

IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Rev. Edward J. Casey, Pastor

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

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, & 7:00 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

<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 TBA. 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—Fall Session TBA.

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 8, 2025			
SAT.	7	5:15 pm	Joseph & Emma Caracappa
SUN.	8	7:30 9:30 11:30	IHM Parishioners Paula Linehan Edward & Gabriella Gorman
MON.	9	8:30	Walter Dziura
TUES.	10	8:30	Stanley & Klementyna Mazurek
WED.	11	8:30	Joe Swider Sr., & Joe Swider, Jr.
THUR	12	8:30	Albert & Phyllis Szewczak
FRI.	13	8:30	Mary Gavula
SAT.	14	8:00 5:15 pm	Marie Travaline Anthony & Mary Manzo
SUN	15	7:30 9:30 11:30	IHM Parishioners John S. Calabrese, Jr. Joe D'Angelo

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

There are still roses available for the following weeks.

Church

June 29 to July 5,

July 6 to July 12,

August 10 to 16, 24 to 30, August 31 to September 6,

September 7 to 13, 14 to 20, 21 to 27

October 5 to 11, 12 to 18, 19 to 25

November 23 to 29, 30 to December 6

December 7 to 13, 14 to 20.

Chapel

June 22 to 28 29 to July 5,

July 27 to August 2, 3 to 9, 24 to 30

September 14 to 20, 21 to 27, 28 to October 4

October 19 to 25, 26 to November 1

November 2 to 8, 16 to 22, 23 to 29, 30 to December 6

December 7 to 13, 14 to 20, 21 to 27 and 28 to January 3, 2026.

Sanctuary Light Availability for 2025 June 23 to June 29, July 14 to July 20, October 6 to 11 Father of goodness and love, hear our prayers for the sick members of our community and for all who are in need.

Maria Aduso, Ruben Aduso, Joyce Bielawski, Wayne Bielawski, Cindi & Lance Bownet, Dolores Buzby, Lois Cartwright, Brooke Conklin, Walter Crate, John Croley, Helen Cyzio, Mary Delaney, Matthew Michael Donnelly, Maria Downey, Mary Ann Doyle, Marie Dunne, Francis "Joe" Elliott, Chuck Fuges, Bernadette Giambuzzi, Lora L. Golasa, James Goussy, Mary Grbec, Joseph Henkel, Regina Joka, Florence Kesserling, Beverly King, Mary Jo & Paul King, Olga Kostic, Victor Kost, Mary Krier, Marianne Leahy, Colleen Long, Charles Lott, Eugene Magee, Michael Magee, Carmine Martino, Dominic Matteo, Valerie Mc Carthy, Mary Mudry, Trudy & Dick Neff, Rosemary Notiwick, Frances Orlicki, Bill Pinto, Pope Francis, Maria Prince, Anne Sargus-Varian, Sierra, John & Maired Scharff, Beth Scheid, Matthew Simmons, David Sparacino, Vivian Swiggard, Sr. Mary Thaddeus, Daniel Welsh, Lena Weredene, Wayne Whitehouse

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

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SOULS OF OUR BROTHERS AND SISTERS

William Ballantine



ROSES



The rose placed in the **Church** is in loving memory of William & Catherine Votto requested by Kathleen Sudell.

The rose placed in the **Chapel** is in loving memory of Joseph Fitzpatrick requested by IHM Parish.



The Sanctuary Light in our Sacred Heart Chapel for this week is in loving memory of Mike Messina Happy 100th Birthday requested by Maria Falso.

Pastor's Page

Today marks the end of the Easter Season of the Year of Our Lord 2025 as we celebrate the great Solemnity of Pentecost, the fiftieth day of the Easter Season. After the liturgy of Pentecost, the Paschal Candle is moved from its Easter place of prominence in the sanctuary near the Ambo to again be next to the baptismal font as the individual candles of the newly baptized are lit from the Easter candle.

Our readings today show us that the Holy Spirit comes to us in different ways. Whether in a driving wind, tongues of fire or the breath of Christ, the Holy Spirit comes and bestows on us many gifts.

The mission of the Church is to unite believers as one in Christ so that all creation might be returned to God as a perfect offering. The perfecting of this offering is the work of the Holy Spirit and the reason why we celebrate Pentecost as the climax of the Easter story. The Lord's Death and Resurrection stirs up the faith of the disciples, but the sending of the Spirit is the unifying and strengthening force that keeps us firmly rooted in the Lord.

The descent of the Holy Spirit upon the disciples in Acts 2 is the founding moment of the church. Throughout Luke's gospel, the Holy Spirit has been a leading character. The Holy Spirit comes upon Mary (Lk 1:35); fills Elizabeth (Lk 1:41); directs Simeon (Lk 2:25); descends on Jesus (Lk 3:22) and leads him into the desert ((Lk 4:1) and teaches the disciples (Lk 3:22)

In the Acts of the Apostles the coming of the Holy Spirit signals that the mission of Jesus begun in the Gospel will now continue in the words and deeds of the apostles and disciples. The Holy Spirit will embolden Peter (Acts 4:8); select deacons (Acts 6:3); strengthen Stephen (Acts 7:55); fills Saul who will become Paul (Acts 9:17); inspires the growth of the local churches (Acts 9:31) and inaugurates and confirms the mission to the Gentiles (Acts 10:44).

In the second reading Sunday from Corinthians, St. Paul tells us there are different kinds of spiritual gifts, but the same Spirit. "Different forms of service but the same Lord…To each individual the manifestation of the spirit is given for some benefit." (1Cor 12: 4-8). The body is one though it has many parts. The challenge with the help of the Spirit is to build up our diverse communities into the one Body of Christ.

Jesus tells us in Matthew's gospel that a good tree bears good fruit. The tradition of the Church identifies 12 gifts of the Holy Spirit. We can use these as a guide to see how we are progressing in our life in the Spirit. The 12 Fruits of the Holy Spirit are: Charity, Joy, Peace, Patience, Kindness, Goodness, Generosity, Gentleness, Faithfulness, Modesty, Self-Control and Chastity.

On the Solemnity of Pentecost, it is good to reflect on the role of the Spirit in our lives. Let us take the time to listen to the urgings of the Spirit and to pray in gratitude for all that God has done for us and will yet do.

Come Holy Spirit, be our helper and guide.

Fr. 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) Proverbs 8:22-31
- 2) Romans 5:1-5
- 3) John 16:12-15



Clergy Schedule for Next Weekend (celebrants are subject to change)

Saturday, June 14, 2025

Vigil 5:15 pm - Fr. Casey

Sunday, June 15, 2025 7:30 am – Fr. Sean 9:30 am - Fr. Quan 11:30 am Fr. Casey

You should have received your 4 tickets for the Multi Parish Raffle. (AKA Spring Raffle) Some of you may have received 5 tickets but this is in error. There should have been 4 but sometimes they stick together. Please participate in this raffle, if you are able, it will help with projects needed on our parish campus.

Also if you cannot purchase all 4 tickets please return the unused tickets to the parish office. If you need more tickets we have extra!!

Thank you and Good Luck to All!!!

The next pickup for St. John's Hospice casserole program is on Wednesday, July 2nd at 9 am.

Sunday Offering Week of May 25, 2025

Envelopes \$ 5,854.00 Loose 872.00 Parish Giving (E-Giving) 1,948.00 \$ 8,674.00

> # of envelopes – 378 Average - \$15.49

Ascension \$1,779.00

To make a secure contribution on-line please visit ihmphila.org and click on the Parish Giving Logo.

Thank you for your continued generosity.

God's blessings to the newly baptized



Maddox Ried Fiske Joseph Phlip Hower



Alessandra Michelle Koszowski Luciana María Prestia Capella

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

June 9 & 30

All are welcome to join us in this rewarding work.

The Knights of Columbus thanks the IHM parishioners for their generous donations to the Hattal-Taylor VFW Post 333 which amounted to \$564.



On Saturday, June 14, 2025 the Knights of Columbus will be hosting BINGO in Father Sullivan Hall.

Doors open at 1 PM with the first game starting around 1:30 PM.

Come and join the Knights for a fun filled afternoon.

You could be a winner!!

Bingo games and prizes
Basket of Cheer
50/50 tickets
Refreshment for purchase

Are you interested in deepening your understanding of Sacred Scripture?

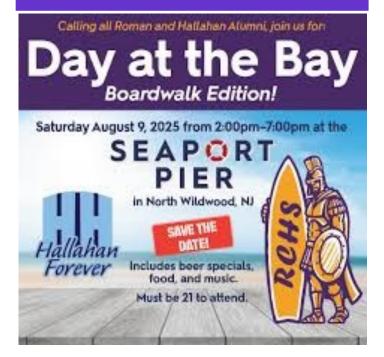
"Hear the Word" with our weekly Commentary Series

Register with the **Catholic Preaching Institute** to receive a short email newsletter that offers you two views on each Sunday's Gospel reading. This is a great opportunity to dive deeper into the divine message. By engaging with God's word in a thoughtful and inspiring way, we grow together in faith.

It's free. It's easy. Sign up at the link below!

scs.edu/commentary

SAVE THE DATE!!



END OF THE YEAR SCHOOL CALENDAR

June 11 6 pm 8th Grade Class of 2025 Graduation Mass, Ceremony & Dance

June 12 8:30 am Closing School Mass Grades 1-7

June 13 SCHOOL IS CLOSED Enjoy the Summer!!



Are You Looking For A Worthwhile Cause to Volunteer For Here at IHM?

Perhaps you are retired or simply someone with extra time to share with others. Are you someone with compassion, good judgment and discretion?

Consider joining the IHM Conference of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul (SVdP). If you do, you could become part of a network of friends inspired by the Gospel who grow in spirituality while providing personal service to neighbors in need.

If you would like to talk with a current IHM member to find out more, call the Church Rectory at 215-483-1000 and ask to be connected with the SVdP HelpLine where you can leave a message with your name and phone number. One of our members will call you back to answer your questions and to discuss the value of our Society, not only for those that are helped as well as for the volunteers themselves.

Our next meetings will be held in Father Sullivan Hall in the Knights of Columbus Room on:

Monday, June 9 from 7-8:30 pm. Please join us for this rewarding volunteer work.



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!



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.

IMPORTANT NOTICE FOR ALL SCHOOL AND

CHURCH VOLUNTEERS

All volunteers of our IHM School and Church must meet all Safe Environment requirements mandated by the State of Pennsylvania and the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. This includes all school volunteers and parish volunteers i.e. Lectors, EM, Choir Members, etc.

A list of all requirements are on the school website:iheartmary.org Go to Resources then to Volunteer and all the links are posted there. These clearances are FREE for volunteers

These requirements are MANDATORY and there will be no exceptions. These MUST be completed or you may not volunteer in our school for any trips, dances or in house activities or any parish ministries.

For the Protecting God's Children session go to virtusonline.org then first time registrant then to list of sessions to find one that is convenient for you to attend. There are classes available through zoom.

For more information call Denise Schmidt in the Rectory Office 215-483-1000. Monday - Friday between the hours of 10 am to 2 pm.

Please note: All clearances are free for volunteers. The State of PA requires that these be updated every 5 years. The requirements of the Archdiocese only needs to be completed once.

PARISH STAFF

Mr. Patrick Foley - Principal of IHM School

Mrs. Rita Morados -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

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

Music Ministry: Rehearsals—Tuesdays at 7:30p.m. in Church.

Contact: Linda Pfefferle, Musicfef5@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 April 2, 2025.

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 @ 7:00pm 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.