



**IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY
ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH**

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SCHOOL**

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Rev. Edward J. Casey, Pastor

Rev. Quan H. Tran, Parochial Vicar

Rev. Joseph W. Bongard in Residence

Rev. Sean P. Bransfield, 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 Monday, November 14, at 7pm 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 October 2, 2022

SAT.	1	5:15 p.m.	Joseph Keough
SUN.	2	7:30 9:30 11:30	IHM Parishioners Nancy De Santo Rose Salvatore 1st Anniversary
MON.	3	8:30	Fred Parone
TUES.	4	8:30	Thuyet Nguyen
WED.	5	8:30	Maria Trinh Nguyen
THURS.	6	8:30	Lorna Zito
FRI.	7	8:30	Fred & Stella Martynowski
SAT.	8	8:00 5:15 pm	Jim Di Benedetto Joan A. Reed
SUN	9	7:30 9:30 11:30	IHM Parishioners Peter, Sr. & Rose Caruso Joseph & Jennie Gampico

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

The Sanctuary Light in our **Sacred Heart Chapel**
for the week of October 3 to October 9
is in loving memory of
Lorna Zito
requested by her husband, Al & son, Nick.



PLEASE HELP TO KEEP OUR CHURCH CLEAN

Before leaving Church please check your pew and remove any personal items and bulletins. **Thank you!!**

ROSES

The rose placed in the **Church** is in loving memory of
Joseph & Jennie Gampico
requested by their daughter,
Dr. Angeline M. Gampico.



The rose placed in the **Chapel** is in
loving memory of
Lorna Zito
requested by her husband Al and son, Nick.



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, Lance Bonnet, Mary Bartsch, Anne Basara, Joan Becker, Josephine Bellace, Wayne Bielawski, Nancy Bright, Daniel Brito, Bill Burrow, Bobby Busch, Dolores Buzby, Lynn Campbell, Mary Rose Campbell, Erin Caruso, Terry Carr, Officer Andy Chan, Pete Cissone, Michael Clark, Brooke Conklin, Quint Cuffe, Earl Dandridge, Taylor Davis, Marano Donald D'Angelo, Nancy Di John, Marianne Di Mucci, Madeline DiPasquale, Janet Bollinger Doherty, Beth Donnelly, Joseph Donnelly, Francis "Joe" Elliott, Joe Evers, Peg Fierko, David Fleetwood, Bill & Dorothy Foster, Kathy Foster, Sydney Franzmann, Barbara Freiling, Dr. Angeline M. Gampico, Helen Golbeski, Kelly Gruninger, Bernadette Harwick, Brenden Heyer, Don Holt, Sheilah Janes, Frances Jefferys, Chris Kane, William Kesslerling, Sr., Marianne Klusek, Olga Kostic, Angela Kotowich, Mary Krier, Hannah Lambert, Flavia Langan, Langan Family, Dolores Lanigan, Edward Lanigan, Marianne Leahy, Agnes Leinheiser, Dorlene Long, Carol Ann Lott, 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, Scott Melina, Charlie Melough, Eileen Michel, Brian Morris, Mary Mudry, Dick & Trudy Neff, Marvin Parnes, Harry Pastella, Luisa Pellicone, Dave Pendleton, Bishop Joseph Pepe, Bill Pinto, Nicole Powlus, Kathy Pro, Tom Przybek, Karen Pulcinella, John Quirus, Clara Ragni, Junie Rakosak, Harper Renshaw, John Reynolds, Joel Rivera, Tony Ruger, Domiciano Gallego-Ruiz, Anita Russell, Timothy Sager, Jane SargusDonna Scharff, John Scharff, Mairead Scharff, Mary Ann Shaw, Bill & Theresa Sherwin, Luke Simon, Jake Stefano, Baby Caleb St. George, 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

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SOULS OF OUR
BROTHERS AND SISTERS**

Donna A. Flood



Pastor's Page

How many times have we asked someone to help us, or to join a club or volunteer for something, and we hear "What will I get out of it?" That's a good start to understanding the lesson in the scripture readings this Sunday.

We have been listening these past many Sundays to Luke's gospel. Several weeks ago, on the 23rd Sunday, Jesus had outlined the demands of discipleship. We must recognize the costs of following Jesus, and take up one's cross and follow him. In today's passage, several sayings of Jesus depict several additional aspects of discipleship.

As the Apostles are walking along with Jesus to Jerusalem, the Apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith". It is not so simple an answer. Jesus is even casting doubt on the faith that they do possess. Maybe they are too self-assured because they are accompanying him to Jerusalem. Jesus counters that even the smallest amount of faith has miraculous effect.

Jesus then goes further in helping the apostles understand their role as obedient servants. Like the servant who works long and hard in the field, the apostles should not expect reward or acclamation. In the time of Luke's community, the original target audience of the Gospel, this story may have served to admonish the early Christians to be more faithful and obedient servants without the desire for reward. Faithful service is a basic requirement of following the master.

God freely plants the seed of faith within us and offers forgiveness to all. When we accept these gifts, whether our faith seems small or great, we are simply doing what is expected of us as servants of God. A side benefit can be "getting" satisfaction for being faithful to the baptismal promise we made to Jesus. Satisfaction can grow into an attitude of gratitude.

Servants of the Lord must beware of thinking that they deserve or can earn a special reward because of their service. Jesus may be alluding also to an attitude among Jewish religious leaders of the day, that correct observance deserves God's reward. And this can also creep into 21st Century Christians of our day. The message is timeless!!

We also see the theme of perseverance woven through today's readings. The prophet Habakkuk accuses God of turning a deaf ear to the prophet's complaint about the abuses and lack of faith among the people of Judah. In essence, God urges patience. "The vision still has its time, presses on to fulfillment and will not disappoint; if it delays, wait for it." V 3.

Faith even just the size of a mustard seed can do a long way. It allows Habakkuk to withstand destruction and violence. It allows Paul to bear imprisonment and encourage Timothy to face his share of hardships. It allows the disciples to serve the Lord without recompense. Listening to the readings today, let us reflect on how our own faith has allowed us to overcome difficulties and pray for the grace to realize its strength.

Let us press on nourishing the faith that has been planted in our hearts. Help us to understand and trust that the faith we have will be enough whether life is easy or difficult.

Father Casey

Weekend Clergy Schedule October 9, 2022 **(celebrants are subject to change)**

Saturday, October 8, 2022

5:15 Vigil - Fr. Bransfield

Sunday, October 9, 2022

7:30 a.m. - Fr. Bongard

9:30 a.m. - Fr. Casey

11:30 a.m. - Fr. Quan

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

- 1) 2Kings 5:14-17
- 2) 2 Timothy 2:8-13
- 3) Luke 17:11-19



**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.**

MAINTENANCE SUPERVISOR IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY PARISH, PHILADELPHIA

Immaculate Heart of Mary Church in Philadelphia has a full time opening for a Maintenance Supervisor. This position is 12 months per year. The candidate needs to be reliable, self-motivated and able to supervise others. The candidate will be responsible for overseeing the good order, maintenance and repair of the parish campus, including the Church, Parish Elementary School, Rectory and Chapel. Basic hours are 7am to 3 pm weekdays. On call as needed in emergencies. This position is salaried with an excellent benefits package.

Interested parties should be prepared to submit a resume and work history and personal references. Please contact Emily Miller, parish business manager at emilytmiller@comcast.net or call 215-483-1000.

PART-TIME MAINTENANCE POSITION AVAILABLE AT IHM

Our maintenance department has a permanent part-time position available.

Hours are Monday - Friday 12:30 pm to 4 pm.

For more information and details call Emily Miller at 215-483-1000.

IHM Home and School Association will be hosting a "Fall Festival" in the parking lot and in Fr. Sullivan Hall on Saturday, October 15 from 11 am to 3 pm.

Face painting, bouncy castle, caricaturist, dunk tank and food trucks.

All are welcome to join in the fun!

Greetings from Immaculate Heart of Mary School!

Enrollment season is quickly approaching!

IHM will be hosting two by-appointment Open Houses this Fall on Monday, October 10, 2022 and Sunday, November 6, 2022.

Registration for our PreK3, PreK4, Kindergarten and Grade 1 classrooms for the the 2023/2024 school year will open as follows:

Monday, October 17, 2022, 9:00 am: IHM Parishioner Families new student enrollment

Monday, October 24, 2022, 9:00 am: Registration opens to the public

New IHM Families will complete our application online, submit all accompanying documents, and pay our non-refundable registration fee in the amount of \$350.00 on your designated registration date. Registration will take place beginning at 9:00 am on your designated registration day in Father Sullivan Hall. The entrance to Father Sullivan Hall is located in the IHM school/church parking lot.

Our application link will open on Wednesday, October 12, 2022 and will be posted on our school website. If you would like to receive the link to register via email on 10/12/22, please email Traci Kovach at tuition@iheartmary.org with your family name, student's name, student's date of birth, address, parish affiliation, and intended grade level for 2023/24. **Please note that your student is not guaranteed a seat for the 23/24 school year until after you submit all of your student's documents and pay your family's non-refundable \$350.00 registration fee on your designated registration date.**

Space will be extremely limited for our PreK3 and PreK4 classrooms for the 23/24 school year.

The age requirements for admission to Immaculate Heart of Mary School are:

PreK3: Child must be 3 years of age and fully potty trained (without pull-ups) on or before September 1, 2023

PreK4: Child must be 4 years of age and fully potty trained (without pull-ups) on or before September 1, 2023

Kindergarten: Child must be 5 years of age on or before September 1, 2023

Grade 1: Child must be 6 years of age on or before September 1, 2023

If you would like to schedule a tour, or have any questions about enrollment at Immaculate Heart of Mary School, please email Traci Kovach at tuition@iheartmary.org.



A GREAT BIG THANK YOU to our CYO and our school students who participated in cleaning up our school and church grounds. The fall decorations look so nice and give a welcoming feeling.

Thank you Maggie Gerber for taking on the role of service coordinator for our IHM CYO. It is wonderful that our students are taking pride in their own school & church campus.

Keep up the good work and know that all of IHM Parish is grateful to all of you involved.

**All are invited to participate at the
Public Square Rosary Rally**

Saturday, October 15 at 12:00 Noon

**Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish Church
Front Lawn on Cathedral Road**

(Please bring lawn chairs if you are unable to stand)

The Public Square Rosary is sponsored by **America Needs Fatima** and will occur across the United States on that day. Please join us and all across America to pray for our families, our children, our Church, our country, our world and also to make amends for all the offenses committed against Our Lord and the Immaculate Heart of Mary—as Mary proclaimed at Fatima.

Please visit the website: www.ANF.org for additional information.

IHM contact person: Sharon Schepise 215-482-8129 or 215-251-2222.



Make God's House your "Happy Place".

Calling All Vendors and Crafters!

Join us for I.H.M.'s annual Christmas Bazaar
on Saturday November 19th
from 10 am - 3 pm.

- The cost is \$40 per space or \$75 for two spaces.
- Spaces are limited & will be assigned on a first come/first serve basis.
- Please bring your own table.

Contact us via email at
fundraisinghsa@iheartmary.org
for more details.



Sunday Offering Week of September 18, 2022

Sunday	\$6,146.00
Loose	<u>334.00</u>
	\$6,480.00

of envelopes – 368
Average– 16.71

Thank you & God Bless you for your generosity

**The next pick up for
St. John's Hospice is
Wednesday, October 5th at 9 am.**

Casseroles



Sixth, seventh and eighth grade students and their families are welcome to join us at **Merion Mercy Academy's Open House** to be held Sunday, October 2 with Mass at 11:00 a.m. in our convent chapel followed by tours of the school from 12:00 to 3:00 p.m.

The **Scholarship and Entrance Exam** will be given on Saturday, October 15 with a make-up date of October 22. The Application/Test Registration can be completed online at www.merion-mercy.com. Students are encouraged to sign up for a school day visit to Merion on Mondays, Tuesdays or Fridays beginning October 3 through mid-December.



MERION MERCY ACADEMY

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.
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 2nd Tuesday of the month @ 7pm in the K of C Room in FSH. contact Joe Flemming (215-964-2624) or 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)

*If you need help or have a question call
Pregnancy Hotline 610-626-4006 or Pro Life Union 215-855-8150*