

## WHAT HAPPENED ON THE WAY TO EMMAUS?



**Luke 24:13-35**

## IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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## IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY SCHOOL

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***Rev. Edward J. Casey, Pastor***

***Rev. Quan H. Tran, Parochial Vicar***

***Rev. Joseph W. Bongard in Residence***

***Rev. Sean P. Bransfield, in Residence***

***Deacon Salvatore R. Bianco***

### MASS SCHEDULE

#### WEEKENDS: IN CHURCH

Saturday 5:15 p.m. Vigil

Sunday: 7:30, 9:30 & 11:30 a.m.

#### WEEKDAYS: IN SACRED HEART CHAPEL

Monday thru Friday 8:30 a.m.

Saturday 8:00 a.m.

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

#### HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION IN CHURCH

5:15 pm Vigil Mass

8:30 am, Noon, & 7:30 p.m. (times may vary on certain Holy Days; please check inside pages or parish website)

#### HOLIDAYS: IN CHURCH

9:00 a.m. (Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day and Thanksgiving Day)

#### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION IN CHURCH

Saturday 4-5 p.m.

#### TUESDAY

SOLEMN EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED  
SACRAMENT AFTER 8:30 a.m. MASS  
UNTIL 6:30 p.m.

#### MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA

TUESDAY EVENING AT 6:30 p.m.

BENEDICTION FOLLOWS NOVENA PRAYERS

### CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENTS

**Baptism** - The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated on Sundays at 12:30 PM.

**Pre-Jordan** - Instruction/sacramental preparation for parents of children to be baptized is held every other month. The meeting is usually held in the Sacred Heart Chapel, except during Lent, when it is held in Church. Parents of children to be baptized should contact Mrs. Denise Schmidt in the parish office between the hours of 9am and 4pm to register. **The next date for the Parent Pre-Jordan is Monday, May 15 @ 7 PM in the Chapel.** Pre-Jordan sacramental preparation is required for each child to be baptized at IHM. Please see the guidelines for choosing a sponsor on page 6 of the Parish Bulletin.

**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). **There is no Pre-Cana Seminar planned at this time.** Please call Denise Schmidt, parish secretary at 215-483-1000 for further information.

**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 23, 2023

<b>SAT.</b>	<b>22</b>	5:15 pm	Thomas F. Wynne, Jr.
<b>SUN.</b>	<b>23</b>	7:30 9:30 11:30	IHM Parishioners James Hodges John "Jack" Lynch
<b>MON.</b>	<b>24</b>	8:30	Betty Elisio
<b>TUES.</b>	<b>25</b>	8:30	Florence Horan
<b>WED.</b>	<b>26</b>	8:30	Louise Curcio
<b>THURS.</b>	<b>27</b>	8:30	Rose Ruduloph
<b>FRI.</b>	<b>28</b>	8:30	Ronald Deery
<b>SAT.</b>	<b>29</b>	8:00 5:15 pm	Lam Vuong Helen & Robert Cahill
<b>SUN</b>	<b>30</b>	7:30 9:30 11:30	IHM Parishioners Anthony D. Delaney Matthew Schotmiller

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

### ROSES

The rose placed in the **Church** is in loving memory of  
Msgr. Joseph P. Mc Geown



The rose placed in the **Chapel** is in loving memory of  
Joseph A. Naseef, Jr.

The Sanctuary Light in our **Sacred Heart Chapel**  
for the week of April 24 to April 30  
is for Good Health for all  
IHM Parishioners



PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SOULS OF OUR  
BROTHERS AND SISTERS

*Gertrude Davis, John "Jack" Baronett*



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

Theresa Alosi, Louis Andreola, Lee Aponte, Mary Bartsch, Anne Basara, Josephine Bellace, Joyce & Wayne Bielawski, Nancy Bright, Daniel Brito, Bill Burrow, Bobby Busch, Dolores Buzby, Lynn Campbell, Mary Rose Campbell, Erin Caruso, Terry Carr, Officer Andy Chan, Pete Cissone, Michael Clark, Brooke Conklin, Quint Cuffe, Earl Dandridge, Taylor Davis, Marano Donald D'Angelo, Nancy Di John, Madeline DiPasquale, Janet Bollinger Doherty, Beth Donnelly, Joseph Donnelly, Marie Dunne, Barbara Dziedzic, Francis "Joe" Elliott, Ruth Erenberg, Joe Evers, Bruce Fairchild, Rosemary Fatovic, Peg Fierko, David Fleetwood, Carol Foley, Bill & Dorothy Foster, Kathy Foster, Sydney Franzmann, Barbara Freiling, Dr. Angeline M. Gampico, Bernadette Giambuzzi, Helen Golbeski, Kelly Gruninger, Flora Hart, Anne Headly, Brenden Heyer, Sheilah Janes, Frances Jefferys, Chris Kane, Deborah Kapp, Keith Kelly, Marek Kijek, Marianne Klusek, Olga Kostic, Angela Kotowich, Mary Krier, Hannah Lambert, Flavia Langan, Langan Family, Edward Lanigan, Marianne Leahy, Agnes Leinheiser, Dorlene Long, Carol Ann Lott, Hadley Ludwig, Cheryl Maresca, Dominic Matteo, Elizabeth Matruka, Terry McCormick, Anne Marie Mc Keever, Felix & Louise McKeough, Helen Magee, Lindsey Marzo, Steve Murphy, Elizabeth Matruak, Winifred Meall, Rachael Mellon, Eileen Michel, Brian Morris, Mary Mudry, Janet Murphy, Dick & Trudy Neff, Marvin Parnes, Harry Pastella, Luisa Pellicone, Dave Pendleton, Bishop Joseph Pepe, Bill Pinto, Nicole Powlus, Kathy Pro, Tom Przybek, Karen Pulcinella, John Quirus, Junie Rakosak, Marie Renello, Harper Renshaw, Casey Rigby, Joel Rivera, Anne Roberts, Tony Ruger, Domiciano Gallego-Ruiz, Anita Russell, Vince Savini, Donna Scharff, John Scharff, Mairead Scharff, Veronica Serianni, Mary Ann Shaw, Bill & Theresa Sherwin, Luke Simon, Cindy Synder-Earnhardt, Jake Stefano, Baby Caleb St. George, Donna Stine, O.S.F., Felicia Teske, Paul Teske, Edward Thomas, Molly Thompson, Christine Triola, Louise Vesci, Maddox Vielman, Helen Wade, Walter Wayne Whitehouse, Luke Winterbottom, Pam Wisdom, Brian Wurtzberger, Kim Wurtzberger, Mike Zacher, Donna Zetterberg, Anthony Zul.



***We continue to pray for our men & women in the military here and overseas and for all 1<sup>st</sup> responders.***

Please check to see if anyone has been blessed by our prayers and can be removed. If so, call the rectory and let us know if some one can be removed. Thank you.

## Pastor's Page

On this Third Sunday of Easter we hear the story of another of the post-Resurrection appearances, this time from Luke's gospel. Today Luke 24:13-35 tells us the story of two of the disciples on the road to Emmaus. In this story, two confused and distressed disciples are joined by the risen Jesus as they walk along the road to Emmaus.

The journey from Jerusalem to Emmaus was short in terms of distance, but lengthy in terms of discovery. The disciples are so wrapped up in their grief about Jesus recent crucifixion that they fail to recognize him. Only after walking with him for miles, talking and listening and inviting him to stay, did the recognition come to them.

The Emmaus story is about what it means to recognize the risen Jesus, a task that ultimately confronts all who would chose to follow him. In the act of the blessing and the breaking of the bread they recognized him. They rediscovered the reality they knew before. Suddenly the disciples re-discovered him and all the memories of what they had shared before flooded back on them.

Remember that in Scripture 'Forty' is a number that denotes preparation, testing, getting ready. It is a time to learn and be challenged. The Forty Days of Easter are a time to read and reflect on the post-Resurrection appearances of Jesus. It is in Acts that we see this detailed. Acts 1: 3 "In the time after his suffering he showed them in many convincing ways that he was alive, appearing to them over the course of forty days and speaking to them about the reign of God." It is interesting to note that none of the four gospels mention the time of Forty days from Resurrection to Ascension. We only see it spelled out specifically in Acts.

In his Post-Resurrection appearances Jesus takes the initiative and reveals himself, telling his followers to be unafraid and be at peace. For example, He does not confront Thomas and belittle him for his unbelief. He reassures and instructs.

Finally, Jesus often gives a command. "Go therefore and make disciples of all nations (Matt 28:19) "Go into all the world and proclaim the good news to all creation" (Mark 16:15) The knowledge of Jesus risen is not to be kept secret, as a private revelation. Those who know him are clearly called to share their knowledge with others.

We are an Easter people so we are a joyful people. Jesus has conquered death, broken open the tombs of sin and despair and redeemed us in our humanity. Animated by this Holy Spirit, we live in the light and life of Christ, symbolized by the Paschal Candle so prominent in our Easter celebration.

It is very timely that we will be celebrating the Forty Hours Eucharistic Devotions here in our parish in these days after Easter. Let us spend some quality time with our risen Lord in these days, just as those first disciples did in those first Forty days.

Father Casey

***FORTY HOURS DEVOTION begins after the 11:30 MASS, today  
(the schedule is on page 4)***

**Weekend Clergy Schedule April 30, 2023**  
**(celebrants are subject to change)**

**Saturday, April 29, 2023**

**5:15 pm - Fr. Casey**

**Sunday, April 23, 2023**

**7:30 a.m. – Fr. Quan**  
**9:30 a.m. – Fr. Bransfield**  
**11:30 a.m. – Fr. Bongard**

**Each Tuesday the Blessed Sacrament is exposed for  
our adoration in our  
Sacred Heart Chapel from  
9 am to 6:30 pm.  
Benediction and Novena follows.**



**READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY**

- 1) Acts of the Apostles 2:14a, 36-41 (49A)
- 2) 1 Peter 2:20b-25
- 3) John 10:1-10





*God's blessings  
to the newly baptized children  
in the Catholic faith*  
*Christian Angelo Koszowski*

### SPRING HOUSECLEANING

Immaculate Heart of Mary will be hosting a Clothing and Household Goods Drive to benefit The Society of St. Vincent de Paul at IHM SUNDAY, MAY 21 from 9am to 12 pm



SVDP will be using the services of The Thrifty Irishman Truck. Look for the truck in the Church parking lot. The Thrifty Irishman has no restrictions on what donations it will take, so this is a good time to declutter your home with items someone else may be able to use.

PLEASE, DO NOT BRING YOUR ITEMS TO THE SCHOOL OR RECTORY AND PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE THEM IN THE PARKING LOT. ONLY BRING THEM WHEN THE TRUCK IS HERE.

*Welcome to the newest members  
of our IHM Parish!*  
**Mr. & Mrs. Steven Albertson**

# BINGO TODAY

The Knights of Columbus will be hosting **BINGO, TODAY** (Sunday, April 23). Doors open at 12 PM with the first game beginning at 1 PM.

Packet of 15 games is \$11.

(1) \$50 game and (1) \$100 game.



## Forty Hours Devotion



*Come and spend time with our Eucharistic King!*

This Sunday we will begin our Forty Hours Devotions. Please plan to spend some quality time with the Lord during this special time of grace. It is especially appropriate during the Easter Season as we meditate upon the Lord's encounters with his disciples after his Resurrection

### Schedule for Forty Hours Eucharistic Devotions 2023 Sunday April 23, 2023

Opening of the Forty Hours Devotions begins at the conclusion of the 11:30 am Mass with a procession from the Church to the Sacred Heart Chapel where Solemn Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will be held until Evening Prayer.

**\*\*Solemn Evening Prayer and Benediction is at 5:00 PM**

### Monday April 24, 2023

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at conclusion of the 8:30 am parish mass

**\*\*Solemn Evening Prayer and Benediction at 7:00 PM**

### Tuesday April 25, 2023

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at conclusion of the 8:30 am parish mass.

**\*\*Solemn Evening Prayer and Benediction at 7:00 PM**

Each of the Evening Devotions will be in the Sacred Heart Chapel.

**'YOU'RE NEVER FULLY DRESSED WITHOUT A SMILE' AND 'THE SUN WILL COME OUT TOMORROW' IN IHM DRAMA CLUB STUDENTS' ANNIE JR. PRODUCTION**  
Leaping Lizards! Andorra will "stick up its chin and grin and sing 'Tomorrow! Tomorrow!'" when **IHM School Drama Club** performs **Annie JR.** It tells the story of a spunky Depression-era orphan determined to find her parents. IHM will present **Annie JR.** on **May 4 & 5 at 7:00 PM at Father Sullivan Hall.** Tickets can be purchased by [musicfef5@gmail.com](mailto:musicfef5@gmail.com). There is no dress code, but the cast will remind you that you are "never fully dressed without a smile."



The **Mass Book for 2024** will open on Thursday, May 4. Please mail in or email your request to [ihmpaish@comcast.net](mailto:ihmpaish@comcast.net). You may also call Denise Schmidt @ 215-483-1000. Please call between the hours of 10 to 2 only. No in office request until further notice.

Please be advised that you may only request 5 Masses at this time. No exceptions.

**2023 Roses are still available for the following weeks:**

**In Church** - May 28, June 11, July 2, 23, 30 September 17, 24, October 15, 22, November 5, 12, 19, 26, December 3, 10

**In Chapel** - May 21, 28, June 25, July 2, 16, 23, 30 August 20, 27, September 24, October 8, 15, 22, 29, November 19, 26, December 3, 10, 24.

**Sanctuary Light (in the Chapel) the weeks available are:**

May 1 to 7, May 15 to 21, May 22 to 28, May 29 to June 4, July 10 to 16, July 17 to 23, July 24 to 30, July 31, August 28 to September 3, Sept 18 to 24, October 9 to 15, October 16 to 22, October 23 to 29, December 11 to 17, December 18 to 25.

#### Sunday Offering Week of April 9, 2023

Envelopes \$ 9,289.00  
Loose 2,761.00  
\$12,050.00

# of envelopes – 502  
Average – 18.51

Holy Thursday (Sister Mary Scullion Project Home) \$560.00  
Good Friday \$1,871.00  
Easter Flowers \$3,377.00  
Easter \$31,615.00

*Thank you & God Bless you for your generosity*

Please help our counters by filling out the amount on your Church envelope and please write clearly. This helps to speed up the process.

*Thank you so much!*

The next meetings of the  
St. Vincent dePaul Society  
will be held in Fr. Sullivan Hall  
May 1 & 22, June 12 & 26  
from 7-8:30 pm.

Please join us for this rewarding volunteer work.

The next pick up for St. John's Hospice is  
Wednesday, May 3 at 9 am.





**Immaculate Heart of Mary School**

## 14th Annual 2023 Race for Education



*Ready.  
Set.  
Go!*

**THURSDAY, MAY 11, 2023**  
**9:00 AM**

All proceeds go directly to Immaculate Heart of Mary School's 2023 race goals!

The 14th Annual IHM Race for Education will be held on **Thursday, May 11, 2023!**

**This year, our challenge is to reach \$25,000!** These funds will be used to help pay for ongoing security upgrades for our school, improving the curb appeal of our school building and additional necessary improvements.

If you would like to donate to our Race, please email Traci Kovach, Director of Finance, Development and Admissions at [tuition@iheartmary.org](mailto:tuition@iheartmary.org) to obtain the Race link. We are also looking for Corporate Sponsors, so if you own or work for a business that would like to support the students of Immaculate Heart of Mary School, please email Mrs. Kovach.

Thank you for your continued support of Immaculate Heart of Mary School!

#### 15 WEEK CLUB WINNERS WEEK 10

Theresa Jaroma	\$300.00
Kelly Cabell	\$100.00
Vince Tarducci	\$100.00
Michele Rosanova	\$ 50.00
Robert Sweeney	\$ 50.00
Owen Clark	\$ 50.00
Regina Mullaney	\$ 50.00
Liz Reed	\$ 50.00

CONGRATULATIONS!!



The next meeting for the Golden Age Club  
will be April 24, May 8 & 22

## 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

**Mr. Patrick Foley** - *Principal of IHM School*  
**Mrs. Emily Miller** - *Business Manager*  
**Mrs. Denise Schmidt** - *Parish Secretary*  
**Mrs. Traci Kovach** - *Tuition Officer*  
**Ms. Linda Pfefferle** - *Director of Music*  
**Mrs. Mary Anne Kostic-King** - *Coordinator of Religious Education*  
**Mr. Larry Concio** - *Maintenance Supervisor*  
**Mrs. Denise Schmidt** - *Bulletin and Website Editor*

### OUR PARISH OFFERS SPIRITUAL MATERIALS LOCATED IN OUR CHURCH

An organization called **Stewardship: A Mission of Faith** provides us with a Display Case containing free books, CD's 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. **Pamphlet Rack**: Contains pamphlets, prayer cards and sacramental materials donated by parishioners. Donations for these materials stay within the parish.

**All of the above resources are located in the room adjacent to the main entrance of the church.**

***We need to know our Faith before we can share it!***

## IHM CHURCH MINISTRIES & GROUPS

### LITURGICAL

**Altar Servers:** *Rev. Edward J. Casey*

**Ministry of the Word (Lectors):** *Sidney J. MacLeod, Jr., [sidneyj@macleod.com](mailto:sidneyj@macleod.com)*

**Ministry of the Eucharist:** *Mary Ann Kostic-King, [mking@iheartmary.org](mailto:mking@iheartmary.org)*

**Ministry of the Eucharist Outreach:** *Chuck Fuges, (215-482-1397)*

**Music Ministry:** *Rehearsals—Tuesdays at 7:30p.m. in Church. Contact: Linda Pfefferle, [Musicfef5@gmail.com](mailto:Musicfef5@gmail.com)*

**Ushers:** *John Rudolph, Peter Caruso*

**Sacristans:** *Peter Caruso, [pjcaruso45@yahoo.com](mailto:pjcaruso45@yahoo.com)*

### SOCIAL OUTREACH

**CYO:** *High School and Grade School—Bill Hannigan [athleticdirector.ihm@gmail.com](mailto:athleticdirector.ihm@gmail.com)*

**Boy Scouts:** *email: [scouttroop474@yahoo.com](mailto:scouttroop474@yahoo.com)*

**Golden Age Club:** *Meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Mondays, in FSH at 11a.m. President, Laura Kusniesz at (215-483-9243)*

**St. John's Hospice Casserole Day:** *first Wednesday of each month*

### SCHOOL PROGRAMS

**Home & School Association:** *[homeandschool@iheartmary.org](mailto:homeandschool@iheartmary.org)*

**Tuition Office:** *contact Traci Kovach (215-482-2029). Hours are Tuesday & Wednesday 9a.m. to 2p.m. or email: [tuition@iheartmary.org](mailto:tuition@iheartmary.org)*

**SCRIP:** *S&C and Supermarket Scrip—Traci Kovach [scscrip@iheartmary.org](mailto:scscrip@iheartmary.org)*

### 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 7 - Tues. evening 6:00-7:30p.m. - school year only.*

*Mary Anne Kostic-King, D.R.E. (215-483-4266)*

**R.C.I.A.:** *Mary Kostic-King (215-483-4266)*

**Safe Environment:** *promotes the safety and welfare of our children Denise Schmidt (215-483-1000)*

**Parish Memorial Fund:** *a lasting & spiritual remembrance of a loved one. Monthly Memorial Mass is celebrated for all enrolled in the Fund.*

**Care of Church and Chapel Spaces:** *parishioners who clean God's house weekly. Denise Schmidt (215-483-1000)*

**Counters:** *Ann McElroy, [irishaim@comcast.net](mailto:irishaim@comcast.net)*

### SPIRITUAL OUTREACH

**Legion of Mary:** *Prayer and service for Jesus through Mary.*

*Meets every Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. in Father Sullivan Hall (former Teacher's Lounge). Call Frank Klusek (215-356-3441)*

**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:** *Meets every 2nd Tuesday of the month @ 7:30pm in the K of C Room in FSH. contact Joe Flemming (215-964-2624) or [josephflemming0@gmail.com](mailto:josephflemming0@gmail.com)*

**Respect Life Committee:** *promotes the sanctity of life, at every stage, through love, prayer and supportive programs & activities. Ann Marie Beaver (215-483-8204)*

*If you need help or have a question call*

**Pregnancy Hotline 610-626-4006 or Pro Life Union 215-855-8150**