

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 IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH 819 E. Cathedral Road Philadelphia, PA 19128 215-483-1000, Fax: 215-483-1732 Website: ihmphila.org

IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY SCHOOL 815 E. Cathedral Road Philadelphia, PA 19128 215-482-2029 Website: iheartmary.org

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

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 1st & 15th**, **August 5th & 19th**

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			
<u>June 24, 2018</u>			
SAT.	23	5:15PM	Anthony and Mary Manzo
SUN.	24	7:30 9:30 11:30	IHM Parishioners Adalgisa and Antoni Giulli Francis Durkin
MON.	25	8:30	Wonget Yee
TUES.	26	8:30	Harry and Betty Jane Vetter
WED.	27	8:30	Walt Kusniesz
THURS.	28	8:30	Albert Macchione
FRI.	29	8:30	Lawrence Flanagan
SAT.	30	8:00 5:15PM	Marlee Rae Flynn Paul Pienkowski
SUN.	1	7:30 9:30 11:30	IHM Parishioners Lester A. Barry Ann Marie O'Rourke
*Please note, not all Mass intentions are for the deceased			

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

Wisdom 1:13-15; 2:23-24 (98B)
2 Corinthians 8:7, 9, 13-15
Mark 5: 21-43 or 5:21-24, 35b-43



PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SOULS OF OUR DECEASED BROTHERS AND SISTERS

Anna M. Dahm, Patrick Guckin, Joseph Martosella

ROSES



The rose placed in the *Church* is in loving memory of Pat and Dorothy Salvatore's Wedding Anniversary requested by, The Salvatore Family.

The rose placed in the *Chapel* is in loving memory of Felix Tomassi requested by his wife Ann.



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, Beth Kelly Bates, 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 Dichiara, 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, Joseph Mazurek, 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, Fran Rigler, 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 June 25th to July 1st is for the special intentions of Albert and Lora Golasa.



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)

This week we celebrate a Solemnity that is celebrated on June 24 each year, no matter the day of the week: The Solemnity of the Nativity of Saint John the Baptist. It takes precedence of the normal Sunday of the 12th Week in Ordinary time.

Before he was born, John was chosen by God to prepare the world for the Son of God.

We find much information about John the Baptist in Luke's Gospel. Luke begins his story of Jesus and the Christian people with the introduction of the parents of John the Baptist. We should notice the very Jewish beginning of this Gospel for the Greek believers. Zechariah and Elizabeth come out of the heart of Judaism. They are both of a priestly tribe, blameless in their observance of the Mosaic Law. Further, Luke also relates them to the ancient Hebrew parents Abraham and Sarah, who were also advanced in years and childless, but are able to believe in a divine surprise.

The scene is set in the temple in Jerusalem, where the hopes of the people of God were always centered. The angel allays Zechariah's fear and announces the promise "Your wife Elizabeth will bear you a Son" Zechariah is stunned. He is rendered speechless.

By the time Zechariah returns home, there is an aura of expectancy among the people. Dramatic events of salvation are now underway. The conception of John takes place as foretold, unknown to the world at large. At this point, it is still only an elderly Jewish couple who know that God has begun another important intervention, the most important intervention in the history of humanity.

In verses 57-80 of the first chapter of Luke we see Zechariah regain his power of speech as soon as the name designated by the angel is confirmed. The people are filled with fear, not terror, but awesome reverence in the face of God's wondrous deeds.

Zechariah's canticle is called "The Benedictus", which like the Magnificat of Mary weaves traditional Hebrew quotations and themes into a hymn of praise. Zechariah sees in the birth of his son, God's remembrance of his covenant promises to David and the definitive salvation for all people.

Luke's way of ending this story of John's birth is a good indication of his technique in keeping the reader's attention on one episode at a time. I would recommend reading on your own the complete first chapter of Luke. Verse 80 has John growing up from infancy to manhood and taking his place in the desert even before Jesus' birth is described. He is stationed there for his next appearance in the story thirty years later. See Chapter 3 of Luke.

John the Baptist was called to prepare the people for the coming of the Lord. We will also hear today from Jeremiah (at the Vigil Mass) or Isaiah (at Sunday mass). These two prophets were also called by the Lord before they were born. By our Baptism, each of us also shares in Christ's prophetic and salvific mission. As we listen to the readings today, let us reflect on the mission of Preparing the Way of the Lord.

Father Casey



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!



There will be **NO SUNDAY SUPERMARKET SCRIP** today, **June 24th**. Sunday Supermarket Scrip Sales will **resume** on Sunday, **July 1st**.

Parish Information



Merion Mercy Academy, a Catholic independent all girls high school sponsored by the Sisters of Mercy, has an opening for a full time teaching position in the Science department for the 2018-2019 school year. Qualified applicants with a Science degree and secondary certification are asked to submit a cover letter and resume by Tuesday, June 19th. Experienced preferred. Send email to: Mary Ann Danovich, Assistant Head of School for Academic Affairs, madanovich@merion-mercy.com.

Merion Mercy Academy is looking to hire a varsity & assistant varsity tennis coach, assistant soccer coach & assistant volleyball coach. Please contact Athletic Director Barbara Clarke at <u>bclarke@merion-mercy.com</u>.

Maintenance Position at Roman Catholic High School Full-time, 12 month, 2PM-10PM shift. Candidates should be reliable, self-motivated and possess a familiarity with painting, electric, plumbing, etc. Attention to detail required. Interested candidates should forward their resume to Mrs. Ann Vassallo-Trost at avassallo@romancatholichs.com.

The <u>revised</u> plate for the Seating Renovation plaque in the Sacred Heart Chapel is now installed. All misspelled names/omitted words have been corrected. We thank you for your patience.

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) Rosemarie Oakes 215-483-4860

(Doctors) Mary Krier 215-483-5897

(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 **June 27th**. If you are able to make a casserole please pick up a pan in the rectory. **PEMINDEPS**.

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) <u>Visit: saintjohnshospice.org for Favorite Recipes</u>



Loose

<u>The Society of</u> 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

Weekend Offering June 16/17, 2018

Envelopes \$8

\$8,363.00 <u>\$1,064.75</u> \$9,427.75

#envelopes 483 Average \$17.32 Poor Box \$252.66

Thank you for your generosity!



- 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, June 27, 7PM

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

Parish Information

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

Jack Maxim Martin



Welcome to the newest members of our IHM Parish!

Mr. Brian Lauf and Ms. Rebecca Marhoefer L Family



High School Student Academic Honors (all information is posted as it comes in)

Mount Saint Joseph Academy

*Second Honors - Adriana Stepien, Grade 10

*(Second Honors is a GPA of at least 3.80 and no grade below a "C")

Congratulations

Votes Needed!!!

Inn Dwelling, a local non-profit charity on the grounds of St. Vincent de Paul Parish in Germantown, is one of 4 finalists in a contest sponsored by the Wawa Foundation. The winner will receive a 50K grant to further their mission. The Inn provides a myriad of support services to at-risk, low income Philadelphia youths, ages 11-18. Further information including a video is available at the link below where your vote can be cast: **www.thewawafoundation.org/hero-award**



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: #2: 6/25-6/29 Down on the Farm - Visiting Farm #3: 7/2,3,5 Colors of America (\$100 for 3 days) #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 <u>tniehoff@iheartmary.org</u> or Sharon Bender at <u>sbender@iheartmary.org</u> with any questions. Registration form available at <u>iheartmary.org</u>

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

CONFIRMATION

Parish Resources

Church law requires that Baptism and Confirmation sponsors themselves frequent the sacraments regularly.

SPONSOR GUIDELINES FOR BAPTISM/

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

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

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 DEVOUTIONAL 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 <u>rosemarykurtz@aol.com</u> 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)

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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: Ánn 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)