



## IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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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, September 12 at 7PM 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 August 21, 2022

|               |           |                       |  |
|---------------|-----------|-----------------------|--|
| <b>SAT.</b>   | <b>20</b> | 5:15 p.m.             | Frank Forgione   |
| <b>SUN.</b>   | <b>21</b> | 7:30<br>9:30<br>11:30 | IHM Parishioners<br>Philip "Joe" Maher<br>Krista Harron<br>7th Anniversary |
| <b>MON.</b>   | <b>22</b> | 8:30                  | Alice Keough   |
| <b>TUES.</b>  | <b>23</b> | 8:30                  | Msgr. Raymond J. Tribuiani   |
| <b>WED.</b>   | <b>24</b> | 8:30                  | Caroline Bochenek  |
| <b>THURS.</b> | <b>25</b> | 8:30                  | Judith Munley<br>1st Anniversary   |
| <b>FRI.</b>   | <b>26</b> | 8:30                  | John Ferrero   |
| <b>SAT.</b>   | <b>27</b> | 8:00<br>5:15 pm       | Rita Higgins<br>Robert G. Reed, Sr. &<br>Helen Reed                        |
| <b>SUN</b>    | <b>28</b> | 7:30<br>9:30<br>11:30 | IHM Parishioners<br>Shane Montgomery<br>Deacon George W.<br>Kletzel, Jr.   |

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

The Sanctuary Light in our **Sacred Heart Chapel**  
for the week of August 22 - 28  
is for a Special Intention for  
Mary Salvatore.



#### PLEASE HELP TO KEEP OUR CHURCH CLEAN

Before leaving Church please check your pew and remove any personal items and bulletins. **Thank you!!**

#### ROSES

The rose placed in the **Church** is in loving memory of  
Gemma Pompizzi  
requested by  
Elaine Donahue & Kristin Donahue.

The rose placed in the **Chapel** is in  
loving memory of  
Thomas Spilker - 33rd Anniversary  
requested by  
Gerri Spilker



***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, Mary Bartsch, Anne Basara, Joan Becker, Josephine Bellace, Wayne Bielawski, Nancy Bright, Daniel Brito, Bill Burrow, Bobby Busch, Dolores Buzby, Lynn 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, Marianne Di Mucci, Madeline DiPasquale, Janet Bollinger Doherty, Beth Donnelly, Joseph Donnelly, Francis "Joe" Elliott, Joe Evers, Peg Fierko, David Fleetwood, Bill & Dorothy Foster, Kathy Foster, Sydney Franzmann, Barbara Freiling, Dr. Angeline M. Gampico, Helen Golbeski, Kelly Gruninger, Bernadette Harwick, Brenden Heyer, Don Holt, Sheila Janes, Marge Jara, Frances Jefferys, Chris Kane, Marianne Klusek, Olga Kostic, Angela Kotowich, Mary Krier, Hannah Lambert, Flavia Langan, Langan Family, Dolores Lanigan, Edward Lanigan, Marianne Leahy, Agnes Leinheiser, Edward Lenox, Hadley Ludwig, Charles Mansor, Cheryl Maresca, Elizabeth Matruka, Terry McCormick, Brian McGuire, Anne Marie Mc Keever, Felix & Louise McKeogh, Helen Magee, Elizabeth Matruak, Winifred Meall, Rachael Mellon, Scott Melina, Charlie Melough, Eileen Michel, Brian Morris, Mary Mudry, Dick & Trudy Neff, Marvin Parnes, Harry Pastella, Luisa Pellicone, Dave Pendleton, Bishop Joseph Pepe, Bill Pinto, Nicole Powlus, Joe Pro, Kathy Pro, Tom Przybek, Karen Pulcinella, Connie Quigley, John Quirus, Clara Ragni, Junie Rakosak, Harper Renshaw, John Reynolds, Joel Rivera, Domiciano Gallego-Ruiz, Anita Russell, Timothy Sager, Donna Scharff, John Scharff, Mairead Scharff, Mary Ann Shaw, Bill & Theresa Sherwin, 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, Pam Wisdom, Brian Wurtzberger, Kim Wurtzberger, Mike Zacher, 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 PRAY FOR THE SOULS OF OUR BROTHERS AND SISTERS



## Pastor's Page

Over the last several weeks we have heard parables about the Kingdom. Today we hear about requirements about entrance into that kingdom. The time is shortening, and once the door is locked it will not be reopened. We are called to make an informed and committed decision to undertake the journey to Jerusalem with Jesus, a journey that will end in suffering and death.

In the passage today, Luke reminds us that Jesus is still on the journey to Jerusalem according to God's plan. The question that is asked, "Lord, will only a few people be saved?" offers Him the opportunity to mention once again the difficulties involved in following him. Jesus gives a nuanced answer to this question.

He specifically mentions those who are under the illusion that they were following Jesus, but maintained only a loose relationship with him, devoid of any real commitment. They ate and drank with him, but with no intimate fellowship. They heard his teaching, but did not accept it as the Word of God to be put into practice. The answer is very stern and foreboding: "I do not know where you are from. Depart from me....There will be wailing and grinding of teeth when you see Abraham, Isaac and Jacob and all the prophets in the Kingdom of God, and you yourselves cast out."

No one is to be excluded from the Kingdom, however no ethnic or religious group possessed exclusive right to the Kingdom. Claiming to accompany Jesus does not equate to true discipleship. The Gentiles ("people from the east and the west and the north and the south") would receive a seat at the table formerly only available to the Jews. They are the last who will be the first.

God had already proclaimed this idea through the prophet Isaiah, "I come to gather nations of every language...distant coastlands that have never heard my fame or seen my glory...all your brothers and sisters from all the nations."

Jesus says, "Strive to enter through the narrow door". The narrow door does not mean that only a few are offered entrance but only that the narrow entrance must be chosen. Presumption plays a part in the people who want to gain entrance because of who they are, and not because of how they have lived their lives.

Anyone from any corner of the earth can walk the path to the narrow door. God's path is intended for all people, including those who we may consider "last". The way of God's goodness leads to a narrow door. Do we give "lip service" or "life service" to following Jesus and living the Kingdom of God? Do our actions conform to our words? As Jesus points out today, saying that "we ate and drank in your company" is not enough. Let us continue to follow Jesus to the narrow door.

Father Casey

### **Weekend Clergy Schedule August 28, 2022** **(celebrants are subject to change)**

#### **Saturday, August 27, 2022**

5:15 Vigil - Fr. Quan

#### **Sunday, August 28, 2022**

7:30 a.m. – Fr. Bransfield

9:30 a.m. – Fr. Bongard\*\*\*

11:30 a.m. - Fr. Casey

\*\*\* Deacon Sam Preaching

### **READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY**

- 1) Sirach 3:17-18, 20, 28-29(126C)
- 2) Hebrews 12:18-19, 22-24a
- 3) Luke 14:1, 7-14



**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.**





## 2022-2023 PREP (PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM) REGISTRATION INFORMATION

**The Parish Religious Education Program registration deadline is fast approaching**

for the 2022-2023 PREP year.

Final Registration will be held on

Tuesday, September 6th from 4:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

**PREP Classes begin on Tuesday, September 13th!**

For further information, please contact:

Mary Anne Kostic-King, CRE @ 215-483-4266 or

e-mail: [mking@iheartmary.org](mailto:mking@iheartmary.org)

**Confirmation Preparation** will begin on Tuesday, September 13, 2022 for our PREP Students and Students from private schools who have registered to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation on Sunday, November 20, 2022 at Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish. Our IHM school students will be preparing for the reception of this sacrament during their religious studies in class. Parish/PREP Students must attend all Tuesday evening preparation classes and the Retreat Day for receiving this Sacrament.

For information, please contact:

Mary Anne Kostic- King, CRE 215-483-4266 or

e-mail: [mking@iheartmary.org](mailto:mking@iheartmary.org)

### 150th Anniversary of Sacred Heart of Jesus Church

Sacred Heart of Jesus Church in Philadelphia, PA is celebrating their 150th Parish Anniversary with a Mass and dinner on Sunday, October 16, 2022. The ticket price is \$75 per person.

Please call our rectory at 215-465-4050 or visit our website, [www.sacredheartchurchsp.com](http://www.sacredheartchurchsp.com) for more information.

*Welcome to the newest members  
of our IHM Parish!*

**Mr. & Mrs. John Smart**

**IHM HOME & SCHOOL ASSOCIATION** is hosting a **Market Day** for all Vendors, Crafters, and Rummage Sellers.

**DATE:** Saturday, September 17, 2022

**TIME:** 9am to 2pm

**WHERE:** **Father Sullivan Hall  
Immaculate Heart of Mary School  
815 E. Cathedral Road,  
Philadelphia PA 19128**

**Tables are \$25/single or \$40/double**

If interested contact the IHM Home and School Association:  
[homeandschool@iheartmary.org](mailto:homeandschool@iheartmary.org)

Breakfast and lunch will be available to purchase.



The next meetings of the St. Vincent dePaul Society will be held in the:

**Rectory Conference Room**

**August 29  
from 7-8:30 pm.**

Please join us for this rewarding volunteer work.

The next pick up for  
St. John's Hospice is  
Wednesday, September 7 at 9 am.

**Casseroles**



### Sunday Offering Week of August 7, 2022

Sunday \$ 8,295.00  
Loose \$ 352.00  
\$ 8,647.00

# of envelopes – 479  
Average– 17.32

*Thank you & God Bless you for your generosity*

### PART-TIME MAINTENANCE POSITION AVAILABLE AT IHM

Our maintenance department has a permanent part-time position available.

Hours are Monday - Friday 12:30 pm to 4 pm.

For more information and details call Richard Strickland at 215-483-1000.



### LITTLE SISTERS OF THE POOR ST. JEANNE JUGAN GALA/RAFFLE

The Little Sisters of the Poor are excited to invite you to our St. Jeanne Jugan Gala, benefiting the residents of Holy Family Home. The event will be held on Sunday, September 11 at Drexelbrook in Drexel Hill. Tickets are \$150 and includes a chance to win the \$10,000 grand prize. Order tickets at Holy Family Home, Dept PB, 5300 Chester Ave., Phil., PA 19143, on our website [littlesistersofthepoorphiladelphia.org](http://littlesistersofthepoorphiladelphia.org), or call Catherine at 215-729-5153 for more information.

Thank you for your prayers and support!

## Mount Saint Joseph Academy

Join us for our annual fall Open House on Sunday, October 2, from 10am to 1pm!

Learn how a mission-driven education and the bonds of sisterhood fuel meaningful learning at the Mount. Tour our campus with a student tour guide, attend an information session, learn about dynamic academics and student life, and meet our experienced faculty, staff, and coaches. Prospective families in grades 5-8 may register today at [msjacad.org/openhouse](http://msjacad.org/openhouse).

Apply today for the Class of 2027 at [msjacad.org/apply](http://msjacad.org/apply)! Applications are due by October 7.

Scholarships/Entrance Exams will be offered on October 8 and October 9.

Contact the Admissions Team at [admiss@msjacad.org](mailto:admiss@msjacad.org) or (215) 233-9133 with any questions.

### IHM VIRTUAL ROSARY

The IHM Virtual Rosary meets every Thursday at 7 PM.

For more information about the IHM Virtual Rosary Group contact Armand Vanore at [kitwor@comcast.net](mailto:kitwor@comcast.net).

### IMPORTANT NOTICE FOR ALL SCHOOL AND CHURCH VOLUNTEERS

All volunteers of our IHM School and Church must meet all Safe Environment requirements mandated by the State of Pennsylvania and the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. This includes all school volunteers and parish volunteers i.e. Lectors, EM, Choir Members, etc.

A list of all requirements are on the school website: [iheartmary.org](http://iheartmary.org) Go to Resources then to Volunteer and all the links are posted there. These clearances are **FREE** for volunteers.

These requirements are MANDATORY and there will be no exceptions. These must be completed or you may not volunteer in our school for any trips, dances or in house activities or any parish ministries.

The date we have for the Protecting God's Children Class here at IHM is Tuesday, September 27 @ 6:30pm. There are many choices for other nights at other locations. Go to [virtusonline.org](http://virtusonline.org) then first time registrant then to list of sessions to find one that is convenient for you to attend. There are classes available also through zoom.

It is best to get these completed before school begins. All clearances must be completed by November 1st in order for you to volunteer for the 2022-2023 school year.

For more information call Denise Schmidt in the Rectory Office 215-483-1000. Monday - Friday between the hours of 10 am to 2 pm.

Please note: All clearances are free for volunteers. The State of PA requires that these be updated every 5 years. The requirements of the Archdiocese only needs to be completed once.

## 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. Richard Strickland** - *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, [Musicfe5@gmail.com](mailto:Musicfe5@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**: John Macoretta, Scoutmaster (215-680-1049);  
 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.**: 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.

**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 Thursday @ 7pm in the K of C Room in FSH. contact Joe Flemming (215-964-2624)

[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**