

The Holy Spirit

Spirit of Truth

**IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY
ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH**

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IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY SCHOOL

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Deacon Salvatore R. Bianco

Deacon George W. Kletzel

MASS SCHEDULE

WEEKENDS: IN CHURCH

SATURDAY 5:15PM VIGIL

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

WEEKDAYS: IN SACRED HEART CHAPEL

**TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY
6:30AM**

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, 11:00AM & 7:30PM

1ST FRIDAY: IN SACRED HEART CHAPEL

8:30AM & 7:00PM

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: **TODAY, June 4th & 18th**

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 24th, 7PM in the 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 announced**. 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.



In appreciation for our generosity to our sister parish, Our Lady of Hope, the Pastor, Rev. Efren V. Esmilla together with his parish's choir will be at the vigil Mass on **Saturday, May 27th**. Please join us!

TODAY, May 21st AFTER the 9:30 Mass, around 11:00AM, the Church parking lot starting from the gymnasium entrance and going back towards the Port Royal St. entrance, will be closed off to set up for IHM's Food Truck Social (sponsored by the Home & School) that begins at 2PM. Cathedral Road, the front of Church, and the side doors where there are handicapped designated spaces **WILL BE OPEN** to cars for the 11:30 Mass. Orange cones will be in place and a representative from the H&S will be there to guide you.

Thank you for your cooperation.



Cor Mariae Council 4100 Casino Trip

Where: Resorts Atlantic City

When: Wednesday, May 24th

Time: Bus leaves IHM at 2PM, returns 10PM

Cost: Pay \$25 when you get on, get \$25 back at casino

Contact: Mike 215-487-7296 or mppsj5@aol.com



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

We have now opened our **Registration for PREP** classes for the Fall of 2017 at IHM. If you are interested in having your child attend Religious Education Classes, please contact Mary Anne Kostic-King, at 215-483-4266 or e-mail: mking@iheartmary.org Registration is open from now through June 9th. Form is available on the Church website www.ihmphila.org under "religious education" tab.

**TRANSITION NETWORK
ARE YOU UNEMPLOYED OR UNDEREMPLOYED?**

Come and join our network group. It has been running for 7 years, offers free advice for job search and resumes and is led by a HR professional with 25 years of experience. We will meet in the IHM Parish Center (Rector's Basement) **NOTE: Location may change** on **Wednesday, May 24th at 7pm.**

To register call Denise Schmidt @ 215-483-1000 or visit our website: www.transitionnetwork.webs.com

Men's Association of Holy Cross Parish

**Mt. Airy Unity Run
(5K RUN / 2 MI WALK)**

When: Saturday, June 10th at 8:00 AM

**Where: 200 W. Northwestern Ave
(Forbidden Drive- Fairmount Park)**

Register online:

<http://www.mtairyunity5k.org>

Phone: 267-538-0622

**Benefit: Men's Association
and Holy Cross School**

We would like to invite you to join us at the **Shrine of the Miraculous Medal** as we celebrate our Novena of Hope! This year's celebration runs for nine consecutive Mondays, from Monday, **June 5, through Monday, July 31, 2017.**

Please visit www.MiraculousMedal.org/Novena



15 WEEK CLUB WINNERS

WEEK 14

R.W. Bullick	\$300.00	Mary Patricia Ruppert	\$100.00
Harry Woertz	\$100.00	Lisa Ann Collins	\$ 50.00
Marcinek Family	\$ 50.00	Clara Pagano	\$ 50.00
Regina Jacobos	\$ 50.00	Lauren Trimbur	\$ 50.00



Meeting on Monday, May 22nd. This will be our last meeting before our luncheon.

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.



As we continue our Easter journey reflections on the meaning of Christ's resurrection in our lives, we begin to hear more and more frequent mentions of the Spirit, in preparation for our coming Pentecost celebration.

In the Gospel today we will hear Jesus speak of another Advocate given to us by the Father. It is the Spirit of Truth. Our first reading from Acts of the Apostles records the coming of that same Spirit into the early Christian community in Samaria.

In Acts, Phillip who helped to resolve a food distribution dispute recounted last Sunday, evangelizes Samaria, a positive, Spirit-guided consequence of the persecution and dispersal that followed Stephen's martyrdom. In Phillip's mission and ministry, Acts illustrates the diversification of ministries as the Church expanded. In the follow-up visit of Peter and John we see the simultaneous determination to maintain the visible bond of communion with the apostolic leadership in Jerusalem. The Apostles laying on of hands, and imparting the Gift of the Holy Spirit, evokes the Bishops parish Confirmation visits. We are reminded that neither turmoil nor attacks from without should discourage us as we live out our baptismal commitment in the very human community of the Church.

We find enduring comfort and courage from Jesus' promise in today's Gospel. This is a continuation of the Farewell Discourses in John's Gospel. We are to receive the gift of the Advocate-Spirit of truth, abiding forever within the community. Jesus reminds his followers he will not remain with them visibly. But the Spirit will be the gift he gives to us. We should keep the commandments in mutual love and self sacrificing service.

Ascension of Our Lord, Thursday May 25, 2017

Solemnity, Holy Day of Obligation

One of the main messages we receive from our Solemnity today is Jesus' instruction "Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations". He also tells us, "I am with you always".

In ascending to heaven, it becomes possible for Jesus Christ to be with the Church always and everywhere, rather than just in one place and time. This is part of the Paschal Mystery and the Resurrected Body. Jesus is not limited in physical quantified matter.

Luke's message today right at the beginning of Acts is a very good practical meditation for us and our relationship with Jesus: Christ has died (after he suffered); Christ IS risen (he presented himself alive to them); Christ WILL come again. (This Jesus will return....in the same way as you have seen him going into heaven).

The last line of the Gospel from Matthew is also instructive yet comforting: "Behold, I am with you always, until the end of the age." Mt 28:20

Father Casey

IHM will be hosting a **Protecting God's Children class** on **May 22, 2017** from **6:30 to 8:30** in Father Sullivan Hall. This class is a requirement for all school parents who would like to volunteer or go on class trips. To attend the class, go to **www.virtusonline.org** to register. Class is mandatory for all school parent volunteers. This is also the only opportunity to attend this class at IHM until the next school year. If you cannot attend this session, refer to the Virtus site for other classes in the area.

**Congratulations to the newly married couple
in God's love!**

Mr. and Mrs. Nolan Serowatka



MASSES FOR THE WEEK OF
May 21, 2017

Vigil	20	5:15PM	Rev. Jack Donohie
SUN.	21	7:30 9:30 11:30	IHM Parishioners Valerie LePera Matthew Wyborski
MON.	22	8:30	Anna and Ted Leszczynski
TUES.	23	6:30 8:30	Helen Mallamaci Mary Walsh
WED.	24	6:30 8:30 5:15PM	Mary McDonnell Jack Horgan HOLY DAY VIGIL/NO INTENTIONS
THUR	25	8:30 11:00 7:30PM	HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION ASCENSION OF THE LORD NO INTENTIONS
FRI.	26	8:30	Martin and Buddy Pfeil
SAT.	27	8:00 5:15	Gil. C. Leynes Helen McCorkle
SUN.	28	7:30 9:30 11:30	IHM Parishioners Joseph and David Higgins Bob Lauber - 11th Anniversary

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

- 1) Acts of the Apostles 1:12-14 (59A)
- 2) 1 Peter 4:13-16
- 3) John 17:1-11a



PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SOULS OF OUR DECEASED
BROTHERS AND SISTERS

Robert G. Saccone, Sr.



ROSES



The rose placed in the **Church** is in loving memory of The Deceased Members of the DiBenedetto Family requested by Janice DiBenedetto.

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

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:

Mary Krier 215-483-5897 (Doctors)

Rosemarie Oakes 215-483-4860 (Masses)

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

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.

Anna Barras, Joyce Bielawski, Wayne Bielawski, Bill Blum, Roberta Bracey, Theresa Branca-Herbst, Catherine Bryan, Eleanor Calabrese-Avallone, Mary Campbell, Rita Casciato, Lisa Castellante, Caitlyn Clark, Thomas J. Coccia, John Colantonio, Brooke Conklin, Valerie Coyle, Baby Kevin Crane, Anne Cunningham, Joseph Cylc, Mary D'Angelo, Jack Deegan, 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, Larry Flannigan, Joe Flemming, Kathleen Gavaghan, Carol Gorman, Tom Halpin, Louise Hannings, Robert Hannon, Corrine Hare, Jacklyn Heyer, Jean Hodge, Florence Horan, Dennis Hudecki, Baby Jessica Jara, Linda Jara, Kellen Jeffrey, Lewis Kershaw, Deacon George Kletzel, Mrs. Frances Kletzel, Alberta Klusek, Pat Kost, Rev. Larry Kozak, Joseph Krywucki, Marianne Leahy, Ed Lenox, Theresa Lenters, Mackenzie Lilly, Carolyn Mako, Catherine Manzo, Rosemary Martella, Stephen McKeever, Matthew McNamee, Maureen McGill Miccoli, Geri Miller, Terry Morrissey, Katherine Murphy, Roberta McLaughlin, Baby Samantha O'Donnell, Anne Louise Owens, Jacob Pastella, Rose Pastella, Vera Pepe, James Vincent Penkowski, Lynn Pester, Joe Ponzio, Thomas Przybek, Gloria Pytlar, Baby Harper Ann Renshaw, John Reynolds, Barbara Rogers, Stephanie Russo, O.F.S., Rosa Maria Santos, John Scharff, Mairead Scharff, William Scheibenhoffer, Benny Shiril, Michelle Shockey, George Siefert, Baby Mason Simmons, Jason Stock, Theresa Stockmal, Joe Sweeney, Annette Terreri, Christine Triola, Rose Triola, Johnny Van Kemp, Antoinette Viola, Wendy Wagoner, Connor Walker, Megan Walker, Rita Walsh, Carol Wans, Jim Weber, Denise Westwood, Charlie Whittaker, Elizabeth Wildemore, David Woczyna, Marie Yocco.

The Sanctuary Light in our Sacred Heart Chapel for the week of May 22nd to May 28th is in loving memory of Mary Walsh requested by Joe and Mac.



THE BEAUTIFUL GIFT OF LIGHT

The Sanctuary Light burns seven days a week, every week of the year before the Blessed Sacrament. If you would like this candle to burn in memory of a loved one in our Chapel, please call or stop by the parish office. The name of the person to be remembered and the donor will be published weekly in our bulletin.

(Suggested offering is \$20.00)



School: Immaculate Heart of Mary School
County: Philadelphia
Available Position: Music/Four-Day a week position
Contact Person: Ms. Rochelle A. Grasso M Ed.,
 Principal
Address: 815 Cathedral Road, Philadelphia, PA 19128
Other: Interested and qualified teachers please send resume, cover letter, three letters of recommendation, and updated clearances (FBI fingerprint, Child Abuse, and Criminal Background) to the attention of Ms. Rochelle A. Grasso at rgrasso@iheartmary.org

Immaculate Heart of Mary seeks an experienced music educator. The ideal candidate will be a nurturing individual who will work collaboratively with students at all skill levels to enhance their musicianship and love of music. The music teacher produces several multi-grade level performances annually.

Bachelor's or Master's degree in music is required; certification is preferred. Proficient knowledge in music theory, basic notation, ability to read/sing/perform music, demonstrated mastery of instruments preferably, piano and recorders. Must demonstrate knowledge and understanding of child growth and development, effective instructional strategies, classroom management, learning assessments, strong interpersonal/communication and technology skills. This is a four-day a week position.

School: Immaculate Heart of Mary School
County: Philadelphia
Available Position: PreK 3/4 Teacher, Five-day, full day program
Contact Person: Ms. Rochelle A. Grasso M Ed.,
 Principal
Address: 815 Cathedral Road, Philadelphia, PA 19128
Other: Interested and qualified teachers please send resume, cover letter, three letters of recommendation, and updated clearances (FBI fingerprint, Child Abuse, and Criminal Background) to the attention of Ms. Rochelle A. Grasso at rgrasso@iheartmary.org.

Immaculate Heart of Mary School, Philadelphia is looking for a full time PK3/PK4 teacher for the 2017-2018 school year. Bachelor's or Master's degree in Early Childhood/Elementary Education and certification is required. IHM's PreK program is a five-day, full day program. Interested candidates should apply to Ms. Rochelle A. Grasso, principal, at rgrasso@iheartmary.org.



Quo Vadis Days 2017

June 26-29, 2017

Black Rock Retreat Center

Retreat for young men graduating
 8th – 12th grade.

\$35.00 / person

Register by Friday, June 9th

Gather with the Philadelphia Seminarians and other high school men for 4 days of dynamic talks, small group discussions, meaningful prayer experiences, and a fun environment including a ropes course, swimming pool and a lake, basketball, soccer, ultimate frisbee, and more.

To Register, or for more information, visit:
www.heedthecall.org

**Questions? Contact the Vocations Office
 for the Diocesan Priesthood at
 (610) 667-5778**



The Society of
 St. Vincent DePaul at IHM

**Come to a meeting in the Parish Center (Rectory Basement)
 at 7-8PM. Our upcoming meeting is:**

May 22nd

**The June 5th and 19th location will be announced
 at a later date due to renovations that will take place soon.**

Sunday Offering May 16, 2017

Envelopes	\$11,373.50
Loose	<u>\$ 1,323.00</u>
	\$12,696.50

**#envelopes 669
 Average \$17.00
 Poor Box \$343.20**

Thank you for your generosity

ST. JOHN'S HOSPICE is in **great need** of **casseroles**. They pick up the last Wednesday of the month. Next month it will be **May 31st**. If you are able to make a casserole please pick up a pan in the rectory. Please make sure to label the casserole pan with the date it was made and the name of the casserole.

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.

For parish news and events that may not fit in the bulletin go to our website www.ihmphila.org and for school news visit iheartmary.org

IHM SPIRITUAL RESOURCE CENTER & FREE LIBRARY

The Center provides our parish with spiritual books, CD's, pamphlets and booklets, many of which were created by top Catholic authors, and speakers. We can use these resources to increase our knowledge of the FAITH. It's called *Faith Formation* and we are all expected to pursue it and develop it during our earthly pilgrimage. These resources are free. Any donation will be used to bring similar resources to other parishes. The Center is located just off the Main Lobby in the room formerly used for baptisms. In that same room you will find the IHM Free Lending Library. Generous parishioner have donated well over 400 books covering a wide range of Faith related topics, many by well known authors.

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

IHM Evangelization Ministry

**NEXT BAPTISMAL DATES**

TODAY

June 4th & 18th

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 Development/Bulletin/Grade (2) P.R.E.P.*

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

Adoration Ministry—Meets every 4th Monday at 7PM in the Parish Center (Rectory basement). Contact Peter Caruso at: adorationihm@gmail.com; 267-766-2657

Boy Scouts—*John Macoretta, Scoutmaster (215-680-1049); email: scouttroop474@yahoo.com*

Casserole Day for St. John's Hospice—*last Wed. of the month*

Charismatic Prayer Group—*Meets Thursday afternoons at 3:00 pm in the Parish Center. Gloria Domino (610-539-3455)*

Choir—*brings song and praise to God's house. Rehearsals—Thursdays at 7:00 pm in the Music Room in FSH. Linda Pfefferle (215-704-4652).*

Church & Chapel Cleaners—*parishioners who clean God's house weekly. Denise Schmidt (215-483-1000)*

C.Y.O.—*High School and Grade School meetings as announced.*

Deadline for Church Bulletin Articles—*No later than NOON on the Tuesday before the following Sunday's bulletin. Remember to check out our website for articles and events that may not make it into the bulletin. Denise Calabrese- 215-483-1000*

Director of Religious Education—*Mary Anne Kostic-King 215-483-4266 or email mking@iheartmary.org*

Evangelization Ministry—*Promote evangelization within the Parish. Chuck Fuges, 215-482-1397, ctfuges@comcast.net*

Finance Committee—*helps manage parish resources*

Gardening Angels - *helps to maintain the Church grounds.*

Rosemary Kurtz at rosemarykurtz@aol.com or 215-487-0744.

Golden Age Club—*Meets the 2nd & 4th Mondays, in FSH at 11 A.M. President, Laura Kusniesz at 215-483-9243.*

Home & School Association—*Lynn Fahringer (President) homeandschool@iheartmary.org*

H.O.P.E. Program—*see schedule in the bulletin weekly.*

For more info call Rosemarie Oakes (215-483-4860)

Knights of Columbus Cor-Mariae Council 4100—*contact Mike Shiel 215-487-7296*

Legion of Mary—*Prayer and action for Jesus through Mary. Meets Wednesdays at 7:00 pm in the Parish Center. Call Wendi Wagoner 267-334-8340 or Frank Klusek 215-482-3020.*

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).*

Pastoral Council—*advises Pastor on Parish matters.*

Parish Religious Ed. Program - P.R.E.P. (formerly CCD) - *Grades 1 to 6 - Tues. evening 6:30-8:00pm - school year only.*

Pro-Life Ministry—*promotes the sanctity of life, at every stage, through love, prayer and supportive programs & activities.*

Ann Marie Beaver (215-483-8204).

Safe Environment—*promotes the safety and welfare of our children.*

Scrip—*S&C—Trish Campbell (215-483-2061)*

Supermarket Scrip - *Susan Lojewski (267-549-2746)*

St. Vincent DePaul 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.*

Transition Network—*meets monthly in parish center to help unemployed and underemployed.*

[www. TransitionNetwork.webs.com](http://www.TransitionNetwork.webs.com)

Tuition Office—*contact Traci Kovach 215-483-1000 Hours are Tuesday & Wednesday 9am to 2pm or email: tuition@iheartmary.org*