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BAPTISMS:
Parents wishing to baptize children should call the Parish Office to schedule the baptism and to schedule participation in our Baptismal Preparation Program. Please call two months before you wish the Baptism. The preparation may be done before the birth of the child.

MARRIAGE:
Arrangements must be made six months before the tentative date of the marriage by calling the Parish Office.

ANointing the SICK:
This sacrament is for those who are elderly, seriously ill, or scheduled for surgery. Contact the Parish Office to schedule the anointing in Church or at home. If in hospital, request the Catholic Chaplain or a priest from the Parish in which the hospital is located, through the nursing station.

COMMUNION FOR THE HOMEBOUND:
Contact the Parish Office if you or a family member cannot attend Sunday Mass and would like to receive the Eucharist at home during the week.

NEWCOMERS:
Welcome to our community. You are invited to register in the parish on each 2nd Sunday of the month in the vestibule after Mass, by coming to the Parish Office during regular business hours, or by completing a “Welcome Card” found in the pamphlet rack at the entrance of the Church and mailing it to the Parish Office.

R.C.I.A.
Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is a process by which adults prepare to enter fully into the Catholic Church through Baptism, Confirmation or Eucharist. Please call the Parish Office for more information.

Penance:
Saturdays: 4:00-4:45 pm or at other times by appointment.
Right is right even if no one is doing it. Wrong is wrong even if everyone is doing it.

Let us love one another!

The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe - November 24, 2019

Oportet Illum Regnare! For He must reign!

John 18:37 Respondit Jesus: Tu dicis, quia Rex sum ego. Ego in hoc natus sum, et ad hoc veni in mundum, ut testimonium perhibeam veritati: omnis qui est ex veritate, audit vocem meam. Jesus answered: Thou sayest that I am a King. For this was I born, and for this came I into the world, that I should give testimony to the truth. Every one that is of the truth, heareth My voice.

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

In the reform of the Church calendar in 1970 the Solemnity of Christ the King was moved to the last Sunday of the Church year right before the first Sunday of Advent. Therefore, in the Ordinary Form of the Mass this solemnity is celebrated on November 24th this year. However, for those who continue to use the Roman Missal of Saint John XXIII, or the extraordinary form of the liturgy, the solemnity is celebrated on the last Sunday of October. Actually, this solemnity has a rather recent history in the life of the Church.

During the 1920’s Pope Pius XI could already clearly see the wrong direction the modern world was going. The horror of World War I still was within living memory. Nevertheless, extreme nationalism continued to dominate. In Italy, Benito Mussolini and his black shirts, the fascists, had marched on Rome in 1922 and proclaimed a new era, the rebirth of a new Roman empire based on the pre-Christian one. Nazism, led by Adolf Hitler, was beginning to appeal to the German speaking countries and would come to power in 1933. Communism and radical socialism were beginning to dominate. Whereas in the free world there was also a creeping secularism and false liberalism that would eventually undermine the principles of democracy. Pope Pius XI, as the Vicar of Christ and successor of St. Peter, boldly proclaimed the Gospel of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ in his encyclical Quas Primas of December 11, 1925, establishing the Solemnity of Christ the King as a rallying point for all those on the side of Christ and His Church.

A beautiful reflection on the Solemnity of Christ the King is found in volume five of the little book In Conversation with God by Father Francis Fernandez Carvajal. He writes, quoting from 1 Corinthians 15:25 – Oportet autem illum regnare . . . For He must reign. Then follows this powerful quotation from the above encyclical: “He must reign in our minds, which should assent with perfect submission and firm belief to revealed truths and to the doctrines of Christ. He must reign in our wills, which should obey the laws and precepts of God. He must reign in our hearts, which should spurn natural desires and love God above all things, and cleave to Him alone. He must reign in our bodies and in our members, which should serve as instruments for the interior sanctification of our souls.”

Yes, Jesus Christ, Our King, must reign! Illum Oportet Regnare! As faithful believers we refuse to kneel before the world, the flesh, and the devil. We have only one King to whom we submit ourselves mind, body, and soul. We refuse to be deceived by the Kingdom of Darkness. We proclaim the Kingdom of Light in Jesus Christ. He remains the same yesterday, today, and forever. He is our last, best, and only hope. On this feast we resolve to serve Him all our days. Even if 99.99% should embrace the kingdom of Satan, we promise to stand up even stronger as authentic and faithful Catholics, witnessing even until death. We can’t abandon the Truth. We know that our salvation depends on our response to the Lord’s proclamation: “Every one that is of the truth, heareth My voice (John 18:37).”

In Domino,
Fr. Mark G. Mazza

THANKSGIVING DAY MASS at 9:00 am, Thursday, November 28th.
The School will have a Thanksgiving Mass on Monday, November 25th at 8:15 A.M.
The Parish Office will be closed on Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, Nov 28th and Friday 29th.
PRAY FOR THE SICK

PLEASE NOTE: Beginning December 1, 2019, our policy of noting names will change. After December 1st, we will list names in our bulletin for a period of four weeks. Should you wish to add a name at any time, please contact the rectory at 650-593-6157 or email (preferred): office@ihmbelmont.org. Thank you for your understanding.

Currently, we pray for

- Those who have died, and especially those who have no one to pray for them. May their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace.
- Those who are sick or who suffer in any way, that God will assist them in their need. Especially, Valerie Abbey, Bob Ahrens, Tom Anderson, Joe Andreano, Fernando Arguello, Ron Barri, James Carvalho, Joselina Deladingco, Grace Delagnes, Judith Delahante, Julie Fletcher, Roy Fong, Dennis Frazier, Manny Galvez, Barbara Gartner, Aurora Genocho, Greta Gipson-Lewis, Queen Gipson, Silva Guerbidjian, Griselda Guevara-MacDonald, Gary Harder, Anna Herdtler, Henry Jacquesmet, Leota Jones, Torin Jones, Maria Latham, Patrick Lobo, Jacob Loeffler, Vicki Logan, Rosemarie Maffeì, Kevin Mapes, Carol Mateus, John McEvoy, Phyllis McKenna, Ken McQueen, Jesse Montalvo, Donna Moynihan, John Nguyen, Pauline & Jerome Oppenheim, Arlene Penn, Elizabeth Pugh, James Pugh, Joshua Pugh, Chris Quigg, Victoria Renard, Joel Rivera, Ron Rosso, Adrian Sanchez, Joseph Sangervasi, Brooke Seim, Bill Selenger, Lisa Stasiak, Ofelia Vallejo, Paulette Volante, Marc Weiss, Justin & Jennifer Wells & Family, Ted Wolfe, and for those who suffer alone and have no one to pray for them.

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

Nov 23 Sat.- Weekday. Blessed Miguel Pro, Priest and Martyr
8:15am- Celebrant’s Intention
5:00pm- John & Theresa De Andrea

Nov 24 Sun.- Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
7:30am – Luigi Benedetti
9:30am - People of the Parish
11:30am - Preethi & Shawn Joseph (living)
5:00 pm – Latin Mass

Nov 25 Mon.- St. Catherine of Alexandria, Virgin & Martyr
8:15am – Celebrant’s Intention

Nov 26 Tue.- Weekday
8:15am – Joanna L. Nadal & Aquilino T. Larkin

Nov 27 Wed.- Weekday
8:15am – John Cronin

Nov 28 Thu.- Thanksgiving Day
9:00 am – People of the Parish

Nov 29 Fri.- Weekday
8:15am – Gonzalo Sanchez

Nov 30 Sat.- Saint Andrew, Apostle
8:15am – Tom Smith
5:00pm – John A. Barulich

Dec 1 Sun.- First Sunday of Advent
7:30 am – Luigi Benedetti
9:30 am – People of the Parish
11:30 am – Amalu Family
5:00 pm – Latin Mass

CELEBRANTS for November 30, December 1, 2019
Sat. 5:00 pm – Fr. Mazza
Sun. 7:30 am – Fr. Gepiga
9:30 am – Fr. MacDonald
11:30 am – Fr. Mazza

READINGS for November 30, December 1, 2019
First Reading: Isaiah 2:1-5
Second Reading: Romans 13:11-14
Gospel: Matthew 24:37-44

SUNDAY COLLECTION
Collection for weekend of 11-17-19: $5,508
Second Collection for weekend of 11-17-19: $1,419

Archdiocesan Annual Appeal (AAA) 2019
“I will show you my faith by my works.” James 2:18

As Catholics, we unite in using our gifts and talents to serve others. Together, we are able to demonstrate our faith through the Archdiocesan Annual Appeal by advancing important programs for youth and young adults, social ministries, retired priests, as well as faith formation, human resources, and communications. We ask you to prayerfully consider supporting this year’s Appeal.

Our Goal for this year 2019 is $83,531
As of this date, we have 141 donors, who contributed $59,797 in cash / pledges toward this purpose.

Amount Due: $23,734.
You can donate online at
https://sfarchdiocese.org/aaa#DonateForm

FIRST SUNDAY LATIN MASS
5:00 pm – Sunday, Dec 1st – IHM Church

FIRST FRIDAY HOLY HOUR
7:00 pm – Friday, Dec 6th – IHM Church

CELEBRATE GAUDETE SUNDAY
December 15th after all the morning Masses in the Discovery Room. REJOICE!
MEN’S GROUP
Attention men! Ready to take your faith to the next level? Exodus 90 is a spiritual journey that you can take with fellow IHM men focusing on Prayer, Fraternity and Asceticism. We will start Monday, January 13th and end on Easter Sunday. Find out more at Exodus90.com or contact Dave Arms at (650) 333-7338.

THE GIVING TREE
"Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me." (Matthew 25:40)

In the spirit of Thanksgiving and in anticipation of the joy of Christmas, we have an opportunity as a parish to give to others to help bless their holiday season. Starting this Sunday (11/24) and continuing through the following two Sundays, the Giving Tree has returned. In conjunction with Saint Francis Center in Redwood City, we will provide $25 gift cards for five different vendors (Costco, Target, Safeway, ARCO & Chevron) that will most benefit and are most frequented by the various families that Saint Francis Center serves. Take an “ornament” card (or more) off the Giving Tree, purchase the respective gift card(s) and put them in an envelope and drop them into the mailbox on the right hand side of the front door to the rectory no later than Thursday, December 12th. Your generosity will be most appreciated.

ADVENT CHANT WORKSHOP
The importance of music in the liturgy and learning to sing the music of the Latin Mass.

CHANTS & HYMNS OF ADVENT

November 29, 2019  6:00 pm – 8:00 pm
November 30, 2019 12:00 pm – 2:00 pm

December 1 2019 (First Sunday of Advent)
4:00 pm – Workshop Rehearsal
5:00 pm – Solemn High Mass
in the Extraordinary form.

at IHM Church, Belmont, CA

See the flyers in the vestibule for more info.
CELEBRATE IHM LIFE!

Family Gingerbread Workshop  Sun Dec. 1st,
4-6pm, St. Michael’s Hall
This fun workshop includes one Gingerbread House with decorations. Enjoy holiday cookies, cocoa and Christmas music with the IHM community. Reservation fee is $30 per family (up to 4 people). Reservation deadline is November 23, 2019. Additional gingerbread houses may be purchased for $15 each. Reserve in parish office or online at ihmbelmont.org/auction.

Create Holiday Beauty
Thu Dec. 5th, 6-8pm,
St. Michael’s Hall
This fun Holiday Floral Design class taught by Marnie Lyman includes all flowers and floral materials. Please bring your own scissors and cutters. Reservation is $65 per person – deadline is Nov 30th 2019. Reserve in parish office or online at ihmbelmont.org/auction.

HELP US CELEBRATE POSADA ON CHRISTMAS EVE

Calling Singers, Angels and Shepherds (all ages welcome).
Please contact Jeff Voss for sign ups and rehearsal details. Jmv99id@gmail.com.