

IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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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: **January 21st**, **February 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 January 17th 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 **Spring** date is **April 21**st. 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 January 14, 2018			
Vigil	13	5:15PM	Laura Falso - 19yr. Anniversary
SUN.	14	7:30 9:30 11:30	IHM Parishioners DiFilippo Family Richard Griffin
MON.	15	8:30	John O'Rourke, Sr.
TUES.	16	8:30	Elizabeth Akers
WED.	17	8:30	Consorte Family
THURS.	18	8:30	Mary and Joseph Walsh
FRI.	19	8:30	Aug and Josephine Dicciani
SAT.	20	8:00 5:15PM	Julie Giovannone Walt Kusniesz
SUN.	21	7:30 9:30 11:30	IHM Parishioners William A. Barr William Delaney

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

- 1) Jonah 3:1-5, 10 (68B)
- 1 Corinthians 7:29-31
- 3) Mark 1:14-20



PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SOULS OF OUR DECEASED BROTHERS AND SISTERS

No intentions this week



ROSES



The rose placed in the *Church* is in loving memory of The Deceased Members of the Haraburda Family requested by, Ted and Pat Haraburda.

The rose placed in the *Chapel* is in loving memory of Marie and Eugene Larkin requested by, Ted and Pat Haraburda.

Dear Parishioners,

There are available memorial weeks for both the roses in the Church and Chapel and also for the Sanctuary Light for 2018. Please call the Rectory at 215-483-1000 if you would like to add your loved one's name in the weeks to come.

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, Anna Barras, Helen J. Boron, Jean Basile, John Bevenour, Joyce Bielawski, Wayne Bielawski, Bill Blum, Gerri Blum, Roberta Bracey, Theresa Branca-Herbst, Catherine Bryan, Edith Cifelli, Eleanor Calabrese-Avallone, Mary Campbell, Rita Casciato, Lisa Castellante, Caitlyn Clark, John Colantonio, Brooke Conklin, Baby Kevin Crane, Anne Cunningham, Joseph Cylc, Anna Dahm, Mary D'Angelo, Jack Deegan, Robert Denshuick, Baby James Dent, Baby Augie DeStefano, Baby Olivia DeStefano, Kim Dichiara, John Diehl, Roseann DiLullo, Marie Dunne, Sue Fafara, Marianne Felker, Nancy Finn, Janet Fioravante, Larry Flannigan, Joe Flemming, Christina Gailey, Kathleen Gavaghan, Tom Halpin, Louise Hannings, Robert Hannon, Corrine Hare, Eric Hetrick, Jean Hodge, Fay Holder, Dennis Hudecki, Baby Jessica Jara, Linda Jara, Kellen Jeffrey, Lewis Kershaw, Deacon George Kletzel, Alberta Klusek, Josephine Konopka, Victor Kost, Olga Kostic, Hedy Latimor, Marianne Leahy, Ed Lenox, Theresa Lenters, Mackenzie Lilly, Kendra Lutz, Carolyn Mako, Catherine Manzo, 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, Rose Pastella, Vera Pepe, James Vincent Penkowski, Lynn Pester, Joe Ponzio, George Price, Thomas Przybek, Gloria Pytlar, Lou Rambo, Joseph Rava, Baby Harper Ann Renshaw, John Reynolds, Barbara Rogers, Rose Rudolph, Stephanie Russo, Rosa Maria Santos, John Scharff, Mairead Scharff, William Scheibenhoffer, Benny Shiril, George Siefert, Baby Mason Simmons, Jack Singer, Veronica Sirianni, Madison Solis, Jason Stock, Theresa Stockmal, 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, David Woczyna, Zeke Wright, Marie Yocco.



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 Sanctuary Light in our Sacred Heart Chapel has no intention for this week.



Pastor's Page

I want to use this space this week to offer a reflection and teaching on the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick.

From the General Introduction of the Rite of the Pastoral Care of the Sick:

"Suffering and illness have always been among the greatest problems that trouble the human spirit. Christians feel and experience pain as do all other people, yet their faith helps them to grasp more deeply the mystery of suffering and to bear their pain with greater courage. From Christ's words they know that sickness has meaning and value for their own salvation and for the salvation of the world. They also know that Christ, who during his life often visited and healed the sick, loves them in their illness."

"The Lord himself showed great concern for the bodily and spiritual welfare of the sick and commanded his followers to do like wise. This is clear from the gospels and above all from the existence of the Sacrament of Anointing, which he instituted and which is made known in the Letter of James: "Is there anyone sick among you? He should ask for the presbyters of the Church. They in turn are to pray over him, anointing them with oil in the Name of the Lord. This prayer uttered in faith will reclaim the one who is ill and the Lord will restore him to health." (James 5:14-15)

Those who are seriously ill need the special help of God's grace in their time of anxiety. Through the Sacrament of Anointing, Christ strengthens the faithful who are afflicted by illness offering them the strongest means of support.

The celebration of this sacrament consists especially in the laying on of hands by the priests of the church, the offering of the prayer of faith, and the anointing of the sick with Oil made Holy by God's special blessing.

This Sacrament gives the grace of the Holy Spirit to those who are sick; by this grace the whole person is helped and saved, sustained by trust in God and strengthened against the temptations of the Evil One and against anxiety over death. Thus the sick person is able not only to bear suffering bravely, but also fight against it.

A common misconception regarding the Sacrament of Anointing is that the priest is called only when the person is dying to get "The Last Rites". The old terminology certainly reinforced this idea when the Sacrament was referred to as "Extreme Unction".

Please let me know if anyone is ill and needs the Anointing. Here is another example of the availability of the Sacrament of Anointing that I would like to stress. If anyone is having surgery or a medical procedure that could be looked on as serious during the week, come up to one of the priests either before or after Sunday Mass and call the rectory during the week to set up a time with us. This can also be done after weekday Masses in Chapel. We can then celebrate the Sacrament of the Anointing with you in preparation for your surgery or procedure.

When the Church cares for the sick, it serves Christ himself in the suffering members of his Mystical Body.

Father Casey

The Parish Offices are now located on the "garden level" of the Rectory and open for business. We hope you enjoy the newly renovated and more functional space. All are welcome to stop by during their free time to take a little tour. Thank you for your patience during renovations. Landscaping will be completed when the weather improves.

Weekend Clergy Schedule for January 20th and 21st

Saturday, January 20th

4:00PM Confessions: Fr. Jordan/Fr. Casey

5:15PM Vigil: Fr. Jordan

Sunday, January 21st

7:30AM: Fr. Bongard

9:30AM: Fr. Casey/Deacon Sam** 11:30AM: Fr. Casey/Deacon Sam**

** Deacon Sam Preaching

Sunday Offering January 7, 2017

Envelopes Loose \$ 9,650.80 <u>\$ 1,181.00</u> \$10,831.80

#envelopes 575 Average \$16.79 Poor Box \$346.20

Thank you for your generosity!

Parish Information

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

Ella Marie Dayton



All are invited to a Mardi Gras and Valentine's Polka Dance Party at the TK Club at 521 East Hector Street in Conshohocken on Sunday February 11th from Noon to 5 pm to support St. Mary Polish American Society. This event will feature live Polka music, delicious Polish food, a 50/50 drawing and other games of chance, a basket raffle, and baked goods for sale. Families are welcome, as there will be games for children with plenty of prizes!

Admission is \$10 in advance and \$15 on the day of the event. Admission for children is \$7 each and free for children under the age of 6. We would appreciate if people could buy their tickets by Wednesday January 31st, so we can purchase the correct amount of food. For tickets, please email stmaryconshy@gmail.com or call Dorothy Swedkowski at 610-630-0861.

We will meet on Monday, January 22nd. Muffins will be served at this meeting.



Mount Saint Joseph Academy

The Mount, a catholic preparatory school for girls, invites all interested 7th grade girls to the **Pre-HSPT** to be given on **Saturday, March 24, 2018 from 8:00 – 11:30 a.m.**The Pre-HSPT is a 7TH grade edition of the actual Scholarship/Entrance Exam given to eighth grade applicants. Registration is available online only.

Register at: www.msjacad.org/practicetest

You will receive registration confirmation via email.

Upcoming School Events





Immaculate Heart of Mary School is now 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.

Please join us for an Open House on Sunday, January 28, 2018, from 10:30 am to 12:00 pm. Come see the exciting opportunities available at **IHM School!**

Please contact Traci Kovach, Director of Finance and Development at 215.483.1103 for more details.



This year, we will once again be having our Book Fair during Catholic Schools Week. The dates are Monday, January 29 through Thursday, February 1. There will also be a separate opportunity for parents and grandparents to visit the Book Fair during our "Goodies With Special Guests Day". This special day will be held on Monday, January 29 during the school day. The Book Fair will be located in Father Sullivan Hall. There will also be a contest to see who can guess the correct number of candies in a jar. The person who guesses closest, wins the jar. Everyone is a winner!

The families who attend the Book Fair with their "Special Guest" will receive a special treat. Proceeds from the Book Fair will go directly to Immaculate Heart of Mary School. Hope to see you at the Fair! Thank you for your constant

support of our school.

Until further notice, there will no longer be a 6:30AM Mass on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. We will inform you if that Mass time returns in the future.

Parish Information at IHM



Dear Parishioners:

IHM will not be running a bus to the Pro-Life March this year. In the past there has been very little interest and the bus has not been full. If you are interested in attending the March, please call the Archdiocese at 215-587-0500 and ask for Mary Cullinan to see if any other parishes have room on their buses.

All Are Invited to Join St. Genevieve Parish in The National Vigil for Life Beginning Thursday, Jan. 18 7pm Mass National Rosary for Life

All-Night Vigil for Life before the Blessed Sacrament Concluding at 8 am Mass Fri. Jan. 19

All are invited as we join hundreds of thousands of pilgrims who will gather in Washington, D.C. to witness to Life and pray for an end to abortion and a greater respect for all human life on the Eve of the March for Life.

We want to thank Father André Antao for his service at IHM parish from August 10 until December 26. Father André is a priest of the Diocese of Belgaum in India and will be consulting with his Bishop, Most Reverend Peter Machado on his next assignment.

TRANSITION NETWORKARE YOU UNEMPLOYED OR UNDEREMPLOYED?

Come and join our network group. It has been running for 8 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

Father Sullivan Hall on Wednesday, January 24th at 7pm

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

A MESSAGE FROM THE BUSINESS OFFICE

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

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.

NEXT BAPTISMAL DATES

January 21st February 4th & 18th

H.OP.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

IHM's SVDP Society assists people in need in Andorra/ Roxborough/Manayunk and nearby Philadelphia neighborhoods. Our funding comes primarily from the IHM 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

Father Sullivan Hall (former teacher's lounge) now renamed The Knights of Columbus Room

Our upcoming meetings are: January 22nd, February 5th & 19th

ST. JOHN'S HOSPICE is in great need of casseroles. They pick up the last Wednesday of the month. This month it will be January 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.

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



Career Opportunity: The Knights of Columbus is seeking a candidate representing their insurance program. We offer a complete benefits package with this full-time position. In order to qualify, one must be eligible for membership in the K of C. Please contact Joseph Grayeske, General Agent at 215-362-2469 or Joseph.Grayeske@kofc.org for more information.

Please visit our Parish website www.ihmphila.org to read about news and events that may not fit in the bulletin and to learn about the newly formed Ministries and consider joining us sharing your time and talent with our parishioners! (under the "Ministries" tab). Deadline for Church Bulletin Articles - no later than NOON on the Wednesday before the following Sunday's bulletin.

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

IHM CHURCH MINISTRIES & GROUPS

LITURGICAL

Altar Servers: Rev. Edward J. Casey

Ministry of the Word (Lectors): Sydney J. MacLeod, Jr.,

sidneyj@macleod.com

Ministry of the Eucharist: Frank Klusek, frank.k.@verizon.net
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)
Greeter-Ushers: Judy Maloney, jewel37206@aol.com
Scavistran Peter Course pieces 125 (2018)

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 Hospitality Ministry: Judy Maloney, jewel37206@aol.com

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

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: Ánn McElroy, irishaim@comcast.net

SPIRITUAL OUTREACH

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 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)