

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 513-202-3009 (ihm-adoration@fuse.net)

FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Friends,

As you know, the Archdiocese conducted the One Faith, One Hope, One Love capital campaign to address major needs in the Archdiocese of Cincinnati. One of those needs is tuition assistance to families who otherwise might not be able to send their children to a Catholic school. Certainly, as costs rise, an essential element of Catholic eduction is affordability. Between the Archdiocese Fund and our educational endowment-sponsored by many parish families- we try to address family needs through our channels of support.

Following is a summary of the application process, timing and award dates. It has always been my philosophy that no student be turned away because of a financial need. This campaign will help to make that goal more doable.

- Tuition assistance will be based on family need.
- K-8 assistance will not be provided for students who are receiving full tuition support from state-funded programs.
- Currently, the amount awarded through the Archdiocese will not be greater than \$1,000.00 per student. However, we can and will supplement according to demonstrated need.

How to Apply for Tuition Assistance:

- Families have between now and January 31, 2019 to apply for the first round of tuition assistance. A second round will be open in February.
- The family will complete the FACTS Grant and Aid Application through the name of their school. Each school has been linked to the Catholic School Office account.
- Each application must be completed for consideration. This includes uploading of required documents (W-2's etc)

When will assistance be awarded?

- The Catholic Education Foundation will hold a "special" meeting in early February to discuss the distribution of assistance.
- Letters will be issued to those who will receive assistance and those who will not. Families will have until the end of April to accept the offer. The funds will travel with the family even if the student(s) switches to a different school (prior to the beginning of the school year).

Our parish funds will supplement any demonstrated need to the appropriate amount as we are able.

I urge all families who think finances may be an issue, to apply for this assistance. Thank you.

God Bless,

Fr. Tom

MASS INTENTIONS AND READINGS

Sunday, December 16

Third Sunday of Advent

Zep 3:14–18a/Phil 4:4–7/Lk 3:10–18

Monday, December 17

Advent Weekday

Gn 49:2, 8-10/Mt 1:1-17

12 p.m. †Guy Chandler, req. by Bev Calder

†Don Creelman, req. by Family

†Betty Wolff, req. by Nick & Sharon Moore & Family

†George Schraer, req. by Bill & Chloe Becker

†Marion Leroy Bishea, req. by John & Annette Koch

†Marilyn Thurner, req. by Nancy Radcliffe

Tuesday, December 18

Advent Weekday

Jer 23:5-8/Mt 1:18-25

8:15 a.m. †Rose Malloni, req. by Kevin & Margie Black

Wednesday, December 19

Advent Weekday

Igs 13:2-7, 24-25a/Lk 1:5-25

12 p.m. †Kevin Kelly, req. by the Dufour Family

†M/M Robert Haas, req. by Thomas & Linda Martin †Gordon Nead, req. by Gregory Hackett & Family

†Betty Barnes, req. by Jane Elfers

†Ginger Pohl, req. by Thomas & Margaret Wimberg †Mary Krueger, req. by Nick & Sharon Moore & Family

Thursday, December 20

Advent Weekday

Is 7:10-14/Lk 1:26-38

8:15 a.m. Intentions of Brother Ed Kesler, req. by Mark & Sharon Johnson

Friday, December 21

Advent Weekday

Sg 2:8–14 or Zep 3:14–18a/Lk 1:39–45

12 p.m. †The Surrao Family, req. by Family

Saturday, December 22

Advent Weekday

1 Sm 1:24-28/Lk 1:46-56

8:15 a.m. Intentions of Brother Edward Kesler, req. by Sally Schroder

Sunday, December 23

Fourth Sunday of Advent

Mi 5:1-4a/Heb 10:5-10/Lk 1:39-45

5 p.m. (Sat.) †Carol Rhoney, req. by Jeri Zeek

7:30 a.m. Krissie Newton & Jane Birck, req. by Sally Schroder

9:30 a.m. †Terry Elfers, req. by Jane Elfers

11:30 a.m. †Ingrid Yourey, req. by the Desmier Family

1:30 p.m. For the Parish

6 p.m. †Carol Aniskovich, req. by the Parish

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

PRAYERS REQUESTED

We ask that you pray for our sick or recently hospitalized

Andrew Horton, John Mussio, Amy Rettig

Remember Our Deceased and their Families in your prayers

Sandra Morley, sister of Karen Talty

Rose Vesper, wife of Lee Vesper

Jim Stretch, husband of Carol Stretch

Eleanor Bassett, mother of Ron Bassett

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.

PASTORAL STAFF

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Annual Christmas Tree & Wreath Sale **Boy Scout Troop 694**

Final Weekend! Boy Scout Troop 694 Annual Christmas Tree and Wreath Sale will End Sunday, December 16., 12-8 p.m.

Thank You for supporting our Troop! God Bless and Merry Christmas!



Ushers, and Greeters, and Christmas—Oh My!

With Christmas Masses quickly approaching, we will need extra help for Ushers and Greeters. If you or your family would like to temporarily help this ministry, your service would be greatly appreciated. This might also be a great opportunity for families to work together to help with greeting all of the many people that will visit IHM on Christmas. Many people only attend Mass on this holiday, so we need to do our best to warmly greet them and serve them as they enter our church.

If you need extra incentive to help with this ministry, we are offering reserved pews for those that volunteer, so you have a place when Mass is underway!

If you are interested in helping our parish during a Christmas Mass, please contact Steve Frazer at sdfrazer@fuse.net, or sign up in the minister's sacristy.

Fair Trade Products On Sale!

Stock up for the Christmas holidays

Fair Trade coffee, K-Cups, cocoa, chocolate bars and olive oil will be on sale in the Gathering Space this weekend after all Masses.

Please take this opportunity to stock up on extra fair trade products for entertaining and gifts.

Buying Fair Trade products ensures small farmers in developing countries get a fair price for their products, have access to affordable credit and are able to support their families.

Thank you for buying Fair Trade products and helping plant the seeds of hope while enjoying a delicious product.

Women to Women: December 17th at 7 p.m. in the St. Matthew Room

We will be celebrating this Holy Season with a Lenten Prayer Service followed by holiday fellowship. Women to Women in Faith and Fellowship is a ministry at IHM for women 50 years and older. As women of Faith, we come together in prayer, formation, reflection and support for one another as we strive to build a closer relationship with God in the later years of our life's journey. We meet the third Monday of each month. Contacts for this ministry are Candi Rinderle and Susie O'Neil.

Food from the Heart Collection

Many Thanks to all the parishioners who brought food to "fill the shelves" at the SEM Food Pantry. We filled the wooden bins 5 times over! IHM parishioners stepped up to fill the need. Thanks to our team of volunteers who pick up food from Kroger, transport the food, fill the shelves and transport food to the disabled at SEM Manor. If you would like to help on Monday after the collection, please call Sherrie Heyse at 513-843-7188.

Please remember those who are in need. Bring extra holiday items for the Food from the Heart Collection this weekend. This is the busiest time for the pantry. Due to possible breakage, please do not bring items in glass containers. The Southeastern Ecumenical Ministry Pantry is now located in the basement of the "old office" building at IHM. Clients will enter the pantry from Columbus Street. We welcome SEM Pantry to our campus and if anyone would like to volunteer, call Charlie Gentry at 513-300-8173. Monetary donations may be sent to the SEM Pantry at 1260 Columbus Av. Cincinnati OH 45255. Additional donations can be made during open hours of Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday 10 a.m.–2 p.m. and Tuesday evening 5:30–7 p.m.

Parish Breakfast

The Knights of Columbus monthly breakfast will be held this Sunday, following 7:30 & 9:30 a.m. Masses. We have buffet favorites including biscuits & gravy, pancakes, home-made potatoes, ham, sausage, scrambled eggs, fruit, bakery, along with orange juice and coffee. We also feature made-to-order omelets and goetta. Adults are \$8, children 3–12 are \$4, and all children under the age of three are FREE! All new parishioners are also invited to be our guest FREE OF CHARGE. Bring the entire family for a delicious breakfast prepared by the Knights of Columbus. Members of the welcoming committee, members of the IHM community will be available to welcome you and to answer any questions you may have. This month we welcome the 6th graders!

Senior Heritage Lunch

Enjoy the Christmas Spirit at our next Senior Heritage Luncheon on Tuesday, December 18 at noon in the Heritage Hall! Please bring a plate of Christmas Cookies to share and join in singing Christmas Songs led by Julie Stinchcomb and Julie Spangler. The Senior Heritage Lunch is open to anyone aged 60 or over and the cost is a suggested \$5 to cover meal expenses.



Educational Assistant Needed

IHM School is interviewing candidates for Educational Assistant.

15-25 hours per week

Schedule is flexible

Please contact Assistant Principal Jodi Turpening if interested, 513-388-4086, Turpening.j@ihomschool.org

DECEMBER 9 OFFERTORY

Actual

\$46,238

Budget \$75,000

FISCAL YEAR TO DATE

Actual through 24 weeks \$1,020,652

Budget through 24 weeks \$1,125,000

Difference -9.3%

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.

Todd & Andrea Ayers and Ethan & Bode

Vincent & Giulia Castrigano and Aaron

Melquicedec Hernandez & Ixsa Valladares and Alexy, Anderson & Emanuel

Donald & Donna Quehl

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.

SCHOOL STAFF

Principal Krista Devine 388-4086 (devine.k@ihomschool.org)

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PARISH RELGION PROGRAM

Coordinator of Children's Formation Tina Ramundo

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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.





Fun and Fitness at IHM School

Physical Education is an integral part of the curriculum at IHM School. Students are required to participate each week in a PE Class, led by Mr. Austin Newman. Each class begins with a warm-up of various exercises from running and sit-ups to jumping jacks and push-ups. Students are instructed on finding their heart rates and ways to live a healthy lifestyle through balanced diet and exercise. Students participate in a variety of sports units including basketball, badminton, volleyball, soccer and more. Mr. Newman holds tournaments for the culmination of each unit and



winning teams are presented with a trophy and showcased on the "Wall of Fame" in the gym. We thank Mr. Newman for making fitness a lot of fun for our IHM students!

Are you looking for a way to deepen your Advent prayer time?

Join us on Thursday, December 20th in an informal, comfortable setting to pray evening prayer together. If you have wanted to learn how to pray the Liturgy of the Hours, this is a perfect opportunity as we will be happy to teach anyone who joins us. If you pray evening prayer at home please take this opportunity to pray with others during Advent. The Liturgy of the Hours is a wonderful way to pray with the entire church. We will gather at 7 p.m. in The Fatima Room in the church.

For more information contact Joy Roose or Ed Bayliss.

Shop\$mart for Christmas!

Only 2 weeks left to get that Christmas shopping done! The Perfect Gift or Stocking Stuffer Gift Card is waiting for your pick up! Shop Shop\$mart for IHM after weekend masses in the Fatima Room or the Parish Office during business hours. The Parish website has a complete list of gift cards we have available!

Encountering Christ in a Personal Way Today:

On this third Sunday of Advent, the people were eager to change their lives to prepare for the Messiah. "What should we do?" St. John the Baptist told them "Whoever has two cloaks should share with the person who has none. And whoever has food should do likewise." As challenging as this is for us in America who have so much, it is only the first step towards being baptized



with the Holy Spirit and fire! How are you preparing for Jesus to come again?

Fathers Team Topic This Week: Is "Sympathy for the Devil" (Rolling Stones) Really Sympathy for Yourself?

It's hard to approach this topic without making mention of the Rolling Stones infamous song, "Sympathy for the Devil." This song became an anthem for much of the turmoil that surrounded our country in the late 60's. We faced civil unrest that included protests to the Vietnam War along with the assassinations of the Kennedy's and Dr. Martin Luther King. Did the devil cause all of these things?

Upon further review the Rolling Stone's song's actually is not a magnification or glorification of evil. Rather, the events described in the song are a reflection of our own actions. So, when we say, "the devil made me do it", are we showing "sympathy" for our own misdeeds and wrongdoings? That is, are we really just excusing (or justifying) our own actions?

Join us Friday Morning at 6:03 a.m. for Fathers Team. All dads are welcome! St. Matthew Room, IHM Welcome Center

info@fathersteam.org | www.Fathersteam.org | www.facebook.com/fathersteam

Need A Ride—Give A Ride

We would like to know if you are unable to make it to Mass but would come if you had a ride. Please call the parish office or email parish@ihom.org and let us know that you Need a Ride. Please give us your name, address and what Mass(es) you would like to attend. We would also like to know if you are willing to Give A Ride to a parishioner who needs a ride. If you are interested, please call the parish office at 388-4466 or email parish@ihom.org and let us know that you are willing to Give A Ride. Please give us your name, address and what Mass you usually attend. Please consider signing up to Give A Ride even if you aren't sure you can commit to every week. You can really brighten a person's day by giving them a ride to Mass.

2019 Calendars Available

Please take a 2019 calendar (or two), available in the gathering space in church near the exits.

Donations Needed

Our IHM MAKER SPACE conversion has begun. We are excited to provide our students with this educational opportunity.

We need your help!

Donations of the following items are needed:

- · Legos
- Lincoln Logs
- Tinker Toys
- K'Nex

Do you have any of these sets with some or half of the pieces missing?! WE WILL TAKE THEM! Clean out your closets for the holidays and help our Maker Space Lab! You can send any of your donations to the School or Parish Office by January 10th!

We appreciate your continued support of our school community!

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.

FORMED

Visit our FORMED Community... You can visit the Community Page for Immaculate Heart of Mary by visiting https://ihom.formed.org to see our active discussion groups and featured content.

If you are not yet registered on FORMED this same link will allow you to first set up a new account as part of our on-line FORMED Community. Enjoy, and may God Bless you... #formed #catholic

SACRAMENTS

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

Baptisms

Peggy Sorrentino 388-4093 (peggys@ihom.org)

First Reconciliation & First Holy Communion

Tina Ramundo 388-4098 (ramundo.t@ihomschool.org)

Confirmation

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

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Jay Mather 388-4188 (jaym@ihom.org)

Marriage

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Holy Orders

Father Tom Kreidler 388-4466 (parish@ihom.org)

Anointing of the Sick Marisue Naber 388-4184 (marisuen@ihom.org)

Mathnasium

Tha Math Learning Center 513-231-MATH (6284)

How do Catholics Interpret the Bible?

Join a Small Faith Sharing Group led by Ted Czupik to study the Readings of the Mass, using the resource "At Home With the Word". They meet every other Monday from 7–8:30 p.m. in the Parish Welcome Center Library. Please email Ted at tjrczupik@mac.com if you have any questions or for the date of the next study session.

Centered In The Eucharist...

The heart of our Parish Mission Statement is the phrase above... "centered in the Eucharist."

Our parish Worship Commission meets regularly to plan and evaluate our worship and the many Liturgical Ministries needed to make it happen.

Recently, our work has focused on our existing practices and how we can better carry out what needs to happen. At the same time, we have also recently received updated guidelines from the Archdiocese of Cincinnati.

The new Liturgical Year begins on the First Sunday of Advent, December 2, 2018. As we begin the "new year" there are some changes to our liturgical practices that we wanted to alert you to as well as provide some explanation as to why these changes are being implemented.

- During the Liturgy of the Word, the Lectors will be seated nearer the Ambo, allowing for a much streamlined approach to the Ambo. This will eliminate the long procession of Lectors to and from the Ambo. Why the change? The focus here should be on the proclamation of the Scriptures and not movement.
- During the Preparation of the Altar at Offertory, the bowls needed for the distribution of Holy Communion will be brought forward, pre-filled with unconsecrated hosts, and placed on the Altar. Why the change? Our current practice of filling the bowls during the Lamb of God can be somewhat problematic. For instance, dropping consecrated hosts is never a good thing and "scooping" consecrated hosts from bowl to bowl can be seen as less reverent than it should be.
- At Mass, the ideal has always been that hosts needed for that Mass are consecrated at that Mass and that using hosts from the Tabernacle should be avoided when possible. Recently, Archbishop Schnurr has asked that parishes begin implementing this practice. While going to the Tabernacle is still a valid option, and while we will need to do that from time to time, we will be doing our best to comply with this directive.
- Archbishop Schnurr has also asked parishes to look at how Holy Communion is
 distributed to those who will be serving the Homebound. Beginning in January,
 there will be some adjustments to our current practice. This will be communicated
 in more detail at a later date.

These changes in practice are being implemented not simply to change or to save time. They are being done to refocus our attention. Sometimes, "how" something is done can overshadow what is actually being done. The hope of the Commission is that these adjustments will allow each of us to more fully focus on the ritual action taking place, thereby enhancing and deepening our prayer together.

The Angels: Job Well Done

For the fourth year IHM has participated in the Angel Tree Project, a program of Prison Fellowship Ministry and, as usual, our dedicated volunteers did an outstanding job. This year we provided gifts for 49 children, the sons and daughters of persons currently incarcerated. The inmate initiates the process: completing an application requesting a gift for his/her children. After a review and approval of the application, referrals are made to participating congregations. Volunteers then purchase the gifts, arrange delivery to the child's home and, in teams of three make a home visit. As part of the visit, a picture of the child with the gift is taken with a copy given to the child and a copy sent to the incarcerated parent. The goals of the program are to encourage and maintain the ties between parent and child, to demonstrate to the child that he/ she is valued and loved, and to support the caregivers.

Our parish follows the guidelines established by Prison Fellowship Ministry, and also follows are commitment to "go the extra mile." We spend time with the child's caregivers to determine if the family has any particular needs and make appropriate referrals, we provide a gift card to the family to help with additional Christmas expenses and invite the family to attend our Christmas Day dinner. We also send a birthday card in the name of the parish to each child.

Many thanks to all who helped make this program a success again this year: donors, gift buyers, the delivery teams and those who coordinated schedules. Your help in making the program a success was invaluable. You helped brighten the lives of some of our neighbors who are often overlooked.

LoveEd Parent Resource

We know how challenging it is to be a parent today. But you are not alone! The parish would like to help with LoveEd, a new program that will give you the confidence, the tools and the time to teach the meaning of life along with the facts of life.

Parents of children ages 2–14 gather, in a video and discussion format on Wednesday, January 16, 2019, from 6:30–8:30pm in Heritage Hall. This will help you talk to your young people about the beauty and the purpose of their sexuality. You will get knowledge and support to discuss what is often (but doesn't have to be!) an uncomfortable topic!

Additional gender-specific and age-specific sessions will be held after the introductory session January 16. Each session has an accompanying gender-specific child workbook for \$26. There is also an optional Parent Guide that lists church teachings and examples of things to say to children at different ages. This resource is also \$26.

Please register before December 30th for this event by going to https://ihom.weshareonline.org/

Scholarships are available. For more information, please contact Donna Wenstrup in the Formation Office 513-388-4189.

PARISH MINISTRY CONTACTS

Adoration Admin. & Fin. Comm. Jeff Davis **Altar Servers** Deacon Dave Shaffer Alzheimer's Family Support Marisue Naber American Heritage Girls Elizabeth Ryan Art & Fnvironment Dave Auxier **Boosters** Rob Knarr & Dave Caldwell **Boy Scouts** Thomas Vaughan **Bread Ministry** Pat Planitz **Cancer Support Group** Sharon Sanker Catholic Divorce Survival **Carol Higgins** Caregiver Careline 513-929-4483 Charismatic Prayer Group **Betsy Ross** Child Care Giselle Vaughn Communications/Print/Electronic Michelle Peters Communion/Anderson JoAnn Best Communion/Asbury Wood Jane Derrick Communion/Homebound Marge Gutekunst Communion/NEC Carol Stretch Communion/SFM Manor Ine Keeler Core Nurses Group Marisue Naber **CRHP Continuation Chair** Gloria Ann Castleman **Cub Scouts** Kevin Novotny **Education Commission** Mike Gundrum Elizabeth Ministry Marisue Naber **Enthronement of the Sacred Heart** Jill Coffey & Sally Schroder Evangelization/Catechesis Comm. Rudy Noble **Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion** Rusty McHugh **FATHERS Team** Raul Tellez Dale White, Jr. & Craig Connolly Festival **Festival Volunteers** Scott Ackerman Food from the Heart Sherrie Heyse Girl Scouts Becky Leibreich **Grief Support Group** Judy Sherlock Health Ministry Comm. Marty Walker HeartBeat Michelle Peters Hispanic Ministry Gloria Milord Hispanic Ministry Choir **Don Harrison** Hospitality Tim Arnold Knights of Columbus Ed Enalish Lectors Michael Miller MAGIC Roxanne Your Marriage Prep Linda Reekers Men's Fellowship League John Hunt Music Ministry **David Auxier New Parishioner Registration** Jill Ambrose NFP (Natural Family Planning) Missy Feldkamp Tracey Barsczewski Parish Coffee Pam/Dan Payne **Pastoral Council** Stan Ochs Planned Giving Committee Dick Schimpf **Prayer Circle** JoAnn Best & Carol Stretch **Prayer Shawl Ministry** Terry Alvarez **Prison Ministry** Dave Pommert Respect Life Jane Elfers Retrouvaille Dick & Mary McConn SEM Manor **Cathy Beumer** St. Vincent de Paul 388-4191 **Scheduling Rooms** Linda Reekers SHOP\$MART Jacqueline White **Small Faith Groups** Donna Wentrup Sherrie Heyse & Jim Moyer Social Action Coordinating Comm. Stewardship Comm. John Murphy Theology of The Body Deacon Russ Feldkamp & Missy Feldkamp Twinning CCBN Maggie Rosch Twinning OLM Judy O'Brien Welcoming Committee Gloria Ann Castleman Angel Franco, Carie Masoner & Jeff Davis Winter Gala Works of Kindness Mark Jira **Worship Commission** Joanne Middlekamp & Steve Latreille



Have you signed up for the 1% Challenge[™] yet? 1% of your day is about 15 minutes, IHM parish challenges YOU to take 15 minutes or your day in personal prayer! If you have already committed to the 1% Challenge[™], this busy time of year is a perfect moment to recommit to daily prayer. This will ensure we arrive to Christmas day focused and ready to receive baby Jesus into our hearts. Sign up for the challenge by scanning the QR code with your smartphone, or by emailing nicolettec@ihom.org.

Prayer Tip—Spend a couple of minutes of prayer in gratitude for the gifts God has given you.

Sun, Dec 16: LK 3:10–18 Awaiting the Messiah

Mon, Dec 17: **Psalm 80** Longing for the Coming of Jesus

Tues, Dec 18: Mt 1:18–25 Joseph's Dream

Wed, Dec 19: **Lk 1:5–25** Trust in God

Thur, Dec 20: Isaiah 7:10–14 Promise of Emmanuel

Fri, Dec 21: **Lk 1:39–45**Joy in Service

Sat, Dec 22: Lk 1:46–56 Praise to the Lord



Our Lady of the Mountains Thank you to all who contributed to the Thanksgiving Day collection for Our Lady of the Mountains. The total collected was \$1952.00. This money will be used to buy the food for Christmas dinner for over 150 needy families living in the area of Powell County, KY. This small parish could not do this without your help.

DEACONS: Ministers of Service— Sacraments and other Rituals (part 6 of 10)

Deacons can baptize, witness marriages, perform funeral and burial services outside of Mass, distribute Holy Communion, preach the homily (which is the sermon given after the Gospel at Mass), and are obligated to pray the Divine Office (Breviary) each day. They cannot celebrate Mass, but they can preside at celebrations of the Eucharist outside of mass including presiding at benedictions.

Praying With Nature

Offered by the Sisters of Charity Spirituality Center on Wednesday, December 19 from 9:30-11AM. Nature is one of the most fulfilling gifts we have in our lives. Come celebrate the turning of the seasons with the gifts of nature that S. Marty Dermody has captured with her camera. The program will be held at the Sisters of Charity Motherhouse, 5900 Delhi Road. There is no fee for this program but registration is requested. Please contact the Spirituality Center 513-347-5449 or spirituality.center@srcharitycinti.org for additional information.

World Day of Peace Masses: January 1, 2019

The Archdiocese will again celebrate two Masses on the Solemnity of Mary in commemoration of the World Day of Peace on New Year's Day. Archbishop Dennis Schnurr will preside at the Cathedral of St. Peter in Chains at 11 a.m. and Bishop Joseph Binzer will preside at St. Charles Borromeo (4500 December 2018 Clergy Communications 7 Ackerman Blvd, Kettering, OH 45429) at 11 a.m. This is a wonderful opportunity to pray for life, dignity, creation and peace in our world!

Retrouvaille: January 11-13

The Retrouvaille Program helps couples restore and rebuild a loving relationship. It is for couples whose marriages are struggling, not communicating well, and those who are considering marriage separation or divorce. For more information contact: www.cincyretrouvaille.org or HelpOurMarriage.com or call: 513.456.5413.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter: January 25–27

In the ups and downs of marriage, sometimes couples need a little something to snap themselves out of the downs. The communication technique and the other tools learned on a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend are often just the remedies a couple needs. For more information or to register visit www.wwme.org or call 937.886.5196.

Monday, December 17							
7 PM Bible Study	CH CH WC						
Tuesday, December 18							
8:15 AM Mass with School Children	CH WC WC SC WC CH						
Wednesday, December 19							
1 PMBible Study	CH CH CH CH						
Thursday, December 20							
8 AM PTO Grand Guest Day School 9:30 AM Bible Study Blessed Mother 9:30 AM Nativity Play Performance Church 9:30 AM Moms Bible Study St Matthew 4 PM Stretching & Fitness Class St Gabriel 6 PM Caregiver Support Group Guadalupe 7:30 PM RCIA Legion of Mary Room/St Francis of Assisi/St Matthew	SC WC CH WC WC CH WC						
Friday, December 21							
6:03 AM Fathers Team	WC WC						
Saturday, December 22							
4:30 PM Shop\$mart Sales	CH						
Sunday, December 23							
8 AM Shop\$mart Sales	CH WC						

Liturgical Ministers Schedule December 22 & 23							
	Presider	Deacons	Coordinators	Lectors	Servers		
5 p.m. (Sat.)	Fr. Kreidler	Dcn. Shaffer	Nancy Massaron Michael Miller	Cheri Klink Tom M Armstrong Gene Baker-C	McKinley Kramer* Jacquelyn Ramsey Sophia Riccardi Grayson Slemons		
7:30 a.m.	Fr. Kreidler	Dcn. Johnson	Steve Yards	Jane Phelan Steve Yards	Maria Ramundo* Daniel Reuss Grace Reuss William Reuss		
9:30 a.m.	Fr. Kreidler	Dcn. Johnson	Mark & Nancy Kleespies	Chris Dawe Patsy D'Netto Kelly Kocher-C	Ella Anderson* Molly Anderson Harlie Galloway Graydon Galloway Lilliana McHugh		
11:30 a.m.	Fr. Crone	Dcn. Feldkamp	Gloria Ann Castleman Susie Defisher	Caroline Welsh Tim Tucker Grant Foreman-C	Matthew Carpenter Maureen Carpenter Peter Carpenter William Loebker*		
1:30 p.m.	Comboni		Maria Lanzot	Maria Dominguez Karla Silverio Maria Reina Guzman	Mathew Bykadorov Vanessa Morales Nataly Morales		
6 p.m.	Fr. Crone	Dcn. Feldkamp	Tom & Val Kellerman	Margaret Bergh Jim Kahles Marie Steinkuhl-C	Luke Dearborn Reese Kincaid Max Stewart Joseph Walsh		
Reconciliation: Fr. Kreidler				(C) Commentator			



"In the classroom and on the field, young men from IHM stand out. Students from IHM are well prepared academically, socially, and spirituality to become Remarkable Men at Moeller High School."

—Mr. Carl Kremer, Principal, Archbishop Moeller High School

OPEN HOUSE JANUARY 27, 12:30–3PM

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We are inviting anyone who is alone, with no place to go, suffering financial difficulties, homeless, etc. to our annual Christmas Dinner sponsored by The Knights of Columbus.

Our homemade dinner will take place on Christmas Day at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, at 1 p.m. in Heritage Hall. 7800 Beechmont Ave. | Cincinnati, OH 45255

Please RSVP to IHM's Parish Office at 388-4466 by December 21, to join us for Christmas dinner.

If you need a ride, or are unable to come but would like a dinner, please let the Parish Office know. We will gladly accommodate.

