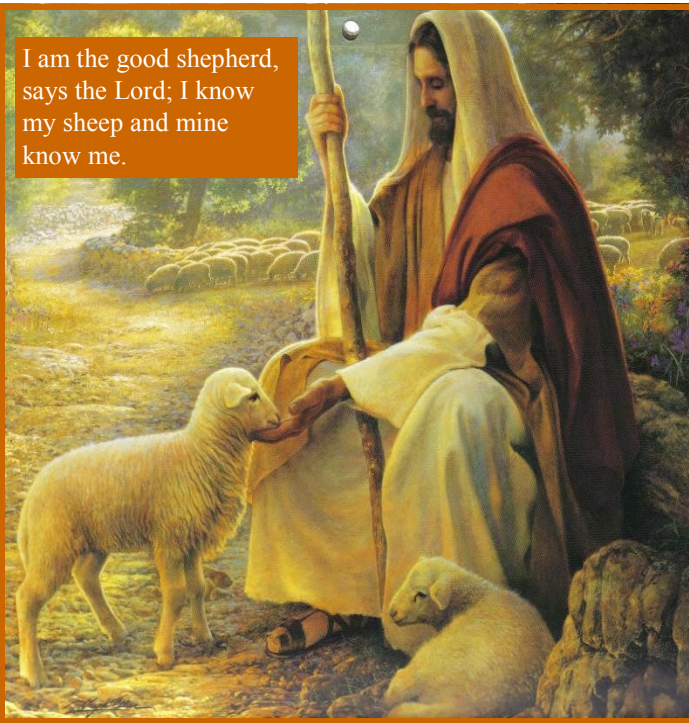


I am the good shepherd,
says the Lord; I know
my sheep and mine
know me.



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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 Monday, May 9, 2022 at 7 pm in the Chapel.**

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 8, 2022

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| SAT. | 7 | 5:15 p.m. | Joan A. Reed |
| SUN. | 8 | 7:30 9:30 11:30 | IHM Parishioners Diana Calabrese* All Deceased Members of the Salvatore, Schneider & Alfieri Families |
| MON. | 9 | 8:30 | Marguerite Ferraro 11th Anniversary |
| TUES. | 10 | 8:30 | Prachtel & Ormsby Families. |
| WED. | 11 | 8:30 | Mimi Mc Master |
| THURS. | 12 | 8:30 | Paul Curcio, Sr. |
| FRI. | 13 | 8:30 | Charles M. Harron, Jr. 2nd Anniversary |
| SAT. | 14 | 8:00 5:15 pm | Elizabeth Ann Mc Andrews Robert G. Reed, Sr. & Helen Reed |
| SUN | 15 | 7:30 9:30 11:30 | IHM Parishioners Marie & Philip Cavalcante & Vincent Cavalcante Stephen Hagelauer & Ken Dougherty |

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

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SOULS OF OUR BROTHERS AND SISTERS

*Carmella Morrissey, Barbara Lynn,
Rev. Stephen P. Wetzel*



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
Ken & Colleen Gallagher requested by Jack & Mary Jo Johnson.

The rose placed in the *Chapel* is in loving memory of
Maureen Moroney requested by her sister, Beth Donnelly.



***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 Matruka,
Terry McCormick, Brian McGuire, Anne Marie Mc Keever,
Felix & Louise McKeogh, Helen Magee, Elizabeth Matruak,
Winifred Meall, Rachael Mellon, Anne Marie Melough,
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 2 to May 8 is in loving memory of

Dominic & Marianna Di Guglielmo
requested by their children



Pastor's Page

Today is known as Good Shepherd Sunday because the Gospel passage today from John's gospel portrays Jesus proclaiming himself the Good Shepherd. We only see a small passage today, a few verses, but it is pretty much the whole 10th Chapter in John's gospel. Jesus himself is the ultimate shepherd who will ultimately lay down his life for the sheep.

We see another of the "I am" statements that are common to John's gospel. These sayings are somewhat like similes, in that they compare Jesus to another reality. Remember that the name for God revered by the Jews was Yahweh, and that translation of the name is "I am who I am." In John's gospel Jesus often begins his teachings with the word, "I am..." Scholars tell us that John intended for such references to show a direct relationship between Jesus and Yahweh. It all ties together to Jesus divinity from the very first verse in John's gospel, "in the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word **WAS** God." The 'I am' sayings signal Jesus divinity as the Son of God.

Seven "I am" sayings appear in the Gospel of John. Remember also the number 7 in biblical literature denotes fullness and perfection. The 'I am' statements are the following:

- I am the bread of life (6:35-40)
- I am the light of the world (8:12)
- I am the sheepgate (10:7-10)
- I am the good shepherd (10:11-18)
- I am the resurrection and the life (11:17-27)
- I am the way, and the truth and the life (14:1-7)
- I am the true vine (15:1-11)

Jesus is the good shepherd who lays down his life for the sheep. Jesus stresses the intimacy that the shepherd and the sheep share - "I know them and they follow me" (John 10:27). The image of Jesus the Good Shepherd reminds us just how much we are loved by the Lord. Jesus' sheep hear his voice. Our challenge today is to listen for his voice. Let us open our ears to the voice of the Good Shepherd. Let us move toward the shepherd.

Today is also the World Day of Prayer for Vocations as we pray for those in our midst who hear the voice of the Good Shepherd and seek to become shepherds as well, by God's grace. Let us continue to ask the harvest master to send laborers into his harvest.

Father Casey

Weekend Clergy Schedule May 15, 2022 (celebrants are subject to change)

Saturday, May 14, 2022

5:15 Vigil - Fr. Casey

Sunday, May 15, 2022

7:30 a.m. - Fr. Bongard

9:30 a.m. - Fr. Quan ***

11:30 a.m. - Fr. Casey

***Deacon Sam Preaching

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS



READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

- 1) Acts of the 14:21-27 (54C)
- 2) Revelation 21:1-5a
- 3) John 13:31-33a, 34-35





Immaculate Heart of Mary School
2022 Race for Education



*Ready,
Set,
Go!*

THURSDAY, MAY 12, 2022
9:00 AM

All proceeds go directly to Immaculate Heart of Mary School's 2022 race goals!

The Annual IHM Race for Education will be held on Thursday, May 12!!

This year our challenge is to reach \$25,000!

These funds will be used to: install new, interior security doors on all floors, improve the “curb appeal” of our school building, replace and upgrade Chromebooks school-wide and supplement the cost of additional classroom upgrades for our students.

If you would like to donate to our Race, please email Traci Kovach, Director of Finance, Development and Admissions at tuition@iheartmary.org to obtain the Race link.

We are also looking for Corporate Sponsors, so if you own or work for a business that would like to support the students of Immaculate Heart of Mary School, please email Mrs. Kovach.



GREENDROP IS COMING!

Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish is hosting a clothing and household goods drive to benefit **The Society of St. Vincent de Paul** at IHM Sunday, May 15 from 8am to 12 pm.

SVDP will be using the services of Greendrop to support their clothing drive. Look for the Greendrop truck in the church parking lot where an attendant will be available to assist you with your donations.

Tax receipts will be available.

Please place your donations of usable men's, women's and children's clothing in plastic bags or boxes. Household items such as kitchenware, games/toys, small appliances (under 50 pounds), electronics, sporting goods, books, CD's & videos are also accepted.

Unfortunately, furniture, large appliances, TV's and computer monitors cannot be accepted.

For a full list of acceptable items visit:

www.gogreendrop.com

**Thank you for supporting the
St. Vincent DePaul Society**

FYI

Many of you have not received your Church Envelopes for May. Please note the envelope company mailed them out on April 5th. If you did not receive your envelopes and need to know your envelope # please call the Rectory Office 215-483-1000.

Thank you for your continued support of our parish.

15 WEEK CLUB WINNERS WEEK 12

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|-------------------|-----------|
| Helen Tracy | \$ 300.00 |
| Wendy Sontag | \$ 100.00 |
| McKenna Mackrides | \$ 100.00 |
| Thomas Mulligan | \$ 50.00 |
| Angelina Wilson | \$ 50.00 |
| Carl Hood | \$ 50.00 |
| Daniel W. Johnson | \$ 50.00 |
| Lisa Kots | \$ 50.00 |

CONGRATULATIONS!!

The **Mass Book for 2023** will open on May 9. Since our staff is limited and we have no big space to hold the opening like in past years 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.

There are still weeks available in 2022 for the Sanctuary Lamp and Roses in the Church and Chapel.



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.

Sunday Offering Week of April 24, 2022

Easter Sunday \$ 32,924.00
Easter Flowers 3,855.00
Holy Thursday - Sr. Mary Scullion \$129.00
Good Friday -Holy Land \$1,270.00

of envelopes – 426
Average– 21.06

Thank you & God Bless you for your generosity

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

Laurel Aponte
Joseph Newell
Caroline Mary Travaline

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

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. This is a very special honor for our children.

Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish May Procession

is on Friday, May 13, 2022 at 10:30 A.M. in the Church. All are welcome to join us as we honor Mary, our Mother.



Congratulations to Lily Ochal who is the May Queen for 2022!!

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



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:

May 9 & June 6 & June 27
from 7-8:30 pm.

Please join us for this rewarding volunteer work.

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)