



Disciple Dispatch

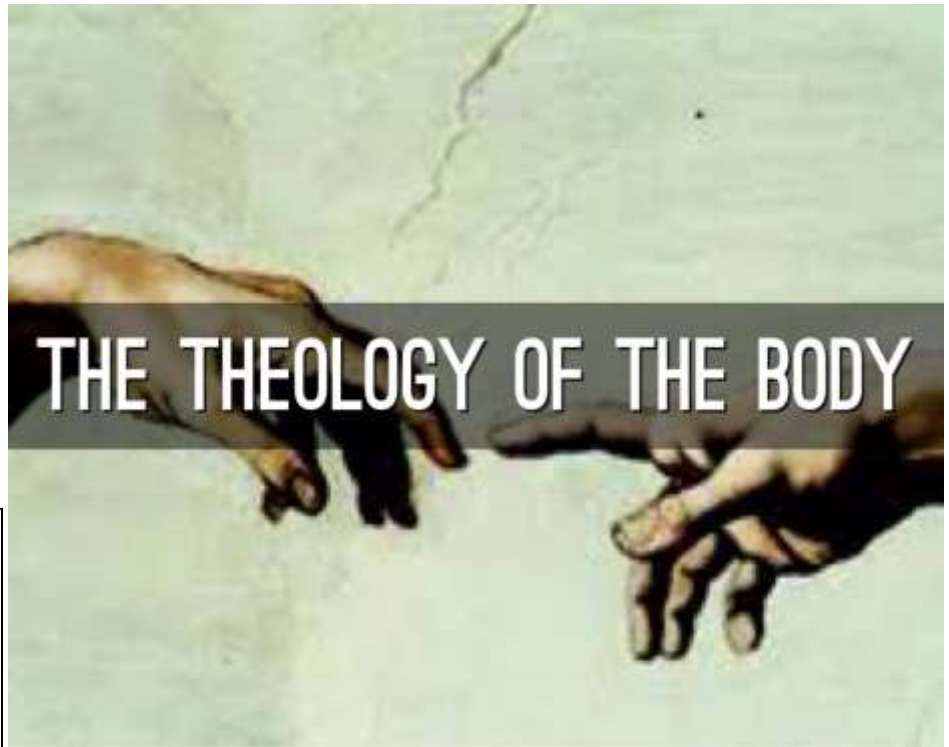
October 14, 2021

Discovering The GIFT of Being Human



A LOOK AHEAD:

- Tues Oct 19 **Picture Day/Retake Day** 8:30am
- Home and School Mtg** 7:00pm
- Wed Oct 20 **ALL-SCHOOL MASS** 9:00am
- Seedling Choir** 3:30pm
- Children's Choir** 4:00pm
- 8th Gr. Confirmation** 7:00pm
- Jr High EDGE NIGHT** TBA
- Thurs Oct 21 **TOB PARENT NIGHT** 6:30pm
- Fri Oct 22 **NO SCHOOL /PD DAY**



GOOD NEWS IF YOU'VE BEEN CONFUSED. The Parent Presentation of **Theology of the Body** lays out God's simple plan for us and our families. We were made to love, by love and for love! Come next Thursday evening at 6:30 pm, for an awe-inspiring presentation of clarity and JOY and how to foster it in your family life!



MISSION ACCOMPLISHED! Thanks to our IHM Technology Committee for organizing and for the boat-load of parents who participated in the **PROTECTING YOUNG EYES** presentation last night. Parents are armed with the knowledge; our kids have been warned as well; and now we pray St Michael continues to protect them all whilst online. And now with the same concern and zeal for their safety online, we offer a program for their spiritual protection next Thursday...

...YOUR PARTICIPATION IS INVALUABLE Attend the Parent Presentation of **Theology of the Body**, **THIS Thursday October 21, 6:30pm** in the **DeMazenod Room** and learn of the beautiful things your children are being taught. Parent Books will be distributed that evening with an explanation of the program being presented in your child(ren)'s classes and how **ESSENTIAL** your participation is at home. **Parents participating will receive free Jeans Day passes for their child(ren)!**



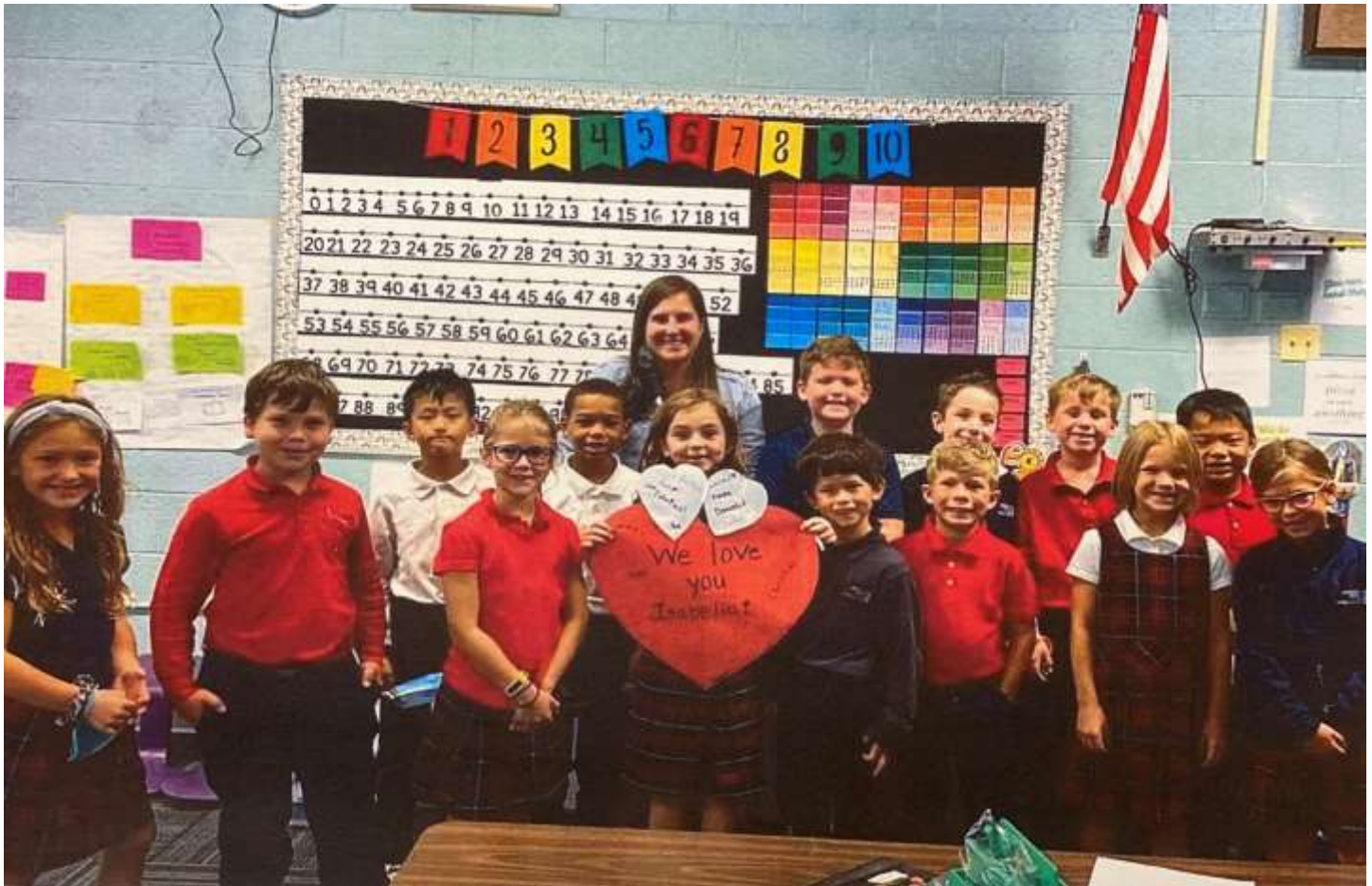
PICTURE DAY FOR PRK3's AND PICTURE RETAKE DAY is next **Tuesday October 19 from 8:30am until 10 am only**. For retakes, have your kid bring their dud photos back to the photographer. For those having pics taken for the first time, bring your order form with payment inside. **Students having pics taken may have a dress up day.** (See IHM Dress Code)

PUMPKIN CARVING WITH YOUR FAVORITE GUY! **Sunday, Oct 24 at Noon.** Bring your dad, grandpa, uncle, big brother, some pumpkins and carving knives. Find us in the church parking lot where tables and trash cans will be set up. Cider and donuts to be served for all participants. Make it an after-the-11-o'clock-Mass "date!"



KIDS CHOIR BEGINS NEXT WEEK! How long has it been since the cherubs of IHM raised our spirits in praise? **The wait is over!** Permission slips went home earlier this week and rehearsals begin next **Wednesday October 20!** Kids in grades K-2nd will make up the Seedling Choir and will meet right after school (3:30-4:00) Kids in grades 3-6 will make up the Children's Choir and they practice from 4-4:45. Both groups meet in the church. Questions? Call our new Director of Liturgical Music, Mrs. Liz Owen at 616-241-4477 ext. 116 or email her at music@ihmparish.com

IHM FAMILY DIRECTORY IS PUBLISHED! The oldest/only child of your family was given the responsibility of bringing it home this week. As always, we ask the information in our Family Directory not be used for business related solicitations but only as a means to contact other families for school and parish related reasons.



THE POWER OF (CHILDREN'S) PRAYERS: We have an update on 2nd grader Isabella K. and her cancer treatment. As of yesterday's scan, there were no Leukemic cells in her body! The chemo is working and our prayers have been heard! She still has a long road to recovery ahead. Mom asked us to thank you all for your continued prayers and love.



TRAVELING LADY OF FATIMA FAMILY ROSARY DEVOTION Consider hosting the traveling statue of Our Lady of Fatima in your home. **NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY!** Instructions included! Pray the family rosary each day for a week and receive Grace upon Grace. This week, the **Andrew and Danielle Walsh Family** will make this devotion their own. Sign your family up here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0e4ba8ac2fa1fe3-traveling>

CARING FOR MARY MINISTRY This week: **Mrs. Natalie Lott** will make sure our Lady is properly adorned: Sign up here <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0e4ba8ac2fa1fe3-caring>



Mrs. Lake has been away from the building this week, leading the accreditation team at St. Robert School and then up north with other administrators at the MANN'S Conference. She asks we encourage parents to attend the TOB

Parent Night Presentation next Thursday, adding it's not just another meeting but one of great importance which will add to the continued success of our holy school environment and the spiritual strength for our families at home!

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Fathers: YOU. ARE. ESSENTIAL. Research has clearly shown where the father regularly attends Mass, 75% of children will become adults who regularly attend Mass and remain active in the Catholic Faith. On the contrary, 75% of adults whose father did not worship at Mass regularly when they were children do not themselves go on to regularly worship at Mass **even if their mother did on a regular basis.**

We encourage you to lead your family to worship each week and to join other men who will support you, each Friday morning at **That Man is You** Men's Ministry. 6:00am breakfast if you want it, 6:30 program. Off to work by 7:30! His Grace poured out all day long!