



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

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Rev. Joseph W. Bongard, in Residence
Deacon Salvatore R. Bianco
Deacon George W. Kletzel

MASS SCHEDULE

WEEKENDS: IN CHURCH

SATURDAY 5:15PM VIGIL
SUNDAY: 7:30, 9:30, 11:30AM

WEEKDAYS: IN SACRED HEART CHAPEL
TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY 6:30AM
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

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

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION IN CHURCH

SATURDAY 4:00—5:00PM

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 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month at 12:30PM
Next dates: **November 19th, December 3rd & 17th**

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 **November 15th, 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
Spring 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.

MASSES FOR THE WEEK OF
November 12, 2017

Vigil	11	5:15PM	The Ludwik and Marian Skarbek Families
SUN.	12	7:30 9:30 11:30	IHM Parishioners Ethel Howarth Marybeth Durkin
MON.	13	8:30	Armand DeSimone
TUES.	14	6:30 8:30	Ralph and Lena Galdo and Sons Helen and Robert Reed, Sr.
WED.	15	6:30 8:30	Helen Deery Ramon Figueroa
THUR	16	6:30 8:30	Thomas and Nancy Plover Margaret Connor
FRI.	17	8:30	Deceased Members of the Schepise Family
SAT.	18	8:00 5:15	Peter Caruso, Sr. - 13 th Anniversary Peter Terreri
SUN.	19	7:30 9:30 11:30	IHM Parishioners Daniel and Anne Parkinson Joseph Sheehan

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

- 1) Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31 (157A)
- 2) 1 Thessalonians 5:1-6
- 3) Matthew 25:14-30 or 25:14-15, 19-21



PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SOULS OF OUR DECEASED BROTHERS AND SISTERS

Dolores Longacre, Jeanne LaRosa,
Rita Higgins, Anthony Bilotti, Sr.,
Eileen Reilly



ROSES



The rose placed in the *Church* is in loving memory of Daniel and Anne Parkinson requested by their family.

The rose placed in the *Chapel* is in loving memory of Jeri Fuges requested by her husband Chuck.

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:

Rosemarie Oakes 215-483-4860 (Masses)

Mary Krier 215-483-5897 (Doctors)

(appointments in the Manayunk, Roxborough, and Andorra areas only)

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, Dee Audino, Anna Barras, Helen J. Boron, Jean Basile, John Bevenour, Joyce Bielawski, Wayne Bielawski, Bill Blum, Gerri Blum, Roberta Bracey, Theresa Branca-Herbst, Catherine Bryan, Philip Calvo, Edith Cifelli, Eleanor Calabrese-Avallone, Mary Campbell, Rita Casciato, Lisa Castellante, Caitlyn Clark, John Colantonio, Brooke Conklin, Valerie Coyle, Baby Kevin Crane, Anne Cunningham, Joseph Cylc, Mary D'Angelo, Jack Deegan, Robert Denshuick, Baby James Dent, Baby Augie DeStefano, Baby Olivia DeStefano, Kim Dichiaro, John Diehl, Roseann DiLullo, Teresa Drasher, Marie Dunne, Sue Fafara, Marianne Felker, Nancy Finn, Janet Fioravante, Larry Flannigan, Joe Flemming, Kathleen Gavaghan, Tom Halpin, Louise Hannings, Robert Hannon, Corrine Hare, Jean Hodge, Fay Holder, Dennis Hudecki, Baby Jessica Jara, Linda Jara, Kellen Jeffrey, Lewis Kershaw, Deacon George Kletzel, Alberta Klusek, Josephine Konopka, Victor Kost, Olga Kostic, Hedy Latimor, Marianne Leahy, Ed Lenox, Theresa Lenters, Mackenzie Lilly, Kendra Lutz, Carolyn Mako, Catherine Manzo, Rosemary Martella, Keelin McEleney, Patricia McGinty, Stephen McKeever, Matthew McNamee, Maureen McGill Miccoli, Geri Miller, Terry Morrissey, Katherine Murphy, Roberta McLaughlin, Teresa Nagele, Terry Nosek, Rev. Paul Obrimski, Baby Samantha O'Donnell, Anne Louise Owens, Rose Pastella, Vera Pepe, James Vincent Penkowski, Lynn Pester, Joe Ponzio, George Price, Thomas Przybek, Gloria Pytlar, Lou Rambo, Baby Harper Ann Renshaw, John Reynolds, Barbara Rogers, Stephanie Russo, Rosa Maria Santos, John Scharff, Mairead Scharff, William Scheibenhoffer, Benny Shiril, George Siefert, Baby Mason Simmons, Jack Singer, Veronica Sirianni, Madison Solis, Jason Stock, Theresa Stockmal, Joe Sweeney, Annette Terreri, Sister Mary Thaddeus, C.S.S.F., Christine Triola, Rose Triola, Johnny Van Kemp, Antoinette Viola, Christine Wack, Connor Walker, Rita Walsh, Carol Wans, Jim Weber, Denise Westwood, Charlie Whittaker, Elizabeth Wildemore, David Woczyna, Zeke Wright, Marie Yocco.

The Sanctuary Light in our Sacred Heart Chapel for the week of November 13^h to November 19th is in loving memory of Josephine Molnar and her son Tony requested by Marie and Bill Dunne and Family.



THE BEAUTIFUL GIFT OF LIGHT

The Sanctuary Light burns seven days a week, every week of the year before the Blessed Sacrament. If you would like this candle to burn in memory of a loved one in our Chapel, please call or stop by the parish office. The name of the person to be remembered and the donor will be published weekly in our bulletin.

(Suggested offering is \$20.00)

Counseling Network for Loss & Transition (CNLT) will begin the Widows & Widowers Support Group every other Tuesday 1:30-2:45 PM at Koller Funeral Home, 6835 Ridge Avenue.

Date are as follows:

November 28th, and December 12th.

For additional information call 215-482-5200.

No reservation necessary, and no fee required.



Parish News...

Confirmation Retreat Day:

November 28th, 8:30AM-2:30PM

Confirmation:

November 30th, 4PM

First Reconciliation Retreat:

April 3rd, 8:30AM-2:30PM

First Reconciliation:

April 4th, 6:30PM

First Holy Communion Retreat:

May 3rd, 8:30AM-2:30PM

First Holy Communion:

May 5th, 10AM

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

*Sawyer Daniel Altman
Rivers Anthony D'Souza
Madison Rose Yurgalevicz*



Seniors:

Our next meeting will be on Monday, November 13th. At this meeting we will be serving hot pot pies and the frozen pies will be distributed to all who ordered. Final payment is due for our trip to Dutch Apple. We will be taking reservations for our Christmas luncheon which is scheduled for December 11th. Cost will be \$17 for members and \$20 for guests.



Contact: Laura Kusniesz at 215-483-9243

IHM's Annual Christmas Bazaar! Saturday, November 18th, 2017 from 10AM-4PM

Raffle baskets, baked goods, concession items and various vendor tables!

Our special guest, **Santa Claus**, will be stopping by from 11AM-3PM!



Congratulations to the newly married couples in God's love!

*Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Angelo Auvento
Mr. and Mrs. John Thomas Rudd III*



ST. JOHN'S HOSPICE is in great need of casseroles. They pick up the last Wednesday of the month. Next month it will be **November 29th**. If you are able to make a casserole please pick up a pan in the rectory. Please make sure to label the casserole pan with the date it was made and the name of the casserole.

A Friendly Reminder

The Annual Fall Appeal letter and census was sent last month.

Thank you to all of those parishioners who have already returned their census form and donation. It is most sincerely appreciated as this is the only major Stewardship Appeal for our parish. We understand this is a busy time of year, so reminder letters will be mailed this month for those who have not had an opportunity to participate in the Appeal. If a reminder letter crosses with your census/donation return, please accept our apology. Thank you again for your continued generosity to IHM!



Open House

NOTE CHANGE
Tuesday, November 14th, 9-11AM

Job Available:

Roman Catholic High School Advancement Office is currently seeking an energetic individual to fill the position of **Coordinator of Special Events and Alumni Relations**. Responsibilities include coordination of Advancement Office social and fundraising events from concept to execution: negotiating with vendors, suppliers, programing, set-ups, etc. Additionally, Grant Writing and preparing grant applications. Excellent writing ability, customer service, interpersonal and organizational skills required. Mastery of Microsoft Office suite required, Publisher and Adobe Photo Shop; working knowledge of RaisersEdge preferred. Send resume and salary requirements, along with references to: Rev. Joseph W. Bongard, Rector at jbongard@romancatholicchs.com

The Society of St. Vincent DePaul at IHM

Our upcoming meetings are
November 20th, December 4th and 18th

NOTE: All meetings will be in Father Sullivan Hall due to renovations . Our Clothing Drive was extremely successful. Thank you to everyone who contributed. Your donations to the Poor Box and to this Drive are appreciated.

Please visit our Parish website www.ihmphila.org to read about the newly formed Ministries and consider joining us sharing your time and talent with our parishioners! (under the "Ministries" tab)



KNIGHTS
OF COLUMBUS
IN SERVICE TO ONE. IN SERVICE TO ALL.

BINGO

Sunday, December 3rd

IHM Father Sullivan Hall (doors open at 12:30PM)

First game is at 1:30PM

Contact: Mike Shiel 215-487-7296 or

mppdj52@aol.com

Sunday Offering November 5, 2017

Envelopes	\$14,079.00
Loose	\$ 987.90
	<u>\$15,066.90</u>

#envelopes 699
Average \$20.15
Poor Box \$142.30
All Saints \$3,206.15
All Souls \$2,420.00

Thank you for your generosity!

1-HOUR TRAINING SESSION FOR HOSPITALITY AND BEREAVEMENT MINISTRIES

When: Monday, November 13th from 7pm to 8pm

Where: Father Sullivan Hall

We are accepting new members to join these ministries. Please come to the training

2018 FIRST QUARTER (JAN –MARCH) PREFERENCE & AVAILABILITY FORM

All Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers and Hospitality Ministers, please complete the Preference & Availability form online. The parish website is www.ihmphila.org



We are asking that all parishioners, school parents and visitors be mindful & careful when driving through the IHM parking lot. The lot and playground are in use by the school children during recess, Mass days, CARES and gym on any given weekday and at various times. School hours are 7AM-6PM.

As we move toward the conclusion of the Church's Liturgical year, our liturgies start to make a decisive shift in theme. The scripture readings focus more on the end-times. Today in the readings, Wisdom is presented as a central and necessary value. The wisdom that we need will enable us to be ready for the second coming of the Lord. It also will enable us to be the best followers of Jesus that we can be in the present also.

The Book of Wisdom is probably the last book written chronologically in the Old Testament. Evidence indicates it was written in the second century before Christ. The purpose of the book was to build up the faith of its Jewish readers. Some readers would be pious Jews and the author encouraged their faith amid the troubles of life. Other readers were probably less convinced of Israel's faith and became captivated by Greek philosophy. For them, the book would support the traditional faith against developments of science and free thinking, reminding them of the nobility of their religion in comparison with that of their pagan neighbors. For those readers who had abandoned Judaism, the book called them back to God. For Gentile readers the book pointed to the folly of idol worship.

In the Gospel of Matthew today, we hear the parable of the ten bridesmaids. It is unique to Matthew's gospel. This parable contains many features already present in previous parables. The ten bridesmaids are divided into two groups: the foolish and the wise. The foolish ones have made no provisions for lighting their torches. The wise ones have made provision. The story assumes the Palestinian custom of the bridegrooms going to the bride's house in order to make the marital agreement with his father-in-law. When the bridegroom returns with the bride to his own home, the wedding feast can begin.

The bridesmaids are expected to meet the bridegroom and the bride as they approach the house. The foolish bridesmaids are sure that the bridegroom will not arrive at night, but the wise ones recognize that he can arrive at any time! The foolish bridesmaids are caught by surprise and are unable to obtain oil in time for the beginning of the wedding feast. The door is then locked and they are refused entrance. The lesson is constant watchfulness.

The message of the Gospel is clear. Stay awake and ready yourselves for the coming of the Lord. What do we think we need to do to prepare for the Lord's coming? What about our lamps? We should reflect on the flickering flame, the light of Christ, that each of us received at our Baptism. Our individual flame was lit from the one Light of Christ. We (most likely through our parents and godparents) are then given the admonition that it be kept burning brightly throughout our lives. Meditate on the words "wise" "ready" and "awake" today.

Father Casey

Dear IHM Parents and Parishioners:

In order to offset the costs for the school, we will be holding a Christmas Holiday Raffle for the entire month of December. A sample ticket is shown. The donation will be \$20 per ticket and the winning 3 digit number is based on the PA Evening Pick-3. You may request your favorite 3-digit number and if available, it will be issued to you. Tickets are numbered 000-999. If you would like a ticket, please send cash or a check (made payable to IHM School) in an envelope with your name, address, phone number and sellers name. We will fill out the stub and send the calendar portion home with your child or come directly to the Rectory to purchase. All stubs will be sold and kept at the Rectory. Please call Denise Calabrese at 215-483-1000 with any questions. We would encourage you to kindly participate as the proceeds from this raffle will directly benefit our school children. Thank you!

108 IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY PARISH CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY DRAWING DECEMBER 2017 BASED ON THE PENNSYLVANIA 3-DIGIT EVENING PICK 3						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
\$100 31					\$75 1	\$100 2
\$100 3	\$75 4	\$75 5	\$75 6	\$75 7	\$75 8	\$100 9
\$100 10	\$75 11	\$75 12	\$75 13	\$75 14	\$75 15	\$100 16
\$100 17	\$75 18	\$75 19	\$75 20	\$75 21	\$75 22	\$100 23
\$100 24	\$500 25	\$75 26	\$75 27	\$75 28	\$75 29	\$100 30

IHM Reserves the right to cancel raffle due to lack of ticket sales and all money will be refunded. Donation **\$20**

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.

For parish news and events that may not fit in the bulletin go to our website www.ihmphila.org and for school news visit iheartmary.org

IHM SPIRITUAL RESOURCE CENTER & FREE LIBRARY

The Center provides our parish with spiritual books, CD's, pamphlets and booklets, many of which were created by top Catholic authors, and speakers. We can use these resources to increase our knowledge of the FAITH. It's called *Faith Formation* and we are all expected to pursue it and develop it during our earthly pilgrimage. These resources are free. Any donation will be used to bring similar resources to other parishes. The Center is located just off the Main Lobby in the room formerly used for baptisms. In that same room you will find the IHM Free Lending Library. Generous parishioner have donated well over 400 books covering a wide range of Faith related topics, many by well known authors.

We need to know our Faith before we can share it.

IHM Evangelization Ministry

**NEXT BAPTISMAL DATES**

November 19th

December 3rd & 17th

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*

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

Boy Scouts—John Macoretta, Scoutmaster (215-680-1049); email: scouttroop474@yahoo.com

Casserole Day for St. John's Hospice—last Wed. of the month
Charismatic Prayer Group—Meets Thursday afternoons at 3:00 pm in the Parish Center. Gloria Domino (610-539-3455)

Choir—brings song and praise to God's house. Rehearsals—Thursdays at 7:00 pm in Church. Contact Linda Pfefferle (215-704-4652).

Church & Chapel Cleaners—parishioners who clean God's house weekly. Denise Schmidt (215-483-1000)

C.Y.O.—High School and Grade School meetings as announced.

Deadline for Church Bulletin Articles—No later than NOON on the Wednesday before the following Sunday's bulletin. Remember to check out our website for articles and events that may not make it into the bulletin. Denise Calabrese- 215-483-1000

Director of Religious Education—Mary Anne Kostic-King 215-483-4266 or email mking@iheartmary.org

Evangelization Ministry—Promote evangelization within the Parish.

Chuck Fuges, 215-482-1397, ctfuges@comcast.net

Finance Committee—helps manage parish resources

Gardening Angels - helps to maintain the Church grounds. Rosemary Kurtz at rosemarykurtz@aol.com or 215-487-0744.

Golden Age Club—Meets the 2nd & 4th Mondays, in FSH at 11 A.M. President, Laura Kusniesz at 215-483-9243.

Home & School Association—Dominica Iacovelli (President) homeandschool@iheartmary.org

H.O.P.E. Program—see schedule in the bulletin weekly.

For more info call Rosemarie Oakes (215-483-4860)

Knights of Columbus Cor-Mariae Council 4100— contact Mike Shiel 215-487-7296

Legion of Mary—Prayer and action for Jesus through Mary. Meets Wednesdays at 7:00 pm in the Parish Center. Call Wendi Wagoner 267-334-8340 or Frank Klusek 215-482-3020.

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).

Pastoral Council—advises Pastor on Parish matters.

Parish Religious Ed. Program - P.R.E.P. (formerly CCD) - Grades 1 to 6 - Tues. evening 6:30-8:00pm - school year only.

Respect Life Committee—promotes the sanctity of life, at every stage, through love, prayer and supportive programs & activities. Ann Marie Beaver (215-483-8204).

Safe Environment—promotes the safety and welfare of our children.

Scrip— S& C—Trish Campbell (215-483-2061)

Supermarket Scrip - Susan Lojewski (267-549-2746)

St. Vincent DePaul 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.

Transition Network—meets monthly in parish center to help unemployed and underemployed.

[www. TransitionNetwork.webs.com](http://www.TransitionNetwork.webs.com)

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