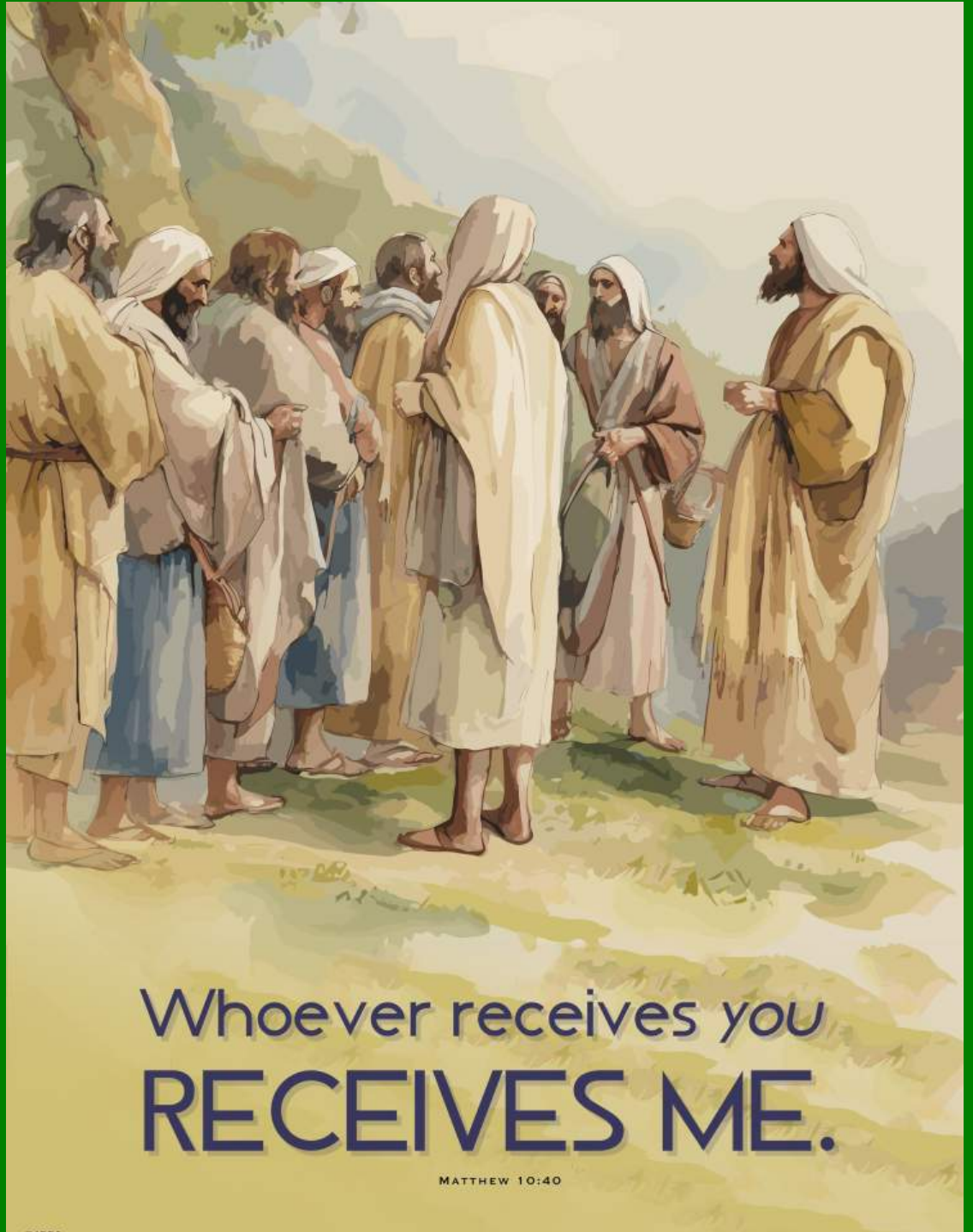


13th Sunday in Ordinary Time - July 2, 2023

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Whoever receives you  
**RECEIVES ME.**

MATTHEW 10:40

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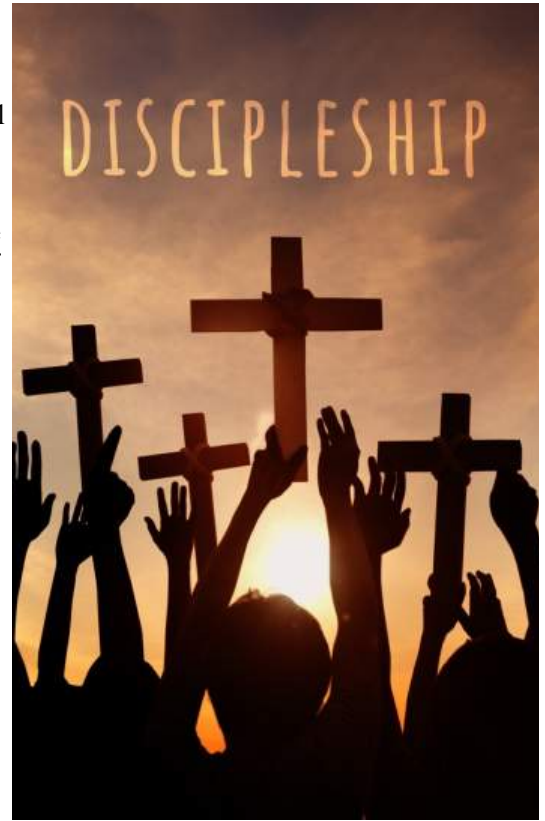
Mass will continue to Live Stream on Facebook and our website: [www.ihmparish.net](http://www.ihmparish.net)

**A NOTE FROM FATHER MIKE**

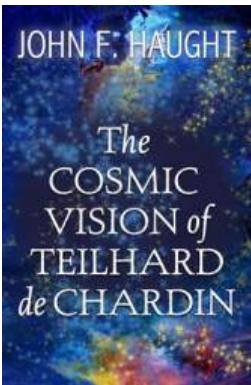
Jesus calls us to take up our cross, to lose our lives for His sake. One of the paradoxes of our faith is that when we give of ourselves we actually find more of ourselves in Christ. The more we place others needs and lives before our own (in good and healthy ways) the more we realize our potential as daughters and sons of God, the better we understand the love of God in our own lives. In giving to one another we give to Christ. His model of servant leadership helps us understand the gift of His sacrificial love and how we can grow when we follow him. In the understanding of St. Paul, we are baptized into Christ's death so that we can rise with hm into newness of life. This newness frees us to be filled with the Holy Spirit as we move forward in faith and discipleship. The prayer of St. Francis also comes to mind as well:

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace; Where there is hatred, let me sow love; Where there is injury, pardon; Where there is error, the truth; Where there is doubt, the faith; Where there is despair, hope; Where there is darkness, light; And where there is sadness, joy.  
O Divine Master,  
Grant that I may not so much seek, To be consoled, as to console;  
To be understood, as to understand; To be loved as to love.  
For it is in giving that we receive; It is in pardoning that we are pardoned;  
And it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.  
Amen.

Peace,  
Fr. Mike



**“Whoever receives you receives me, and whoever receives me receives the one who sent me.”  
Matthew 10:40**



**Summer in the Cosmos: Spirituality Seminar Returns!**

We end each liturgical year with the *Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe*. But what does that title mean? How can a deeper understanding of this solemnity transform our spiritual lives? What is this cosmic kingdom? Our spiritual guide is Teilhard de Chardin...

Our book is **The Cosmic Vision of Teilhard de Chardin by John F. Haught** available on Amazon. Each chapter explores a different topic—including the cosmos, spirituality, suffering, thought, God, and life—and how each topic has developed the author's own theology. In particular, the book focuses on the cosmic future and the implications of Teilhard's thought for this century and beyond.

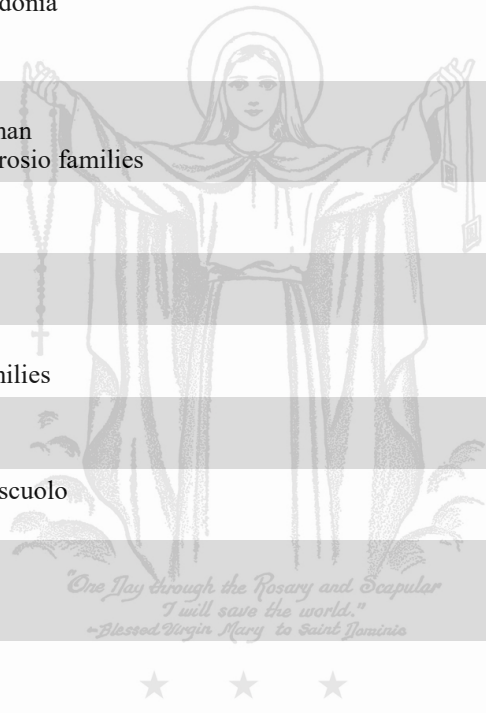
We shall gather on **Tuesday evenings beginning July 25, 2023 at 7:15pm for one hour on Zoom**. Any questions or to register, please contact Fr. Rob at [frob@ihmparish.net](mailto:frob@ihmparish.net)

**Immaculate Heart of Mary Church Schedule for Mass & Worship (schedules are subject to change)**

Saturday (Anticipated) 5:00 pm  
Sundays - 8:00 am, 10:00 am, 12:00 noon  
Weekdays & Saturdays - 7:00 am and 8:30 am  
National Holidays - 9:00 am  
Holy Days - 7:00 am, 12:00 noon, 7:00 pm

Morning Prayer - Monday - Saturday at 8:15 am  
Rosary: Monday - Saturday after 8:30 am  
Mass  
Novena to the Miraculous Medal & St. Jude:  
Saturdays after 8:30 am Mass  
Reconciliation: Saturdays from 4:15 - 4:45 pm

Mass Intentions For the week of July 2 - July 9, 2023		
<b>Saturday July 1</b>	7:00am 8:30 am 5:00 pm	Marie Taravella (living) from Janet & Emil Manfredonia Anna M. Wilk+ from the Laguna Family Grace Milashone+ from Joan Milashone
<b>Sunday July 2</b>	8:00 am 10:00 am 12:00 pm	For the People from IHM Parish Alice and James Lissemore+ from Maureen Grossman Lee D'Ambrosio (living) from the Kiley & D'Ambrosio families
<b>Monday July 3</b>	7:00 am 8:30 am	Kenneth Burkhardt+ from Dorian DiPace Carmella Criscitiello+ from Dorian DiPace
<b>Tuesday July 4</b>	9:00 am	Francis Sisca+ from Tracey Foley
<b>Wednesday July 5</b>	7:00 am 8:30 am	Sarah G. Kennedy+ from the Colella Family Marie Schwasta+ from the Kelly & Mulrooney Families
<b>Thursday July 6</b>	7:00 am 8:30 am	Claire Ettore+ from Donna & Joe Conforti Janice Good Piga (living) from Bob Piga
<b>Friday July 7</b>	7:00 am 8:30 am	Robert F. Santoriello Sr.+ from Robert & Paula Criscuolo Henry Meacock+ from Brian & Jo Kelly
<b>Saturday July 8</b>	7:00am 8:30 am 5:00 pm	Lena Lobo+ from Niren D'Sa Jeanette Cornelia+ from Connie & David Boruch For the People from IHM Parish
<b>Sunday July 9</b>	8:00 am 10:00 am 12:00 pm	Beatriz Martinez+ from Steve & Anita Prato Joan Koederitz+ from the Buzzanca Family Kevin Brown+ from Megan Murray



*Kindly keep our parishioner's family and friends, with health and other challenges, in your prayers*

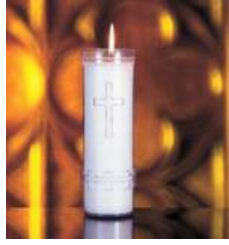
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| Fran Boglioli  | James Brown         | Kathleen Herron   | Jim Malfetti    | Dolores Rust           | Sr. Elizabeth Vermaelen |
| Erin Brennan   | John Burkert        | Juliann Junio     | Bill Malone     | Diana Scariati         | Stephanie Vernace       |
| Anna Cassella  | Ray Clark           | Gregory Kamouh    | Marlene Mosko   | Arty Shapiro           | Stephen Voorhees        |
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| David Connell  | Michele Gamako      | Mary Frances Leon | Jaxson Rivera   | Paul Szeker            |                         |

★ Please advise if any names can be removed from the sick list. Thank you. [office@ihmparish.net](mailto:office@ihmparish.net)



**Hospital Privacy** | Please remember that current privacy laws regarding patients in hospitals do not allow hospitals/pastoral care offices to contact parishes. If you or a loved one are in the hospital and want a priest to visit, please call the IHM office at (908) 889-2100.

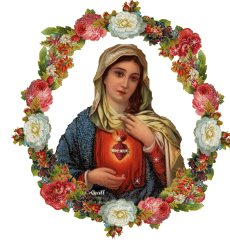
**Special Intentions for the week of July 2 - July 9, 2023**



**Sanctuary Light**  
For the intention of:  
**Anthony & Carmella Criscitiello+**  
requested by:  
Dorian DiPace




**Altar Bread & Wine**  
For the intention of:  
**IHM Summer Feast Volunteers (living)**  
requested by:  
IHM Parish



**Flowers for the Blessed Mother**  
For the intention of:  
**"God Bless America"**  
requested by:  
Barbara Apgar

**Remember Our Departed**



All Souls+

Snapshots from Fr. Valentine's Farewell Feast. Thanks again to Fr. Val for your outstanding service throughout the years!

Scenes from the IHM Summer Feast. It was a bit of a washout but we still made the best out of it and had some fun!



## Minister Assignments: July 8 - July 9

Saturday - Sunday	Lectors	Extra-Ordinary Ministers	Presider
7/8 5:00pm	Chris Zucosky	John Torzewski Dan Kelly Janice Good Piga	Fr. Rob
7/9 8:00am	Colm Keogh	Lou DiBella Geraldine Keogh Rich Banasiak (C)	Fr. Rob
7/9 10:00am	Heba Fortunato	Ed Sullivan (S) David Diken Lou Zappo (C)	Fr. Mike
7/9 12:00pm	Regina O'Connor	Diane McGuinness Tracey Foley	Fr. Mike



### Eucharistic Adoration Chapel Hours

Monday - Friday 9:00am - 9:00pm

Saturday - 9:00am - 2:00pm

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### IHM PARISH INFORMATION

#### Summer Office Hours:

Mon. - Thurs. 9:00am - 4:00pm | Fri. 9:00am - 2:00pm

**Mass Intention Reservations:** Call or leave a message at the office (908)889-2100 or email [office@ihmparish.net](mailto:office@ihmparish.net)

**Religious Education:** [faithformation@ihmparish.net](mailto:faithformation@ihmparish.net)

**Baptisms:** Please call the office at (908) 889-2100

**Marriage:** Appointments should be made at least one year in advance. Contact the priest about a date and Pre-Cana information.

**New Parishioners:** Registration forms available at [www.ihmparish.net](http://www.ihmparish.net) or in the Nazareth Center office.

**Ministry to the Sick & Homebound:** Please notify the parish office of those who are sick or homebound, in hospitals or are unable to worship. For urgent calls, contact (908) 889-2100

**RCIA-Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults:** Religious education for adults who are either not Baptized or who are Catholic, but have not received all of their sacraments and would like to be Confirmed or receive Communion. We have flexible hours. Call (908) 889-2100. All are welcome!

**Reconciliation:** Saturdays: 4:15 - 4:45 pm  
Arrangements can be made at any time for private confession. Please call the office at (908) 889-2100

**Parish Schools:** St. Bartholomew Academy (908) 322-4265  
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## Rosary Altar Society News

### JESUS ON THE FOURTH OF JULY by Marilyn Ferguson

We gather 'round to celebrate, on Independence Day,  
Pay homage to our country, as the children run and play.

With barbeques and picnics, and fireworks in the air,  
The flag we own is proudly flown, to show how much we care.  
The stars and stripes spell freedom, she waves upon the breeze,  
while bursts of colors can be seen, above the towering trees.

This is all quite wonderful, we revel in delight,  
But God above in divine love, has brought this day to light.

With just a stroke of liberty, a touch of His great hand  
He gave democracy to us, and helped this country stand.

The stripes upon the stately flag, were touched by His sweet grace,  
each star of white that shines so bright, reflects His loving face. So  
as you turn to face the flag, for battles that were fought, be filled  
with pride for those who died, And freedoms that were brought.

But don't forget to thank the One,  
that gives the bright display, the reason why we paint the sky  
On Independence Day!!!

♥ Thank you to our dear Father Valentine for his participation over the years in our Rosary activities. We will miss you terribly but are excited for you on your new venture. May God's Blessings continue to protect and guide you.

♥ We invite you to join IHM and Rosary at the HUNTERDON HILLS PLAYHOUSE (88 Rt. 173 West, Hampton, NJ, minutes off Rt. 78 ) on SATURDAY, AUGUST 12th for a GOURMET LUNCHEON & THEATRICAL PRODUCTION OF REMEMBER ME? starring Three's Company Star JOYCE DEWITT. The Event begins at 11AM and will conclude by 3:30pm. Enjoy this wonderful lunch/dinner theater venue including scenic grounds, wonderful food, a gift shop and a bakery. Please contact Janice 908-759-6729 ASAP to reserve your place. Kindly mail your check, payable to IHM Rosary Altar Society for \$80 to Alice Mansfield-Smith, 3 Kennedy Drive, Clark, NJ 07066. This romantic comedy will delight you!

♥ Thanks to our Rosarians who brought wonderful desserts to our Parish Picnic last Sunday. You made a very rainy day sweeter!

*"God the Father, may our hearts bear a deep love for our earthly fatherland as an extension of our love for You, our Father in Heaven. May our one heart burst with love for all those that deserve our love, most especially our family, our nation, and our Church." - A Carmelite Prayer*

May your week ahead be filled with many Blessings and celebratory fireworks! You and your families remain in our daily thoughts and prayers. ♥ Janice

## "Remember Me?"

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**Saturday  
August 12**

Collection Report		June 25, 2023
Weekly Target:		\$12,558.00
Collection (Mass + Parish Giving)		\$9,119.13
Surplus/(Deficit)		(3,438.87)
Fiscal Year to Date:		
Budget		\$627,900.00
Actual:		\$555,648.62
Surplus/(Deficit)		(72,251.38)
Rolling 4 Week Averages:		
Average Collection:		\$11,360.08
Average Surplus/(Deficit)		(1,197.92)

IHM EVENT CALENDER	
Sunday July 2	
9:00am	Holy Name Society Meeting & Breakfast
Monday July 3	
All Day	Office & Adoration Chapel Closed
Tuesday July 4: Independence Day	
All Day	Office & Adoration Chapel Closed
Wednesday July 5	
10:00am	Food Pantry
Thursday July 6	
Friday July 7	
8:00 am	Summer Academy Conclusion
Saturday July 8	
Sunday July 9	
10:00am	Food Pantry Sunday




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**A Message from Faith Formation Pastoral Associate: John McGuire**



Often, we as Catholics lament the fact that people aren't attending Mass regularly. Sometimes we might feel inclined to sneer at the C.A.P.E Catholics, you know who I mean, the ones who come for Christmas, Ash Wednesday, Palm Sunday, and Easter.

Over these two weeks of Summer Academy, you may even see families present who don't even make it then, or go elsewhere while visiting family and friends over the holidays. The truth is, we don't know the hearts of others, all we know is that we see them when they are present. That is our only opportunity to give them the impression that they are loved, and valued in our community.

If during Summer Academy, the slow season, or even during the Fall you see someone you don't recognize, I want to challenge you, to multiply the strength of our Hospitality Ministry, by making them feel welcome, and that their presence is appreciated. A strong welcoming community seeks to make others feel comfortable, and invites them into a closer relationship with Jesus through our community. God Bless and have a wonderful week!



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