

**A look ahead: Virtue of the Week Kindness**

**Mon Feb 15 No School/No Childcare Mid-Winter Break**

**Tues Feb 16 No School/No Childcare Mid-Winter Break**

**Wed Feb 17 ASH WEDNESDAY**

**School Mass 9:00 am**

**Evening Mass 6:30 pm**

**CURRENT FAMILIES REGISTRATION DUE**

**NO EDGE NIGHT**

**Thurs Feb 18 School Mass, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> 9:00 am**

**Fri Feb 19 Stations of the Cross 6:30 pm**

IHM students and staff celebrated St Valentine's Day a bit early with LOTS of chocolate, fun lessons and lovely cards. St Valentine sacrificed his life for love of Christ. Next Wednesday, we begin the season of TRUE LOVE, as Christ's sacrifice made way for our hope in eternal life.



**LAST CHANCE** IHM Enrollment fees for current families doubles Wednesday Feb 17. Just. Sayin.

**ASH WEDNESDAY** Students in grades K-8 will be attending Mass and receiving ashes at the 9am Mass. Kindergarteners and first graders will be in the church in reserved seating. Students grades 2-8 will watch Mass, live-streamed in the gym, with Holy Communion and ashes being distributed to them there. Parents are welcome to attend Mass that morning *in the church or at the 6:30pm Mass.*

**"HEY, ALTAR SERVERS!"** Generously serve the parish family that supports your education here at Immaculate Heart of Mary School. A sign-up form is in the vestibule of church for altar servers wishing to assist with Friday evening stations of the cross.



**Make-A-Wish** **COME TRUE** Make-a-Wish Michigan is a non-profit organization that grants wishes to children fighting various cancers and other diseases. Money raised for Make A Wish allows these children go on a trip or some other type of adventure. **IHM 8<sup>th</sup> Grader Keaton D.** has made this worthy cause the focus of his 8<sup>th</sup> grade service project. Help him raise at least \$1,200 so he may participate the Wish-A-Mile 300-mile, 3-day bike ride! Keaton did this ride on his own with his dad last year because of the Covid shut down. Let's pray it goes on this year without a hitch! If you would like to donate, please go to <https://makeawishmichigan.donordrive.com/> click the red donate button and search for Keaton Davis.



**HUGE SHOUT OUT** To our Home and School Association. Thank you, ladies,(and parents for your monetary support) for arranging teacher suppers these past two nights during conferences. Thanks too, for the mini-grant that allowed each student to receive a Catholic Schools Week water bottle (filled with goodies inside). You keep our kids and staff at the fore of your thoughtfulness list. Know we keep you all locked right at the top of our prayers of thanksgiving!





**KINDERGARTEN ROUND UP, 2021 STYLE** Current IHM PreK 4's and Young 5's will have their Kindergarten round up on **March 10** during the school day. Kids will be assessed by our Kindergarten staff during the day and parents are invited to a virtual meeting and Q&A that evening at 6:30pm. Incoming Kindergarteners from outside of IHM will be assessed later in the spring but will still be invited to the online meeting. NOTE: **CURRENT KINDERGARTENERS WILL NOT HAVE SCHOOL ON MARCH 10** to allow our staff to assess the PreK students. **Please make arrangements with IHM Childcare NOW if you will be needing their services that day.**

**FYI** In the event of a school two-hour delay, IHM Child Care would also be delayed that day, opening at 9:00am instead of 7:00am.

**THE KILLGOAR WINTER SOCIAL THAT WASN'T SOCIAL BUT IS VIRTUAL** The annual winter event is virtual this year and with credit to Mr. and Mrs. Simon for their production skills, the need to continue to support this effort is all spelled out in the following video! <https://ihmparish.com/blog/virtual-winter-social-sponsorship-and-donation-link/> Consider where your contributions go and give generously!

**BOXTOPS FOR EDUCATION SOON TO BE DIGITAL!** Clip your existing box tops and turn into your child's homeroom teacher **by Feb 22**, and/or download and then open the Box Tops for Education App\* and take a picture of your receipt within 7 days of purchase. Repeat as often as you buy! \*School name for the Box Top App is **IHM Home and School**.



**“Whoever shall recite the Rosary devoutly, applying himself to the consideration of its sacred mysteries shall never be conquered by misfortune.”** Yet another of the 15 promises made by our Lady to St Dominic and all who recite the Rosary. So many families have already hosted the traveling statue of Our Lady of Fatima in their home. **There are openings now.** Praying the family rosary each day for a week and receiving Grace upon grace next week will be **The Lintner Family!** Sign up here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0A4FAEAE2EA4F85-traveling3>

**CARING FOR MARY MINISTRY** IHM's Spiritual Growth Committee is grateful for those moms providing fresh flowers for the statue of Our Lady outside the office. Caring for Mary the week of Feb 15, is **Mrs. Kara Ziedins!**



*Hello IHM Families!*

*What a special gift it was to have a snow day last Friday! I love how beautiful it is with all the snow, especially in the trees! And we have Monday and Tuesday off for Winter Break which will be nice for kids, families and staff. I hope*

*you enjoy it!*

*It was so wonderful to celebrate our Catholic Schools last week too! It's true that most of the time during Catholic Schools Week there is a snow day. For as long as I can remember this has been the case. But the kids got their water bottle gifts and spirit day on Monday, so it was nice to extend the celebration!*

*It's hard to believe we will begin Lent next week on Ash Wednesday. We will livestream for grades 2-8 to the gym where they will be able to receive ashes and Holy Communion. I'm so thankful for Father Troy and technology and all the people working together to figure out a way to begin Lent together given our restrictions and obstacles!*

*Have an amazing long weekend!*

*Blessings,  
Mrs. Holly Lake  
Principal*

*IHM First graders sharing the took part in a SWEET science experiment today.*



