

### 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

Msgr. Joseph P. McGeown, Pastor Emeritus Rev. Samuel A. Verruni, Parochial Vicar Rev. Joseph W. Bongard, in Residence Deacon Salvatore R. Bianco

### **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

**SATURDAY 4:00-5:00PM** 

1ST FRIDAY: IN SACRED HEART CHAPEL 8:30AM

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION IN CHURCH

### **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

### **CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENTS**

BAPTISM - The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays of the month at 12:30PM Next dates: TODAY & May 20<sup>th</sup>, June 3<sup>rd</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup>

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 May 16<sup>th</sup> 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  May 6, 2018				
SAT.	5	5:15PM	Veronica and Joseph Basara	
SUN.		7:30 9:30 11:30	IHM Parishioners Louise and John Loschiavo Frank Koneski	
MON.	7	8:30	Memorial Fund	
TUES.	8	8:30	Nguyen Family	
WED.	9	8:30 <b>5:15PM</b>	Marguerite Ferraro Vigil - Ascension of the Lord	
THURS.	10		Ascension of the Lord Holy Day NO INTENTIONS	
FRI.	11	8:30	Mimi McMaster - 5 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary	
SAT.	12	0.00	Marie Miller Rev. Jack Donohie	
SUN.	13	7:30 9:30 11:30	IHM Parishioners Robert G. Saccone, Sr. Frances M. Rigler	

<sup>\*</sup> Please note, not all Mass intentions are for the deceased

#### READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

- 1) Acts of the Apostles 1:15-17, 20a, 20c-26 (60B)
- 2) 1 John 4:11-16
- 3) John 17:11b-19

# PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SOULS OF OUR DECEASED BROTHERS AND SISTERS

Mary Patricia Donahue, Lillian Zacny, John Heitzenrater



### **ROSES**



The rose placed in the *Church* is in loving memory of Frank Koneski requested by his wife Loretta.

The rose placed in the *Chapel* is in loving memory of Lito R. Vivas requested by his family.

The Sanctuary Light in our Sacred Heart Chapel for the week of May 7<sup>th</sup> to May 13<sup>th</sup> is in loving memory of Joseph and Josephine Casciato requested by Joseph and Rita Casciato.

### 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, Anna Barras, Beth Kelly Bates, Helen J. Boron, Jean Basile, Beth Kelly Bates, Joyce Bielawski, Wayne Bielawski, Bill Blum, Gerri Blum, Roberta Bracey, Theresa Branca-Herbst, Catherine Bryan, John Calabrese, Eleanor Calabrese-Avallone, Mary Campbell, Rita Casciato, Lisa Castellante, Caitlyn Clark, John Colantonio, Baby Parker Comeau, Brooke Conklin, Baby Kevin Crane, Anne Cunningham, Joseph Cylc, Anna Dahm, Mary D'Angelo, Kathy Davis, Taylor Davis, Jack Deegan, 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, Christina Gailey, Kathleen Gavaghan, Tom Halpin, Louise Hannings, Robert Hannon, Eric Hetrick, Jean Hodge, Fay Holder, Baby Jessica Jara, Linda 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, Keelin McEleney, Patricia McGinty, Stephen McKeever, Roberta McLaughlin, Matthew McNamee, Maureen McGill Miccoli, Geri Miller, Terry Morrissey, Katherine Murphy, Teresa Nagele, Terry Nosek, Rev. Paul Obrimski, Baby Samantha O'Donnell, Anne Louise Owens, Joanna Parnes, Vera Pepe, James Vincent Penkowski, 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, 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.

# Weekend Clergy Schedule (Celebrants subject to change) for May 12<sup>th</sup> and May 13<sup>th</sup>

Saturday, May 12<sup>th</sup>
5:15PM Vigil: Fr. Casey
Sunday, May 13<sup>th</sup>
7:30AM: Fr. Casey

9:30AM: Fr. Verruni/Deacon Sam\*\*\* 11:30AM: Fr. Bongard/Deacon Sam\*\*\*

\*\*\*Deacon Sam preach



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.

### Pastor's Page

As we move toward the end of the Easter season, our liturgies begin to turn from reflection on Jesus' resurrection to our mission as baptized followers of Christ. The message of our celebration this week could not be clearer. The word "love" appears in the second reading and the Gospel a total of eighteen times. Repetition can be the best form for learning.

As we move toward Pentecost we will be hearing more about the Holy Spirit. In today's installment from the Acts of the Apostles, the passage speaks of the Holy Spirit coming upon those listening to Peter. How the Holy Spirit manifested in us, is a good question to reflect on today.

The first reading narrates the Holy Spirit's endorsement of the Gentile mission. Peter has been summoned to preach in the house of a Gentile centurion, Cornelius, who is introduced as a devout God-fearer. In a vision, Peter had been told that God had made all food clean, indicating that those who did not participate of the kosher diet were nonetheless welcomed by God. The circumcised believers are astounded that the Gentiles were also to share in the same spirit, thus bringing to fruition the prophecy of Simeon: "For my eyes have witnessed your saving deed displayed for all the people to see, a revealing light to the Gentiles and the glory of your people Israel." (Luke 29-32.)

Acts sometimes is referred to as the "Gospel of the Holy Spirit". This is truly good news. In the gentile Cornelius' conversation, a surprised Peter begins to understand that "God shows no partiality". The Spirit welcomes believers from beyond Israel's borders and even works outside the community hierarchy and liturgy.

In the gospel today, Jesus challenges his disciples to love one another, "as God loves us!" The classic definition of Christian love is, 'willing the good of another'. This is a self-sacrificing love. It is putting the good of another person before ourselves. We love one another, because love is of God. Jesus shows us how to do this. It is typical to think of love as a feeling, the way we feel about a spouse, a parent, a child, a close friend. Yes, this is love but it is not Christian love. Love in this sense becomes part of our Christian character. As a part of our character it flows out of us when we interact with each other. Remember, Jesus began the Last Supper by washing the feet of the apostles, then telling them to do the same. This is the way we are to love one another.

Thursday we celebrate the Ascension of the Lord. We have reached the end of another special period of 40 days. This time represents a period of testing or judgment or preparation. For example, Jesus after his baptism in the Jordan by John, went out into the desert for forty days to prepare for his public ministry. While the gospels mention several post resurrection appearances by Jesus, it is only the Acts of the Apostles that specifically mentions forty days: "In the time after his suffering he showed them in many convincing ways that he was alive, appearing to them over the course of forty days and speaking to them about the reign of God" (Acts 1:3).

Just like we had the special time of Lent to prepare us to celebrate the Lord's resurrection, we have now have had a special time with the Lord celebrating his Resurrection.

Each of the readings on Thursday presents us the mission that Jesus left to us. Mark's gospel in the liturgy of the Ascension gives us this challenge: "Go into the world and proclaim the gospel to every creature."

Let us remember the words of St. Francis Assisi that are very appropriate to think about today. "Witness for Christ each day, and if necessary use words."

### Father Casey

### **IHM Day at WPVI Channel 6 Studios!**





Ethan Hack (altar server), Jen Hack (mother), Bob Reed (grandfather), Liam Hack (altar server) and our IHM Choir pictured with Father Casey at WPVI Channel 6 Studios on Sunday, April 29<sup>th</sup>. Two Masses were taped and will air on May 6<sup>th</sup> and May 13<sup>th</sup> at 5:30AM on Channel 6 if you're an early riser and would like to tune in.

### **Parish Information**

### Weekend Offering April 28/29, 2018

Envelopes \$10,239.00 Loose \$1,248.40 \$11,487.40

> #envelopes 587 Average \$17.45 Poor Box \$266.12

Thank you for your generosity!



### **BINGO**

**TODAY**, May 6<sup>th</sup> in Father Sullivan Hall - doors open at 12:30PM, first game is at 1:30PM. Cost is \$11.

### **CASINO TRIP**

When: May 17<sup>th</sup>

Where: Resorts, Atlantic City

Time: Bus leaves from in front of IHM at 2:00PM.

returns at 10:00PM

Cost: \$25 when boarding bus, \$25 back from casino

**Contact:** Mike Shiel, 215-487-7296

### 15 Week Club Winners Week 12

Winner	Amount
Bob and Mia Schrank	\$300.00
Mike Clarke	\$100.00
Deacon Joe Sexton	\$100.00
Roger O'Brien	\$ 50.00
Kellie Hudecki	\$ 50.00
Doris Cahill	\$ 50.00
Mary Jo DiPiero	\$ 50.00
Richard Hoy	\$ 50.00

## 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) NO ONE AVAILABLE

(Doctors) Beth Donnelly 267-228-2905

(appointments in the Manayunk, Roxborough, and Andorra areas

only)



# The Society of 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

Our upcoming meetings are: May 7<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup>

#### Mount St. Joseph Academy Summer Camp

Looking for something to do after school is out? How about a summer sports camp? Come see what Mount Athletics is all about this summer and join us for camp! Meet our well-trained, champion coaches in a relaxed and fun environment. Camps being offered at the Mount this summer include: volleyball, field hockey, basketball, soccer, and cross country/track. All camps are open to girls entering 6<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> grades. Visit our website for more information - <a href="https://www.msjacad.org/athletics/summer-sports-camps">www.msjacad.org/athletics/summer-sports-camps</a> or email <a href="mailto:mfeilke@msjacad.org">mfeilke@msjacad.org</a>



On Saturday, May 19<sup>th</sup> at 10AM, Rev. Mr. Quy K. Pham of IHM Parish will be ordained to the Sacred Priesthood at The Cathedral Basilica of Ss. Peter & Paul. He will celebrate his first Mass here at IHM on Sunday, May 20<sup>th</sup> at 3PM. Please keep Quy in your prayers as he begins his ministry.



On Saturday, May 5<sup>th</sup> the 2<sup>nd</sup> grade students of IHM and P.R.E.P. received Jesus' sacred body for the first time. Please keep these children in your prayers as they continue in their Catholic faith journey.

On Tuesday, May 8th at 7PM, please join the IHM Parish Community as we honor Mary our Blessed Mother during the annual May Procession in Church.



### **Parish Information**

# TRANSITION NETWORK ARE YOU UNEMPLOYED OR UNDEREMPLOYED?

Come and join our network group. It has been running for 8 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, May 23<sup>rd</sup>, 7PM

To register call Denise Schmidt @ 215-483-1000 or visit our website: <a href="https://www.transitionnetwork.webs.com">www.transitionnetwork.webs.com</a>

# Welcome to the newest members of our IHM Parish!

Mr. Ammon Cirigliano and Ms. Elizabeth Kribbs Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Cumiskey and Family Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Rizzo and Family



Friday, May 18<sup>th</sup>
Donations may be
made payable to IHM
School or in person at
the Main Office of
school. Thank you for
your support!







The IHM School Community invites all parishioners to like our page: Immaculate Heart of Mary School (IHM) Philadelphia on Facebook to follow the daily activities, events, photos, videos and posts of our students!

We are also still accepting applications for the 2018-2019 school year! We are accepting students in Grades Pre-K 3 (must be 3 years old by September 1, 2018) through Grade 6. Limited spots are available for incoming students in each grade. Please contact Traci Kovach, Director of Finance and Development at 215.483.1103 for a school tour and more details.

On May 19, 2018 there will be an all class High School reunion for anyone who attended Archbishop Kennedy or St. Matthew's. The event begins with an open house from 3–6PM at the former AKHS building and will be followed by an alumni reception from 5–10PM at the A field (A.A. Garthwaite Stadium) in Conshohocken. Tickets are \$30 per person and are available for cash purchase at Coll's Custom Framing, 324 Fayette St, Conshohocken, PA 19428 or via the link below if paying by credit card (plus fee).

https://allkennedystmatthewshsreunion.ticketbud.com/all-kennedyst-matthew-s-hs-reunion

Please contact Bill Robinson (class of 93) at <u>kennedyhs1993@gmail.com</u> for additional information or inquiries.

# Job Openings

Merion Mercy Academy, an independent, all girls Catholic High School sponsored by the Sisters of Mercy, has 2 openings:

A full-time teaching position in the Theology department for the 2018-2019 school year. Roman Catholics with a religious studies degree and secondary certification are asked to submit a cover letter and resume by Monday, May 7<sup>th</sup>. Experienced preferred. Send email to: Mary Ann Danovich, Assistant Head of School for Academic Affairs, at madanovich@merion-mercy.com.



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There will be a brief meeting for all Eucharistic Ministers on Wednesday, May 23<sup>rd</sup> at 6:30PM in Church. If you have any questions please call Mary Anne King or Ann McElroy.

ST. JOHN'S HOSPICE is in great need of casseroles. They pick up the last Wednesday of the month. This month it will be  $May\ 30^{th}$ . If you are able to make a casserole please pick up a pan in the rectory.

### **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) Visit: saintjohnshospice.org for Favorite Recipes

### 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**

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 vour 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 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> 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 rosemarykurtz@aol.com 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)

homeandschool@iheartmary.org

Tuition Office: contact Traci Kovach 215-483-1000 Hours are
Tuesday & Wednesday 9am to 2pm or email: tuition@iheartmary.org

SCRIP: S& C—Trish Campbell (267-766-3571)Supermarket Script Susan Lojewski (267-549-2746)

### **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: Ann 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)