



**IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY
ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH**
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Rev. Edward J. Casey, Pastor

Rev. Quan Tran, Parochial Vicar

Rev. Joseph W. Bongard, in Residence

Deacon Salvatore R. Bianco

MASS SCHEDULE

WEEKENDS: IN CHURCH

Saturday 5:15 p.m. Vigil

Sunday: 7:30, 9:30 & 11:30 a.m.

WEEKDAYS: IN SACRED HEART CHAPEL

Monday thru Friday 8:30 a.m.

Saturday 8:00 a.m.

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

HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION IN CHURCH

5:15 pm Vigil Mass

8:30 am, Noon, & 7:30 p.m. (times may vary on certain Holy Days; please check inside pages or parish website)

HOLIDAYS: IN CHURCH

9:00 a.m. (Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day and Thanksgiving Day)

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION IN CHURCH

Saturday 4-5 p.m.

TUESDAY

**SOLEMN EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED
SACRAMENT AFTER 8:30 a.m. MASS
UNTIL 6:30 p.m.**

MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA

TUESDAY EVENING AT 6:30 p.m.

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, March 15 @7pm in the Church.**

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). **There is no Pre-Cana Seminar planned at this time.** 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 March 13, 2022

SAT.	12	5:15 pm	Robert G. Reed, Sr. & Helen Reed
SUN.	13	7:30 9:30 11:30	IHM Parishioners Rose Caruso Deacon George W. Kletzel, Jr 4th Anniversary
MON.	14	8:30 7:30 p.m.	Donna Lodise & Family Irene Kahrilas
TUES.	15	8:30 7:30 p.m.	George & Marie Wandselban Jon Hammond
WED.	16	8:30 7:30 p.m.	Zymont Orlicki Annetta Terreri
THURS.	17	8:30 7:30 p.m.	May Gaughan Annetta Terreri
FRI.	18	8:30 7:30 p.m.	Eric Di Ciano Angela DeJohn
SAT.	19	8:00 5:15 pm	Philip Cavalcante Joseph & Anna Manzo-Passante
SUN	20	7:30 9:30 11:30	IHM Parishioners William Votto Catherine Dougherty

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

ROSES



The rose placed in the **Church**
is in loving memory of
Deacon George W. Kletzel –4th Anniversary
requested by
his wife, Pat and Children.

The rose placed in the **Chapel**
is in loving memory of
Joseph, Thomas & John Skarbek
requested by
Kenneth & Clara Slovitsky.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SOULS OF OUR BROTHERS AND SISTERS

Elvira C. "Vera" Pepe
Joe Lombardo
Trevor Johnson, Albert Beersley



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

Theresa Alosi, Mary Bartsch, Anne Basara, Joan Becker, Josephine Bellace, Wayne Bielawski, Nancy Bright, Daniel Brito, Bill Burrow, Dolores Buzby, Lynn Campbell, Erin Caruso, Terry Carr, Officer Andy Chan, Pete Cissone, Michael Clark, Brooke Conklin, Quint Cuffe, Taylor Davis, Christine D'Angelo, Marano Donald D'Angelo, Nancy Di John, Marianne Di Mucci, Madeline Di Pasquale, Janet Bollinger Doherty, Joe Evers, Peg Fierko, Bill & Dorothy Foster, Kathy Foster, Sydney Franzmann, Dr. Angeline M. Gampico, Helen Golbeski, Kelly Gruninger, Brenden Heyer, Sheilah Janes, Frances Jefferys, Chris Kane, Marianne Klusek, Olga Kostic, Angela Kotowich, Mary Krier, Hannah Lambert, Flavia Langan, Langan Family, Dolores Lanigan, Edward Lanigan, Marianne Leahy, Agnes Leinheiser, Edward Lenox, Hadley Ludwig, Charles Mansor, Cheryl Maresca, Elizabeth Matruga, Terry McCormick, Brian McGuire, Anne Marie Mc Keever, Felix & Louise McKeogh, Helen Magee, Elizabeth Matruak, Winifred Meall, Rachael Mellon, Ann Marie Melough, Charlie Melough, Eileen Michel, Brian Morris, Mary Mudry, Harry Pastella, Luisa Pellicone, Dave Pendleton, Bishop Joseph Pepe, Bill Pinto, Joe Pro, Kathy Pro, Tom Przybek, Karen Pulcinella, Connie Quigley, Clara Ragni, Junie Rakosak, Harper Renshaw, John Reynolds, Joel Rivera, Anita Russell, Timothy Sager, Donna Scharff, John Scharff, Mairead Scharff, Mary Ann Shaw, Bill & Theresa Sherwin, Helen Smith, Jake Stefano, Richard Strickland, Donna Stine, O.S.F., Felicia Teske, Paul Teske, Edward Thomas, Molly Thompson, Christine Triola, Louise Vesci, Maddox Vielman, Helen Wade, Megan Ward-Clifford, Walter Wayne Whitehouse, Pam Wisdom, 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.



**The Sanctuary Light in our
Sacred Heart Chapel
for the week of
March 14 to March 20
is in loving memory of
May Gaughan
requested by
Mary Sokolski.**

Pastor's Page

In our Year C cycle of the scripture readings for Mass, on the second Sunday of Lent, we read Luke's account of the Transfiguration (Luke 9:28b-36). Each of the synoptic gospels, Mark, Matthew and Luke has a description of the Transfiguration; it is such an important event. The placement of the Transfiguration story this early in Lent is from an ancient tradition that says Jesus' Transfiguration took place 40 days before Good Friday.

The Transfiguration is a dazzling contrast to the message of suffering and humiliation. The two extremes are held together in the gospels as Jesus is presented as he is – Son of Man and Son of God. Several of the details in the story recall the Sinai experience of God in the Old Testament: Moses, the mountain top and the cloud. Jesus is seen as God's son in his heavenly glory. He is "changed in appearance" as he will be in his glorified body.

Appearing with Jesus are two key Old Testament figures: Moses the lawgiver and Elijah the prophet. Their presence here indicates that Jesus will fulfill the expectations of the Hebrew people, as Jesus indicates elsewhere, he is the fulfillment of the Law and the Prophets.

Today's Gospel gives us a glimpse of the Resurrection. Jesus is transformed while at prayer. God visits him through Moses and Elijah in a cloud, with a voice, "this is my chosen son: listen to him." The event takes place fairly late in Jesus' public ministry in Galilee. The road now leads to Jerusalem.

As we reflect on the Transfiguration Gospel story today, we need to remember that Jesus is now about to suffer and die in order to release God's transforming power to humanity. We look at the meaning of Jesus' suffering. Transcendence comes only through death and resurrection. We need to accept the cost of discipleship. By our journey along with Jesus up to Jerusalem we are called to share in the Paschal mystery – the dying and rising of Jesus.

Reminder: during Lent, the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available on Wednesday evenings in the Church from 6:15 pm to 7:15 pm. This is in addition to the regular schedule of 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm on Saturdays. Please try to take advantage of the Sacrament of Reconciliation during the Lenten season and in preparation of the Easter Triduum. The Triduum begins with the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday and extends through Easter Sunday. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will not be celebrated on Good Friday or Holy Saturday. Good Friday is the one day in the entire year that no Masses are offered anywhere in the world. Instead we focus our attention on the remembrance of Christ's suffering and death on the cross. The main liturgy on Good Friday is the Celebration of the Lord's Passion. While not a Mass, this liturgy includes the Liturgy of the Word, adoration of the Cross and a communion service with hosts that were consecrated at the Holy Thursday Mass of the Lord's Supper. From the end of the Celebration of the Lord's Passion at 3 PM there are no more liturgical celebrations until the Easter Vigil at 8 PM.

Father Casey

Weekend Clergy Schedule March 20, 2022 **(celebrants are subject to change)**

Saturday, March 19, 2022

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

Sunday, March 20, 2022

7:30 a.m. —Fr. Quan

9:30 a.m. —Fr. Bongard

11:30 a.m. Fr. Casey

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

- 1) Exodus 3:1-8a, 13-15 (30C)
- 2) 1 Corinthians 10:1-6, 10-12
- 3) Luke 13:1-9



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.



Sunday Offering Week of February 27, 2022

Sunday \$ 12,800.00
 Loose 530.00
 \$ 13,330.00

of envelopes – 661
 Average– 19.37

St. Vincent DePaul collection \$6,194.00

Thank you & God Bless you for your generosity.



IHM HOME & SCHOOL is hosting a March Madness Basketball pool. To participate go to: <http://shorturl.at/iFHKX>

Pay by VENMO:@IHMHOMEANDSCHOOL. Deadline is March 17th.

Friendly Reminders from the Business Manager

We will not be automatically mailing out the end of the year 2021 contribution statements to our parishioners.

To request a contribution statement please call the Rectory Office at 215-483-1000.

Father Judge High School

**Class of 1972
50 Year Reunion**

When: Saturday, April 30th
 Time: 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.
 Where: Fr. Judge High School
 Cost: \$75 per person



Please contact khuckel@fatherjudge.com for more information

Lenten Schedule

Daily Mass during Lent - 8:30 a.m. & 7:30 p.m. in the Chapel.

(NOTE: Wednesdays when school is in session 8:30 a.m. Mass is in the Church).

Sacrament of Reconciliation - Every Wednesday during Lent from 6:15- & 7:15 p.m.

Stations of the Cross - Every Friday at 7:00 p.m. in the Chapel.

*God's blessings
to the newly baptized children
in the Catholic faith*

Jonathan Scott Pierce
 Layla Marie Pierce

St. John's Hospice is in need of casseroles .
 The casseroles are picked up on the first Wednesday of the month.

The next pick up will be:

Wednesday, April 6, 2022 at 9 AM.

IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY SCHOOL is now accepting applications for the 2022-2023 school year! We are accepting students in Grades Pre-K3 (must be 3 by September 1, 2022, fully potty trained and no pull ups) through Grade 6.

**School tours are available
by appointment on**

March 14, 2022

Please contact Traci Kovach at 215-482-2029 or email tuition@iheartmary.org for more details.

Come and see the exciting opportunities available at IHM School.

15 WEEK CLUB WINNERS WEEK 4

Andrew Kasper	\$300.00
Denise Burdziak	\$100.00
Kate Roscioli	\$100.00
Patrick Foley	\$ 50.00
Eleanor Nicastro	\$ 50.00
Dave Stockmal	\$ 50.00
Kyle Ochal	\$ 50.00
Sean Zakrewski	\$ 50.00

CONGRATULATIONS!!

The Society St. Vincent de Paul at IHM

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

**March 28 & April 18
from 7-8:30 pm.**

Please join us for this rewarding volunteer work.

The Golden Age Group is hosting a bus trip to Resorts on Thursday, March 24, 2022. Flyers are located at all the doorways of the Church and Chapel with all the details.

RESORTS
Casino • Hotel

YOU'RE INVITED!!!!

ARCHBISHOP CARROLL'S AUCTION FOR EDUCATION

April 2, 2022

March Madness Theme!

Tickets are \$50 per person on GiveSmart or the Carroll Website (Alumni tab)

NCAA Final Four games steamed during the event

Time/Place: 6pm Main Gymnasium at Carroll

Registration Deadline for ticket: March 28

For more information email advancement@carroll.org



ROMAN CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL is pleased to announce that the following students have achieved Academic Honors for the Second Quarter of the 2021-2022 school year.

FIRST HONORS

Aidan Conroy Class of 2024

SECOND HONORS

Dennis McCauley, Anthony Soveral Class of 2023

Samuel Amery, Christopher Mc Cole Class of 2024

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Retreat Day at the Shrine of the Miraculous Medal will take place on Tuesday, April 26, 2022 for our Second Grade Class and all the children receiving their First Communion at IHM in May.

First Holy Communion will take place on Saturday, May 7, 2022 at 10 a.m. at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church.

Our First Communion Class from IHM will participate in the May Procession at the Shrine of the Miraculous Medal on Monday, May 9, 2022 at 11 a.m., followed by the Noon Mass. Please feel free to join in this celebration at the Shrine to honor Mary, as our children have been chosen to participate.

Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish May Procession is on Friday, May 13, 2022. More details to follow.

For further information, please contact: Mary Anne Kostic-King, DRE at 215-483-4266 or e-mail: mking@iheartmary.org

PRO LIFE NEWS

Please join us Saturday, March 26th for the 2nd Annual Philadelphia March for Life! We are excited to gather and raise our voices for a brighter, hope-filled future. Our dream is a Philadelphia where abortion isn't only illegal, but UNMAGINEABLE. That dream is in our midst, and it's time to let our voices be heard.

We will begin the day with Roman Catholic Mass at the Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul at 8:30 AM (1723 Race Street, Philadelphia, PA 19103) followed by our march at 10:30 AM through the streets of Philadelphia with a brief Prayer Vigil at Philadelphia Women's Center and ending with a Freedom Rally at Independence Mall at 12:00 PM!



Employment Opportunity

Part time office position 2-3 days per week, 8 hours a day for a local business. Duties include, but are not limited to, answering phones, computer data entry, and bookkeeping. This position does require dealing with the public.

Interested candidates can call 215-620-6640.

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. Richard Strickland - *Maintenance Supervisor*
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, pjcaruso45@yahoo.com

SOCIAL OUTREACH

CYO: High School and Grade School—Bill Hannigan
athleticdirector.ihm@gmail.com

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 (215-482-2029). 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.: 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 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 Thursday @ 7pm in the K of C Room in FSH. contact Joe Flemming (215-964-2624)
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)

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)