

MASS SCHEDULE

SUNDAY - THE LORD'S DAY

Vigil - Saturday 5:15 pm 7:30 am, 9:30 am, and 11:30 am

WEEKDAYS: IN SACRED HEART CHAPEL Monday thru Friday 8:30 am Saturday 8:00 am

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

HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION

5:15 pm Vigil Mass 8:30 am, Noon, & 7:30 pm

HOLIDAYS: IN CHURCH

9:00 am (Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day and Thanksgiving Day)

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION IN

<u>CHURCH</u> Saturday 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm

TUESDAY

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

MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA
TUESDAY EVENING AT 6:30 pm
BENEDICTION FOLLOWS NOVENA PRAYERS

IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY SCHOOL

815 E. Cathedral Road Philadelphia, PA 19128 215-482-2029 Website: iheartmary.org

Rev. Edward J. Casey, Pastor

Rev. Quan H. Tran, Parochial Vicar Rev. Sean P. Bransfield, in Residence Deacon Salvatore R. Bianco

CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENTS

<u>Baptism</u> - The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated on Sundays at 12:30 PM.

<u>Pre-Jordan</u> - 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, January 15 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.

<u>Marriage</u> - 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.

Pre-Cana Marriage Prep—Spring Date to be announced.

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			
<u>January 7, 2024</u>			
SAT.	6	5:15 pm	Jane Malloy Glass
SUN.	7	7:30 9:30 11:30	IHM Parishioners John Iacobacci Chien Dat Nguyen
MON.	8	8:30	Tiem Van Pham
TUES.	9	8:30	David Higgins
WED.	10	8:30	Chester T. Cyzio
THUR	11	8:30	Que Anh Maria Ngu
FRI.	12	8:30	Alice & Joseph Keough
SAT.	13	8:00	Laura Falso
		5:15 pm	25th Anniversary Sr. Jane Reardon
SUN	14	7:30 9:30 11:30	IHM Parishioners Sr. Jane Reardon Peter N. & Edward Notwick

^{*}Please note, not all Mass intentions are for the deceased.

The Sanctuary Light in our Sacred Heart Chapel for the week of January 8 to January 14 is for Good Health for All IHM Parishioners.



ROSES

The rose placed in the **Church** is in loving memory of the Stephanie Stefanski



Chet & Sharon Cybularz & Family

The rose placed in the **Chapel** is in loving memory of Msgr. Jospeh P. McGeown & Fr. Paul Obrimski.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SOULS OF OUR BROTHERS AND SISTERS

Mary Stranieri





Father of goodness and love, hear our prayers for the sick members of our community and for all who are in need. Theresa Alosi, 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, Joe Casciato, Marilyn Cellucci, Officer Andy Chan, Pete Cissone, Michael Clark, Ann Colantonio, Brooke Conklin, Ashley Cox, Helen Cyzio, Quint Cuffe, Earl Dandridge, David Daniels, Taylor Davis, Nancy Di John, Madeline DiPasquale, Janet Bollinger Doherty, Joseph Donnelly, Marie Dunne, Barbara Dziedzic, Francis "Joe" Elliott, Joe Evers, Bruce Fairchild, Mary Ellen Ferrell, Peg Fierko, David Fleetwood, Carole Foley, Bill & Dorothy Foster, Kathy Foster, Sydney Franzmann, Barbara Freiling, Dr. Angeline M. Gampico, Bernadette Giambuzzi, Helen Golbeski, James Goussy, Kelly Gruninger, Flora Hart, Anne Headly, Brenden Heyer, Fay Holder, Sheilah Janes, Frances Jefferys, Steve Jones, Chris Kane, Deborah Kapp, Luke Katona, Keith Kelly, Marek Kijek, Michael Kohute, 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, Elizabeth Matruak, Winifred Meall, Monica Mellon, Eileen Michel, Mary Mudry, Janet Murphy, Dick & Trudy Neff, Tom Newell, Harry Pastella, Luisa Pellicone, Dave Pendleton, Bishop Joseph Pepe, Bill Pinto, Nicole Powlus, Maria Prince, Kathy Pro, Karen Pulcinella, John Quirus, Junie Rakosak, Harper Renshaw, Casey Rigby, Joel Rivera, Tony Ruger, Domiciano Gallego-Ruiz, Anita Russell, Donna Scharff, John Scharff, Mairead Scharff, Veronica Serianni, John Sevcik, Mary Ann Shaw, Bill & Theresa Sherwin, Luke Simon, Mary Sokolski, David Sparacino, Jake Stefano, Ryann Stoffere, Baby Caleb St. George, Donna Stine, O.S.F., Stanley T., Felicia Teske, Paul Teske, Sister Mary Thaddeus, Edward Thomas, Molly Thompson, Betty Thummel, Christine Triola, Louise Vesci, Maddox Vielman, Helen Wade, Walter Wayne Whitehouse, Luke Winterbottom, 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 1st responders.

Pastor's Page

On, Epiphany, there is the ancient custom in the church of announcing the dates of the movable feasts for the coming year. While a day like Christmas is fixed in our minds and on the calendars on December 25th, many of the important feasts of the Church year move, based upon the date that Easter is set. Easter changes each year moving to the Sunday after the "Paschal Full Moon".

EPIPHANY PROCLAMATION:

The glory of the Lord has shone upon us, and shall ever be manifest among us, until the day of his return.

Through the rhythms of times and seasons let us celebrate the mysteries of salvation.

Let us recall the year's culmination,
The Easter Triduum of the Lord:
his last supper, his crucifixion, his burial,
and his rising celebrated
between the evening of the 28th of March
and the evening of the 30th of March,
Easter Sunday being on the 31st of March,
Each Easter as on each Sunday

the Holy Church makes present the great and saving deed by which Christ has forever conquered sin and death.

From Easter are reckoned all the days we keep holy, Ash Wednesday, the beginning of Lent, will occur on the 14th day of February.

The Ascension of the Lord will be commemorated on Thursday, the 9th of May.

Pentecost joyful conclusion of the season of Easter will be celebrated on the 19th day of May.

And this year the First Sunday of Advent will be on the 1st of December 2024.

Likewise the pilgrim Church proclaims the Passover of Christ in the feasts of the holy Mother of God, in the feasts of the Apostles and Saints and in the commemoration of the faithful departed.

To Jesus Christ, who was, who is and who is to come, Lord of time and history, be endless praise, forever and ever. Amen



READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

- 1) 1 Samuel 3:3b-10, 19 (65B)
- 2) 1 Corinthians 6:13-c-15a, 17-20
- 3) John 1:35-42



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.



Clergy Schedule for Sunday, January 14, 2024 (celebrants are subject to change)

Saturday, January 13, 2024

Vigil 5:15 pm - Fr. Quan

Sunday, January 14, 2024

7:30 am – Fr. Quan 9:30 am – Fr. Bransfield 11:30 Fr. Bransfield

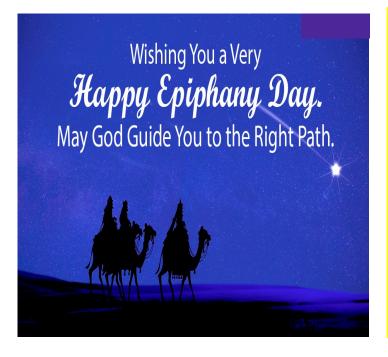
MASS FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION & PRESENTATION OF ANNIVERSARY AWARDS

On January 13, 2024 at 11 am, four of our P.R.E.P. Catechists are receiving anniversary awards for their dedication to Religious Education. This will take place at the Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul and the celebrant will be Archbishop Nelson J. Perez.

Our four Catechists are:

Nancy Cipriani 30 years Anne Roberts 25 years Sharon Schepise 10 years Frank Klusek 10 years

We thank and congratulate them all for their dedication to the P.R.E.P. program and ask each of you to keep them in your prayers.





VOLLEYBALL COORDINATOR WOULD HELP WITH UNIFORMS. OPENING THE GYM, GAME UPDATES, ETC.....

MUST HAVE CLEARANCES

ANYONE INTERESED CAN EMAIL: ATHLETICDIRECTOR.IHM@GMAIL.COM



Job Opening: Parish Business Manager, Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish, Philadelphia

Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish in the Andorra section of Philadelphia has a full time opening for a Parish Business Manager. The Business Manager serves in a key management position in the parish and together with the Pastor and the School Principal forms the core leadership team of the parish. Proficiency and experience with QuickBooks is essential.

Essential Qualifications:

Ability to work with staff and volunteers

Computer literacy with proficiency in Microsoft Office and Quick Books

Essential Duties and Responsibilities:

Maintains the accuracy of all financial files and records and establishes a responsible cash flow management and record keeping system.

Prepares, administers and reviews budget processes in collaboration with the Pastor, Finance Committee and the School Principal

Monitor the collection, counting, recording and depositing of parish revenue

Produces payroll for the parish and the school

Liaison between the parish and the Archdiocese of Philadelphia in all financial matters

Reconcile all accounts in QuickBooks in a timely matter

Accounting for all financial activity

Monitors spending and reviews parish and school budgets

Assists the Pastor with hiring of new staff members.

Maintains employee files

Attends Financial Council meetings

Benefit coordinator

Other duties as assigned.

Salary and Benefits Package information furnished upon request.

The Business Manager reports to the Pastor.

Interested persons should submit a cover letter and resume to emilytmiller@comcast.net

Sunday Offering Week of December 24, 2023

of envelopes – 527 Average - 22.15

Christmas Flowers \$1,034.00 Christmas \$40,775.00

Thank you & God Bless you for your generosity

St. Vincent dePaul Society

The next meeting of the St. Vincent DePaul Society will be held in Fr. Sullivan Hall from 7-8:30 pm on January 8 & 29.

The next casserole pickup for St. John's Hospice is on Wednesday, February 7 at 9 am.

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. Gene Martino - Facilities Manager

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.,

<u>sidneyj@macleod.com</u> Ministry of the Eucharist: Mary Ann Kostic-King,

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
Ushers: John Rudolph, Peter Caruso

Sacristans: Peter Caruso

SOCIAL OUTREACH

CYO: High School and Grade School-Bill Hannigan athleticdirector.ihm@gmail.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: first Wednesday of each month

SCHOOL PROGRAMS
Home & School Association: homeandschool@iheartmary.org

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

SCRIP: S&C and Supermarket Scrip—Traci Kovach 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

Care of Church and Chapel Spaces: parishioners who clean God's house weekly. Denise Schmidt (215-483-1000) Counters: Ann McElroy, <u>irishaim@comcast.net</u>

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 josephflemming@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 215-850-9740.