

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2016

5:00 PM + James Drummer

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2016

8:15 AM – People of the Parish

11:15 AM + Jane Ann Hoover

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 2016

NO MASS

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 2016

9:00 AM + All Souls Intention

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 23, 2016

9:00 AM+ Florentino Francisco

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 24, 2016 - THANKSGIVING

9:00 AM+ Lori Brown

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 25, 2016

9:00 AM + Deceased Members of the Todt Family

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 26, 2016

5:00 PM + Ann Wainwright

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 27, 2016

8:15 AM – People of the Parish

11:15 AM + Kathleen Colgan

+indicates - deceased

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

Isaiah 2:1-5 / Romans 13:11-14

Matthew 24:37-44

FAMILY PERSPECTIVE - Today's gospel reminds us the Kingdom of Heaven is not like the Disney's Magic Kingdom. Admission to Christ's Kingdom is paid with the currency of acceptance, forgiveness, attention to the poor and love of one's enemy.

SICK OF THE PARISH – Please keep our members in your thoughtful prayers.

Susan Goughnour, Fred & Yvonne Staub, Kenneth Williams, Don & Roxey Myers, Helen & Laverne Lawrence, Keira Slonaker, Polly Renaut, John Feiser, Dorothy Schlaline, Doris Pohlman, Marilyn Drummer, Kai Goley, Maria Maxwell, Richard Harkenrider, Jay Gary, Louise Snoots, Norma Woerner, Theron Menges, Noreen Kline, Alice Williams, Rose Altobelli, Kathleen Krepps, Carl Ramskow, Mark Schlaline, Dick Carley and Brenda Freed.

WE WELCOME the following member into our parish family through the Sacrament of Baptism: Abigail Catherine Beshore, daughter of Nicholas & Wendy Beshore.

THE PARISH OFFICE IS CLOSED THURSDAY AND FRIDAY FOR THE THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY.

SCRIPTURE REFLECTION

Having reminded the apostles and the crowd that facing the coming judgment takes patience, Jesus now goes on to speak of how difficult it will be to wait. He tells them that he has come to set the earth on fire.

Jesus will be the first to experience the distress of the coming judgment. His baptism will be the conflict into which he will be immersed as he approaches Jerusalem and his death on the cross. His followers will not be spared that distress. The angels at Jesus' birth proclaimed peace on earth. Here Jesus tells the crowd not to think he has come to bring peace; he has come to bring division. Peace is the ultimate end of the Kingdom of God, but peace has a price. Jesus is warning the crowd that wherever the Word of God is heard and acted upon, division occurs.

We don't expect to hear such difficult words from Jesus in the Gospel. But it is good to be reminded once in a while that the decision to do the right thing, the good thing, is not always easy and without conflict. Jesus himself did not make easy decisions and avoid conflict. In today's readings, he reminds his followers to be prepared for difficult decisions and conflict as well.

FAMILY CONNECTION

Families strive for unity and togetherness. Nobody enjoys occasions when divisions in family life become all too evident. Explain that sometimes as parents, you have to make decisions that are unpopular with your children. You don't do it to divide the family but because it is the right thing to do. Encourage your children to pray to the Holy Spirit for the gift of courage so that they may always try to do the right thing even if it is unpopular.

MISSION FOR LITURGY AND WORSHIP

ALTAR SERVERS for Sat/Sun Nov. 26-27

5:00 PM Mass: Regina Walton, Hannah Fletcher, Keira Slonaker

8:15 AM Mass: Jade Kent, Ava Simone, Lauren Wicker

11:15 AM Mass: Margaret & Clare Mailey, Sally Earp
Coordinator is Lori Kuhn.

LECTORS for Sat/Sun Nov. 26-27

5 PM MASS – Betsy Miriello

8:15 AM MASS – Barb Bowler

11:15 AM MASS – Andy Hershey

Coordinator is Dianne Giampietro.

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY

COMMUNION (EMHC) for Sat/Sun Nov. 26-27

5:00 PM: Sharon Hare, Syndia Helmers, Pat & Randy Slonaker, Janet Todt

8:15 AM: Kevin Heilman, Margie & Sam Leese, Jeanne Maysilles, Midge Stokes

11:15 AM: Bonnie Hensel, Joyce Menges, John & Diane Schlaline, Leland Steinke

Coordinator is Claire Wentz.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

1. On Sunday, Nov. 20th the extraordinary **Jubilee Year of Mercy** comes to a close. God's mercy is something that we each need to experience regularly and intimately. What is divine mercy? It is God's loving patience. It is the Father's loving gaze upon us in our sinfulness. It is the Good Shepherd's invitation to come to Him in the sacrament of Reconciliation, because our sins truly burden us. It is the Holy Spirit's joy within us knowing that we are loved for who we are as God's beloved children, not for what we do. See why it's so important to have a regular and intimate experience of God's mercy – because if not the lies of the world, the flesh, and the devil will lead us astray.
2. A special **thank you** to Sr. Rosanne, the Knights of Columbus, the Boy Scouts, and all those who helped in anyway with the **holiday bazaar** that took place here at IHM this past Saturday, Nov. 19th.
3. This Sunday is **Bible Sunday**. Have you ever wanted to get deeper into the inspired Word of God? Here are some great suggestions:
 - Go to www.usccb.org each day to ready the daily Mass readings
 - Check out the following resources from the US Bishops website: <http://www.usccb.org/bible/national-bible-week/>
 - Other good ideas: <https://catholic-resources.org/Bible/Reading-Bible.htm>
 - Want to read the Bible in a year? Check out this guide: <http://www.presentationministries.com/brochures/ThroughBible.asp>.
4. This Thursday is **Thanksgiving**. I am very thankful to God for such a wonderful parish family, and for the many blessings I have received since coming here to IHM. A special **Mass** will be offered at 9 AM on Thanksgiving Day to thank God, for He is truly good!
5. Sunday, Nov. 27th is the **first Sunday of Advent**, which begins our liturgical and spiritual preparation for the celebration of Christ's birth on Christmas. Advent devotional booklets are available on the ledges behind the last pews in the church (one per family). Please take one to help you make the most of Advent.

God bless you and your week – Fr. Marcoe

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS – “Jesus, remember me when you come into Your kingdom.” Will you make Christ the King and His merciful love remembered as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? Call Father Brian Wayne at (717)657-4804 ext. 282 or email frbwayne@hbgdiocese.org.

SEPTEMBER FINANCIAL REPORT –

Monthly Budget	\$ 33,600.00
Income for Sept. 4	10,002.70
Sept. 11	9,304.11
Sept. 18	8,651.40
Sept. 25	9,503.05
TOTAL MONTHLY INCOME	\$ 37,488.26

SECOND COLLECTIONS:

Capital Expense Collection	1,248.00
Peter's Pence Collection	2,402.00
Disaster (Louisiana flood)	2,204.43

OCTOBER FINANCIAL REPORT –

Monthly Budget	\$ 42,000.00
Income for Oct. 2	9,515.35
Oct. 9	7,930.25
Oct. 16	8,468.55
Oct. 23	7,251.25
Oct. 30	10,355.50
TOTAL MONTHLY INCOME	\$ 43,520.90

SECOND COLLECTIONS:

Capital Improvements	1,386.50
Mission Collection	1,570.77

COOKIES FOR WORLD HUNGER – The sale only lasts two weeks! We are hopeful our parish will buy/sell these trays to help all those who desperately need our help. 100% of the proceeds from the sale supports Cross Catholic Outreach's Haiti and Nicaragua School Feeding Programs. **Last year, IHM provided 25,125 meals** to starving people in Haiti and Nicaragua and the total sales efforts fed over **1.6 million** people. **The proceeds from 1 gift tray provides at least 375 meals!** Please help feed those who are in great need. All orders must be returned by Dec. 4th. Any questions, please call Anita in the Parish Office.

CHILDREN'S CHOIR

It's that time again when we are looking for our children (ages 4 and up) to participate in our Children's Choir at the 5:00 PM Mass on Christmas Eve. Practices will be held on the following Sunday afternoons from 3:00-4:15 PM --- December 4th, 11th, and 18th. If your child/children are interested, please call or email Sister Rosanne by Thursday, December 1st.

RUTH'S HARVEST – Anyone who would like to assist in packing the back packs again this year is welcome to join us on Monday, Nov. 21st at the Fire House in Abbottstown at 10 AM.

GROCERY CERTIFICATES – Please know how VERY GRATEFUL we are to all of you who support our Grocery Certificate Program and ultimately our Religious Education Program. During the week of Nov. 13, 2016 we sold \$2090 for a profit of \$104.50.

DELONE CATHOLIC HONOR ROLL –

Congratulations to Liam Miriello, who also received Second Honors at Delone.

THANK YOU – Boy Scout Troop 127 would like to thank everyone who attended and supported the annual Veterans Day Dinner honoring our veterans. Special thanks to Steve and Joanne Signorello for the delicious food and Sister Rosanne for coordinating ticket sales. Thanks to your support and a generous donation by the Knights of Columbus, we were able to raise almost \$500 for the PA Wounded Warriors.



THANKSGIVING DAY DINNER – For all the people who will not be with their family for dinner Thanksgiving Day – come to a “Pot Luck” turkey dinner at Roy’s home. I’ll prepare a turkey and stuffing, etc., you bring a covered dish or dessert, and any special beverage. Plan on 1 PM to sit down (come earlier if you like). Please call 792-3408 to let me know so we can plan how much. Or email roywainwright3@gmail.com and I’ll confirm with you. (I will make turkey, stuffing, gravy, cranberry sauce and mashed potatoes and have cool whip for desserts, plus cider, water and milk). We will need sweet potatoes, veggies, pumpkin & mince pies & wine.

NFP (NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING) TALK – Dr. Garcia will be coming to St. Joseph the Worker Parish on Dec. 15th from 6:30 – 8 PM, to give a talk on NFP for young couples and those interested in understanding the truths of NFP (Natural Family Planning) and dispel the myths around its use.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION WINTERFEST – will be held on Saturday, Dec. 3rd. The event will take place at the New Oxford Social Club Pavilion, 200 W. Golden Lane, New Oxford from 8 am – 2 pm. Shop over 35 vendors, including Avon, Mary Kay, Pampered Chef, Scentsy, Tastefully Simple, ThirtyOne, Tupperware and a variety of homemade and hand-crafted wood and home décor items. You’ll find the perfect gift for friends and family. Come early to get your Christmas cookies from the famous Cookie Walk.

ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE (ESL) – classes are offered at St. Vincent de Paul Church, 220 Third St., Hanover three times a week. We have classes Monday and Thursday morning from 9-10:30 am and on Thursday evening from 7-8:30 pm. Our teachers are motivated and ready to help you learn the English language. For further information, please contact Judith E. Ciancio at juditheciancio@comcast.net. Or 717-476-0405.

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS TREE SALE – Annunciation Parish Boy Scout Troop #107 will be selling fresh Christmas Trees at the Annunciation Parking Lot located off of Main St. in McSherrystown. Beginning on Saturday, Nov. 26th through Saturday, Dec. 24th. Sale hours: Monday through Friday: 5-9 pm, Saturday: 9 am – 9 pm, Sunday: 11 am – 8 pm.

ECUMENICAL SERVICE – An Ecumenical Inter-Religious Candlelight Service will be held in memory of those who have died as a result of suicide. The service is being held on Sunday evening, Dec. 4, 2016 at 6 PM at Sacred Heart Basilica, 30 Basilica Dr., Hanover. All are welcome. Light refreshments will be served following the service. For more information, contact Sue Poist at 624-2055 or smpoist@hotmail.com.

HOMESPUN PROJECT – We are in our eleventh season of giving to the Homespun Project, the winter’s of 2016 and 2017. So far this year we have given 13 prayer shawls, 16 blankets, 5 hat sets, 48 hats, 15 winter scarves, 2 pairs of gloves, and 31 pairs of knitted slippers. We are in need of blankets. The ideal size is a 50” x 60” (throw size, afghan or twin size) We cannot take clothing, however, Hanover Area Council of Churches, Community Aide and goodwill are always in need of clothing. We will again be giving to Veterans, adults hats, gloves, mittens and especially blankets will be given to ‘For the Love of a Veteran’. What a wonderful feeling of ‘Home Sweet Home’. Drop off sites for blankets continue to be A&B Religious Shop, and Nature’s Illusions Religious Shop. Please contact Lori Ann Ziolkowski at leo.ziolkowski@gmail.com, or call 633-5135 for information on the Homespun Project. Christmas is not a time or a season, but a state of mind.

THANKS TO

* * * * *

* * * * *

When a mother saw a thunderstorm forming in mid-afternoon, she worried about her seven-year old daughter who would be walking the three blocks from school to home. Deciding to meet her, the mother saw her daughter walking nonchalantly along, stopping to smile whenever lightning flashed. Seeing her mother, the little girl ran to her, explaining happily, "All the way home, God's been taking my picture!"

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS NEEDED - Our Parish is in need of several more Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. This ministry plays an important role assisting Father in distributing Holy Communion to our parishioners at Mass on weekends and Holy Days of Obligation. Please call Father if you feel God is calling you for this ministry. You must 18 years of age or older, a practicing Catholic and a member of our parish.

ABBOTTSTOWN/EAST BERLIN FOOD BANK – the food pantry held on Oct. 5th served 90 families which included 239 individuals. The link to the Time to Sign Up page for the food pantry on Wednesday, Nov. 2nd is <https://www.volunteersignup.org/T9DLW>. Please remember to drop off health/beauty aid items, such as soaps, toothbrushes, diapers, etc. and place them in the food pantry barrels.

GET THE APP – Holy Family Radio now has its very own app! For iPhone or Android users, simply go to your app store in your phone, search "Holy Family Radio AM 720" then click download! Holy Family Radio operates the only Catholic Radio Station in our Diocese. They broadcast on AM 720 from dawn to dusk. They are live 24/7 on line at www.720whyf.com or on their App!

BUS TO WASHINGTON, DC – IT'S TIME TO DO GOD'S WORK! Put the date, JANUARY 27, 2017 aside to MARCH FOR LIFE, to send a message that Abortion is wrong, and must come to an end. Join us, to fill a bus, and show a peaceful March for Life in Washington, DC. Contact Steve Signorello at 253-5924 or John Schlaline at 699-4534 to reserve a seat on the bus.

MARRIAGE ANNULMENTS – The Tribunal of the Diocese of Harrisburg will be giving a presentation concerning marriage, divorce and annulment according to Church teaching. This presentation will be helpful for divorced Catholics, those divorced who wish to marry Catholics, those parish leaders involved in the RCIA process and any others who may have a vested interest because of family or friends. This session will be held on Nov. 9th at 7 PM in the Cardinal Keeler Center of the diocesan office building. No prior registration is required.

PARISH WEBSITE HAS MORE PARISH INFORMATION, CALENDAR AND ACTIVITIES. VISIT WWW.IHMPARADISE.ORG.

WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS – We are happy to welcome the following new parishioners to IHM Parish:
Michael & Keegan Woods, Abbottstown
Jessica & Marcelo Sanchez & family, Spring Grove

MASS INTENTIONS – Mass intentions are a wonderful way to celebrate a special occasion, remember those who have died or are sick and in need of our prayers. Please consider this as a "gift" for someone. Call Anita in the Parish Office to arrange your Mass intentions.

FLOWERS – Looking for a way to memorialize a loved one or celebrate a special occasion? A beautiful way would be to order flowers on the altar. Most weekends are available from now through the end of the year. **Please call Anita in the parish office** to make arrangements.

AERO ENERGY PLAN – For each parishioner who is or becomes an Aero customer, IHM receives up to 3 cents per gallon of oil or propane. This is an excellent way to help your parish! If you are not already registered with Aero Energy for this program, please call Aero Energy at 888-480-1271 and sign up for the House of Worship Program. Any questions, please call Anita in the parish office.

MEDICAL EQUIPMENT – We here at IHM have several pieces of medical equipment for parishioners to borrow when needed. They include: crutches, walkers, commode boosters, shower chairs, a cane and a wheelchair. Also, a parishioner has items that are no longer needed and if someone would like to have them, please contact the parish office for more information. They include 16" wheelchair, walker, SpOx fingertip meter, toilet seat side rails, toilet seat lifts, automatic blood pressure meter, shower chairs, bathtub handrail, short bedrail, women's depends L. There are also two items for sell; a bathtub lift and a Go-Go electric scooter.

Call Anita in the parish office at 259-0611, ext. 5.

HIPPA LAWS – Please note that HIPPA (health care privacy laws) prevent hospitals from automatically notifying the parish office when you are in the hospital. Therefore, we ask you to please give consent (permission) for the parish office to be notified. If you would like Fr. Marcoe to know of your hospitalization, please inform the parish office before going into the hospital OR once hospitalized, ask the nurse or hospital chaplain/pastoral care staff person to notify the parish.