.

Sunday

7:30, 9:30 & 11:30 a.m.

1:30 (*en Espanol*) & 6 p.m.

WEEKDAY MASS

Monday, Wednesday, Friday

12 p.m.

Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday

8:15 a.m.

CIVIL HOLIDAY MASS

Memorial Day, Independence Day,

Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day

9 a.m.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Tuesday

6:30–7 p.m.

Saturday

3:30–4:30 p.m.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Thursday

9 a.m.–4 p.m.

The Eucharist will be exposed in the Monstrance every Thursday after the 8:15 a.m. Mass and will be reposed at 4 p.m.

Hours of Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration: Sunday 8 p.m. through Saturday 12 p.m. (*except during Masses*)

Kathie Hayes

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FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Friends,

This weekend is a special time for a number of reasons. Today we kick off Catholic Schools Week, a special time to focus on Catholic schools across the country and here at IHM. This is a very important ministry of our parish.

Here we have the opportunity for our children to grow and learn about God. Here we are able to teach God's word and grow in ways that would not otherwise be possible. Parents are the primary educators of their children in the ways of faith, as the parent blessing at baptism states. But here at IHM, parent join with the parish school in a partnership that helps support parents in their role as educator. It is a privilege and blessing to be a part of this sacred effort.

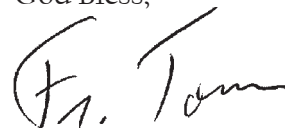
Our parish school's Open House is this weekend, Sunday, January 26, 12:30–3 p.m. We invite everyone to come through and learn some of the great things that are happening here. We are blessed with a great administration, faculty and staff. Thanks to Mrs. Krista Devine and all who work so hard to provide a program that is second to none. We are blessed!

Today is also the first annual Sunday of the Word of God, initiated by Pope Francis. In *Aperuit Illis*, the Holy Father states "Devoting a specific Sunday of the liturgical year to the Word of God can enable the church to experience anew how the risen Lord opens up for us the treasury of his word and enables us to proclaim its unfathomable riches before the world." Through the Word of God and the sacrifice of the Mass we grow closer to Jesus and each other as the Body of Christ, the Pope says.

Perhaps this Sunday of the Word of God can help us appreciate God's word and serve as an impetus to come to learn more about God's Word and grow closer to God through the Scriptures. We have several opportunities to grow through Scripture "Bible Study" groups, but we might also use this as a time to reflect on God's Word privately or through Lectio Divina Scripture reflection.

May this Sunday help us to grow closer to the Lord through God's Word.

God Bless,



Fr. Tom

MASS INTENTIONS AND READINGS

Sunday, January 26

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 8:23—9:3/1 Cor 1:10-13, 17/Mt 4:12-23 or 4:12-17

Monday, January 27

Weekday

2 Sm 5:1-7, 10/Mk 3:22-30

12 p.m. Jack Wagner, req. by Bob & Mary Considine
†Rosemary Sheedy, req. by Barbara Gruppo
†Lee Nordloh, req. by Jean Ann Sheeran
†Alan Aure, req. by Mimi & Garrett Frey
†Carol Blair, req. by Paula Blair
†Audrey Hands, req. by Kathy McGraw

Tuesday, January 28

Saint Thomas Aquinas, Priest and Doctor of the Church

2 Sm 6:12b-15, 17-19/Mk 3:31-35

8:15 a.m. †John Cappel, req. by the Parish

Wednesday, January 29

Weekday

2 Sm 7:4-17/Mk 4:1-20

12 p.m. †Pamela Arbino, req. by Jack Arbino & Family
†Elaine Hoefler, req. by Pat Riehle
†Jim Frey, req. by St. Vincent dePaul
†Mary nn Marx, req. by Cliff Robson
†Marian Burton, req. by the Long Family
†Fran Cirafisi, req. by Louis & Susan Staub

Thursday, January 30

Weekday

2 Sm 7:18-19, 24-29/Mk 4:21-25

8:15 a.m. †Diane Karampas, req. by Ed & Marge English

Friday, January 31

Saint John Bosco, Priest

2 Sm 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17/Mk 4:26-34

12 p.m. †Kathy Deimling, req. by Norman & Wilma Jean Rich

Saturday, February 1

Weekday

2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17/Mk 4:35-41

8:15 a.m. †Dick Riehle, req. by Pat Riehle & Family

Sunday, February 2

The Presentation of The Lord

Mal 3:1-4/Heb 2:14-18/Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32

5 p.m. (Sat.) †Alfred Gehret, req. by Dave Auxier
7:30 a.m. †Beth Burrridge, req. by Ed & Ruby Smith
9:30 a.m. †Marian Fleck, req. by Joan Ford
11:30 a.m. †Monica Crowe, req. by Thomas & Billie Jean Schimian
1:30 p.m. For the Parish
6 p.m. †Alber Hay, req. by David Durkin

At all Masses, please pray for vocations to the priesthood, religious life, and diaconate.

striving to live and share the Good News and grow in discipleship with the Lord.

PRAYERS REQUESTED

We ask that you pray for our sick
or recently hospitalized

Remember Our Deceased and their
Families in your prayers
Elizabeth Rains, mother of
Donna Rains

Prayer Circle

The Prayer Circle is a method used
to make an individual's request for
prayer known and to offer assurance
of community concern and support.
Contact the parish office at 388-4466.

Sacrament of the Sick

Contact Marisue Naber in the
Parish Office at 388-4184.
Parishioners scheduled for surgery
are encouraged to celebrate this
sacrament at a weekday liturgy
before they go to the hospital.

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Parish Coffee

Join us next weekend after the 9:30 a.m. Mass for coffee and fellowship! All are welcome!



Socks & Such Collection

The Socks and Such Collection (formerly Undie Sunday) will be this weekend. The recipients are Our Lady of the Mountains in Stanton, KY, the Shelter House for Men (formerly The Drop Inn Center) and Mary Magdalene House in Cincinnati. New underwear, socks and blankets are desperately needed. Specific needs are the following:

- * boy's briefs - sizes 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, 16
- * boy's tee shirts - small, medium, large, and extra large
- * girl's sports bras - small, medium, large, and extra large
- * little girl's camisoles and tees - sizes 6, 8, & 10
- * girl's panties - all sizes (bikini cut and hipster cut)
- * women's panties - small, medium, large, and extra large
- * men's briefs - sizes 32-34, 36-38, large and extra large
- * men's tee shirts - medium, large, and extra large to 3X
- * men's socks - crew sports socks and thermal socks
- * regular and thermal blankets - twin, full, and queen

Your generosity and compassion in this Corporal Work of Mercy have been amazing and is truly appreciated. If it is more convenient, drop off your donations early at the parish Welcome Center. If you have questions, please contact Susan Staub at 232-9003 or Staub680@msn.com.

Socks & Such is an activity of the Social Action Coordinating Commission. Thanks for your kindness and support.

Fathers Team

Come to Fathers Team on Friday, Jan 31st, at the IHM Welcome Center (2d Floor on the South End of the Bldg) when the topic is

"Open Mic" led by Team 6 who will present a very stimulating topic. Be surprised and impressed with how Team 6 gets you engaged in a great discussion with your Team.

Fathers Team Online

This year we are going to offer an "online" version of The Fathers Team that we would like you to consider checking out. We will provide a weekly e-mail previewing our upcoming meeting and describing the highlights from our prior meeting.

Father Team is a men's support group growing in faith, fellowship, and fatherhood. We strive to become better fathers, husbands, and Christians by sharing personal experiences, reflecting on our thoughts and actions, and discerning how we can become better versions of ourselves.

Scan to sign up



Mens Fellowship League

This is an invitation to all IHM men to hear Fr. Jeff, our Parochial Vicar, speak to the group on Monday, February 3rd. He will share with us the importance of remaining close to Jesus Christ and how this has impacted his journey and the vision of his ministry as a priest.

Take the time for inspiration, discussion, fellowship, and great refreshments. Meetings are held in Heritage Hall East beginning at 7:30 PM. Bring a friend, participate, and enjoy the fellowship. Any questions please contact John Hunt at 513-375-2286.

Winter Gala

The IHM Winter Gala will be held February 1st. The gala raises money for both the school and the parish youth initiatives. Money is raised through auction items, raffle sales and direct donations. 50% of the money raised is used for tuition assistance for the day school. The other 50% supports youth initiatives including keeping the enrollment costs low for our PRP families and subsidizing a number of larger youth group activities such as the VIA Awake Rallies, Abide Conference, our own Camp Bosco, and the upcoming Ski Trip.

There are many ways to be involved with the Gala and help support our youth. Please consider attending, donating and/or becoming a sponsor of this wonderful parish event. Donations can be dropped off at the parish office or at the barrel provided in the church gathering space. After Mass we will be selling major raffle tickets and accepting donations to the Scholarship Fund.

Will You Please Consider Donating a Bottle of Wine or Bourbon for the IHM Winter Gala: Roaring 20's?

In addition to the ever popular Wine Pull, we are adding Bourbon to help welcome the 20's! All Gala proceeds go toward Tuition Assistance and Youth Formation (PRP and Youth Group). Bottles may be dropped off at the parish office now until January 26th.

We also offer a convenience option of sending in a check made payable to IHM Gala and note on the check "wine & bourbon donation". You can also donate at ihom.weshareonline.org. We are happy to purchase wine or bourbon for you!

Questions? Contact Terri Hafertepen at thafertepen@gmail.com

We hope to see you at the Gala on February 1st!

Purchase tickets or make a donation by visiting: ihom.ejoinme.org/Gala2020

Walk Through the Mass for Adults

Thursday, February 6 at 7PM in the Church, led by Fr. Jeff

This will be an opportunity for people to learn more about the Mass in a more engaging and inspirational way and ask questions as we go through. This will not be a real Mass, but will explain why we do the rituals that we do during Mass.

There is no need to RSVP.

Babysitting is available for children age 1 and walking through age 6. To register for babysitting go to <https://bit.ly/2MJK0l1>

JANUARY 12 OFFERTORY

Actual

\$42,481

Budget

\$35,000

FISCAL YEAR TO DATE

Actual through 28 weeks

\$1,359,423

Budget through 28 weeks

\$1,445,000

Difference

-5.9%

Please remember our church in your will.

Are you interested in investing in the future of our parish? A bequest in your will for IHM could provide for enhanced and expanded ministries for God's people.

WELCOME THIS WEEK

Immaculate Heart of Mary extends a warm welcome to our new parishioners. We hope that they will come to find peace and joy as they become active members of our worship community.

**Chris & Cheryl Talbott and
Harper & Colin**

Parish Membership

We joyfully welcome new members of our parish community. Please register in the Parish Office or after each weekend Mass in the Lourdes Room. Please also let us know if you plan to move from the parish.

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PARISH APP

To download our free app scan one of the QR codes below or search for Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish in the App Store.



Care For God's Creation

The SACC (Social Action Commission) at IHM is planning a fun morning of activities for "Care For God's Creation" Day on February 9, 2020. We show gratitude to God for His wonderful gift of creation when we respect this gift and use good stewardship. Also, as creation is the place of human flourishing, we care for each other when we care for the earth in which we all live!

SACC is looking for the following materials for our activities. If you can provide any of these, please bring them to the Parish Welcome Center Office on or before January 26, 2020. Any donation is appreciated.

- 1 Plastic bins for a Make Your Own Recycling Bin to take home.
- 2 Empty, plastic CD jewel cases to reuse as a picture frame.
- 3 Letter Sized plastic Laminating Sleeves to make reminder signs "Don't Forget to Turn off Lights."
- 4 High Efficiency LED lightbulbs all sizes
- 5 150 Peat Pellet Seed Starting Plugs
- 6 15 different colored Fabric markers
- 7 Seed packages-basil, parsley, vegetables or flowers
- 8 150 Pinecones to use as a base for a birdfeeder
- 9 Biodegradable twine to hang birdfeeders up with.
- 10 Crisco Shortening to smear on pinecones so seeds stick.
- 11 Birdseed to roll the pinecones in.

Operation Rice Bowl

IHM is looking for a volunteer to help with the Catholic Relief Services Rice Bowls this year for Lent. God invites us to reach out beyond ourselves and encounter the needs of all. This Lenten faith-in-action program invites us to consider the needs of the hungry around the world as we journey with CRS to Honduras, Kenya and Vietnam to meet three girls and their families who are thriving with the support of CRS and faith communities like yours. Through stories, videos and lesson plans, we can learn about the global issue of hunger and malnutrition and our Gospel call to feed the hungry.

If you are willing to help out with this wonderful program, please contact Donna Wenstrup at donnaw@ihom.org or call the parish office. Thank you!

2020 Catholic Ministries Appeal (CMA)

Next weekend is Commitment Weekend for the 2020 Catholic Ministries Appeal. Please join with Catholics in every parish throughout our archdiocese who are standing Together for the Faith of the Gospel through local, Catholic ministries for people right here in our communities. These ministries depend on our help each year! You can mail your pledge card or bring it to Mass next weekend. For more information about the CMA or to donate online, visit CatholicAppeal.info. Thank you!

Thoughts on 10th Anniversary Twinning

Partnership with OLM and IHM

Sr. Mary Jane Kreidler:

Twining has been a blessing in many ways for Our Lady of the Mountains. Certainly Immaculate Heart of Mary parishioners have been very generous with funds, food, and clothing over the years. That has often sustained us.

There is another dimension that has come to mean so much to us. Twinning has brought relationships that have broadened our horizons. We have become a part of each others lives. You have worked with us on projects like the Senior Dinner. Some of you come to Moms in the Morning. We pray for each other when there is sickness or other difficulties. Twinning is a call to growth. Twinning is a gift.

Judy O'Brien:

When I am with the members of OLM parish I no longer think about them as our twining partners, I now think of them simply as our friends, one of us. The ten or so years have brought us close together. As they minister to their neighbors in need we have been able to help them feed the poor, give clothing including socks and underwear to those without, serve the seniors in Powell County Thanksgiving dinner. We have collected money at Thanksgiving so they can buy the food for over 100 families' Christmas dinners, and supplied gifts for Christmas for those they help. We have asked them to pray for us as we pray for them. Twinning leading to friendship is a wonderful gift.

Fr. Tom Kreidler:

I often say "We are blessed!" to describe how God is present to us and enriches us. We are blessed in our opening ourselves up to God. One of the great ways we do that is our twinning relationships. Entering into that we open ourselves to God and are blessed beyond our expectations.

Our relationship with OLM began with my desire to support my sister in her ministry. Now, it has become a dynamic relationship that includes so many wonderful people here and there. It has enriched both parishes, which is what a relationship from God accomplishes. We are certainly blessed!

E6 Catholic Men's Conference

The tri-state's largest Catholic Men's Conference of 2020 is open for registration, featuring Dr. Scott Hahn, Fr. Donald Calloway and Doug Barry! Please join us for the E6 Catholic Men's Conference, which will be taking place on Saturday, February 22nd 2020, at the East Central High School Performing Arts Center in St. Leon, IN (only 35-50 minutes northwest of Kentucky). Last year, over 1200 men attended the conference and this year we expect to fill every seat in the building. We cordially invite every man to attend this 5th annual event. Please join us for inspiring talks, confession (available all day), celebration of the Holy Mass and fraternity with fellow men of Christ. We pride ourselves on presenting a quality, substance-driven, inspirational and faith-filled event that will change men's lives and help equip them to be the men Christ calls them to be. Do not miss this! Tickets are on sale now at www.e6catholicmensconference.com.

YOUTH MINISTRY

High School and Middle School
Youth Groups

Michael Haley
388-4185 (michaelh@ihom.org)

High School meets Sundays @
7 p.m., September-May

Middle School meets Saturdays @
6 p.m. once a month

Please visit ihom.org for the
Youth Ministry calendar.



COMMUNION TO THE SICK & HOMEBOUND
If you will be taking Holy Communion to the sick or homebound following weekend Mass, please note the following procedure. When you arrive for Mass, please take your pyx to the Minister's Sacristy and fill it with the needed number of unconsecrated hosts. Place the filled pyx on the gift table in the Gathering Space. The pyx will be carried forward during the Offertory procession and consecrated during that Mass. Following the Prayer after Communion, those who will be visiting the sick and homebound will be called forward to retrieve your pyx.

SACRAMENTS

Sacraments require preparation through the proper department. Please contact the following for more information:

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Holy Orders

Father Tom Kreidler
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Anointing of the Sick

Marisue Naber
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Assisted Listening Devices are available for use during Mass. Please see an usher for assistance.

Comboni Missionaries

513-474-4997

Monday, January 27

8 AM	Career Day	Gymnasium/Heritage	SC
4 PM	Stretching & Fitness Class	St Gabriel	WC
7:30 PM	St. Vincent de Paul	Blessed Mother	WC

Tuesday, January 28

9:30 AM	WOW Bible Study	St Matthew	WC
6:30 PM	Fernside	Cafeteria	SC
6:30 PM	Reconciliation	Vestibule	CH
7 PM	Parents of Addicted Loved Ones	St Francis of Assisi	WC

Wednesday, January 29

8 AM	Science Day	Gymnasium/Heritage	SC
1 PM	Bible Study	Guadalupe	CH
4 PM	Stretching & Fitness Group	St Gabriel	WC
6:30 PM	Art Show	Gymnasium/Cafeteria	SC
7 PM	Choir Rehearsal	Church/St. Cecilia	CH

Thursday, January 30

8:15 AM	Mass with School Children	Church	CH
9:30 AM	Bible Study	Blessed Mother	WC
9:30 AM	Moms Bible Study	St Matthew	WC
7:30 PM	RCIA	Legion of Mary/St Francis of Assisi/St Matthew	WC

Friday, January 31

6:03 AM	Fathers Team	St Matthew	WC
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Saturday, February 1

4:30 PM	ShopSmart	Fatima	CH
6 PM	IHM Gala	Off Property	

Sunday, February 2

9:30 AM	Age 3-6 PRP	Gymnasium/Cafeteria	SC
10:30 AM	Parish Coffee	East Heritage	SC
10:30 AM	PRP Parent Meeting	West Heritage	SC
10:45 AM	Gr 1-8 PRP	Gymnasium/Cafeteria	SC
7 PM	HS Youth Group	Youth Room	YR
7:30 PM	AA Meeting	St Matthew	WC

CH=Church PS=Preschool SC=School WC=Welcome Center YR=Youth Room

Liturgical Ministers Schedule February 1 & 2 Deacons Preach

	Presider	Deacons	Coordinators	Lectors	Servers
5 p.m. (Sat.)	Fr. Stegbauer	Dcn. Cassani	Barb & Michael Miller		Sophia Riccardi William Riccardi Landon Stout
7:30 a.m.	Fr. Stegbauer	Dcn. Feldkamp	Mike & Pat Carroll		Ed Bayliss Joy Roose
9:30 a.m.	Fr. Stegbauer	Dcn. Feldkamp	Frank & Jayne Simms		Molly Anderson Shane Hall Joe Mulvey Daisy Shepard
11:30 a.m.	Fr. Kreidler	Dcn. Cassani	Jeff & Linda Gauggel		Eli Auer Shane Auer Louie Canisalez William Westerkamp
1:30 p.m.	Comboni	Comboni	Maria Lanzot	Elvia Tuttle Pilar Hernandez Katy Zaebst	Diego Rodriguez
6 p.m.	Fr. Kreidler	Dcn. Feldkamp	Mark Overley		John Paul Walton Mary Walton Ruth Walton Sarah Walton
Reconciliation: Fr. Stegbauer				(C) Commentator	

IMPACT

January, 2020

BRING FAITH TO LIFE. FIND LIFE IN FAITH.

This year, walk in the light of the Lord.

The shorter periods of daylight in the winter may leave us feeling as though we are surrounded by darkness. Sometimes, we leave home in the morning in the dark, and it is dark by the time we return home in the evening. We may feel more keenly the presence of spiritual or emotional darkness as well: fear, loneliness, doubt, grief, or worry may press upon our hearts, leaving us anxious and uncertain. The darkness is not only personal. We feel the darkness of political division, violence, and natural disasters so deeply that at times it feels as though light has been banished from our lives and world.

If there is anything we learn from Jesus, it is that God does not want us to live in darkness. God so desires that we know and live in the light that God came among us, to be one with us. This is what we celebrate in the Christmas season. No matter how unbearable the darkness may seem, we know that Christ's light prevails. "The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; upon those who dwelt in the land of gloom, a light has shone." (Is 9:1)

Christ's light dispels our darkness and all darkness humanity has ever or will ever experience. Whatever the darkness we face, Christ's light awaits. Not only this, Christ awaits *our* loving action as the means for spreading his light, bringing hope and peace to those who most need it. We do this through our faithful stewardship of our lives, our actions, attention, prayer, help, support, caring and sharing.

How will you walk in the light of the Lord this year and share the light with others, dispelling their darkness by sharing God's great love in Jesus Christ?



Impact this month

Many people make New Year's resolutions — a promise to ourselves or those closest to us that we will do something tangible to be a better person, to be healthier, kinder, or to break a bad habit in the new year. This year, include a faith resolution in your plans.

As you look back on the year that has passed and ahead to the one that is just beginning, consider how you will walk in and share the light of Christ.

Is Jesus a driving force in your life? Do you regularly pray, listening through Sacred Scripture, devotional reading, and in the silence of your heart? Do you have others with whom you share your faith journey? How does your relationship with the Lord direct the way you live?

Prayerfully consider all that you might do to live and grow in faith. Write down your faith resolution and share it with someone you trust, asking him or her to hold you accountable. Keep your written resolution where you will be reminded of it, periodically take stock, and resolve more deeply to stay on the path of discipleship, trusting that Jesus is ready to walk with you.

How does faith help you find perspective and see your life more clearly?



Faith 2020

Throughout the year 2020, we will consider the impact of following Jesus in a recurring column, Faith 2020.

Share your reactions, experiences, and stories at CatholicLifeandFaith.net/everyday-impact

Do you have 20-20 vision? Not eyesight, but vision — is your manner of seeing yourself, others, and the world crystal clear? Do you yearn for something more, something greater in life? Do you sometimes find yourself with a glimpse of life as you wish it might be, only to find the vision slipping away?

The amazing, incredible, good news of Jesus is that God wants you to have the life you envision, and more. And not only you, but every person and all of creation. God created you in love, for love. God so desires that we know and live his love that God took on human flesh, removing all separation between us and God, so that we might have God's vision as our own.

Peter, Andrew, James, and John knew the human hunger which can only be filled in God. They had been hoping and praying that God would send the Messiah. They must have sensed something powerful and compelling in Jesus - when he called them, they put aside their nets and followed the Lord. Imagine the simultaneous uncertainty and freedom they must have felt as they dropped everything in order to walk with Jesus!

What stands between you and the life God envisions for you? Hear Jesus say to you, "Come after me." Take a risk and a step, toward the freedom of a joyful life with Jesus now and eternal life with God.

I, the Lord, have called you for the victory of justice, I have grasped you by the hand; I formed you, and set you as a covenant for the people, a light for the nations, to open the eyes of the blind, to bring out prisoners from confinement, and from the dungeon, those who live in darkness. (Is 42:6-7)

Throughout Advent and Christmas, we are invited to see the world through the eyes of God's great vision for humanity, when all will live in right relationship with God and one another. Through baptism we are drawn into Christ's life, so that in our day-to-day living, we may contribute to building this "peaceable kingdom," which may seem a distant dream, and yet has already been established through Christ.

Spiritual author Henri Nouwen reflected, "Instead of being an escapist dream, it challenges us to anticipate what it promises. Every time we forgive our neighbor, every time we make a child smile, every time we show compassion to a

suffering person, every time we arrange a bouquet of flowers, offer care to tame or wild animals, prevent pollution, create beauty in our homes and gardens, and work for peace and justice among peoples and nations we are making the vision come true.

We must remind one another constantly of the vision. Whenever it comes alive in us we will find new energy to live it out, right where we are. Instead of making us escape real life, this beautiful vision gets us involved."

What small things are you ready to do to contribute to bringing God's vision to life?



2019 Christmas Flowers Memorial

The following people were remembered by their loved ones through the gift of flowers to decorate our altar during Christmas. In Memory of:

Ackel & Berwanger Families	D'Occhio, Janet	Janson, Leon & Jane	Rehl, Mark
Alvaro, Joseph & Jo-Ann	Duebber, Albert & Patricia	Kelsey, Judy	Rehl, William, II
Asbrock, George & Alberta	Dunn, James	Kirkpatrick, Meghan	Rettig, Beth Anne
Auer, Ronald	England, Charles & Clara	Kling, Louise	Rettig, Jerome
Baioni, Charlie & Neda	England, Patrick	Koesters & Maurer Families	Ritchie, Robert
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