



# Disciple Dispatch


January 14, 2022

## PRAYERS for LIFE

Sat Jan 15	Confession	4:00 – 4:45 pm
	Mass	5:15 pm
Sun Jan 16	Mass	8:30 / 11:00 am
	Praise and Worship Retreat	Noon-6pm
Mon Jan 17	NO SCHOOL MLK Day	
	Roller Skating Party	Noon-2:00pm
Wed Jan 19	Home & School Assoc. Mtg	8:00am*
	All School Mass	9:00 am
	Seedlings Choir Practice	3:30 pm
	Children’s Choir Practice	4:00 pm
	EDGE NIGHT	6:30 pm
Jan 21	Luminaries for LIFE	6:00-8:00am
	That Man is You (TMIY)	6:00 am
	All School Rosary for LIFE	8:10 am



“WITHOUT PRAYER THERE IS NO HOPE” Fr Troy’s homily at the All School Mass Wednesday stressed the absolute need for prayer, and how we should use this ‘Ordinary Time’ in the liturgical calendar to build a personal relationship with (the extraordinary) Jesus Christ. For 49 years, since Roe V Wade, years we have prayed with hope for a change in the law which allows for LIFE to be taken from the womb. Join our early morning prayer vigil **this coming Friday, January 21, between 6:00 am and 8:00 am** as we walk outside along the lighted perimeter of our IHM campus. Be a public witness to the dignity of all LIFE! Then join us for an **ALL-SCHOOL ROSARY FOR LIFE**, in the church at ~8:10am.

**SPEAKING OF PRAYER** The *Call-For-Prayer* page has been updated and can be found in the menu on our IHM APP. So many in your parish and school family can and will be lifted by YOUR prayers. Don’t have the APP? Go to your Device APP store; download **Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic School** (look for the ); and be sure to **Accept Notifications**.



**THE ANNUAL “GUYS AND DOLLS” DANCE IS ON!** Young ladies of our IHM family (PreK-8<sup>th</sup> grade) are encouraged to invite their best guy to an evening of dancing, food and fun, **Saturday February 5 at 6:30** following the 5:15 Mass. Invitations are coming home today and early next week. Dress “code” is suit and tie and “dressy-uppy.” Cost is \$25 per family (Dad can double or triple date with all his daughters!) Kindly respond to [imparish.ejoinme.org/2022dance](http://imparish.ejoinme.org/2022dance) before Feb 2. Your quick response will ensure we have enough food and treats. Contact Jocelyn Bunce with questions [jocelyn.bunce@gmail.com](mailto:jocelyn.bunce@gmail.com)

**SAVE THE DATE AND TELL YOUR FRIENDS!** The IHM **Preschool Open House** will be held on January 27, from 6-7:30 pm. Our PRK-3's PRK-4's and Young 5's programs are being enhanced *next year*, with options for 1/2 and full-day enrichment! Come and see how we are growing! Call Mrs. Colleen Lowe with questions 616-241-4633 or email her at [clowe@ihmschoolgr.org](mailto:clowe@ihmschoolgr.org)





**NO SCHOOL MONDAY...THERE'S A ROLLER SKATING PARTY!** Sponsored by your IHM Home and School Association, it is the perfect way to get kids moving and fill two hours of their day off! Meet up at **GR Skate and Event Center, 14 52<sup>nd</sup> Street SE Grand Rapids 49548** From Noon-2:00pm. Admission is \$8 per person and includes skate rental. Concessions are available for purchase. Everyone is welcome!

**HOME & SCHOOL UPDATE:** Meets this **Wednesday MORNING, January 19 at 8:00 AM in the Hearts and Hands Room.** Take a more active role with the Association next school year as MANY posts including that of President will be open!

**HOT LUNCH MENU CHANGES NEXT WEEK** **Tuesday Jan 18 = Crunchy Tacos** **Wednesday Jan 19= Chicken Legs**



**THE KILLGOAR FOUNDATION WINTER SOCIAL DINNER** Celebrate 5:15pm Mass on **Saturday January 29** and then head over to the Parish Center for dinner, drinks and a short program, this year honoring **Ann and Vince Williams.** Tickets are \$35 per person all inclusive and may be purchased here: <http://weblink.donorperfect.com/wintersocial2022> It's so good to gather together!

**ENROLLMENT FOR THE 2022-23 SCHOOL YEAR COMING SOON!** Enrollment fees will be the same as last year with a 3% increase in tuition. It will still be a streamlined process for current families and **you'll want to return your enrollment contract before February 14 or the fee will double.** Information regarding **A NEW IHM PRESCHOOL ENRICHMENT Program** in "From the Principal" below



**TRAVELING LADY OF FATIMA FAMILY ROSARY DEVOTION** **TWO OPENINGS IN FEBRUARY MUST BE FILLED!** Will you sign your family up to host 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. **The Andy and Jamie Martinus Family** will be praying the daily family rosary in which we ALL benefit! <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0e4ba8ac2fa1fe3-traveling>

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

**FROM OUR STUDENT LEADERSHIP COUNCIL: CALLING FOR WORKS OF MERCY** As we prepare for a very fun **Catholic Schools Week** (beginning next Month) one of the ways is to celebrate **our very special IHM Community.** Whether through prayer, or acts of service, your family is encouraged to reach out other IHM families who are currently or may be quarantined during this time of Covid. Consider performing **A Corporal Act of Mercy** by dropping off a batch of cookies or a family game; offer to run an errand or deliver a meal; or make homemade *get-well-soon* cards. Be the light!



**From the Principal: IHM Childcare/Preschool Changes For 2022-23**  
**Our Child Care Program** will be strictly a before and after school program.

Parents of Preschoolers enrolled in any of our **P3, P4 or Y5 Programs** will be able to add half or whole days of **Preschool Enrichment** to lengthen their schedule for the school day. We will be hiring a Preschool Director who will work on programming as well as teach some of those Enrichment Classes. For example, if you have a 4-year-old preschooler who goes to school on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 8-11 AM, you can add in two other full days and three half days for full-time enrollment. Or you could choose to have your child at school for full days on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays by adding 3 half days, or every morning by adding two more half days of enrichment. Programming will complement the current preschool curriculum. Children who are at school all day will have lunch at school, and those here in the afternoon will have a short rest time. This will all be part of the **tuition contract** during the enrollment process. We are happy to work with each family to design the program that best fits their schedule and their child's needs.

*Blessings,*  
Holly Lake  
Principal

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Winners of the 2022 IHM Spelling Bee

1<sup>st</sup> place: Claire K.

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: John F.

3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Reese T.

**Congratulations!**