

The 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 22, 2012

In today's Gospel, we hear that even Jesus needed to get away from those placing demands on him. But when the crowd followed him to his deserted place of rest, he pitied them because they were like sheep without a shepherd. Let us pray today for those called to leadership, those who are in positions of authority, and for all of us that we may reply on God to provide the energy and resources we need when we are tired and feel we can do no more.

Masses the Week

Beginning July 23, 2012

8:00 am Daily Mass

MON: Ann Marie Manz Mary Margaret Farrell
TUES: Joseph Drury Sophia Izdebski
WED: Michael F. Connor, Sr. Nelson Bahillo
THURS: Walter Joseph Brown Andrew Baldyga
FRI: Patricia Ann Tharrington Audrey Fitch
SAT: Communion Service Only at 8:00 AM

Saturday, July 28, 2012

4:30 PM: Genevieve Morawski Dale Celitto
6:00 PM: Ernesto Datu, Sr. William J. Nauman, Jr.

Sunday, July 29, 2012

7:30 AM: Salvatore DiStefano The Serio Family (S.I.)
9:00 AM: Anna Sushinsky Joseph Papiri
10:30 AM: Natividad Reyes Ted Thormann
12:00PM: People of the parish

N.H. – indicates Nursing Home

S.I. – indicates Special Intention

PLEASE NOTE: On Saturday July 28 there will be a Communion Service at 8am.

SCRIPTURE READINGS for July 29, 2012

First: 2 Kings 4:42-44 They will eat and there will be some left over.

Second: Eph. 4:1-6 Saint Paul urges Christians to live as one.

Gospel: John 6:1-15 The feeding of the five thousand.

PRAYER CHAIN The Prayer Chain Ministry consists of members who serve the Lord by fervently praying for your prayer requests. Call any member with your prayer request. Mary Ann Thaler 410-668-7738, Corrine Kelly 410-252-2009 – If you are interested in becoming a member please call. We welcome you!

Resurrection Choir: Did you know that our parish has a special ministry to our families when they celebrate the life of a loved one at a funeral liturgy here at IHM? Our Resurrection Choir provides music and spiritual support at Funeral Masses here in the parish. This is a wonderful opportunity to share your talents with your faith community. The best part is that there are no rehearsals, no commitments, you come when you can. If you are retired, a stay at home parent or work from home, and are available in the mornings (most funeral liturgies are at 9am or 11am) consider joining this uplifting ministry. For more information or to be placed on our calling list, please contact Tom Bozek, Music Director at 410-668-0097 or tbozek@immaculateheartofmary.com

Collections for the Weekend of July 15, 2012

Envelope Donations	\$	8188.26
Loose	\$	1691.83
Children	\$	51.29
Total	\$	9931.38
Less Cathedraticum	\$	1489.70
Available for Parish	\$	8441.68
Second Collection	\$	3874.61 Missions
Poor Box	\$	482.30

The contributions to our Capital Campaign for the month of July amounted to: \$6,579.32

ELECTRONIC GIVING – is a direct payment program whereby your contribution is debited automatically from either your checking or saving account or it can be charged to your credit card. Sign-up forms are available in the pamphlet rack at the doors of the Church or calling the parish office at 410-668-7935. Ext. 209.

RESPECT LIFE In a ruling hailed by Archbishop William E. Lori as "a major victory for the First Amendment," a federal appeals court in Richmond said two MD pregnancy centers located in Montgomery County and in Baltimore City at St. Brigid's Parish cannot be compelled to post notices that they had no licensed medical staff and advising women to find "a licensed health care provider." The Baltimore City law that was overturned also required pregnancy centers to display signs stating they do not offer abortions or birth control. Archbishop Lori said that "at a time when religious freedom is being challenged on many fronts," the decision represented a win "for those people who seek to live their lives and their faith according to the First Amendment. I applaud the court for recognizing that these centers were being targeted for their pro-life views and for sending a strong message to the rest of the nation that these kinds of onerous, discriminatory laws have no place in a nation founded on freedom." (MD Catholic Conference, 7/09/12) 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.

Please be Generous in the Poor Box as you leave Mass each weekend

Fr. Michael Carrion, our Pastor, is sponsoring a **Pilgrimage to the Holy Land**, November 7 to 16, 2012. If you are interested in experiencing the land and the places that are so important to the foundation of our faith, please contact, Fr. Michael Carrion mcarrion@immaculateheartofmary.com at 410-668-7935, ext. 203 or at. Flyers are also available in the back of Church. We also have a link with all the updated information on the Parish Website.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL - We are in dire need of volunteers for our Monday nursing Home service. We have only 4 volunteers at the present time. The service is held every Monday at 1:30 p.m. 3:30 p.m. at the Cromwell Nursing Home on Emge road. Please call 410-663-4357 if you are interested in this special Ministry.

Blood drive update – 7-12-12

There were 31 units presented and 24 successful units - thanks to everybody who took the time to donate their blood and our volunteers who donated their time and energy. Our next **BLOOD DRIVE** is on Thursday October 18th 2012 from 1 p.m. to 7 p.m.

IHM TRAVEL GROUP - The next Travel Group Trip – **August 22nd** - Wednesday - Suicide Bridge - Crab feast & Cruise \$83.00 9 - 5. Contact Dot Raab for more information at 410-668-7760. Make check payable to IHM Travel Group: Mail to Dot Raab 8537 Oak Road Baltimore MD 21234

Faith Formation Registrations for grades Kindergarten through grade eight for the school year starting in September have been sent to all currently enrolled students. If you wish to enroll your child for the coming year and have not received a registration form or will be new to the program please call the Faith Formation Office at 410-661-3820.

Immaculate Heart of Mary School is accepting Registration for Grades Pre-K - 8th. Please call the school office: 410-668-8466 to register or for a tour of the school.

PLANNING A VACATION? Check out www.masstimes.org to find Mass times and other devotions available wherever you are going around the world. Or call the Automated Church Lookup line at 1-734-794-2100, enter the zip code of the desired location, and receive a computer-generated response that gives church locations and Mass times.

PRAY FOR VOCATIONS

Wine, Faith and Romance with Fr. Leo Patalinghug, Friday, July 27 from 7-9 p.m. at Cathedral of Mary Our Queen. Mass offered in the Lady Chapel at 6:30 p.m. Sample wine, cheese, and chocolate; learn from Fr. Leo about love, dating, marriage, and natural fertility control; and enjoy a night out! \$15/person. Babysitting is available for \$5/child. Sponsored by Archdiocese of Baltimore Respect Life Office and Department of Evangelization. RSVP by Monday, July 23 at <http://bit.ly/winefaithromance>, 410-707-9842 or johanna.coughlin@archbalt.org.

BAPTISM INFORMATION

The Baptism Preparation Program for **new or expecting parents** is held each month on the first Thursday of each month at 7:30pm. When possible we encourage parents to participate in this program before their baby's birth. Please call the Rectory to schedule this program as soon as you know that you are expecting. We encourage families to share this sacrament with the worshipping community by having their children baptized at the regular Saturday evening or Sunday Masses. Our next Baptism Prep class will be on Thursday, August 2nd

Faith in Crafts – All adults and teens are invited to join us in IHM School Room 2 on **Saturday, July 28th** from 10:00am to 11:30am as we share our faith and make a simple craft. The topic this month is **“Refresh Your Body & Soul.”** We will relax with uplifting meditations on scripture and learn how to make some delicious smoothies and a sugar scrub for our hands. The craft fee is \$3.00. Our mission is to find God in all things – especially if they're also fun! To RSVP, call Susan Meyd at 410-828-1953 or the Faith Formation Office at 410-661-3820.

RELIGIOUS FREEDOM WALK 2012

Join Fr. Jack Lombardi, and others, who will pilgrimage 100 mi to Baltimore's Basilica of the Assumption, from Western Maryland--**July 29-August 5**. A pilgrimage is a journey for religious purposes to a holy place. This is a pilgrimage for RELIGIOUS FREEDOM, to witness to others along the pilgrim route, that Catholics and other institutions are mandated against their religion and conscience to offer unjust health care packages. You may call 301-678-6339 for info, or visit: <http://religiousfreedomwalk2012.blogspot.com> to join/ fast/ or to make a donation or learn about the Pilgrimage. Donations raised will be evenly disbursed to St. Vincent de Paul (Charity of Baltimore Archdiocese), or the Interfaith Service Coalition (Ecumenical churches of Hancock, social outreach organization). A suggestion of a \$1 a mile is helpful, or \$5 a mile is appreciated! Checks payable to: *Religious Freedom Walk 2012* C/O St. Peter Church, 16 E High St., Hancock, Md. 21750.