



Rev. Edward J. Casey, Pastor

Rev. Samuel A. Verruni, Parochial Vicar

Rev. Joseph W. Bongard, in Residence

Deacon Salvatore R. Bianco

MASS SCHEDULE

SUNDAY

Vigil Mass: 5:15 pm

Sunday: 7:30 am, 9:30 am, 11:30 am

WEEKDAYS: IN SACRED HEART CHAPEL

Monday thru Friday 8:30 am

Saturday 8:00 a.m.

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

HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION IN CHURCH

5:15 pm Vigil Mass

8:30 am, Noon, & 7:30 pm

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION IN CHURCH

Saturday 4-5 pm

TUESDAY

Solemn Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament after 8:30 am Mass until 6:30 pm

MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA

Tuesday Evening at 6:30 pm

Benediction follows Novena Prayers

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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: **Contact the Rectory**

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 Meeting in the Church is to be determined.** Please enter through the parking lot door. 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). **New date to be determined.** 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 June 14, 2020

SAT.	13	5:15pm	Stephanie Waszena
SUN.	14	7:30 9:30 11:30	IHM Parishioners Peter J. Caruso, Sr. Robert & Helen Cahill
MON.	15	8:30	Robert & Kitty Cwalino
TUES.	16	8:30	The Masi Family
WED.	17	8:30	Frances Galson
THURS.	18	8:30	Lucy & Nicola Zito 50th Heavenly Year
FRI.	19	8:30	Joseph Mazurek
SAT	20	8:00 5:15pm	Harry Christman Michael & Frances Durkin
SUN	21	7:30 9:30 11:30	IHM Parishioners Anna Kusniesz Francis J. & Deborah Jean Loughran

***Please note, not all Mass intentions are for the deceased. At this time, all masses are being celebrated in private. There are no public masses. All intentions are being honored.**

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SOULS OF OUR DECEASED BROTHERS AND SISTERS

Rev. John J. Bradley



ROSES



The rose placed in the **Church** is in loving memory of Bernadette Sweeney requested by Joe Sweeney

The rose placed in the **Chapel** is in loving memory of the family of John and Catherine Cyzio requested by Helen Cyzio



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. Please note that this is cancelled until further notice.



Father of goodness and love, hear our prayers for the sick members of our community and for all who are in need.

Alan Andreoni, Baby Annette Christine, Mary Bartsch, Anne Basara, Josephine Bellace, Elaine Bene, Joyce Bielawski, Wayne Bielawski, Ida Cataldi, Terry Carr, Officer Andy Chan, Michael Clark, Brooke Conklin, Renzo Contarin, Quint Cuffe, Taylor Davis, Marano Donald D'Angelo, Janet Bollinger Doherty, Virginia Farabelli, Eileen Fedak, Sydney Franzmann, Brenden Heyer, Ruth Hyres, Sheilah Janes, Mary Jo King, Peggy Kirlin, Marianne Klusek, Mr. Kosh, Olga Kostic, Mary Krier, Gloria LaNoce, Marianne Leahy, Agnes Leinheiser, Hadley Ludwig, Elizabeth Matruka, Terry McCormick, Keelin McEleney, Winifred Meall, Ann Marie Melough, Ava Danielle Mormello, Joseph Mudry, Zina O'Connor, Michael O'Callaghan, Christine Orzech, Dave Pendleton, Bill Pinto, Kathy Pro, Tom Przybek, Karen Pulcinella, Harper Renshaw, John Reynolds, Joel Rivera, John Rudolph, Sr., Anita Russell, Timothy Sager, John Scharff, Mairead Scharff, William Scheibenoffer, Beth Scheid, Helen Smith, Salvatore Sparacino, Jake Stefano, Felicia Teske, Paul Teske, Molly Thompson, Rose Triola, Christine Triola, Louise Vesci, Maddox Vielman, Owen Walker, Megan Ward-Clifford, Walter Wayne Whitehouse, Pam Wisdom, Bernadette Worthing, Mike Zacher, John Zack, Anthony Zul.



We continue to pray for our men & women in the military here and overseas and for all 1st responders.



The Sanctuary Light in our Sacred Heart Chapel for the week of June 15th to June 21st is in loving memory of Walter Dziura requested by his sister, Laura Kusniesz.

Pastor's Page

We come together today to celebrate the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ. This is also known in Latin as "Corpus Christi". When we come together to celebrate Holy Mass, we can look at this sacred mystery from many different angles, with our focus ultimately directed on Jesus himself. As Jesus himself tells us, "I am the bread of life".

The celebration of Eucharist is central to who we are as Christians. The Catechism of the Catholic Church (#1324-1327), states that, "The Eucharist is "the source and summit" of the Christian life. The other sacraments, and indeed all ecclesiastical ministries and works of the apostolate, are bound up with the Eucharist and are oriented toward it.

Our readings today give us rich images to help us grasp the meaning of "Eucharist". As the Israelites were wandering in the forbidden barren desert, God fed them with manna as Moses reminds the people today in Deuteronomy. Moses also teaches them that the manna is more than just physical food. "Not by bread alone does one live, but my every word that comes forth from the mouth of God." This is a very important lesson.

St Paul in his letter to the Corinthians tells us that the cup we bless and the bread we break are a participation in the body of Christ.

The gospel reading today is from John's 6th chapter. In one of the several "I am" statements in John's gospel, Jesus proclaims "**I am the bread of life**". This food is essential for us on the journey.

We take Jesus at his Word: "This is my body... This is my blood." In this action and by his Word we believe that Jesus is truly present in those elements of bread and wine, that are substantially changed at the words of consecration.

The Catechism of the Catholic Church defines this doctrine in section 1376:

"The Council of Trent summarizes the Catholic faith by declaring: 'Because Christ our Redeemer said that it was truly his body that he was offering under the species of bread, it has always been the conviction of the Church of God, and this holy Council now declares again, that by the consecration of the bread and wine there takes place a change of the whole substance of the bread into the substance of the body of Christ our Lord and of the whole substance of the wine into the substance of his blood. This change the holy Catholic Church has fittingly and properly called transubstantiation.'"

As we give praise and thanks to God today on this special day of giving thanks, let us pay special attention to the words of the Eucharistic Prayer. Let us be drawn into this prayer and offer thanks for the great gift that is the Eucharist. We give thanks for this wonderful gift of Jesus who gives us himself to nourish us on our journey and deliver us for life everlasting.

Father Casey

Weekend Clergy Schedule June 20 & 21, 2020 (celebrants are subject to change)

Saturday, June 20

5:15 p.m.. Vigil: Fr. Verruni

Sunday, June 21

7:30 a.m -Fr. Verruni

9:30 a.m - Fr. Casey

11:30 a.m.- Fr. Bongard

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

- 1) Jeremiah 20:10-13 (94A)
- 2) Romans 5:12-15
- 3) Matthew 10:26-33

IHM 9:30 Sunday Mass will be live streamed from our Facebook page: (you do not need a personal Facebook page to watch the Mass. You will be on our IHM Facebook page) Go to ihmphila.org and click on [IHM Facebook Page](#) (The 9:30 Mass will be able to be viewed anytime after it airs live).

Parish Information

Offerings Collected May 31st

Sunday \$8,110.00
Poor Box \$399.97

*Thank you & God Bless you for your generosity!
We appreciate your continued support during this
challenging time.*

Weekday Masses

All weekday Masses will be held in our Church until further notice.

Monday through Friday at 8:30 am.

Saturday at 8:00 am.

There are still roses available in the Church and Chapel for 2020.

If you would like to request a rose or the sanctuary light call the rectory and leave a message for Denise Schmidt and she will return your call.

In the Church the weeks are: **July 19 & 26, August 9, 16, & 23, September 20, October 18, November 29, December 6.**

In the Chapel the weeks are: **June 21 & 28, July 19 & 26, August 16, 23 & 30, September 13 & 27, All of October is available, November, 15, 22, & 29, December 13, & 27**

**Congratulations to the newly married couple
in God's love!**

Mr. & Mrs. Michael Iraci

The second collection for the weekend of
June 20 & 21 is for Peter's Pence.

A MESSAGE FROM

OUR ST. VINCENT DePAUL SOCIETY

The SVDP Society at IHM is still available to assist although we are following the rules of "stay at home" and "keep a social distance." If someone needs help, we are willing to work out a way to assist.

Call 215-483-1000 and follow the prompts, leave a detailed message and someone from SVDP will return your call.

A MESSAGE FROM THE BUSINESS OFFICE

PLEASE NOTE: We will **NOT** be automatically mailing out end of year 2019 contribution statements to our parishioners. To request a contribution statement, **please call IHM Rectory** at 215-483-1000. and leave a message for Denise Schmidt.

ST. JOHN'S HOSPICE is in **great need** of casseroles. **Frozen turkeys are NOT accepted at this time.** The casseroles are picked up the first Wednesday of the month. The next pick up will be **Wednesday, July 1st.** . The next drop off time is **June 30th from 9:15 a.m. to 10 a.m.** If you are able to make a casserole, please pick up a pan in the rectory. Please note also that **St. John's Hospice** is in need of toiletries. Socks are needed as well. There is a box in the vestibule of the **Chapel** for the toiletries and socks. Thank you for your support.

If you have any questions please call Denise Schmidt @ 215-483-1000 leave a message and she will return your call.

IHM's St. Vincent DePaul Society assists people in need in the Andorra/Roxborough/Manayunk areas but also in nearby Philadelphia neighborhoods. Our funding comes primarily from the poor box so please continue to be generous. Thank you.

SACRED HEART CHAPEL HOURS

The Sacred Heart Chapel continues to be open for your private prayer.

Sunday 11 am to 6 pm

Monday - Saturday 7 am to 6 pm



Chemistry Teacher & Spanish Teacher

Merion Mercy Academy, a leading independent Catholic girls' school outside Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, seeks a dynamic and student-centered educator versed in current trends, research, and emerging ideas in education to serve as a Chemistry teacher beginning August 2020. We are also looking for a Spanish teacher to begin in August 2020.

Please visit our school's website for complete details for these positions, www.merion-mercy.com.

Interested candidates should send a resume, cover letter and statement of educational philosophy along with three professional references to Valerie Prucnal, Assistant Head of School for Academic Affairs at vprucnal@merion-mercy.com.



MASS BOOK 2021

We will not be offering the traditional opening of the Mass Book as we must still be mindful of the health and safety of each other.

To request Masses for 2021 you can call the rectory, email your request to denise-schmidt@comcast.net or send them through the USPS. They can also be put through the mail slot of the rectory door. (No one will be permitted to enter the rectory office at this time).

Thank you for your understanding during this challenging time.



We are happy to announce that the regular **Mass Schedule** has resumed.

The weekday Mass at 8:30 am (M-F) 8 am (Saturday) will be held in church until further notice. The Sacred Heart chapel will continue to be open during the day until 6 pm as is has been.

A FEW DIRECTIVES TO FOLLOW

Some general points to be made **the faithful continue to be dispensed from the obligation to attend Mass on Sunday or the Holyday**. If you are not well, or are uncomfortable coming out and coming to church by all means stay home. The Mass will continue to be live-streamed on Facebook at 9:30 on Sundays for the time being. We will not be using Hymnals or Missalettes. Social distancing should be observed as well as wearing masks. Parishioners should bring their own hand sanitizer if they feel the need. The church seats 910 people so there will be more than enough room. Seat yourself accordingly when entering church. There is no need to be roping off pews. Use common sense courtesy with regard to social distancing, Obviously spouses and families should sit together. Receiving Communion in the hand would be prudent for the time being. At the Sign of Peace you can make a simple bow or nod to your neighbors around you.

The priest-celebrant will enter from the sacristy and return to the sacristy after Mass. We will not be greeting the people at the Cathedral Road entrance until we hit the next phase.

Right now the ushers will not be taking up the offertory collection at the usual time. There will be baskets by the altar rail, that you can place your offering in either before or after the Mass. For the many parishioners who have been mailing and dropping off their offerings the last couple months, we cannot begin to thank you enough. It is sincerely appreciated and has enabled us to continue to meet our parish obligations even with the large monetary drop off.

At Communion time do not leave your seats all at once and congregate in a Communion line as usual. We can take our time leaving our pew and maintain the social distancing need. There is no hurry. The priest is not going to rush back to the altar.

Please realize this is a very fluid situation and we will make adjustments as needed. Be kind to one another and be patient.

The parish staff is thrilled we have reached this next stage that enables us to resume the public celebration of Mass that unites ourselves to the Lord in the reception of His Body and Blood.

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

Marissa Morganheira

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
Mrs. Denise Kavanaugh - 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, Musicfef5@gmail.com

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 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 (215-483-1103). Hours are Tuesday & Wednesday 9a.m. to 2p.m. or email: tuition@iheartmary.org

SCRIP: S&C and Supermarket Scrip—Traci Kovach
sscrip@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.

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 7:00p.m. in Father Sullivan Hall (former Teacher's Lounge). Call Marianne Klusek (215-285-7348)

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 3:00p.m. in the Sacred Heart Chapel. Terry Wade (215-482-8465) or Bridie Gallagher (215-248-9046)