

WHEN I
AM WEAK
THEN I
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STRONG.

**IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY
ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH**
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IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY SCHOOL
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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 5:15PM 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

HOLIDAYS: IN CHURCH

9:00AM (MEMORIAL DAY, INDEPENDENCE DAY,
LABOR DAY AND THANKSGIVING DAY)

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: **July 15th, Aug. 5th & 19th, Sept. 2nd & 16th**

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 **July 18th 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
Fall 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 July 8, 2018

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| SAT. | 7 | 5:15PM | Thomas and Nancy Plover |
| SUN. | 8 | 7:30 9:30 11:30 | IHM Parishioners Orivivo Family Eugene Durkin |
| MON. | 9 | 8:30 | Joseph, Nora and Joseph Jr. Chernesky |
| TUES. | 10 | 8:30 | Bill Weiss |
| WED. | 11 | 8:30 | Lester A. Barry |
| THURS. | 12 | 8:30 | Lawrence Flanagan |
| FRI. | 13 | 8:30 | Walter, Olga and Robert Cyzio |
| SAT. | 14 | 8:00 5:15PM | James Pickersgill Christine Mazurek |
| SUN. | 15 | 7:30 9:30 11:30 | IHM Parishioners Irene Michini Julia Giovannone |

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

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

- 1) Amos 7:12-15 (104B)
- 2) Ephesians 1:3-14 or 1:3-10
- 3) Mark 6:7-13



PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SOULS OF OUR DECEASED BROTHERS AND SISTERS

Anna Mennilli
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ROSES



The rose placed in the *Church* is in loving memory of Rose Salvatore's Birthday requested by The Salvatore Family.

The rose placed in the *Chapel* is in loving memory of Joseph T. Murphy requested by Elizabeth Murphy.



**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.**

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, Ariana Albater, Jeannie Barr, Anna Barras, Jean Basile, Beth Kelly Bates, Joan Beecroft, Joyce Bielawski, Wayne Bielawski, Bill Blum, Gerri Blum, Helen J. Boron, Roberta Bracey, Theresa Branca-Herbst, Catherine Bryan, John Calabrese, Eleanor Calabrese-Avallone, Rita Casciato, Lisa Castellante, Caitlyn Clark, John Colantonio, Baby Parker Comeau, Brooke Conklin, Silvana Contarin, Baby Brielle Denise Cots, Baby Kevin Crane, Anne Cunningham, Joseph Cylc, Mary D'Angelo, Kathy Davis, Taylor Davis, Jack Deegan, Joan Denshuick, Robert Denshuick, Baby James Dent, Baby Augie DeStefano, Baby Olivia DeStefano, Kim Dichiaro, John Diehl, Roseann DiLullo, Marie Dunne, Sue Fafara, Marianne Felker, Nancy Finn, Janet Fioravante, Joe Flemming, John Funk, Christina Gailey, Kathleen Gavaghan, Tom Halpin, John Hammond, Louise Hannings, Robert Hannon, Eric Hetrick, Jean Hodge, Fay Holder, Baby Jessica Jara, Linda Jara, Margaret Jara, Kellen Jeffrey, Mary Jo King, Alberta Klusek, Josephine Konopka, Olga Kostic, Hedy Latimor, Marianne Leahy, George Lemerise, Ed Lenox, Theresa Lenters, Mackenzie Lilly, Kendra Lutz, Carolyn Mako, Rosemary Martella, Keelin McEleney, Patricia McGinty, Stephen McKeever, Roberta McLaughlin, Matthew McNamee, Maureen McGill Miccoli, Terry Morrissey, Katherine Murphy, Terry Nosek, Rev. Paul Obrimski, Zina O'Connor, Baby Samantha O'Donnell, Anne Louise Owens, Joanna Parnes, James Vincent Penkowski, Vera Pepe, Lynn Pester, Joe Ponzio, George Price, Thomas Przybek, Gloria Pytlar, 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, Lisa Simmons, Baby Mason Simmons, Veronica Sirianni, Madison Solis, Salvatore Sparacino, Jason Stock, Barbara Stuhl, 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, Emma Wittig, David Woczyna, Zeke Wright, Marie Yocco.

***The Sanctuary Light in our
Sacred Heart Chapel for the
week of July 9th to July 15th is in loving memory
of Victor and Catherine Casciato requested by
Joseph and Rita Casciato.***



THE BEAUTIFUL GIFT OF LIGHT

The Sanctuary Light burns seven days a week, every week of the year before the Blessed Sacrament. If you would like this candle to burn in memory of a loved one in our Chapel, please call or stop by the parish office. The name of the person to be remembered and the donor will be published weekly in our bulletin.

(Suggested offering is \$20.00)

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

Weekend Clergy Schedule (Celebrants subject to change) for July 7th and July 8th

Saturday, July 7th

5:15PM Vigil: Fr. Talar

Sunday, July 8th

7:30AM: Fr. Casey

9:30AM: Fr. Bongard/Deacon Sam

11:30AM: Fr. Verruni/Deacon Sam

Weekend Clergy Schedule (Celebrants subject to change) for July 14th and July 15th

Saturday, July 14th

5:15PM Vigil: Fr. Verruni

Sunday, July 15th

7:30AM: Fr. Bongard

9:30AM: Fr. Talar/Deacon Sam

11:30AM: Fr. Verruni/Deacon Sam

Parish Information



Dear Father Casey,

Sincere thanks from here and Maryknollers around the world for your kindness. Fr. Edward Shellito M.M. enjoyed the weekend and the people of Immaculate Heart of Mary were very receptive. Needless to say, this is a great help towards our efforts to bring the "Good News" to all nations. May this kindness rebound to you and your people.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Deacon Paul Bork
Director, Eastern Region



Open House, Saturday, July 14th
from 2-4PM
1940 Cheltenham Ave. (at Opal St.), 19138
On the campus of St. Benedict's Parish

Roman Catholic Alumni & J.W. Hallahan Alumnae

Celebrating the 25th Annual - Day at the Bay
Saturday, August 4th - 2PM to 6PM
Keenan's Irish Pub, North Wildwood, NJ
\$30 in advance, \$40 at the door
Roman: 215-627-1890/Hallahan: 215-568-3081

H.O.P.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) NO ONE AVAILABLE

(Doctors) Beth Donnelly 267-228-2905

(appointments in the Manayunk, Roxborough, and Andorra areas only)

ST. JOHN'S HOSPICE is in **great need** of casseroles. They pick up the last Wednesday of the month. This month it will be **July 25th**. If you are able to make a casserole please pick up a pan in the rectory.

REMINDERS:

Please deliver casseroles frozen to the Rectory

Please label the pan with the date prepared

Please label the pan with the name of the casserole

Please prepare your recipe so it can be eaten with a "spork" (combination of spoon and fork - no knives are given out) **Visit: saintjohnshospice.org for Favorite Recipes**



The Society of St. Vincent DePaul at IHM

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, at 7PM-8PM**

**Our upcoming meetings are:
July 16th and July 30th**

Father Harry McCreedy will lead the **July 11th Fatima Evening of Prayer for Peace** and the Protection of the World at Our Lady's Missionaries of the Eucharist in Birdsboro, PA. For the past 22 years, Father McCreedy has led Candlelight Rosary Devotions to Our Lady of Fatima at his parish. He is a prominent Fatima pilgrimage guide due to his special devotion to Our Lady of Fatima. This event includes Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament, the Sacrament of Reconciliation, Praying the Rosary, an Act of Consecration of Our Nation to the Immaculate Heart of Mary, Eucharistic Benediction, and the Holy Sacrifice of Mass. **To register for Fatima Evening contact: 610-582-3333**



- ◆ Are you looking for music lessons for your child or grandchild?
- ◆ Have you ever wanted to play an instrument?
- ◆ Would you like to refresh the skills you've learned before?

Scheduling for Music Lessons has Begun!!!

Instructor with over 45 years experience!
Piano, organ, voice, guitar, violin, flute and more!
Flexible schedule to meet your needs!

For more information, please contact
Linda Pfefferle at 215-704-4652

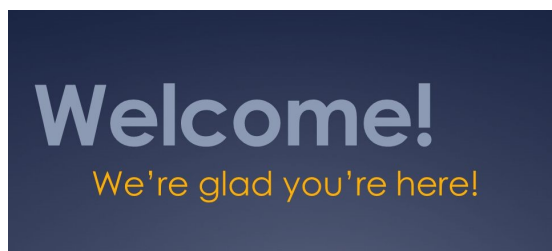
TRANSITION NETWORK ARE YOU UNEMPLOYED OR UNDEREMPLOYED?

Come and join our network group. It has been running for 9 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

**The Rectory (new offices Garden Level)
on Wednesday, July 25, 7PM**

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

Parish Information



Dear IHM School Families,

I hope you and your families are having an enjoyable summer break from school.

Since school has ended, we at Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish and School have been preparing to kick off the 2018-2019 school year with a bang! In this regard, I am very pleased to announce our new principal, Mr. Andrew Lowry!

Mr. Lowry comes to us most recently from St. Aloysius Academy in Bryn Mawr, Pennsylvania. Mr. Lowry has 15 years of experience, and is very excited to bring a new energy and a new beginning to Immaculate Heart of Mary School.

You will hear directly from Mr. Lowry in the next few weeks with a more formal introduction via email. Also, you will be advised of when you will get the opportunity to meet Mr. Lowry in person before the school year begins.

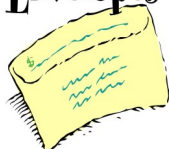
Please join me in praying for Mr. Lowry as he begins his tenure here at Immaculate Heart of Mary School.

I look forward to seeing you all in September.

Sincerely,

Rev. Edward J. Casey
Pastor

Offering Envelopes



While enjoying the summer sun and activity, please 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, keep unused envelopes on hand, and if able, bring your contributions up to date when you return. Keep safe over the summer and thank you for your continued generosity to our parish!



IHM Summer Camp Information

Our program is open to all students who attend I.H.M. school and/or Parish, age 3 (**must be potty trained**) to outgoing 5th graders. Camp runs June 18th through August 10th, 8AM-3PM (closed July 4th - cost \$100 week #3 only) the cost for weeks #1,2,4,5,6,7 & 8 is \$125 per week.

Weekly Themes (subject to change) are:

- #4:** 7/9-7/13 A Splash of Fun - Water Slide
- #5:** 7/16-7/20 A Week of Dr. Seuss
- #6:** 7/23-7/27 Holiday Hullabaloo - Halloween Parade
- #7:** 7/30-8/3 Dinosaurs/Fossils
- #8:** 8/6-8/10 Peace Out - Camp Picnic

Extended day available 7AM-8AM/\$5, and 3PM-6PM/\$14. Drop off and pick up in Father Sullivan Hall. For further information please contact Tina Niehoff at tniehoff@iheartmary.org or Sharon Bender at sbender@iheartmary.org with any questions.

Registration form available at iheartmary.org

The Community is invited to join in the fun

Our 16th Annual "Shore Thing"

On Saturday, August 18, 2018

2PM to 6PM at
Keenan's
113 Olde New Jersey Ave.
North Wildwood, NJ 08260

*We're in the AC room with additional fans to keep everyone comfortable

Rain or Shine we'll stay cool & dry

****\$35 per person includes:**

Buffet, Music, Photo Booth,
Soda, Wine, Domestic Bottled Beer

(\$2 charge for Beer/Wine Is included)

Purchase your Tickets now by calling: 215-425-3219

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*
Miss Denise Calabrese - *Director of Advancement and Communications*

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 7:00 pm 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: 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 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 7:00PM in Father Sullivan Hall (former Teacher's Lounge). Call Marianne 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)