

A prophet is
not without
honor except in
his native place
and among his
own kin and in
his own house.

Mark 6:4



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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 CHURCH

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

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 Tuesday, July 9 @ 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.

Pre-Cana Marriage Prep—Fall 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
July 7, 2024

SAT.	6	5:15 pm	Vincent & Matthew Manzo
SUN.	7	7:30 9:30 11:30	IHM Parishioners Charles A. Mc Carthy Ken & Colleen Gallagher
MON.	8	8:30	Marianne Klusek
TUES.	9	8:30	Marianne Klusek
WED.	10	8:30	Hai Tri Nguyen
THUR	11	8:30	Thomas & Nancy Plover
FRI.	12	8:30	Khon Trang Duong
SAT.	13	8:00	Florence Horan 7th Anniversary
		5:15 pm	Joan A. Reed
SUN	14	7:30 9:30 11:30	IHM Parishioners Alex & Julie Giovanne John & Mary J. Gorman

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



Father of goodness and love, hear our prayers for the sick members of our community and for all who are in need.
 Maria Adusc, Anne Akyuz, Theresa Alosi, Lee Aponte, Mary Bartsch, Anne Basara, Josephine Bellace, Romulua Berretta, Joyce & Wayne Bielawski, Lance & Cindi Bonnet, Nancy Bright, Daniel Brito, Bill Burrow, Dolores Buzby, Lynn Campbell, Mary Rose Campbell, Erin Caruso, Joe Casciato, Tom Cassidy, Lisa Castallante-Martin, 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, Mary Delaney, Angelita Diccion, Ben Diccion, Sr., Ben Diccion, Jr., Perla Diccion, Nancy Di John, Madeline DiPasquale, Janet Bollinger Doherty, Joseph Donnelly, Marie Dunne, Barbara Dziedzic, Francis "Joe" Elliott, Joe Evers, Mary Ellen Ferrell, Peg Fierko, David Fleetwood, Carole Foley, Bill & Dorothy Foster, Kathy Foster, Sydney Franzmann, Robert Frederico, Marina Frederico, Barbara Freiling, Dr. Angeline M. Gampico, Bernadette Giambuzzi, Helen Golbeski, James Goussy, Kelly Gruninger, Katie Harris, Kelly Hagelauer, Flora Hart, Anne Headly, Brenden Heyer, Fay Holder, Sheilah Janes, Frances Jefferys, Regina Joka, Steve Jones, Chris Kane, Deborah Kapp, Keith Kelly, Marek Kijek, Paul King, Michael Kohute, Olga Kostic, Angela Kotowich, Mary Krier, Hannah Lambert, Flavia Langan, Langan Family, Edward Lanigan, Marianne Leahy, Agnes Leinheiser, Dorlene Long, Hadley Ludwig, Cheryl Maresca, Patty Markelewicz, Dominic Matteo, Elizabeth Matruka, Ben Mazzochetti, Terry McCormick, Felix & Louise McKeough, Helen Magee, Lindsey Marzo, Elizabeth Matruak, Winifred Meall, Monica Mellon, Eileen Michel, Adrian Mumford, Mary Mudry, Janet Murphy, Dick & Trudy Neff, Tom Newell, Rosemary Notwick, Harry Pastella, Mary Ann Pastore, Luisa Pellicone, Dave Pendleton, Bishop Joseph Pepe, Bill Pinto, Beth Pisano, Maria Prince, Karen Pulcinella, John Quirus, Junie Rakosak, Harper Renshaw, Casey Rigby, Joel Rivera, Matthew Christopher Rowe, Jr. 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, Angelo Valucci, Louise Vesci, Sr. Lolita Visitacion, Helen Wade, Walter Wayne Whitehouse, 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.***

ROSES

The rose placed in the **Church** is in loving memory of Rosina Messina



requested by Maria Falso.

The rose placed in the **Chapel** is in loving memory of Vincent J. Bransfield, Jr.

The Sanctuary Light in our **Sacred Heart Chapel** for the week of July 8 to July 14



is in loving memory of Robert & Virginia Jefford requested by Virginia Caracappa.

Pastor's Page

We encounter a very interesting situation in the first reading and the Gospel today. Both Jesus and Ezekiel have a tough time preaching in today's passages. Jesus was dismissed because the people could not accept that this seemingly ordinary neighbor could preach to them about God. Ezekiel had to preach to a people who had rebelled against God and were "obstinate of heart". Perhaps Saint Paul's insight is most helpful here: It is when God's grace allows me to overcome my own weakness that Christ's power is most truly revealed. We need to have the humility to see and accept this.

In the first reading, God sent Ezekiel to his people with a fair warning. They were a rebellious people whose fathers had revolted against the Lord from the beginning. They were hard of face and obstinate of heart. God sent Ezekiel to them to proclaim his message. Sometimes the real reason a prophet is rejected is because the people find the message too challenging. God warned Ezekiel that the people would be "obstinate of heart". Ezekiel would be telling them that it was due to their sins that they were sent into exile and that Jerusalem would be destroyed. Certainly that was not what they wanted to hear.

In the reading from Second Corinthians today, Paul describes some of the sufferings he endures while proclaiming God's word (weakness, insults, hardships, persecutions, constraints). An illness plagues Paul for which he begs God's intercession. The Lord tells Paul, "My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness". The theme of power through weakness is repeated throughout Paul's epistles.

In today's passage, Mark 6:1-6, Jesus' disciples are with him as he teaches a large synagogue crowd in his hometown of Nazareth. Jesus is amazed at their lack of faith. Up to this point people have always been amazed and even fearful in Jesus' presence. Here Jesus is amazed at them and at the lack of faith he finds in Nazareth. We are challenged in this story that we might evaluate the depth of our faith in him in order to allow us to be as effective disciples in his midst.

Ultimately, faith is a prerequisite for healing. Jesus does not heal to make people believe, he heals those whose faith is strong. As a general rule: faith precedes the miracle. Last week if you remember, he healed two people whose faith was strong. "Your faith has saved you" Jesus told the woman who had been ill for 12 years. Today however, "he was not able to perform any mighty deed" among his kin because of their lack of faith. Our faith aids our receptivity to God's grace.

May we continue to seek to deepen our faith and be receptive to the Word of God as we encounter it.

Father Casey

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) Ezekiel 2:2-5 (101B)
- 2) 2 Corinthians 12:7-10
- 3) Mark 6:1-6a



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

Saturday, July 13, 2024

Vigil 5:15 pm - Fr. Casey

Sunday, July 14, 2024

7:30 am - Fr. Bransfield

9:30 am - Fr. Casey

11:30 am Fr. Quan

IHM CYO ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please follow our Facebook page, IHM CYO Knights, for the latest updates over the summer. If you do not have a Facebook account, our page is public and is viewable without an account.

We would like to give a huge thank you to Bill Hannigan for his incredible 12 years of service as our CYO Athletic Director.

As he is stepping down, we would like to introduce our new CYO Athletic Director for the '24-'25 sports season, Chris Hochstuhl. Chris can be contacted at ihmcyo.athletic.director@gmail.com.

Many thanks to all of you for supporting CYO, have a wonderful summer!

2024 CYO FALL SPORTS REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN FOR VOLLEYBALL & CROSS COUNTRY

Registration will close on FRIDAY, JULY 12TH - Late registrations WILL NOT be accepted

Fees will be collected in person (dates TBD) & Payment must be a check made out to IHM CYO

To Register: Please go to our Facebook Page, IHM CYO Knights, and look for the Pinned post regarding Fall Registration. Registration link will be found in that Pinned post. If you do not have a Facebook account, our page is public and is viewable without an account.

HELP NEEDED FOR CROSS COUNTRY

Our Cross Country team is looking for additional parents/coaches to help with running with the kids during practices. Anyone interested or questions, please contact: ihmcyo.athletic.director@gmail.com

2024 CYO FOOTBALL REGISTRATION IS OPEN

IHM CYO participates with St. Margaret, St Frances Cabrini and St Rose of Lima schools as part of the regional team. All grade eligible students or parish members may play. Grade 5-6 is JV and Grade 7-8 is Varsity. If there are questions, please contact Jim McNulty at jpm0075@gmail.com. Please read the below carefully:

The **FIRST** registration is for the team site and the **SECOND** is for the league-- so please **COMPLETE BOTH**

SITE 1 <https://stmargaretcyo.sportsengine-prelive.com/>

SITE 2 <https://go.teamsnap.com/forms/432536>

§ Registration is open now! It will close when rosters are locked in September

§ Your online registration link (above) is specific to your program, for Varsity and JV

§ Parents must register their players via this link

§ **ALL** players must be officially registered through this process, or they will not be eligible to play.

ON LINE GIVING IS COMING TO IHM CHURCH!
LOOK FOR MORE INFORMATION IN THE COMING WEEKS!

IT'S SUMMERTIME !

While enjoying the summer's many activities, don't forget your Church here at home.

Your help will still be needed to meet the current expenses. If, while on vacation, you cannot contribute regularly, bring your contributions up to date when you return.



May God bless you and keep you safe this Summer!

Sunday Offering Week of June 23, 2024

Envelopes	\$ 6,938.00
Loose	<u>1,011.00</u>
	\$ 7,949.00

of envelopes – 442
Average - 15.70

Thank you for your continued generosity.

St. Vincent dePaul Society

The next scheduled meetings of the St. Vincent DePaul Society will be held in Fr. Sullivan Hall from 7-8:30 pm

July 15, August 5 & 26

All are welcome to join us in this rewarding work.

Providing Help & Hope to Neighbors in Need!

PREP Registration Fall of 2024

PREP Registration is now open for the 2024-2025 PREP year.

If you are interested in enrolling your child in our PREP program, please contact:

MaryAnne K. King (215) 483-4266

E-Mail: mking@iheart.org for information.

Classes will begin on Tuesday, September 10, 2024.

Final registration date and tuition payment due date is **Tuesday, September 3, 2024**
from 5:00- 7:00 p.m. in Father Sullivan Hall.

Do You Really Know that Jesus is alive in the Holy Eucharist?

Join parishioners in a 5-week retreat to explore the Real Live Presence of Jesus in the Holy Eucharist, using

**Matthew Kelly's book:
33 Days to Eucharistic Glory**

This is an invitation to deepen your awareness of the grace in this Sacrament. There is a 15-minute reading per day that can be done at home. ***Our retreat starts on Monday, July 15 so order this book now. Sign-up via a flyer found at the Church entrances!***

On July 6/7 after Mass, Legion members will be at the Cathedral Road Church vestibule if you want to sign-up in person.

To sign-up via email contact: -
Sharon Schepise schepises@yahoo.com
Frank Klusek frank.k@verizon.net or
Fran Knox fknox9565@gmail.com



Beginning **JULY 1st**, the main restroom in the Cathedral Road vestibule will be **CLOSED FOR RENOVATIONS.**

We will keep you posted on the reopening as we update this facility and make it accessible to all.

Thank you for your cooperation as this project gets completed



Travelling Statues of the Virgin Mary and the Sacred Heart

The IHM Legion of Mary sponsors a travelling statue of the **Pilgrim Virgin (Our Lady of Fatima)** to pray for the intentions of each family. Prayer in your home brings miracles of grace. You may schedule a visit on your birthday, anniversary or for a special intention.

A travelling **Sacred Heart of Jesus** statue is also visiting homes in the IHM Parish for the specific purpose of praying for vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and religious life. We so much need prayers to support religious vocations!

For Information call Frank 215-356-3441

The IHM Scrip program is a wonderful way to offset your tuition payments!! Scrip is now open to accumulate Scrip Credits for the 24/25 school year! Buy gift cards from your favorite stores to earn tuition credits for your favorite purchases. Even if you do not have children that attend or will attend IHM, our Scrip Program can donate your rebate to a deserving IHM family or to our IHM Tuition Assistance Fund!

ShopWithScrip has launched a new app for families to order gift cards. This app is for families to use and place orders directly from your phone. The gift cards can also be paid for electronically and shipped to your home for a fee. Even with the app, you can still place physical gift card orders, but this app will allow you to use and order eGift cards as well.

How it works: Your family buys gift cards at face value. Your family earns a percentage on each gift card you buy. Your family uses gift cards at full value for your everyday purchases!

How to get started: Orders can be placed on the Raise Right app, or via email at scscrip@iheartmary.org. **The deadline for orders is every Sunday at 8 pm. Pick up your gift cards on Thursday evenings between 7:00 and 8:00 pm in Father Sullivan Hall. All orders over \$1500 will need to be prepaid in advance.**

Please reach out to scscrip@iheartmary.org with any questions about our Scrip program.

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

IHM GOLDEN AGE GROUP TRIP

Wednesday, September 18, 2024 - **Daniel** at the Site & Sound Theater (Lancaster)

Flyers are at all the doorways of the Church and Chapel.



Don't miss out on this great show and all the fun with our IHM Golden Age Group.

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., 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—Tuesdays at 7:30p.m. in Church. Contact: Linda Pfefferle, Musicfe5@gmail.com*
Ushers: *John Rudolph, Peter Caruso*
Sacristans: *Peter Caruso, Bill King*

SOCIAL OUTREACH

CYO: *High School and Grade School—Christian Hochstuhl ihmcyo.athletic.director@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 Next pick up is June 5 @ 9am.*

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@iheartmary.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 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*

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*
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.