



**IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY
ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH**
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Rev. Edward J. Casey, Pastor

*Msgr. Joseph P. McGeown, Pastor Emeritus
Rev. Samuel A. Verruni, Parochial Vicar
Rev. Joseph W. Bongard, 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 p.m. VIGIL MASS

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

1ST FRIDAY: IN SACRED HEART CHAPEL

8:30 a.m.

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 the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month at 12:30PM
Next dates: **Today, May 5th & 19th**

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 8, 2019 at 7:00 PM 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 2019 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 28, 2019

SAT.	27	5:15pm.	John Antenucci-5 th Anniversary
SUN.	28	7:30 9:30 11:30	IHM Parishioners James D. Haley Edward & Dorothy McNamee
MON.	29	8:30	Prachtel and Ormsby Families
TUES.	30	8:30	Chester Cyzio
WED.	1	8:30	Mary Michini
THURS.	2	8:30	Marguerite Ferraro
FRI.	3	8:30	Joseph Mazurek
SAT.	4	8:00 5:15pm.	Christine Mazurek Anthony and Mary Manzo
SUN.	5	7:30 9:30 11:30	IHM Parishioners Gioquindo Family David Sullivan

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

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.

Elaine Andreoni-Searle, Officer Andy Chan, Michael Clark, Brooke Conklin, Taylor Davis, Virginia Farabelli, Danny Forte, Salvatore Iaquinto, Nancy Kline, Richard Levering, Ava Danielle Mormello, Zina O'Connor, Dave Pendleton, Vera Pepe, Rosalie Phillips, Tom Przybek, Anita Russell, John Scharff, Mairead Scharff, William Scheibenoffer, Felicia Teske, Paul Teske, Molly Thompson, Rose Triola, Christine Triola, Louise Vesci, Megan Ward-Clifford, Bernadette Worthing, Marie Yocco, Anthony Zul.



BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP FOR WIDOWS & WIDOWERS

Alternate Tuesdays

LOCATION: Koller Funeral Home
6835 Ridge Avenue **NO FEE**
Philadelphia, PA 19128

TIME: 1:30PM TO 2:45PM REFRESHMENTS

DATE: TOPIC:

April 30, 2019 Physical Symptoms of Grief
May 14, 2019 The Emotional Roller Coaster
May 28, 2019 Belongings & Reminders
June 11, 2019 Does Grief End?

Sponsored by: KOLLER FUNERAL HOME, INC
Facilitated by Deborah K. Gawthrop, M.S., G.M.S.

Ms. Gawthrop was widowed, has her Master's Degree in Counseling Psychology and is a certified Grief Management Specialist.

For Information please Call: 215-624-8190/215-482-5200
dgawthropcnlt@verizon.net

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SOULS OF OUR DECEASED BROTHERS & SISTERS

*John Altomare
Jack Collins
Bernadette Sweeney
John LaRosa, SR.
Joe Pastore
John D. MacLeod
Rosemarie Nagle*



ROSES



The rose placed in the **Church** is in loving memory of John "Jack" C. Lynch requested by The Lynch Family.

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



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

CNLT

Counseling Network for Loss & Transition

The Sanctuary Light in our Sacred Heart Chapel for the week of April 29th to May 5th is for Bernadette Sweeney requested by John and Emily Miller.



Pastor's Page

Today, on the final day of the Octave of Easter, the eight day celebration of Jesus resurrection, we give praise and thanks for God's mercy. Scripture is full of examples of the divine mercy. We hear in the responsorial psalm today, "God's mercy endures forever."

In today's Gospel Jesus commissions the disciples, sending them out as his Father had sent him. We see the fruits of his work in the first reading from Acts: the sick are cured, demons are driven out, sins are forgiven, great numbers come to believe. We see the way Jesus dealt with the doubting Thomas, turning his unbelief into belief.

Let us concentrate today on the Lord's presence today in Word and Sacrament. We want to be able to say with Thomas, "My Lord and my God."

Father Casey

Save the Dates and Times !

Next Sunday we will begin our Forty Hours Eucharistic Devotions. This is the 5th year that we have celebrated Forty Hours starting on the Third Sunday of Easter. The time between Easter Sunday and the Ascension, that special 40 day period, was deemed a good time for us to experience the real presence of our Risen lord in a special way. The week of the Third Sunday of Easter will again this year feature this great opportunity.

Our guest homilist this year will be Father John P. Collins. Father Collins is currently a professor of Church History at St. Charles Seminary. He was ordained for the Archdiocese in 1972.

Forty Hours Schedule

Sunday May 5

Forty Hours will begin at the conclusion of the 11:30AM Mass

There will be a special procession after Mass from the Church to the Sacred Heart Chapel. The Blessed Sacrament will be solemnly exposed all afternoon.

Sung Evening Prayer and Benediction will begin at 5 PM on Sunday.

Monday May 6

Solemn Exposition will begin at the conclusion of the 8:30 AM Mass and conclude with Evening Prayer and Benediction at 7 PM

Tuesday May 7

Solemn Exposition will begin after the 8:30 AM mass with the Forty Hours Devotions concluding with Evening Prayer and Benediction at 7 PM.

** Note that the Miraculous Medal Novena will be prayed at 6:30 pm as usual.

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.

2019-2020 PREP Registration
is open for grades one thru seven
deadline for registration: June 7th
Forms available by contacting:
MaryAnne Kostic-King (215-483-4266)
or e-mail; mking@iheartmary.org
Classes begin: Tuesday, September 17th

Saint Gianna Beretta Molla 15th Canonization Anniversary
Mass Celebration Thursday, May 16, 2019

Located at the Philadelphia Archdiocesan Shrine of Saint
Gianna Beretta Molla
Located in the Nativity Of Our Lord Parish Church
625 West Street Road
Warminster, PA 18974

Rosary Recitation at 6:30 p.m.
Mass Celebration at 7 p.m.

First-Class & Second-Class Relic Veneration After Mass
Light Refreshments in the downstairs Church Hall
For additional information, please call 215-657-3101
or email jew@saintgianna.org

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

- 1) Acts of the Apostles 5:27-32, 40b-41 (48C)
- 2) Revelation 5:11-14
- 3) John 21:1-19 or 21:1-14

Parish Information

15 Week Club Winners Week 11

Christine Egan \$300
 Brian & Nicole Meissler \$100
 Madeline Di Pasquale \$100
 Anthony DiOrio \$50
 George & Eileen Sheridan \$50
 Christin Iacovelli \$50
 Francis & Sharon Lotuaco \$50
 Karl Woertz \$50



The Society of St. Vincent DePaul at IHM

IHM's SVDP Society assists people in need in the Andorra/Roxborough/Manayunk areas but also in nearby Philadelphia neighborhoods. Our funding comes primarily from the poor box so please continue to be generous. If you'd like to join us in this rewarding volunteer work, come to a meeting in the Knights of Columbus Room in Father Sullivan Hall from 7-8 p.m.

May 6th & 20th

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Merion Mercy Academy, an independent, all girls Catholic High School sponsored by the Sisters of Mercy, has an opening for a Varsity Basketball coach and a JV Volleyball coach for the 2019-2020 school year. Interested and Qualified applicants are asked to submit a cover letter and resume by May 10th to Athletic Director, Barbara Clarke, at bclarke@merion-mercy.com.

ST. JOHN'S HOSPICE is in great need of casseroles. **FROZEN TURKEYS ARE ACCEPTED.** They now pick up the first Wednesday of the month. This month it will be **May 1st**. If you are able to make a casserole please pick up a pan in the rectory.

A MESSAGE FROM THE BUSINESS OFFICE

PLEASE NOTE: We will **NOT** be automatically mailing out end of year 2018 contribution statements to our parishioners. To request a contribution statement, please call IHM Rectory at 215-483-1000.



Join us for IHM CYO's Preakness Night

Saturday May 18th

Graham's Pub

5pm-8pm

\$35 in advance/ \$40 at the door

Horse racing, raffle baskets and fun!

Questions? Want to donate? Need tickets?

Reach out to Kristin Kane

215-805-2567

kristinkane@hotmail.com

SPRING HOUSECLEANING Save These Dates

Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish will be hosting a clothing and household goods drive to benefit **The Society of St. Vincent de Paul** at IHM on the following days:

Saturday, May 11th from 3:30 p.m. to 6:00p.m.

Sunday, May 12th from 7:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

SVDP will be using the services of Greendrop to support their clothing drive. Look for the Greendrop truck in the church parking lot where an attendant will be available to assist you with your donations. Tax receipts will be available. Please place your donations of usable men's, women's and children's clothing in plastic bags or boxes. Worn clothing is also acceptable as it can be recycled as fiber. Household items such as kitchenware, games/toys, small appliances under 50 pounds, electronics, sporting goods, books, CDs & videos are also accepted. Unfortunately, furniture, large appliances, TVs, and computer monitors cannot be accepted. For a full list of acceptable items visit www.gogreendrop.com.

Parish Information

2020 Mass Book

**The 2020 Mass Book will open on
Friday, May 10th, 2019
in Father Sullivan Hall.**

The time will be from 9 am to 1 pm.

**ONLY 5 MASSES PER PERSON.
No exceptions as with the loss of the
6:30am Mass the book fills up too
quickly and there are no Masses left
for those who pass away during the
year. Thank you for your
cooperation and understanding.**

**The Rose and Sanctuary Books will
also be available.**

**Please bring 2 lists, one for yourself
and one for the Church.**

**IHM School Play, Aladdin, will be
presented on May 9th at 7:00 PM in
Father Sullivan Hall.**

TODAY IS DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY— A REMINDER

Jesus asked his humble “Secretary of My Mercy”, St. Faustina Kowalska, to promote a “Feast of Mercy”, the day on which “all the divine floodgates, through which graces flow”, would be open. As a result of that request, John Paul II designated the first Sunday after Easter as Divine Mercy Sunday. **We will pray the Chaplet of Divine Mercy, as a parish, today, at 2:45PM., in our Sacred Heart Chapel.** Copies of the Chaplet will be made available.

Sacramental Preparation



Thursday, May 2nd: First Holy Communion retreat and practice day (all 2nd grade children must attend). Excused absence letters will be given to P.R.E.P. children for their schools.

Saturday, May 4th: First Holy Communion 10 a.m. Church

Thursday, May 9th: May Procession 11 a.m.

The 21st Ward Fourth of July Association All American Hoagie Take Out Sale will be Saturday, May 4, 2019 11am-1pm. The hoagies are \$5.00 each. Preorder at 215-219-1112 (Preorders are strongly recommended.) Deadline to order is Monday, April 29, 2019. Pick up next to St. Gregory’s Church at Andorra Baptist Church, 8711 Ridge Avenue, Rear Door, Parking lot behind church. This benefits the hometown Independence Day Parade of Sunday Schools and Churches!

Weekend Offering April 13/14, 2019

Envelopes	\$16,086.00
Loose	<u>\$1,453.85</u>
	\$17,539.85

#envelopes 682
Average \$23.59
Poor Box \$343.65

Thank you & God Bless you for your generosity!

Weekend Offering April 20/April 21, 2019

Envelopes	\$ 8,441.00
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#envelopes 533
Average \$15.84
Poor Box \$1,021.60

Holy Thursday/Sister Mary Scullion	\$987.00
Good Friday/Holy Land Collection	\$1780
Easter Sunday	\$34,827.25
Easter Flowers	\$2991.00
Operation Rice Bowl	\$1,194.35

Thank you for your generosity!

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. Andrew E. Lowry - 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 - Director of Religious Education
Mr. Richard Strickland - Maintenance Supervisor
Mrs. Denise Kavanaugh - Bulletin and Website Editor

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 7:00p.m. 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: scoutroop474@yahoo.com

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

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

SCHOOL PROGRAMS

Home & School Association: homeandschool@iheartmary.org

Tuition Office: contact Traci Kovach (215-483-1103). Hours are Tuesday & Wednesday 9a.m. to 2p.m. or email: tuition@iheartmary.org

SCRIP: S&C—Traci Kovach scscrip@iheartmary.org;
 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 7 - Tues. evening 6:30-8:00p.m. - 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 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 7:00p.m. in Father Sullivan Hall (former Teacher's Lounge). Call Marianne Klusek (215-285-7348)

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 3:00p.m. in the Sacred Heart Chapel. Terry Wade (215-482-8465) or Bridie Gallagher (215-248-9046)