



THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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

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Rev. Edward J. Casey, Pastor

Rev. Quan H. Tran, Parochial Vicar

Rev. Joseph W. Bongard, in Residence

Deacon Salvatore R. Bianco

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 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.

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 May 22, 2022

SAT.	21	5:15 p.m.	Martin & Buddy Pfeil
SUN.	22	7:30 9:30 11:30	IHM Parishioners Wayne W. Whitehouse Catherine Votto
MON.	23	8:30	Msgr. Walter Conway
TUES.	24	8:30	Stephen Kostic
WED.	25	8:30	Joseph & Mary Ann Wolk & Deceased Family Members
		5:15 pm	No Intentions
THURS.	26	8:30 12:00 pm 7:30 pm	Ascension of the Lord Holy Day of Obligation
FRI.	27	8:30	Robert Lauber
SAT.	28	8:00 5:15 pm	Lucy Verruni 90th Birthday Anthony & Mary Manzo
SUN	29	7:30 9:30 11:30	IHM Parishioners Frank Sudell Louis Molini, Jr.

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

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SOULS OF OUR BROTHERS AND SISTERS

*Mary Filanowski
John Baron, Jr., Rosemary Ryan*



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.



ROSES

The rose placed in the *Church* is in loving memory of
Lisa Camplongo
requested by Anne & Al DiFilippo.

The rose placed in the *Chapel* is in loving memory of
Lola Alvar Pascual
requested by the Family.



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

Theresa Alosi, Louis Andreola, Alice Asbury, 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, Beth Donnelly, Joe Evers, Peg Fierko, Bill & Dorothy Foster, Kathy Foster, Sydney Franzmann, Dr. Angeline M. Gampico, Helen Golbeski, Kelly Gruninger, Bernadette Harwick, 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, Charlie Melough, Eileen Michel, Brian Morris, Catherine Morrison, Mary Mudry, Harry Pastella, Luisa Pellicone, Dave Pendleton, Bishop Joseph Pepe, Bill Pinto, Joe Pro, Kathy Pro, Tom Przybek, Karen Pulcinella, Connie Quigley, John Quirus, 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, Baby Caleb St. George, Richard Strickland, Donna Stine, O.S.F., Felicia Teske, Paul Teske, Edward Thomas, Molly Thompson, Christine Triola, Louise Vesci, Maddox Vielman, Helen Wade, 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 May 23 to May 29
is in loving memory of
Msgr. Walter Conway
requested by Olga Kostic.



Pastor's Page

In our passage from the Acts of the Apostles today in the first reading we see the early Church faced with controversy. The very first Christians were faithful Jews who believed Jesus to be the Messiah only to the Jewish people. It was not long however before the Apostles realized that God was offering salvation to the whole world, including Gentiles.

Although Peter and the other apostles accepted the mission to the Gentiles, a debate arose over whether non-Jewish Christians would be required to follow Jewish laws. The Jewish followers of Jesus argued that the Gentiles had to become Jews before they could be baptized into Christianity. Then they would have to follow all the other Jewish laws and prescriptions. Paul and the Gentiles felt strongly that Gentiles should be baptized directly into Christianity.

The Gentile question came to a head about ten years after the decision to accept Gentiles as Christians. Paul and two of his co-workers-Barnabas a Jew by birth and Titus a Gentile convert- had traveled to Jerusalem to consult with Peter, James and John. Both groups wanted to make sure that they were all preaching the same Good News.

A problem ensued however when some Jewish converts demanded that Titus be circumcised, a requirement for all Jewish males before being accepted as complete Christian. A conference was called at which it was decided that respect certain Jewish laws. This conference became known as the Council of Jerusalem.

“It is the decision of the Holy Spirit and of us not to place on you any burden beyond these necessities....” Acts 15:28 (I would suggest reading the entire Chapter 28 of the Acts of the Apostles to get the full context of the discussion and discernment).

Even after the Gentile conversion controversy had been resolved, the tension at times became bitter and lasted for several years and became the focus of much of Paul's writing. Paul's strong stand on the part of the Gentiles during this debate was a leading reason the Christian faith became a world-wide religion rather than remaining a small Jewish sect.

In the Gospel today, Jesus promises his disciples that God will continue to dwell with them. He promises that they will receive the Holy Spirit who will continue to enlighten them.

This issue in Acts today is a great lesson of how the early church learned to listen to the Holy Spirit and work together to bring about peace of mind to the members of the community. Peace to keep their hearts from being troubled. Peace to protect them from fear. Peace to stay with them forever. Our loving God invites us to work together to spread the Good News. We must learn to discern the work of the Holy Spirit and unite ourselves in the mission that God has given us.

Fr. Casey

Post Script – A reminder that this Thursday is the Feast of the Ascension, a Holyday of Obligation. Jesus ascends to the Father, concluding this 40- day period of his post resurrection appearances. At the Ascension, Jesus commissions his disciples to baptize in his name and reminding them and us that he is always present through his Holy Spirit. The Easter Season is not over however. We still have 10 days to prepare to celebrate Pentecost. The Paschal Candle continues to burn in its proper place near the Ambo during Easter season.

Weekend Clergy Schedule May 29, 2022 (celebrants are subject to change)

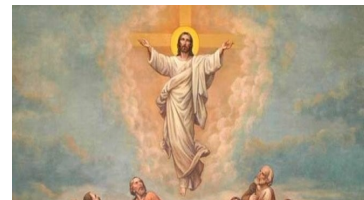
Saturday, May 28, 2022

5:15 Vigil - Fr. Quan

Sunday, May 29, 2022

7:30 a.m. – Fr. Quan
9:30 a.m. – Fr. Casey
11:30 a.m. - Fr. Bongard

**Mass Times for the
Ascension of the Lord are:**
May 25, 5:15 Vigil
May 26, 8:30, Noon &
7:30 pm



READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

- 1) Acts of the Apostles 7:55-60 (61C)
- 2) Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17,20
- 3) John 17:20-26



Our Race for Education was a huge success. A BIG THANK YOU to our IHM Community for your support of our 13th Annual Race for Education.

There were over 700 donors for a grand total of \$31,942 raised for our IHM kids!! 161 students reached their \$100 goal. The top two homerooms –Mrs. Rizzo's PreK3 raised \$2,385 followed by Miss Ebner's 2A at \$2,225.

Our top school fundraisers tied for the top prize, Oliva and Grace Painter! Congratulations, girls!

We appreciate our Race Sponsors, Dr. Dawn Cute of Optimum Health Chiropractic, Norristown Brick, and Realty Broker Direct. We would also like to thank Officer Davis of the 5th District for traffic control, Mr. Cawley for his amazing photos, Rose's Water Ice for the cool treats, and Circle of Sound for the music.

We will be busy this summer implementing race goals and putting this raised money to good use for our IHM kids!



Our school children did a wonderful job honoring our Blessed Mother on Friday May 13 at the May Procession. It was a most beautiful occasion.

Special thanks to Fr. Quan, MaryAnne Kostic-King and all the teachers & staff who made it such a special event. Thank you Traci Kovach for live streaming the procession!

If you would like to watch the May Procession go to the IHM School Facebook page.

*Welcome to the newest members
of our IHM Parish!*

Mr. & Mrs. Mark Eisler

Mr. & Mrs. Fletcher Grady

The Floris - Zanda Family

The Marchiano - Chichilitti Family

Mr. & Mrs. Armando Guzman

IHM CONFIRMATION NEWS

The Sacrament of Confirmation will take place on Sunday, November 20, 2022 at the 11:30 Mass with Bishop Timothy C. Senior.

We are currently accepting applications. Sponsor Eligibility Letters must be submitted by **June 3, 2022**. No later! We will be sending additional materials to the candidates and their sponsors, upon receipt of their completed applications.

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



Sunday Offering Week of May 8, 2022

Sunday \$ 9,425.00

Loose \$ 400.00

\$ 9,825.00

of envelopes – 565

Average– 16.69

Catholic Home Missions—\$1, 237.00

Thank you & God Bless you for your generosity

15 WEEK CLUB WINNERS WEEK 14

Jaime Moore	\$ 300.00
Sara Hutchinson	\$ 100.00
Sandy Weiss	\$ 100.00
Johnathan & Branwen O'Donnell	\$ 50.00
Sharon Lotuacco	\$ 50.00
Dennis Slobodian	\$ 50.00
Marcinek Family	\$ 50.00
Kathleen Romano	\$ 50.00

CONGRATULATIONS!!

One more week to win the big money!

Good Luck everyone!!

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, June 1, 2022 at 9 AM.**

The **Mass Book for 2023** is open. To request an intention you may do the following:

1. Mail in your request
2. Email your request to denise-schmidt@comcast.net
3. Put them in the collection basket
4. Put them in the mail slot at the Rectory Office door.
5. Call the Rectory between the hours of 10 am to 2 pm.

Make sure you have alternate dates as you may not get your first choice. Make all request to the attention of Denise Schmidt.

Thank you for your cooperation.

2022 Sanctuary Light week available is;
July 25-31,



2022 Roses in Church: June 26-July 2, July 17-23, August 21-27, September 18-24, September 25-October 1, October 16-22, October 23-29, November 6-12, November 20-26, November 27-December 3, December 4-10, December 18-24

2022 Roses in Chapel: June 26-July 2, July 24-July 30, August 7-13, August 14-20, August 21-27, August 28- September 3, September 11-17, September 25-October 1, October 16-22, October 23-29, October 30 -November 5, November 13-19, December 4-10, December 11-17, December 18-24.

*God's blessings
to the newly baptized children
in the Catholic faith*
Peyton Olivia Citrone
Quinn Scott McCrossen

**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:

**June 6, 27 & July 18
from 7-8:30 pm.**

Please join us for this rewarding volunteer work.



**Friday, May 27 the
Rectory Office
closes at
1 PM
Monday, May 30th
The Rectory Office
is CLOSED**

MEMORIAL DAY
REMEMBER & HONOR

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, Musicfef5@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.

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)