

Disciple Dispatch

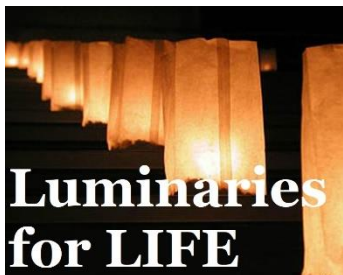
January 15, 2023

Making The Ordinary Extraordinary

Looking Ahead:

Sat Jan 14	Confession	4:00 pm	Mass	5:15 pm
Sun Jan 15	Mass			8:30 am / 11:00 am
Mon Jan 16	NO SCHOOL / Martin Luther King Day			
Wed Jan 18	Mileage Club			7:30 am
	Home and School Assoc. Mtg			8:00 am
	All-School Mass			9:00 am
	Jr. High EDGE NIGHT			
Fri Jan 13	Luminaries for LIFE			6:00-8:00 am
	All School Rosary for LIFE	Church		8:15 am

Celebrating the beginning of Ordinary Time at Immaculate Heart of Mary School is a sweet deal, especially when there's a creamy center involved. IHM Preschool Enrichment teacher Mrs. Angela Bayes offered a little extra treat as she instructed her kiddos to use ordinary Oreo cookies to mimic the extraordinary the phases of the moon. Seems like a simple example of what we are all called to do: acknowledge the ordinary tasks of everyday life as His gifts. Then performing those tasks well, they become as an extraordinary offering of praise back to The Father. "The difference between ordinary and extraordinary is that little extra."



IHM LUMINARIES FOR LIFE Seventeen years ago, a passionate group of IHM moms began an extraordinary witness to the sanctity of LIFE, praying in a public way for the end of Roe v Wade in the United States. Luminaries for LIFE was conceived at IHM and held every year since, on or around January 22. Our prayers were answered this past spring when the Supreme Court struck down the 49-year-old law, only to be newly challenged in the with the passage of Michigan Proposal 3 in November. The scourge remains. Babies' lives are in danger. We will not stop praying. **Join us this Friday, January 20 from 6-8 am as we walk the lighted perimeter of our campus in prayer for those children endangered of being aborted and for their parents to choose LIFE. Immediately following, Fr. Troy will lead us in an all-school rosary for LIFE at 8:15 am in the Church.**

BABY BOTTLES FOR LIFE...are coming home this Friday, Jan 20, with your child(ren). The work of **Right to Life of Michigan** goes on, providing needed support for mothers in crisis pregnancies choosing LIFE. Fill the bottles with spare change from around the house. Be sure your child puts in money of their own as well to make this truly a sacrificial gift of love. Return the bottles during Catholic Schools week.



MILEAGE CLUB UPDATE: Door R opens at 7:30 am and registered mileage club students are asked to enter only through those doors and place their backpacks coats etc along the wall INSIDE the gym under the basketball hoops. *Only those students with signed permission slips will be allowed in the gym early on Wednesdays mornings.*



WINTER SOCIAL TO HONOR LIFETIME MEMBERS OF IHM Kicking off Catholic Schools week on Saturday January 28, the annual Killgoar Winter Social will again shine a light on those who have been so generous with their time, talent and treasure. The recipients of the Fr. Killgoar Service Award will be Mike and Pat Jennings—IHM grade-school sweet hearts and still such a lovely part of our IHM parish family. Tickets are all inclusive: \$45 each gets you a great meal, adult beverages, and time to reconnect with members of IHM School. Send a check in to the School or Parish office marked Killgoar Winter Social.

4TH GRADE SONGFEST DATE CHANGE: Please mark your calendars to reflect the new date of **MARCH 15**



SAVE THE DATE: Mother/Son Bowling Outing, Saturday, March 25 from 12-2pm at The Clique Bowling Center. The spots fill up fast so watch the Disciple Dispatch for the date the sign up link will be available.

TRAVELING STATUE OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA FAMILY ROSARY DEVOTIONAL Families are needed to host the traveling statue of our Lady in your home for a week, promising to pray the FAMILY rosary every day or night. NO experience necessary. The devotional comes with rosary instructions, a journal and countless graces promised by Our Lady herself. Sign up for a week <https://m.signupgenius.com/#!/showSignUp/10C0D4CADAC2EA2FCC52-traveling>



MARY MOST SORROWFUL With heavy but hope-filled hearts, we share the news **Grammie Sandy Lowery** passed into eternity this afternoon, Sunday January 15, taking with her the good deeds by which she brought God glory here on earth and the countless prayers we a s community offered up for her. Please continue those prayers for the repose of her soul and for consolation for the family who mourns her passing. Sandy shined Christ's light as wife, mother, sister, grandmother and friend, a light which can never be extinguished.



Hello IHM Families!

What a wonderful, busy week we have had!

Monday was a wonderful presentation about paying for Catholic school education. Thank you to Cynthia Kniebel from West Catholic, Steve Wilson, and Karli Simon for sharing information about general budgeting, financial aid, and 529 plans. It was a nice evening to get information, have wine and cheese, and get jeans passes for students!

January is National School Board Appreciation Month, so I want to publicly thank our wonderful school board! In Catholic schools, the School Board serves in an advisory capacity, and works hard for the school in the areas identified by accreditation and the strategic plan. Our President is Paul Dymowski, Vice President is Whitney Kaufman, Secretary is Bridget Graham, and general members are Jocelyn Bunce, Brandy Iacopelli, Marc Sink, Amanda Solt, Monica Reeder and Kristin Ferro. They are so helpful to our school in so many ways and we are blessed by their work. Thank you!

Have a great long weekend! See you Tuesday!

Blessings,

*Holly Lake
Principal*

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