



Saul and Barnabas...The Goodness of Great

Faith...

**IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY
ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH**
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Rev. Joseph W. Bongard, in Residence
Deacon Salvatore R. Bianco*

MASS SCHEDULE

WEEKENDS: IN CHURCH

SATURDAY 5:15PM VIGIL

SUNDAY 7:30, 9:30, 11:30AM

WEEKDAYS: IN SACRED HEART CHAPEL

MONDAY THRU FRIDAY 8:30AM

SATURDAY 8:00AM

Wednesdays when school is in session Mass will be held
in the Church - 8:30AM

HOLYDAYS OF OBLIGATION IN CHURCH

5:15PM VIGIL MASS

8:30AM, 12:00PM & 7:30PM

1ST FRIDAY: IN SACRED HEART CHAPEL

8:30AM

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION IN CHURCH

SATURDAY 4:00-5:00PM

TUESDAY

SOLEMN EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED

SACRAMENT AFTER 8:30AM MASS

UNTIL 6:30PM

MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA

TUESDAY EVENING AT 6:30PM

BENEDICTION FOLLOWS NOVENA PRAYERS

CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM - The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated on
the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month at 12:30PM
Next dates: **May 6th & 20th, June 3rd & 17th**

PRE-JORDAN - instruction/sacramental preparation for
parents is held in the Sacred Heart Chapel every other
month – January, March, May, July, September and
November. Parents of children to be baptized should
contact Denise Schmidt 215-483-1000 between the hours
of 9AM to 4PM to register. The next date for Pre-Jordan
class is **May 16th at 7PM in the Sacred Heart Chapel.**
**Pre-Jordan sacramental preparation is required for
each child to be baptized at IHM.**

MARRIAGE - To adequately prepare to celebrate the
Sacrament of Marriage, Archdiocesan policy requires that
couples contact one of the priests of the parish at least 6
months in advance.

IHM offers a one day **Pre-Cana** Seminar that assists
couples in preparation for their upcoming marriage. The
Pre-Cana is conducted twice a year (Spring and Fall). The
Fall date is to be determined. Please call Denise
Schmidt, parish secretary at 215-483-1000 to register
for Pre-Cana.

RCIA - Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. This is the
program for those interested in initiation into the
Catholic Faith. Information is also available for those
who may not have completed the Sacraments of
Initiation (Baptism, Eucharist, and Confirmation). Please
contact the Director of Religious Education,
Mary Anne Kostic-King—215-483-4266.

We Pray and Worship Together

MASSES FOR THE WEEK OF April 29, 2018

SAT.	28	5:15PM	John Antenucci - 4 th Anniversary
SUN.	29	7:30 9:30 11:30	IHM Parishioners Eric Binns In Thanksgiving to the Blessed Mother
MON.	30	8:30	Alfredo Lopez
TUES.	1	8:30	Mary Michini
WED.	2	8:30	Deceased Members of the Cupchak Family
THURS.	3	8:30	Louis Rambo
FRI.	4	8:30	Christine Mazurek
SAT.	5	8:00 5:15PM	Fr. Jack and Paul Donohie Veronica and Joseph Basara
SUN.	6	7:30 9:30 11:30	IHM Parishioners Louise and John Loschiavo Frank Koneski

* Please note, not all Mass intentions are for the deceased

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

- 1) Acts of the Apostles 10:25-26,34-35,44-48 (56B)
- 2) 1 John 4:7-10
- 3) John 15:9-17



PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SOULS OF OUR DECEASED BROTHERS AND SISTERS

Mary Patricia Donahue, Barbara Calabrese,
Deacon Edward A. Konarski, Jr.,
Baby Rowan Harrington, Mary Ellen Wagner,
Rev. Nicholas R. Waseline, O.S.F.S.



ROSES



The rose placed in the *Church* is in loving memory of Taiasha requested by her friends and co-workers at ACME.

The rose placed in the *Chapel* is in loving memory of Mary Michini requested by Anne Stanley.

The Sanctuary Light in our Sacred Heart Chapel for the week of April 30th to May 6th is in loving memory of Robert Scheid requested by his wife Beth.



PRAY FOR THE SICK

Father of goodness and love, hear our prayers for the sick members of our community, all those in the military, law enforcement and for all who are in need.

Anthony Albera, Ariana Albater, Anna Barras, Beth Kelly Bates, Helen J. Boron, Jean Basile, Beth Kelly Bates, Joyce Bielawski, Wayne Bielawski, Bill Blum, Gerri Blum, Roberta Bracey, Theresa Branca-Herbst, Catherine Bryan, John Calabrese, Eleanor Calabrese-Avallone, Mary Campbell, Rita Casciato, Lisa Castellante, Caitlyn Clark, John Colantonio, Baby Parker Comeau, Brooke Conklin, Baby Kevin Crane, Anne Cunningham, Joseph Cylc, Anna Dahm, Mary D'Angelo, Kathy Davis, Taylor Davis, Jack Deegan, Robert Denshuick, Baby James Dent, Baby Augie DeStefano, Baby Olivia DeStefano, Kim Dichiaro, John Diehl, Roseann DiLullo, Marie Dunne, Sue Fafara, Marianne Felker, Nancy Finn, Janet Fioravante, Joe Flemming, Christina Gailey, Kathleen Gavaghan, Tom Halpin, Louise Hannings, Robert Hannon, Eric Hetrick, Jean Hodge, Fay Holder, Baby Jessica Jara, Linda Jara, Kellen Jeffrey, Mary Jo King, Alberta Klusek, Josephine Konopka, Olga Kostic, Hedy Latimor, Marianne Leahy, George Lemerise, Ed Lenox, Theresa Lenters, Mackenzie Lilly, Kendra Lutz, Carolyn Mako, Rosemary Martella, Keelin McEleney, Patricia McGinty, Stephen McKeever, Roberta McLaughlin, Matthew McNamee, Maureen McGill Miccoli, Geri Miller, Terry Morrissey, Katherine Murphy, Teresa Nagele, Terry Nosek, Rev. Paul Obrimski, Baby Samantha O'Donnell, Anne Louise Owens, Joanna Parnes, Vera Pepe, James Vincent Penkowski, Lynn Pester, Joe Ponzio, George Price, Thomas Przybek, Gloria Pytlar, Joseph Rava, Baby Harper Ann Renshaw, John Reynolds, Fran Rigler, Barbara Rogers, Rose Rudolph, Stephanie Russo, Rosa Maria Santos, John Scharff, Mairead Scharff, William Scheibenhoffer, Benny Shiril, George Siefert, Baby Mason Simmons, Veronica Sirianni, Madison Solis, Salvatore Sparacino, Jason Stock, Theresa Stockmal, Barbara Stuhl, Joe Sweeney, Annette Terreri, Sister Mary Thaddeus, C.S.S.F., Christine Triola, Rose Triola, Johnny Van Kemp, Michael Venditto, Antoinette Viola, Christine Wack, Rita Walsh, Carol Wans, Jim Weber, Charlie Whittaker, Elizabeth Wildemore, Emma Wittig, David Woczyna, Zeke Wright, Marie Yocco.



Dear Parishioners:

Please take a few minutes to look over the list of those who are sick in the above section. The Rectory staff does not know which parishioners have found healing through all of our prayers unless we are told. If you or loved one can be removed from the list, please call the Rectory at 215-483-1000 to inform us of the change. We would love to see this list much shorter and know our friends are healthier!

Pastor's Page

Our scripture readings on this Fifth Sunday of Easter start off with the Acts of the Apostles chapter 9. This is after Paul's conversion on the way to Damascus. This part of the chapter focuses on Paul in the immediate aftermath of his conversion experience. He goes from extreme persecutor of Christians to a preacher to the Jews at Damascus.

Luke stresses everyone's amazement at the turnabout. In response to Paul's aggressive witness and arguing that Jesus is the Son of God and the Messiah, the Jews naturally plot against him. Luke reminds his readers how the Jerusalem Christians realistically feared Paul at first, thinking it was some kind of trick, not believing he was one of them. Barnabas however becomes the link between Paul and the Twelve.

Barnabas first appears in Acts 4:36. "There was a certain Levite from Cyprus named Joseph, to whom the Apostles gave the name Barnabas (meaning son of encouragement). He sold a farm that he owned and made a donation of the money, laying it at the Apostle's feet.) He had submitted to the authority of the Apostles.

Barnabas introduces Paul to the Apostles and explains Paul's call and his witness to Jesus in Damascus. The addition of Paul will be a great benefit for the growing Church.

John's gospel has as one of its main purposes the strong attempt to present an understanding of Jesus as the divine Son of God. The truths and teachings presented in John's gospel are more deeply theological and reflective than the way the truths are presented in the other three Gospels (which are called the Synoptic Gospels – meaning to be seen together).

The prayerful nature of John's Gospel and its familiar and treasured imagery of Jesus as "the bread of life", the "light of the world" and the "Good Shepherd", have made this Gospel a source for the meditation on the divine significance of Jesus' life.

John's Gospel does not have the rapid fire, one after another miracle stories and lists of short sayings that characterize much of the Synoptic Gospels. Rather John offers long, unified stories and discourses, which are extended presentations by Jesus. Such as discourses on the Bread of Life (John 6:22-59) and the Last Supper Discourse (John 14:1-21).

We also see allegory in John's gospel when used to talk about the Good Shepherd

(10:1-18) and the Branches like we see today. This comes from the Old Testament allegory of Israel as God's true vine. Jesus personalizes this. He himself is the true vine.

The Father takes personal care of this vine, pruning the barren branches and trimming clear the fruitful branches. The central teaching of the allegory is clear. We are part of this vine, Jesus is the vine. We become fruitful when we remain in Jesus' love. If this happens, when this happens, the disciple will produce fruit.

This is a huge vine. There are many, many branches throughout the world. Let us pray that as Christ is the vine and we are the branches our prayer will be that each of the branches and will grow stronger on the vine.

Father Casey



IHM Legion of Mary

Members of the Legion of Mary are presently bringing the travelling Pilgrim Virgin (Our Lady of Fatima Statue) to homes in our parish, thus bringing peace and blessings to families. If you wish to invite Mary into your home, please call Wendi Wagoner (267-334-8340) or contact any Legion member.

The Legion of Mary is an association of men and women who spread their Faith while growing together in their love of Jesus, in union with Mary. Anyone interested in becoming an active or auxiliary (praying) member, you are invited to attend one of our meetings which are held every Wednesday at 7:00PM in Father Sullivan Hall (Knights of Columbus Room).

Bereavement Support Group for Widows and Widowers

Where: Koller Funeral Home, 6835 Ridge Pike

Time: 1:30PM-2:45PM - refreshments will be offered

Dates: 5/1 (Special Days & Dates), 5/15 (Belongings and Reminders), 5/29 (Reinvesting in Life), 6/12 (Does Grief End?)



Each Tuesday the Blessed Sacrament is exposed for our adoration in our Sacred Heart Chapel, from 9:00AM to 6:30PM. Benediction and Novena follows.



The Society of St. Vincent de Paul at IHM will be collecting used clothing and household goods through the services of **GreenDrop** Charitable Donations on:

Saturday May 12th, from 3:30PM to 6:00PM
Sunday, May 13th, from 7:00AM to 1:00PM

Bring your donations in plastic bags or boxes to the IHM parking lot. Look for the GreenDrop truck. Your donations will generate needed funds for SVDP. For a full list of acceptable items, go to www.gogreendrop.com.

Parish Information

Weekend Offering April 21/22, 2018

Envelopes \$ 9,819.00
Loose \$ 1,478.00
\$11,297.00

#envelopes 625
 Average \$15.71
 Poor Box \$268.85

Thank you for your generosity!



BINGO

Sunday, May 6th - doors open at 12:30PM, first game is at 1:30PM. Cost is \$11.

Mount St. Joseph Academy Summer Camp

Looking for something to do after school is out? How about a summer sports camp? Come see what Mount Athletics is all about this summer and join us for camp! Meet our well-trained, champion coaches in a relaxed and fun environment. Camps being offered at the Mount this summer include: volleyball, field hockey, basketball, soccer, and cross country/track. All camps are open to girls entering 6th - 8th grades. Visit our website for more information - www.msjacad.org/athletics/summer-sports-camps or email mfeilke@msjacad.org

15 Week Club Winners Week 11

Winner	Amount
Ryan Hoffman	\$300.00
Karen Marano	\$100.00
Kathie Fean	\$100.00
Rich and Liz Mahan	\$ 50.00
Lucy McGuire	\$ 50.00
Lisa Viggiano	\$ 50.00
Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Levering	\$ 50.00
Flo Brogno	\$ 50.00

**H.O.P.E.
 (Helping Other People in Emergencies)**

To obtain a ride to the doctors or to Masses from H.O.P.E. just call the H.O.P.E. members listed below:

(Masses) Rosemarie Oakes 215-483-4860

(Doctors) NO ONE AVAILABLE

(appointments in the Manayunk, Roxborough, and Andorra areas only)



The Society of St. Vincent DePaul at IHM

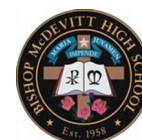
If you'd like to join us in this rewarding volunteer work, come to a meeting in the **Father Sullivan Hall (former teacher's lounge) now renamed, The Knights of Columbus Room, at 7PM**

**Our upcoming meetings are:
 May 7th & 21st**

High School Student Academic Honors

(all information is posted as it comes in)

Bishop McDevitt High School



First Honors: Victoria Ann Maloney '20

Second Honors: Kyle S. Daniels '19
 Rachel Quigley '20

Congratulations



On Saturday, May 5th at 10AM, the 2nd grade students of IHM and P.R.E.P. will receive Jesus' sacred body for the first time. Please keep these children in your prayers as they continue in their Catholic faith journey. All are invited to this liturgical celebration!

On Tuesday, May 8th at 7PM, please join the IHM Parish Community as we honor Mary our Blessed Mother during the annual May Procession in Church.



Parish Information

Welcome to the newest members
of our IHM Parish!

Mr. and Mrs. Eric Durante and Family



God's blessings to the newly baptized
child in the Catholic faith!

Henry Daniel Durkin



Friday, May 18th
Donations may be
made payable to IHM
School or in person at
the Main Office of
school. Thank you for
your support!



The IHM School Community invites all parishioners to like our page: **Immaculate Heart of Mary School (IHM) Philadelphia** on Facebook to follow the daily activities, events, photos, videos and posts of our students!

We are also still accepting applications for the 2018-2019 school year! We are accepting students in Grades Pre-K 3 (must be 3 years old by September 1, 2018) through Grade 6. Limited spots are available for incoming students in each grade. Please contact Traci Kovach, Director of Finance and Development at 215.483.1103 for a school tour and more details.

On May 19, 2018 there will be an all class **High School reunion** for anyone who attended **Archbishop Kennedy or St. Matthew's**. The event begins with an open house from 3–6PM at the former AKHS building and will be followed by an alumni reception from 5–10PM at the A field (A.A. Garthwaite Stadium) in Conshohocken. Tickets are \$30 per person and are available for cash purchase at Coll's Custom Framing, 324 Fayette St, Conshohocken, PA 19428 or via the link below if paying by credit card (plus fee).

<https://allkennedystmatthewshsreunion.ticketbud.com/all-kennedy-st-matthew-s-hs-reunion>

Please contact Bill Robinson (class of 93) at kennedyhs1993@gmail.com for additional information or inquiries.

Job Openings

Merion Mercy Academy, an independent, all girls Catholic High School sponsored by the Sisters of Mercy, has **2 openings**:

A **full-time teaching** position in the **English department** for the 2018-2019 school year. Qualified applicants with an English degree and secondary certification are asked to submit a cover letter and resume by Monday, April 30th. Experienced preferred. Send email to: Mary Ann Danovich, Assistant Head of School for Academic Affairs, at madanovich@merion-mercy.com.

A **full-time teaching** position in the **Theology department** for the 2018-2019 school year. Roman Catholics with a religious studies degree and secondary certification are asked to submit a cover letter and resume by Monday, May 7th. Experienced preferred. Send email to: Mary Ann Danovich, Assistant Head of School for Academic Affairs, at madanovich@merion-mercy.com.

Please visit Merion Mercy this spring!
Register on "Visit Days" page
at www.merion-mercy.com.



- For Prospective Parents: Meet Merion Monday on April 30th, 8AM – 10AM. Observe classes and hear more about MMA.
- For 7th Grade Girls: Register for a half day Visit Day (includes lunch). The available dates are on our website.

For parish/school news and events that may not fit in the bulletin, visit our church website www.ihmphila.org or for IHM school visit www.iheartmary.org

Please note: All bulletin requests must be in Microsoft Word format and submitted to Denise Calabrese at deniscalabrese1@comcast.net no later than Wednesdays by Noon in order to make the upcoming weekend publication. Thank you!

Parish Resources

SPONSOR GUIDELINES FOR BAPTISM/ CONFIRMATION

Church law requires that Baptism and Confirmation sponsors themselves frequent the sacraments regularly.

When someone who does not meet that requirement is designated as a sponsor, it is always an unpleasant (and frequently painful) experience for the priest, the parents of the child, and most especially for the person designated.

The reason a sponsor must be a practicing Catholic is that a sponsor is expected to pay special attention to the efforts of the person who is being baptized or confirmed to live a Christian life in keeping with the teachings of the Catholic Church. In the case of Baptism, sponsors are also expected to assist the parents of the child in their Christian duty as parents, by offering them support through good example, encouragement and prayer.

A sponsor should be a registered parishioner of IHM for at least 6 months. The person should also have received all the Sacraments of Initiation: Baptism, Eucharist, Confirmation. The Sponsor must be at least 16 years of age. The Sponsor should also participate at Mass each Sunday. If married, the sponsor must also be in a valid Sacramental marriage.

By issuing a Sponsor Certificate, a priest assures members of the faithful that a person is a Catholic in good standing who is eligible to serve as a sponsor for Baptism and/or Confirmation. Please contact the Rectory during regular business hours to inquire about Sponsor Certificates.

PARISH STAFF

Rochelle A. Grasso - Principal of IHM School
Emily Miller - Business Manager
Denise Schmidt - Parish Secretary
Traci Kovach - Tuition Officer
Linda Pfefferle - Director of Music
Mary Anne Kostic-King - Director of Religious Education
Richard Strickland - Maintenance Supervisor
Denise Calabrese - Director of Advancement/Communications

OUR PARISH OFFERS SPIRITUAL RESOURCES IN OUR CHURCH and IN OUR HOMES

Stewardship of Faith Display Case: Free spiritual books, CD's, Pamphlets and Booklets, many created by top Catholic authors and speakers. Any donations are used to spread the program to other parishes.

IHM Free Lending Library: Over 400 books donated by parishioners are available, covering a wide range of spiritual topics. Many by well-known Catholic authors.

These Spiritual Resources are located adjacent to the Main Lobby in the room formerly used for Baptisms. Please stop in and browse before or after mass.

We need to know our faith before we can share it.

FORMED Program: The parish also provides us with **FREE** access to a wealth of spiritual material **ONLINE**, including: FEATURE LENGTH MOVIES, PROGRAM/COURSES, AUDIO TALKS, and DEVOTIONAL EBOOKS. You can access **FORMED** by going to **FORMED.org**. Register using the Parish Code **B2H4YJ** and set up your username.

IHM CHURCH MINISTRIES & GROUPS

LITURGICAL

Altar Servers: Rev. Edward J. Casey
Ministry of the Word (Lectors): Sidney J. MacLeod, Jr., sidneyj@macleod.com
Ministry of the Eucharist: Mary Ann Kostic-King, mking@iheartmary.org
Ministry of the Eucharist Outreach: Chuck Fuges, 215-482-1397
Music Ministry: Rehearsals—Thursdays at 7:00 pm in Church. Contact Linda Pfefferle (215-704-4652)
Ushers: John Rudolph, Peter Caruso
Sacristans: Peter Caruso, pjcaruso45@yahoo.com

SOCIAL OUTREACH

CYO: High School and Grade School meetings as announced
Boy Scouts: John Macoretta, Scoutmaster (215-680-1049); email: scouttroop474@yahoo.com
Golden Age Club: Meets the 2nd & 4th Mondays, in FSH at 11 A.M. President, Laura Kusniesz at 215-483-9243
H.O.P.E. Program: see schedule in the weekly bulletin. For more info call Rosemarie Oakes (215-483-4860)
Gardening Angels: helps to maintain the Church grounds. Rosemary Kurtz at rosemarykurtz@aol.com or 215-487-0744
Transition Network: meets monthly in parish center to help unemployed and underemployed: www.TransitionNetwork.webs.com
St. John's Hospice Casserole Day: collected on the last Wednesday of each month

SCHOOL PROGRAMS

Home & School Association: Dominica Iacovelli (President) homeandschool@iheartmary.org
Tuition Office: contact Traci Kovach 215-483-1000 Hours are Tuesday & Wednesday 9am to 2pm or email: tuition@iheartmary.org
SCRIP: S & C—Trish Campbell (267-766-3571) Supermarket Script - Susan Lojewski (267-549-2746)

PASTORAL

Parish Pastoral Council: advises Pastor on Parish matters
Parish Finance Council: helps manage parish resources
Parish Religious Ed. Program (P.R.E.P.): Grades 1 to 6 - Tues. evening 6:30-8:00pm - school year only. Mary Anne Kostic-King, D.R.E. 215-483-4266
R.C.I.A.: Chuck Harvey
Safe Environment: promotes the safety and welfare of our children Denise Schmidt 215-483-1000
Parish Bereavement Ministry: Virginia Farabelli, Virginia.Farabelli@phly.com
Parish Memorial Fund: a lasting & spiritual remembrance of a loved one. Monthly Memorial Mass is celebrated for all enrolled in the Fund.
Parish Nurse Program: Mary Lou Dinda (215-482-0865)
Care of Church and Chapel Spaces: parishioners who clean God's house weekly. Denise Schmidt 215-483-1000
Counters: Ann McElroy, irishaim@comcast.net

SPIRITUAL OUTREACH

Legion of Mary: Prayer and service for Jesus through Mary. Meets every Wednesday at 7:00PM in Father Sullivan Hall (former Teacher's Lounge). Call Marianne Klusek 215-482-3020
St. Vincent de Paul Society: assist people in need in the Roxborough area. To leave a confidential message or to find out more about SVDPs call 215-483-1000
Knights of Columbus: contact Mike Shiel 215-487-7296
Respect Life Committee: promotes the sanctity of life, at every stage, through love, prayer and supportive programs & activities. Ann Marie Beaver (215-483-8204)
Charismatic Prayer Group: Meets Thursday afternoons at 3:00 pm in the Parish Center. Gloria Domino (610-539-3455)