



**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

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 6, 2022

SAT.	5	5:15 pm	Frances & Richard Kauffmann
SUN.	6	7:30 9:30 11:30	IHM Parishioners Victor Schepise Bernard & JoAnn Kacelowicz
MON.	7	8:30 7:30 p.m.	Memorial Fund Alfredo Lopez
TUES.	8	8:30 7:30 p.m.	Maria Ferrero Robert Skibjak
WED.	9	8:30 7:30 p.m.	Phung Vuong Rose Martino
THURS.	10	8:30 7:30 p.m.	Dolores Murphy Dennis Hudecki
FRI.	11	8:30 7:30 p.m.	Donald Harwick Michael Shea
SAT.	12	8:00 5:15 pm	Doris Cahill 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

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

ROSES



The rose placed in the **Church**
is in loving memory of
Dennis Hudecki
requested by
his wife, Barbara & Family.

The rose placed in the **Chapel**
is for the people of Ukraine.
Pray for them.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SOULS OF OUR
BROTHERS AND SISTERS

Kathleen Taylor



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, Joe Lombardo, Hadley Ludwig, Charles Mansor, Cheryl Maresca, Elizabeth Matruka, 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, 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 7 to March 13
is in loving memory of
Jack Waldeck
requested by
Mary & Girls.

Pastor's Page

The scripture readings for our Lenten season have a mixture of themes, all meant to give us an opportunity to remember and renew our faith and to help us on our journey to Easter.

The Old Testament readings will help us reflect on God's promises and the fulfillment of those promises. In the second readings, the Epistles of Paul, he affirms that both Jew and Gentile are heirs to God's promises.

In our Gospel readings for Lent we are shown various aspects of Jesus' character and identity. He is revealing himself to us through the inspired word.

Today in our first reading, Moses tells us that the first fruits of the harvest are to be offered to God in gratitude for God's gift of the land. The word Deuteronomy literally means 'second law'. It is a restating of much of what went before in the book of Exodus. Mount Horeb in Deuteronomy is in Exodus called Mt Sinai. Moses is summing up the declaration of laws. The recitation of God's actions from the promises to Abraham through Exodus and then the settlement of the land remind the people of the debt they owe to God. This is repaid by his people by proper sacrifice and obedience. We give our best to the Lord by bringing our best when we come to celebrate Eucharist.

In the Gospel we see Jesus entering into a Forty Day experience in the desert. This was in preparation for his public ministry of preaching and healing. This Palestinian desert was a dangerous place, semi-arid, uncharted, inhabited by wild beasts and bandits. The wilderness was believed to be the haunt of demons, so it is no surprise that Jesus met the devil there. Jesus' forty days in the desert is meant to trigger an association with Israel's forty years of wandering in the desert after the Exodus. Jesus is tested in the desert but remains faithful. Jesus answers the three temptations with the Scriptural word of God. When the devil even tries to use Scripture himself, Jesus is quick to turn aside the challenge to his Father's fidelity.

Lent is our forty day experience to recall the story of God's saving love affair with us and to grow in gratitude for his mercy. It is meant to prepare us to celebrate the Easter mysteries. Feeding on the Word of God and the liturgy can guide us to live the death and resurrection of Jesus more clearly this year.

Father Casey

Weekend Clergy Schedule March 13, 2022 (celebrants are subject to change)

Saturday, March 12, 2022

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

Sunday, March 13, 2022

7:30 a.m. —Fr. Bongard

9:30 a.m.—Fr. Quan

11:30 a.m. Fr. Casey

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

- 1) Genesis 15:5-12, 17-18 (27C)
- 2) Philippians 3:17-4:1 or 3:20-4:1
- 3) Luke 9:28b-36



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.





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.

Casserole pans are available at the Rectory Office.

St. John's Hospice is also in need of toiletries and socks.

If you have any questions call Denise Schmidt 215-483-1000.

*Thank you for your generosity to
St. John's Hospice.*

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.

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).

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

LENT
Pray + Fast + Give

Sunday Offering Week of February 20, 2022

Sunday	\$ 7,513.22
Loose	844.00
	<u>\$ 8,357.22</u>

of envelopes – 437
Average– 17.20

Thank you & God Bless you for your generosity.

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 3

Mary Krier	\$300.00
Tina Manero	\$100.00
Laura Kusniesz	\$100.00
Mary Ellen Nypower	\$ 50.00
Jeraldine M. Kohut	\$ 50.00
Frank Klusek	\$ 50.00
Kristen Wittig	\$ 50.00
Dorothy Forster	\$ 50.00

CONGRATULATIONS!!

*Welcome to the newest members
of our IHM Parish!*
Mr. Mark Wehrenberg

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

If you have a wheelchair that you no longer need and would like to donate it to the Church for a parishioner in need of a wheelchair, please call the Rectory Office . 215-483-1000.

Thank you.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS!!!

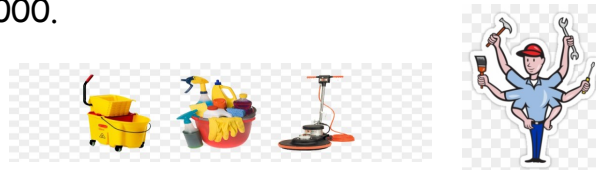
Retreat Day at the **Shrine of the Miraculous Medal** will take place on **Tuesday, April 26, 2022** for all the children receiving their First Communion at IHM in May.

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

For further details, please contact: MaryAnne K. King, DRE at 215-483-4266 or e-mail: mking@iheartmary.org

IHM School & Parish has an opening in the maintenance department.

For more information regarding this position please contact:
Emily Miller, Business Manager at 215-483-1000.



The Society St. Vincent de Paul at IHM

IHM's SVDP Society assists people in need in the Andorra/Roxborough/Manayunk area and in other nearby Philadelphia neighborhoods. Our funding comes primarily from the poor box so please continue to be generous.

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

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

Please join us for this rewarding volunteer work.

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 is \$75 per person



Please contact khuckel@fatherjudge.com for more information

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)