

Disciple Dispatch

February 23, 2024

Transfigure us, O Lord



Looking Ahead:

Sat Feb 24	Confessions Mass	4:00 - 4:50 pm 5:15 pm
Sun Feb 25	Mass Blood Drive	8:30 am / 11:00 am 8:00 am – 1:00 pm
Wed Feb 28	Mileage Club All School Mass St Gregory Choir Practice NO EDGE Night	7:30 am 9:00 am 4:00 pm
Thurs Feb 29	Divine Mercy Kids Club	Recess
Fri Mar 1	NO SCHOOL Profession Dev. Day Stations of the Cross	6:00 pm



Christ allowed Peter, James, and John a glimpse of what was to come of Him after his crucifixion so they would know to trust later in His resurrection. Two thousand years later our intellect tells us He came and lived as the Messiah. But what about our hearts? Open the eyes of my heart, Lord!



IHM DIVINE MERCY KIDS CLUBS are bursting with JOY! Thursday recess time hasn't been the same since the DM Kids Club fired back up in January. Two groups of +45 students cram games, acts of Mercy and the Divine Mercy Chaplet prayer into their 25-minute break before lunch. Pictured left, the kids played a very spirited round of Divine Mercy Timed Bingo this week! What makes it even more divine? **Our retired IHM Parish Gma's and Gpa's** leading the groups. Blessings!!!!

IHM 2024-25 SCHOOL YEAR ENROLLMENT began this week! Current IHM families have until March 6th to sign their children's contracts and thus secure their spot next year. Enrollment will be open to new-to-IHM-families on March 7. NOTE: Preschool classes are filling up quickly. Don't delay! Families with questions about IHM Parish support and Active Parish Membership should contact Heather in the Business Office for assistance. 616-241-4477 ext. 102.

No student will be considered enrolled for the coming year without a signed contract and all necessary paperwork uploaded.

IHM ONLINE SPIRITWEAR SHOP IS OPEN FOR BUSINESS! Shop now until **THIS SUNDAY EVENING March 3** for all things IHM! Note: ¼ Zip jackets MAY be worn during the school day. www.revbusinessstore.com/Ihm

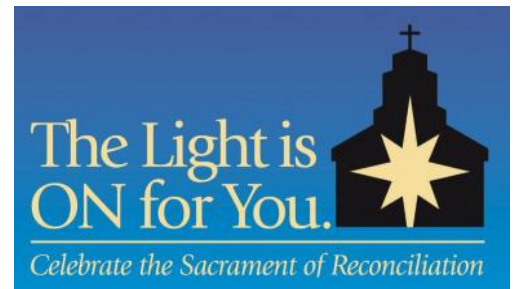
IHM's 40 DAYS FOR LIFE "DAY" IS MARCH 9 Would you give an hour to pray to save a baby's life? 40 Days for life is a pro-life effort of praying, fasting, and holding a peaceful vigil in front of an abortion facility. The 29th campaign in Grand Rapids will take place in front of *Planned Parenthood at 425 Cherry St.* This facility provides the abortion pill and refers abortions. IHM has adopted Saturday, March 9th to pray at the peaceful vigil. Members from the IHM Respect Life Committee and other fellow parishioners are ready to **join YOU and YOUR FAMILY** at the vigil from 7:00AM until 7:00PM. To register for an hour: www.40daysforlife.com/GrandRapids

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THINK ABOUT SUCH THINGS...AROUND CAMPUS! Teacher Aide Mrs. Debbie Sremba is counting down the weeks towards the delivery of grandchild #2 and so is Teacher Aide Mrs. Joanne Grantham with grandchild #1! Music Teacher Mrs. Kaylyn Hire is pregnant with her first child due this summer. Second grade Teacher Mrs. Karli Simon is due with #7 in April! Disciple Den Aide Mrs. Kathy Southerington welcomed grandbaby # 2 in January and there is a quickly approaching due date for grandchild #2 for Mrs. Colleen Lowe in the school office! Spiritual births(BAPTISMS!) are anticipated at our Easter Vigil by IHM mom Mrs. Heather LaFleur and former IHM student and his Mom, Colton Rockwell and DonnaMarie Rockwell. Also to be confirmed in the Catholic Faith this Easter, the entire IHM Daniels Family, the entire IHM Rockwell Family; IHM Dad Mr. Ken Marotte; and IHM Dad Mr. Steven Grabel! Arrowsmith Teacher Miss Annie Brooks will become Mrs. this summer and so will fourth grade Teacher Miss Katie Hile, this May. Philippians 4:8!!! Think about such things!

THE LIGHT IS ON FOR YOU...AND YOU ...AND YOU...THURSDAY MARCH 14
Both IHM priests and confessionals will be ready and open to welcome your family from 5-8:00 pm. Keep our Fr Troy and Fr Dave in your prayers of thanksgiving for their vocations!

MANDATORY CONFIRMATION MEETING FOR PARENTS OF 7TH GRADERS on Sunday March 10 from 9:30 -10:30 am in the DeMazenod Room



SAVE THE DATE! St. Vincent dePaul Society Annual Pasta

Dinner is to be held in the DeMazenod room, **Saturday, March 9, 2024 Following 5:15 Mass!** \$10/Person - \$20 / Immediate Family Such a deal! **RSVP's required!** Signup after weekend Masses!



IHM HISTORY TRIVIA DID YOU KNOW? In 1958 Fr. John Leary, OMI becomes our second pastor. Twelve Hundred (1200!!) dinners are served at the **Annual Spaghetti Dinner** (and Mr. Joe Tierney wasn't yet at the helm!) Sr. Ermina, OP becomes the second principal at IHM School. In 1959, the IHM Parish census reached 600 families.

WHAT LEGACY OF TIME/TALENT/TREASURE will they be writing about you and your family here at IHM 25 years from now? **Active IHM Parish Membership** is really a response of worship to our good God. Your participation brings glory to God by serving your spiritual family through community worship (Sunday Mass), ministry involvement and tithing. You are welcome and you belong here!

Hello IHM Families!



What a beautiful week we had! The sunshine was an amazing gift for our first full week of Lent! We opened up registration on Wednesday! Please log in to your SchoolAdmin account as soon as possible to complete enrollment for the 2024-25 school year. We are blessed with a very full preschool and preschool enrichment program, so make sure ALL paperwork is filled out to be fully enrolled. There are many forms, especially for preschool, but we are trying to streamline the process so there will be less to fill out when we come back to school. Thank you for taking the time to address all the paperwork and complete the online process! We will be planning for classrooms based on these numbers moving forward, so it's helpful to work on that process as soon as possible to plan for classes, teachers and rooms.

If you are a member of another parish that does NOT have a school, and therefore receive parish support from them, you must log in to SchoolAdmin and request that parish support. When it is approved by that parish, we adjust your tuition rates. So your current contract does not reflect any parish support yet. If you are an IHM parishioner, you have probably already filled out the paper form asking to be given parishioner status, this is ONLY for other parishes.

If you have questions about your tuition amounts, any financial aid or parishioner discounts, please call the Business office at the parish. If you have questions about how to complete registration or add a student from your family, you can call the school office. Have a wonderful weekend!

Blessings,
Holly Lake, Principal

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