

Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time November 6, 2011

The message of today Gospel is simple one : Someday life will end; we do not know when that day will come; be ready. It is a sobering message, but not one that should make us afraid of sad. Instead, let us embrace today fully alive, so that when the day comes for us to leave this earth, we may do so without regret.

Masses of the Week

Beginning Nov. 7, 2011

8:00 am Daily Mass

MON: Joan Mavis

TUES: All Souls

WED: Jay Marcin

THURS: Ann Marie Manz Sister Mary Judith Waldt, MSHS (S I)

FRI: All Souls

SAT: Nora M. Drury

Saturday, Nov. 12, 2011

4:30 PM: People of the Parish

6:00 PM: Martha Simon

Sunday, Nov. 13, 2011

7:30 AM: Mark Chalkley

9:00 AM Jerome Bozek

10:30 AM Ethel & Roland Burns

Noon All Souls

Nursing Home: (Tuesday): Kathleen Frances Harris

N.H. – indicates Nursing Home

S.I. – indicates Special Intention

SCRIPTURE READINGS for Nov. 13, 2011

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

Second: 1 Thes. 5:1-6 We are children of the light. Stay awake

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

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.

PRAYER CHAIN If you have a PRAYER REQUEST call any member of the IHM Prayer Chain: Call Mary Ann Thaler 410-668-7738, Corrine Kelly 410 -252-2009

PRAY FOR VOCATIONS

For some, it can seem like an interminable wait as they struggle to come to know their vocation. But the Lord will come, like the bridegroom in today's Gospel, so be awake and ready to respond. If you want help discerning religious life Contact Rev. Austin A. Murphy, Director of Vocations at 410-547-5426.

Collections for the Weekend of Oct. 30, 2011

Envelope Donations	\$	7236.68
Loose	\$	1555.22
Children	\$	37.50
Total	\$	8829.40
Less Cathedraticum	\$	1324.40
Available for Parish	\$	7505.00
Poor Box	\$	3148.49 Little Sisters

ELECTRONIC GIVING. – is a direct payment program whereby your contribution is debited automatically from either your checking or saving account, or can be charged to your credit card. Call parish office at 410-668-7935. Ext.209 The form is also available on the Parish website

RESPECT LIFE - As persons with disabilities share their gifts and needs, they bring out the best in our mutual humanity. They challenge us to live the Gospel precepts of charity in the real world, to sacrifice some of our comfort for others, to take the time to enable them to be full members of society. They need to feel our solidarity with them, and to know their true dignity and worth as fellow sisters and brothers in Christ. Our own future with Christ depends on it. -- "Life Matters: Persons with Disabilities," Respect Life Program 2011, USCCB Pro-Life Secretariat To join the parish Respect Life Committee call Betty Steinbacher at 410-665-8645.

IHM Travel Group – Save the Dates

Nov. 30 Christmas Show \$84.00 9 am to 7pm
Call Dot Raab at 410-668-7760 – Make check payable to: IHM Travel Group/Dot Raab– send to:
8537 Oak Road Baltimore MD 21234

Please Remember God's Poor by using the **Poor Boxes** as you leave Mass. Your donations go to our **IHM St. Vincent de Paul** Office to help with those in our parish who are in need.

ADVENT WREATH LIGHTING: We invite all families, couples and individuals to sign up to light the Advent Wreath. There is a sign-up poster located in the vestibule of the church. Members of the Liturgy Committee will be available to assist you in making your selection. The lighting will take place at all weekend Masses during Advent.

Faith Formation: If you are interested in becoming a Catholic or have questions about Adult Confirmation or RCIA, please contact Amie Post in the Faith Formation Office on 410-661-3820 or apost@immaculateheartofmary.com

Concert Series: *Belle Voix* Vocal Ensemble will present their Fall Concert "**Joyful Song!**" on Sunday November 13 at 4:00pm in the church. *Belle Voix* has presented concerts throughout central PA, from Lewistown to Bethesda, Maryland. The group, featured on several "Christmas in Hanover CD's", has sung at events by invitation, such as the Marian Celebration in Harrisburg and the YWCA National Victim's Week Vigil. *Belle Voix* is under the direction of Beth D. Pugliese, Minister of Music at Our Lady of Grace Church in Parkton, MD. The program presents music by Russian, English, French, German, and American composers in varied styles: motets, madrigals, part songs and spirituals. Music will include: "Gloria in Excelsis Deo" by John Purifoy, Christopher Tye's "O Come, Ye Servants of the Lord", "Tantum Ergo" by Fauré, "Jubilate Deo in C" by Benjamin Britten, the Italian Madrigal "Bonzorno Madonna" by Renaissance composer Antonio Scandello and "Since All Is Passing" Paul Hindemith. The program continues with more songs of joy by Schubert, Ralph Vaughan-Williams and Handel. Concluding the concert is the "Hallelujah Chorus" from *Mount of Olives* by Beethoven.

OUR ANNUAL SPAGHETTI DINNER will be on Saturday, November 12th from 4-7:30 pm. Tickets will be on sale next weekend, Saturday, November 6th between 4:30 and 6pm masses and also on Sunday, Nov 7th before and after the 10:30 mass. Prices are \$8 for adults, \$6 for seniors and \$5 for children ages 5-12. Tickets are \$1 more at the door. This is always a fun event with dinner, dessert, good company, wheels, 50/50 raffle, and cash bar. The dinner is sponsored by the Home School Associate and proceeds benefit IHM School.

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.

FOOD PANTRY - Next weekend is our weekend to collection for food for the pantry. The items most needed for the pantry:

Jell-O, canned fruit, warm drinks, peanut butter and jelly
Canned meat, canned vegetables, pasta & pasta sauce,
Canned pasta, cereals, potatoes, tea bags, soups

Thanks to your generosity, approximately 70 families were helped last month with food, rent, BGE bills, and bus tokens. Please check the expiration dates on your food. 3 bags of food discarded. **Our pantry is very low.** Please help. If you are away the week of the food drive, you can bring your donation another weekend.

Welcome to Our Smoke-Free Campus

The Policies of the Division of Schools of the Archdiocese of Baltimore states that the campuses (grounds as well as buildings) of all Catholic School should be a smoke-free environment not only for the safety and health of faculty, students and others associated with our schools, but also to promote the example of striving for good health and a healthy environment. In order to comply with this Policy, as of **November 1, 2011**, on School days from 7AM to 5PM the buildings and property at Immaculate Heart of Mary we will be a non-smoking campus. We will move to full compliance in order to provide for a smoke-free campus 24/7, on January 1, 2012. Please help us to provide a healthy environment for all our students, parishioners and employees.

Fr. Mike

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 to be part of the All Souls Novena of Masses.

Immaculate Heart of Mary School invites you to its **Open House on Wednesday, November 9** from 9:00-12:00. Happy students make good learners...so come see what makes our students happy! For more information call 410-668-8466.

On the Weekend of November 12th and 13th members of the **Holy Land Christian Ecumenical Foundation** will be here at IHM with hand-made items for sale from the Holy Land. Holy Land Christian Foundation is a non-profit organization committed to improving the lives of Christians in The Holy Land.

The members of the IHM Our Lady's Sodality will be having their annual Craft, Used Jewelry and Bake Sale after all the Masses on November 19th and 20th. They will also be selling Hand Crafted Christmas Cards.



Parish Blood Drive - Thursday, November 17th from 1:00 to 7:00 PM in Cartwright Hall. Please call Garrett Brown at 410-663-4357 to schedule your life-saving donations.