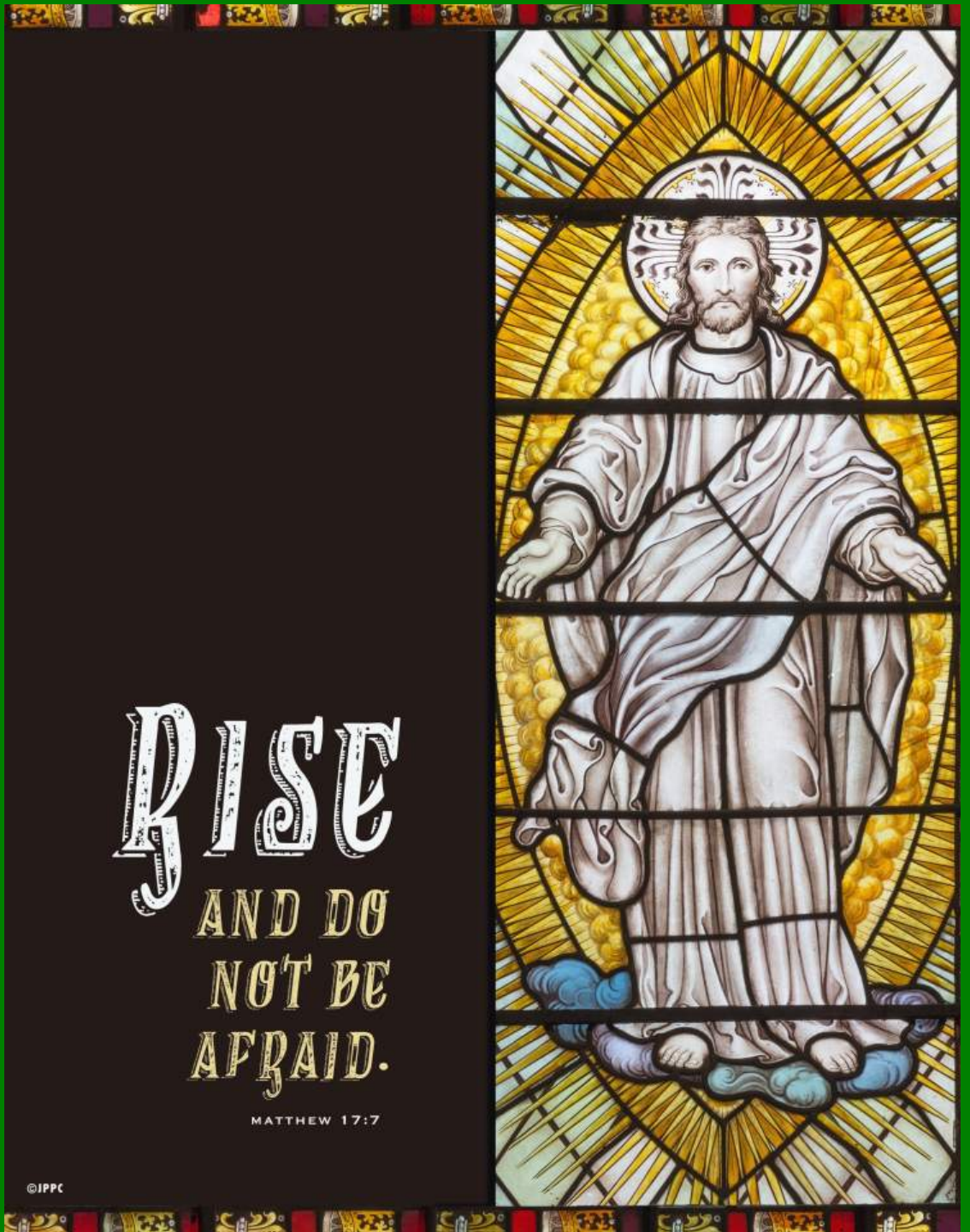


The Transfiguration of the Lord - August 6, 2023

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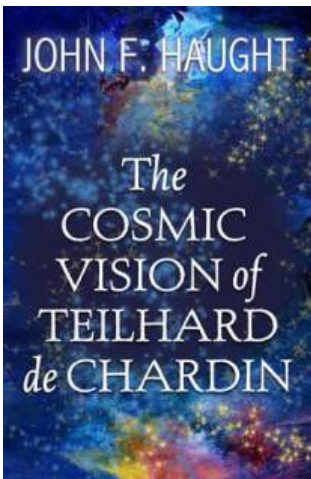
Mass will continue to Live Stream on Facebook and our website: www.ihmparish.net

A NOTE FROM FATHER MIKE

Peter, James and John are witnesses to a great event in today’s Gospel. They see a revelation of the true glory of Jesus. In the near future, as Jesus begins his final journey towards Jerusalem, this will help them to overcome their fear and support them in their grief. We too receive a revelation of the true glory of Jesus, not only in the scriptures, but also in the Eucharist, in the Church, in the community of faith.

St Peter reminds us that this glory, revealed more fully in the resurrection, is not a myth or story but something to which many have attested. This reminder helps us as we continue to live out our lives of faith, give witness to the Gospel and build up the Kingdom of God.

Peace, Fr. Mike



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 gather on **Tuesday evenings at 7:15pm for one hour on Zoom**. Any questions, please contact Fr. Rob at frrob@ihmparish.net



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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 August 6 - August 13, 2023

Saturday August 5	7:00am 8:30 am 5:00 pm	For the People from IHM Parish Geraldine Inman+ from Marion, Marc, Julianne, Kevin, Steven & Elise Berger Matthew Manzo+ from the Carlino Family
Sunday August 6	8:00 am 10:00 am 12:00 pm	MaryJane Bergen+ from Phyllis & Tony MaryJane Bergen+ from Women's Prayer Group Rev. Paul R. Manning+ from IHM Parish
Monday August 7	7:00 am 8:30 am	Gregory Ritter+ from David & Debbie Ritter and Family Bienvenido O. Razal+ from the Razal Family
Tuesday August 8	7:00 am 8:30am	Meredith Lea Regal (living) from Patty Regal Janet & Nick Spinelli 25th Wedding Anniversary (living) from Winnie & John Pisansky
Wednesday August 9	7:00 am 8:30 am	Helen Shapiro+ from the Tricoche Family Marie DeVito+ from the Dougherty Family
Thursday August 10	7:00 am 8:30 am	Elaine Frauley+ from the Chimento Family Leonard Brzozowski+ from Al Smith
Friday August 11	7:00 am 8:30 am	Rita Jean Whalen+ from Bernard Whalen Susan Wagner+ from Mom & Dad
Saturday August 12	7:00am 8:30 am 5:00 pm	Robert A. Bertha+ from the Marsella Family Robert A. Bertha+ from the Kaminskas Family Danny Kelly+ from Mom & Dad and Family
Sunday August 13	8:00 am 10:00 am 12:00 pm	For the People from IHM Parish Ann McAuley+ from Steve & Anita Prato Adele & John R. Stephanik+ from the Lundgren Family

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

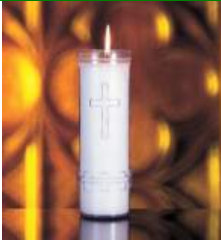
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| Fran Boglioli | James Brown | David Hens | William Maines | Susan Rozborski | Daniel Ventura |
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| Edward Clark | Mary Foster | Anna Koch | Carmela Resnick | Beverly Sopp | |
| David Connell | Michele Gamako | Jillian Lapidus | Jacob Rivera | Ryder Francis Spillane | |

★ Please advise if any names can be removed from the sick list. Thank you. 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 August 6 - August 13, 2023



Sanctuary Light
For the intention of:
Samuel E. Ayers+
requested by:
Donna Ayers




Altar Bread & Wine
For the intention of:
Richard Murray+
requested by:
Dan & Roe Kelly



Flowers for the Blessed Mother
Blessings on my children & grandchildren (living)
requested by:
Evelyn Dougherty

Remember Our Departed



Michael Dillon+

IHM WORD SEARCH PUZZLE

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Circle all the words you can find! Look for clues in the Breaking Bread 2023 book on page 183

Mother Seton Regional Alumnae Class Reunion Margaritas & Memories – September 10, 2023



Mother Seton Regional High School in Clark is celebrating its 60th Anniversary this year! The opening event will be Margaritas & Memories on **Sunday, September 10 from 2pm until 5pm**. \$40 ticket. For more information visit the school's website at www.motherseton.org.

LIVE ON STAGE

Tuesday September 19

11:00am Showtime



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Farmer Emil's Garden Report



Total produce to date from our food pantry garden:
IHM 245.45 lbs
Others 8.75 lbs
Total 254.30 lbs

"The Lord God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to work it and keep it."
Genesis 2:15

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Bus Departure: 7:15am | Showtime: 11:00am | Lunch: 2:15pm | Return Home: 6:30pm

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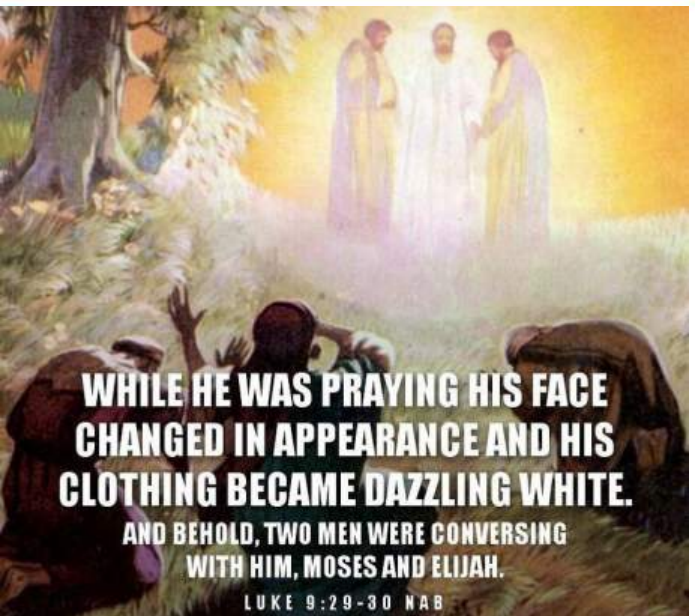
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WHILE HE WAS PRAYING HIS FACE CHANGED IN APPEARANCE AND HIS CLOTHING BECAME DAZZLING WHITE.

AND BEHOLD, TWO MEN WERE CONVERSING WITH HIM, MOSES AND ELIJAH.

LUKE 9:29-30 NAB

Minister Assignments: August 12 - August 13

Saturday - Sunday	Lectors	Extra-Ordinary Ministers	Presider
8/12 5:00pm	Chris Zucosky	Alice Schaffernoth Dan Kelly Janice Good Piga	Fr. Mike
8/13 8:00am	Phyllis Manno	Chris Dill Jean Bagdonas Rich Wagner (C)	Fr. Mike
8/13 10:00am	Andy Davis	Ed Sullivan (S) David Diken Lou Zappo (C)	Fr. Rob
8/13 12:00pm	Anne Butler	Eileen Wagner Jean Naugle	Fr. Rob



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

Saturday - 9:00am - 2:00pm

Closed on Sundays, Holy Days & Holidays

For more information contact Erin Miller at:

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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

Religious Education: 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 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

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Rosary Altar Society News

AN AUGUST PRAYER by Author Unknown

This Summer we pray for a refreshment of mind and body.

We pray for joy, love, and safety.

We pray that we count our many Blessings.

We pray that we share our Blessings with others.

We pray that we enjoy and relish,

Each moment of sunshine and fun.

♥ We will have a Rosary Board Meeting on Tuesday, August 8th at 7pm in the Nazareth Center to finalize the Rosary Activities for the coming year.

♥ Rosarians, please note that our annual dues have increased to \$30. Kindly send your checks to Treasurer Alice Mansfield-Smith, 3 Kennedy Drive, Clark, NJ 07066. PLEASE INDICATE YOUR FULL NAME, ADDRESS, PHONE (HOME & CELL) AND EMAIL ADDRESS so that we can update our Annual Rosary Directory. Many Thanks.

♥ We look forward to seeing those who have signed up for the IHM and Rosary Altar Society Luncheon & Show Event 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. We will enjoy this wonderful lunch/dinner theater venue including scenic grounds, wonderful food, a gift shop and a bakery. Please contact Janice Good-Piga 908-759-6729 with questions.

THIS ROMANTIC COMEDY WILL DELIGHT YOU!!!
FOR THOSE ATTENDING THE SHOW AT HUNTERDON HILLS PLAYHOUSE, the following are the driving directions:

- FROM IHM/Scotch Plains

-Take I-78 West to EXIT 12 (NJ Rt 173 West in Union)

-Continue On NJ Route 173 To Hunterdon Hills Playhouse (88 Rt. 173 Hampton)

Approximately 39 Minutes (33.9 Miles)

PLEASE MEET JANICE GOOD-PIGA AT THE FRONT DOORS OF THE PLAYHOUSE AT 10:50AM FOR YOUR TICKETS

♥ May your summer days be bright and filled with hope for the months ahead, and may your vacation days be filled with restful moments and a renewed spirit. You remain in our daily thoughts and prayers. ♥ Janice



The Women's Prayer Group will gather on **Thursday September 7 at 7:30pm on Zoom.**

The theme is "Time for all seasons". Email tefoleyihm@gmail.com for more details.

Prayer connects us all!



CENTERING PRAYER/LECTIO DIVINA

Join us for Lectio Divina! We meet 3times a month on Zoom & once in person starting on **Thurs. September 7 at 9:30am in the Nazareth Center.** Call Phyllis to sign-up 908-264-4746



The next meeting for the IHM Men's Scripture & Discussion Group will be **Saturday morning September 9 at 7:30am in the church basement.** Contact dndiken@aol.com for info.

Collection Report		July 30, 2023
Weekly Target:		\$10,785.00
Collection (Mass + Parish Giving)		\$9,231.90
Surplus/(Deficit)		(1,553.10)
Fiscal Year to Date:		
Budget		\$53,925.00
Actual:		\$54,914.19
Surplus/(Deficit)		\$989.19
Rolling 4 Week Averages:		
Average Collection:		\$11,640.42
Average Surplus/(Deficit)		\$855.42

"Remember Me?"



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Please visit our parish website to sign up for online giving with Parish Giving. Your consistent stewardship is appreciated.

thank you.



A Message from Faith Formation Pastoral Associate: John McGuire

All Catholic parents make a commitment during the baptism of their children to raise them in the faith to the best of their ability. That is a great responsibility, but it isn't taken on alone. The rite of the sacrament itself calls upon godparents to stand up with mom and dad to claim responsibility as well. Many times, children are baptized privately with a small group of friends and family, or even other baptizing families.

However, there is an option to baptize at a parish Mass. What I like about this option is that it acknowledges a reality that isn't often spoken. While primary responsibility for each child falls to the parents and godparents, we are one body in Christ. The Church is responsible for each child that is baptized, each child, each teen catholic, and every elderly catholic all the same. We are one body the Church and each of our proverbial limbs matters.

That is why I feel so strongly about family catechesis. When we gather together as a community of faith, we are united in the same purpose, and we are not alone. We help those are struggling, and get help when we are the one challenged. Families of Faith will kick off very soon. Our first activity is September 17th beginning with 10:00 am Mass. If you haven't registered your children or grandchildren, now is the time to do it!

This week let's pray for all families, and all people that are missing from our assembly. God Bless and have a great week!




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