

The Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 16, 2008

In November the church calls us to remember that this life is passing. This week's parable is about how to live that life: fully alive and employing all that God has give us. Let us pray for the grace not to squander the gifts of this good life.

Masses of the Week

Beginning November 17, 2008

MON: Lourdes Ranta (SI) Luis Gerardo Vasco
TUES: Kathy Griggs Gabriel Louis Pacione
WED: Frank Passaro Esther Craig
THURS: Grace Stella Lee Mancheste
FRI: Margaret Deteske William Zenobia
SAT: All Souls

Saturday, Nov. 22, 2008

4:30 pm Marie White Francis Michael
6:00 pm Ann Eagan Ellen Hiller

Sunday, Nov. 23, 2008

7:30 AM People of the Parish
9:00 AM Margaret M. Gugliano Louis D. Steinbacher
10:30 AM Jenny Kehoe Doris Derr

Confirmation

Noon: Raymond Edward Adolph Mrs. Linda Mueller

N.H. - indicates Nursing Home

S.I. - indicates Special Intention

SCRIPTURE READINGS for Nov. 23, 2008

FIRST: Prov 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31. The woman who fears the Lord is to be praised.

SECOND: 1 Thess 5:1-6 We are children of the light. Stay awake.

GOSPEL: Matt 25:14-30 The parable of the talents.

PRAYER CHAIN If you have a PRAYER REQUEST call any member of the IHM Prayer Chain: Call Ann Connolly 410-661-6947, Mary Ann Thaler 410-668-7738, Corrine Kelly 410-665-8193

IHM Travel Group

Festival of Light – Wheeling WVA. Dec. 9 – 11. \$364. \$478 (single) – Oglebay Park Lights Kruger Street Toys and Trains. For reservations or info Call. Dot Raab at 410-668-7760 Send checks to Dot Raab 8537 Oak Road Balt. MD 21234. Make checks payable to IHM Travel.

The IHM Holy Name is selling Entertainment Books. If interested call Don Ward at 410-882-6644.

PRAY FOR VOCATIONS

Collections for the Weekend of Nov. 9, 2008

Envelope Donations	\$ 8817.00	
Loose	\$ 1389.00	
Second Collection	\$ 2498.00	Youth Education
Children	\$ 97.00	
Total	\$ 2801.00	
Less Cathedraticum	\$ 1920.15	
Available for Parish	\$ 10880.85	
Poor Box	\$ 165.00	

RESPECT LIFE – The Church's teaching condemning abortion has consequences for those charged with caring for the common good, those who hold public office. The unborn child, who is alive and is a member of the human family, cannot defend himself or herself. Good law defends the defenseless. Our present laws permit unborn children to be privately killed. Laws that place unborn children outside the protection of law destroy both the children killed and the common good, which is the controlling principle of Catholic social teaching. One cannot favor the legal status quo on abortion and also be working for the common good. This explains why the abortion issue will not disappear and why it is central to the Church's teaching on a just social order. -- Cardinal Francis George, O.M.I., Statement, Sept. 2, 2008

To join the parish Respect Life Committee call Betty Steinbacher at 410 665-8645.

ALTAR FLOWERS

If you would like to contribute to the church altar flowers on a particular weekend please call the parish office at 410-668-7935 and speak with Donna.

The Altar Flowers this weekend were donated
In Memory of Marion Bertrand
From His Loving Family

ALL SOULS ENVELOPES are available at the doors of the Church and Hall. Your intentions on these envelopes will be placed on the altar for the entire month of November.

LECTOR WORKBOOKS are in the Sacristy for pick-up after the Masses this weekend.

YOUTH MINISTRY

Confirmation Preparation Program for students in at least 9th grade by November 2009 will begin in January 2009. Information has been mailed to home to current 8th grade students. Please contact Amie Post if you do not receive information.

Are you a parent of young children? Plan a break for yourself and get a preview of your children's development!!! Volunteers are needed to help with YM@IHM. Consider being a small group discussion leader for Confirmation prep, a member of the hospitality committee for youth ministry events, part of the communication team, leadership team for the Sunday night youth group or anything else you can think of! Please contact Amie for more information 410-668-7935 x211

Middle Schoolers are invited to **drop-in** on Monday afternoons 3:15 – 4:15 in the Youth Room (basement, Rectory) for prayer, scripture and fun. Snacks are served!

SUNDAY NIGHT ROCKS WITH YM@IHM!!!! Come on Sunday, November 30 for High School Youth Group. **Meet in the Youth Room at 6:30 – 8:30** for pizza, prayer, discussion and FUN! We'll learn about St. Thomas Aquinas and one of his most memorable contributions to theology: the Five Ways. Participants explore the fundamentals of these arguments for the existence of God and will examine their own belief in God.

THANKSGIVING DAY MASS will be at 9:00 am on Thursday November 27, 2008. The Adult Choir will be present. There will be special music including PSALM 15: O PRAISE THE LORD JERUSALEM (by J. H. Maunder), a special hymn written in prayer by the early Pilgrims, Patriotic songs and hymns of thanks. The introduction to the Liturgy will include a reading from Winslow's account of the first Pilgrim Thanksgiving. You are invited to bring food gifts (non-perishable) to be presented at the offertory, or you can make a contribution to the special collection to benefit the IHM St. Vincent DePaul Society. Please join us for this special Mass of Thanksgiving. This will be the only Liturgy on Thanksgiving Day.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

For **THANKSGIVING** we will be accepting gift certificates for turkeys in place of frozen or fresh turkeys this year. We do not have room at the parish offices to store turkeys. Any questions call Garrett brown at 410-663-4357

Thanks to all the parishioners for their donation of food to our pantry this past weekend. We collected 83 bags of food for our pantry. Thank you very much. .if you cannot make it the regular week of the food drive, you can bring your food on another Sunday.

Thanks to all the volunteers and people in the parish for the 83 casseroles, dry goods and \$90.00 cash donated for **Our Daily Bread** last Thursday, November 6th, 2008.

CONSECRATION OF IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY CHURCH

PLEASE JOIN US ON SUNDAY, DECEMBER 7 AT THE 4:00 PM LITURGY FOR THE CONSECRATION OF IHM CHURCH – FOLLOWED BY A GALA DINNER AT OVERLEA CATERING. DUE TO A GENEROUS DONATION TOWARD THE COST OF THE DINNER WE ARE NOW ABLE TO REDUCE THE TICKET PRICE. THEY ARE NOW \$35.00. THOSE WHO HAVE ALREADY PAID WILL BE CONTACTED ABOUT THEIR REFUND. WE HOPE THAT THIS MAKES IT POSSIBLE FOR MANY MORE TO JOIN US FOR THIS CELEBRATION. TICKET MONEY IS STILL DUE BY NOVEMBER 23RD. PLEASE CALL FRAN WIEGMANN AT 410-668-9335 FOR TICKETS

The Sacrament of **Confirmation** will be celebrated on Sunday, November 23rd at the Noon Mass. We are blessed to have 62 young people receiving this Sacrament. Most Reverend. Mitchell T. Rozanski will be the celebrant.

Saturday, November 22nd is IHM'S ANNUAL SPAGHETTI DINNER in the school hall from 4:00-7:30 P.M. For more information call 410-668-8466,

NEW PARENT OPEN HOUSE AT IHM SCHOOL is on November 18 from 9-11:30 AM. This is for prospective parents to our School. Additional information is on the website www.immaculateheartofmary.com or call 410-668-8466 for more information.

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH
IF YOU AND MEMBERS OF YOUR FAMILY WOULD LIKE TO LIGHT THE ADVENT WREATH AT MASS, PLEASE CALL DONNA AT THE PARISH OFFICE 410-668-7935.

Make a gift through an IRA charitable rollover

If you are over the age of 70½, you must take a required minimum distribution from your IRA. Normally, the amount of this distribution is taxed as ordinary income. However, federal legislation enacted on October 3, 2008 extends the opportunity for you, for the remainder of 2008 and throughout 2009, to make a direct distribution from your IRA to a qualified charity, such as (PARISH NAME(School)), the Catholic Family Foundation, the Archbishop's Annual Appeal, or another Catholic institution in the Archdiocese of Baltimore. Such distributions, while not subject to income tax, will still count toward fulfilling your required minimum distribution.

For more information about how you and the Church can benefit from an IRA charitable rollover, contact the parish office or the Catholic Family Foundation at (410) 625-8497 .or visit our website at www.archbalt.org/cff.