

Twenty- Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time Sept. 25, 2011

Today we hear that strange Gospel story about the two sons—one of whom says “yes” to his father’s request, but then fails to do as he promised; the other who initially says “No,” but then reconsiders and does as his father asked. Our actions are more important than our words. Let us remember that our Lord is one whose words and actions are always faithful and who calls us to be like Him.

Masses of the Week

Beginning Sept. 26, 2011

8:00 am Daily Mass

MON: Ashley French

TUES: Jeannette Steinbacher

WED: Charles E. Wolf Frank Gugliano

THURS: Rev. Michael Carrion (SI) Andrew Swetz

FRI: Lilia Escarcha (SI) Noel Keegan

SAT: Joseph J. Marcin

Saturday, October 1, 2011

4:30 PM: John H. Walsh, Sr.

6:00 PM: Sally Regalado Ida & Joseph Kufera

Sunday, October 2, 2011

7:30 AM People of the Parish

9:00 AM John J. Steinbacher Dennis & Michael Carmody

10:30 AM Estrella Grandea Oscampo

Noon: Anthony Rupp

N.H. – indicates Nursing Home

S.I. – indicates Special Intention

SCRIPTURE READINGS for October 2, 2011

First: Isa. 5:1-7 God’s judgment on the vineyard, Israel.

Second: Phil. 4: 6-9 How to know true peace

Gospel: Matthew 21: 33-43 The kingdom of God is for people who will produce its fruit.

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 by
Phyllis and Michael Boehk
In celebration of their 40th Wedding Anniversary

THE FEAST OF ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI

The Church celebrates the feast of St. Francis of Assisi on October 4th. St. Francis had a special love for the poor and all of God’s creations. To celebrate this beloved saint’s feast, there will be a brief prayer service on the Convent Lawn on Saturday, October 1st at 10:00 AM. Please bring your pets (caged or leashed) for the BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS and share a smile with a fellow parishioner. Come prepared to clean up after your pet.

Collections for the Weekend of Sept. 18, 2011

Envelope Donations	\$	7755.80
Loose	\$	1128.63
Children	\$	48.75
Total	\$	8933.18
Less Cathedralium	\$	1339.97
Available for Parish	\$	7593.21
Second Collection	\$	2064.18 Peter’s Pence
Poor Box	\$	270.73

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 - "I came so that all might have life and have it to the full!" is the theme chosen by the U.S. Bishops for **Respect Life Sunday, Oct. 2**. All are invited to be a part of I.H.M.'s Life Chain that afternoon from 2:30 - 3:30 pm on the sidewalk in front of the church. The Life Chain is a peaceful and prayerful witness of pro-life Americans standing for one hour praying for our nation and for an end to abortion. It is a visual statement of solidarity by the community that abortion kills children and that the Church supports the sanctity of human life from the moment of conception to natural death. Please bring a chair if you cannot stand for the entire hour. **We will provide the official Life Chain signs.** (Note: Graphic signs are not permitted on the Life Chain. The Life Chain will take place rain or shine.) To join the parish Respect Life Committee call Betty Steinbacher at 410 665-8645.

IHM Travel Group – Save the Dates

Oct. 20 Charlestown Bavarian Inn \$62.00 10:30 to 8:00
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

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 more information about vocations in the Archdiocese of Baltimore Contact Rev. Austin A. Murphy, Director of Vocations at 410-547-5426

FAITH FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES at IHM

"**LIFTING UP OUR HEARTS**", a six-session, small group, **faith-sharing** process will assist in renewing parishioners' spiritual life and their appreciation of the liturgy. Scheduled to begin in mid-September, date and time will be determined by those who are interested. Call Peggy in the Faith Formation Office for more information. 410-661-3820.

FAITH FORMATION SESSIONS begin this weekend. If you have not registered your **child** please let us hear from you now. Registration forms may be found in the back of the church or call the Faith Formation Office. 410-661-3820

FAITH FORMATION: Sessions for Preschool (**4 year olds**) through grade 8 happen on Sunday morning. You need not be a theologian to help, just bring your love of the Lord! We are looking for help especially in grades 3 and 4. Please prayerfully consider assisting our young parishioners as they grow in knowledge of our Catholic faith.

HELP WANTED: Would you like to share your faith? Could you find an hour or so every few weeks? We would be happy to welcome folks who want to help in the following areas:

CLOW (Children's Liturgy of the Word) takes place during the 10:30 Mass on Sunday. Children leave the assembly and hear the readings and weekly message on a level they can understand. Materials and training are provided.

THE IHM HOME AND SCHOOL ASSOCIATION is sponsoring a Ravens Raffle for the Jets game on October 2nd. Chances to win two seats to the game are \$10. See the Home and School page on the IHM website www.immaculateheartofmary.com/school.

22nd Annual IHM Golf Tournament October 7, 2011 Shotgun start 9:00 am Rocky Point Golf Course 1935 Back River Neck Road Baltimore, Maryland 21221 Sponsored by the IHM H.S.A Father's Club <http://mysite.verizon.net/res15w8at/>

MOVIE ON THE LAWN sponsored by the IHM Home and School Association will be on Friday, September 30th at 7 pm. Admission is free. Snack Stand will be open. Children must have adult supervision.

Filipino- American Families of MD Celebrate the Feast Day of the First Filipino Saint and the Patron Saint of Catechists. **San Lorenzo Ruiz De Manila** at Cathedral of Mary Our Queen on Sunday, October 2nd at 3 PM. If you have question, you may contact Rev. Pete Literal at 410-464-4009.

MARRIAGE, DIVORCE AND ANNULMENTS FROM A CATHOLIC PERSPECTIVE

The Tribunal of the Archdiocese of Baltimore will be giving a presentation concerning divorce and annulment from the Catholic perspective. 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 Wednesday, November 16th at 7:00 pm at Immaculate Conception in the Parish Hall. No registration is required. For more information call 410-547-5533.

Information Session for Parishioners on the Revised Roman Missal

Mark your calendars for Saturday October 8 from 3-4pm in the church as we present information on the upcoming changes in the texts – *New Words: A Deeper Meaning, but the Same Mass*. The session will be presented by Mr. Joe Swiss from the Archdiocese of Baltimore Office of Worship and will include time for Questions and Answers. You are welcome to stay for the 4:30pm Mass following the session.

IHM VOLUNTEER THANK YOU DINNER

If you volunteer your time in any of our Parish/School Ministries including our **youth** you are invited along with your spouse to a buffet luncheon on Sunday, October 23rd immediately following the Noon Liturgy. It is IHM's opportunity to say **Thank You** for all that you do for us. To help us plan, please complete the tear off and send it to the Parish Office or place it in the Collection Basket. The meat entree for dinner and beverages (including beer and wine) will be provided by the Parish. Deadline is Oct. 16th

Volunteers are invited to bring a dish to share for about 8 - 10 people

If your last name begins with:

- A-G Please bring a starch Pasta, Macaroni or Potato Salad, etc.
- H-P Please bring Dessert (cupcakes, brownies, cookies)
- Q-Z Please bring a leafy green, vegetable or fruit salad

Name: _____

Number Attending _____

Adult _____ Children (14 or younger) _____

Place completed form in the collection. Thank You