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Rev. Sean P. Bransfield, in Residence

Deacon Salvatore R. Bianco

MASS SCHEDULE

SUNDAY - THE LORD'S DAY

Vigil - Saturday 5:15 pm

7:30 am, 9:30 am, and 11:30 am

WEEKDAYS: IN SACRED HEART CHAPEL

Monday thru Friday 8:30 am

Saturday 8:00 am

Wednesdays when school is in session Mass will be held in the Church - 8:30 am

HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION

5:15 pm Vigil Mass

8:30 am, Noon, & 7:00 pm

HOLIDAYS: IN CHURCH

9:00 am (Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day and Thanksgiving Day)

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION IN CHURCH

Saturday 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm

TUESDAY

SOLEMN EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT AFTER 8:30 am MASS UNTIL 6:30 p.m.

MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA

TUESDAY EVENING AT 6:30 pm

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 November 5 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.

Pre-Cana Marriage Prep—November 16, 2024. See page 4 of the bulletin for further details.

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 27, 2024

SAT.	26	5:15 pm	Robert G. Reed, Sr. & Helen Reed
SUN.	27	7:30 9:30 11:30	IHM Parishioners William & Priscilla King Dorothy Salvatore 20th Anniversary
MON.	28	8:30	Maria Hoan Pham
TUES.	29	8:30	Tuat Thi Ta
WED.	30	8:30	Paul Curcio, Jr.
THUR	31	8:30	Fred Paone Vigil for All Saints Day Holy Day of Obligation
FRI.	1	8:30 12:00 7:00 pm	All Saints Day Holy Day of Obligation
SAT.	2	8:00 5:15 pm	All Souls Day Deceased Members of the Legion of Mary Joan A. Reed
SUN	3	7:30 9:30 11:30	IHM Parishioners Deceased Members of the Kostic Family Msgr. Walter Conway

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

Father of goodness and love, hear our prayers for the sick members of our community and for all who are in need.
 Maria Aduso, Josie Bucolo, Dolores Buzby, Brooke Conklin, Helen Cyzio, Maria Downey, Francis “Joe” Elliott, Dr. Angeline M. Gampico, Bernadette Giambuzzi, Lora L. Golasa, Joseph Henkel, Regina Joka, Mary Jo & Paul King, Olga Kostic, Charles Lott, Trudy & Nick Neff, Bill Pinto, Maria Prince, Christine Seymour, & Sierra, David Sparacino, Wayne Whitehouse,

We continue to pray for our men & women in the military here and overseas and for all 1st responders.



God's blessings to the newly baptized children in the Catholic faith
Cecilia Margaret Carnuccio
Michael Joseph Root, III

Sunday Offering Week of October 13, 2024


Envelopes	\$ 5,838.00
Loose	954.00
Parish Giving (E-Giving)	675.00
	<u>\$ 7,467.00</u>

of envelopes – 363
 Average - \$16.09

To make a **secure contribution** on-line please visit ihmphila.org and click on the Parish Giving Logo.
Thank you for your continued generosity.

ROSES

The rose placed in the **Church** is in loving memory of Dorothy Salvatore & Florence Schneider for their birthdays requested by The Salvatore Family..




The rose placed in the **Chapel** is in loving memory of Kathleen Thompson requested by Pat Cherry.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SOULS OF OUR BROTHERS AND SISTERS

William Hart, Rose M. Porto



The Sanctuary Light in our **Sacred Heart Chapel** for the week of October 28 to November 3 is in loving memory of Florence Hamill.



Parish Giving
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CHURCH KNEELER RESTORATION PROJECT
 We are still accepting donations for the **Church Kneeler Restoration Project**. Forms and envelopes are at all the entrances of the Church and Chapel.
 The person that you choose to memorialized, their name will be placed on a plaque that will hang in the Church. This is a beautiful way to remember your loved one and support the improvement of our Church.
 If you have any questions, please call Denise Schmidt in the Parish Office. 215-483-1000.

Pastor's Page

Today's Gospel is a sign of encouragement for us as Jesus hears and heals Bartimaeus. The name itself means, "son of the unclean one". People with such afflictions were thought to be sinners or someone in their family were sinners. They were to be avoided. They were outside the circle of salvation. It was not surprising that someone such as Bartimaeus was off to the side of the road. He had undoubtedly heard about Jesus and had faith. Although some people tried to quiet him, his persistence wins out. Jesus has his disciples call him closer. Bartimaeus responds with great enthusiasm. It is just such profound trust in Jesus that Mark wants to elicit from the Christian recipients of his Gospel.

When the blind man immediately received his sight he started to follow Jesus "on the way". This miracle-discipleship story becomes Mark's rallying call to his own Christian readers in their own situation on their way to the cross. "You have nothing to fear from him, get up! He is calling you!" Bartimaeus received physical sight to complement his spiritual insight.

Bartimaeus' response to Jesus encourages us to examine our own response. Jesus enlightens us in Baptism and nourishes us through his Word and Sacraments. The Letter to the Hebrews in our second reading today reminds us that Jesus is our merciful High Priest, who though sinless himself, "is able to deal patiently with the ignorant and the erring". Hearing our prayerful and persistent calls for healing and deliverance, Jesus reaches out to us.

The question that Jesus asks Bartimaeus is almost exactly the same as the one we heard him ask James and John last week: "What do you want me to do for you?" Where James and John asked for power and status, not seeing what they were really asking Jesus, Bartimaeus the blind man sees Jesus for who he is and asks for healing. Granted his request, Bartimaeus immediately followed Jesus. No dilly dally, no maybe next month or next time you come by...but immediately. Jesus' healing of Bartimaeus is a sign of the coming Kingdom of God, a sign that humanity's long exile from God is coming to an end.

As the responsorial Psalm today signs out, "The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy". After receiving the gift of sight, Bartimaeus responds to Jesus' call and follows him. As we gather in Jesus' name today, let us consider how he is calling us.

Father Casey



Friday, November 1st is All Saints Day and is a Holy Day of Obligation.

Mass Times are:

October 31st 5:15 Vigil, November 1st 8:30 am, 12:00 pm and 7:00 pm

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

- 1) Deuteronomy 6:2-6 (152B)
- 2) Hebrews 7:23-28
- 3) John 14:23



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.

Open Houses and New Student Registration for the 2025/26 School Year

Our next Fall Open House will be held on Friday, **November 1, 2024**. All tours are scheduled by appointment. Please email Traci Kovach, Director of Admissions, Finance and Development at tuition@iheartmary.org to reserve your Open House appointment.

New Student Registration for the 2025/26 school year for our PreK3, PreK4, Kindergarten and Grade 1 classrooms will open in October!

Registration for new IHM students will open as follows:

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, 2025

PreK4: Child must be 4 years of age and **fully potty trained** (without pull-ups) on or before September 1, 2025

Kindergarten: Child must be 5 years of age on or before September 1, 2025

Grade 1: Child must be 6 years of age on or before September 1, 2025

More details regarding our enrollment process and our New Student Application can be found on our school website www.iheartmary.org. Please email Traci Kovach, Director of Admissions, Finance and Development at tuition@iheartmary.org with any admissions questions.

We are excited to meet all of our new IHM students and IHM families soon!



Happy 4th Anniversary



The Virtual Rosary Group will be celebrating their Fourth Anniversary in November. We gather virtually every Thursday night. Please visit the parish website for the link at ihmphila.org then go to News and Events.

FALL HOUSEKEEPING

Immaculate Heart of Mary will be hosting a clothing and Household Goods Drive to benefit the Society of St. Vincent DePaul at IHM **SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 10th** from 9 AM to 12PM

SVDP will be using the services of the Thrifty Irishman Truck. Look for the truck in the Church parking lot close to the dumpsters. The Thrifty Irishman has no restrictions on what donations it will accept, so this is a good time to declutter your home with items that are no longer useful to you, but may be to someone else. **PLEASE, DO NOT BRING YOUR ITEMS TO THE SCHOOL OR THE PARISH OFFICES AND DO NOT LEAVE THEM IN THE PARKING LOT. ONLY BRING YOUR ITEMS WHEN THE TRUCK IS HERE.**



LIONESSE ANNUAL BINGO EVENT BENEFITTING THE VISUALLY IMPAIRED!



DATE: Sunday, November 3, 2024
TIME: 1:30 pm to 4:00 pm (Doors open at 1:00 pm)
COST: \$40.00 per person

We will have something new this year. In addition to our door prizes and chances on a variety of baskets (tombola) We will have CASH prizes as well. There will also be purse prizes

Water/coffee/tea and desserts are included with your \$40.00 admission fee.

Lots of fun and lots of winners!!!

Tickets are going fast! There will be a limited supply for sale the day of the Bingo.

Contact Cheryl Colubriale, 215-720-5990. for ticket purchases and information!



The Catholic Parishes of Manayunk, East Falls and Andorra will present the Pre-Cana Marriage Preparation Program for engaged couples on

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2024

in Father Sullivan Hall,
Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish
819 E. Cathedral Road.

The day begins with registration at 9:30 AM and concludes with attendance at the 5:15 PM Vigil Mass. Continental breakfast and lunch are provided. Certificates are distributed after Mass. Cost is \$100.00 per couple. To register, please call Holy Family Rectory, 215-482-0450, Monday through Friday between 9 AM and 3 PM.

Hello IHM Community!

We are currently looking for vendors who are interested in selling their items at our Annual Christmas Bazaar.

The Bazaar will be held on Saturday, November 23, 2024, in our parish hall, Father Sullivan Hall (FSH), from 10 am until 3 pm. The cost is \$40 per space or \$75 for two spaces. Each space is approximately 8 feet wide. Spaces are limited to our first-floor hallway & will be assigned on a first come/first serve basis once the completed form and payment is received. Please take note that tables are **NOT** provided by IHM or the Home & School Association. You may access the school on Friday night, November 22, 2024, from 6 pm – 9 pm, or on the day of the bazaar at 8 am to set up.

Payment is accepted via Venmo (@IHMHomeandSchool) or Check (payable to IHM Home and School, mailed to IHM Home & School, [815 Cathedral Road, Philadelphia, PA 19128](mailto:815CathedralRoad,Philadelphia,PA19128)).

You may indicate your request for a table by completing the form at the following link: <https://forms.gle/zH9qHcdgt7xYZQWK6> Or returning the attached form, along with your payment, by mail to IHM Home & School, [815 Cathedral Road, Philadelphia, PA 19128](mailto:815CathedralRoad,Philadelphia,PA19128)). A response is requested by November 1, 2024.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact our Vendor lead, Kelly Hill, by phone at 610-213-2397 or email at kellyg377@gmail.com.



The next casserole pickup for St. John's Hospice is on Wednesday, November 6 at 9 am.



St. Vincent dePaul Society
The next scheduled meetings of the

St. Vincent dePaul Society
will be held in
Fr. Sullivan Hall
from 7-8:30 pm

October 28, November 18, December 9 & 30

All are welcome to join us in this rewarding 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. Gene Martino - *Facilities Manager*
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, Bill King*

SOCIAL OUTREACH

CYO: *High School and Grade School—Christian Hochstuhl ihmcyo.athletic.director@gmail.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 Next pick up is June 5 @ 9am.*

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.: *Mary Kostic-King (215-483-4266)*
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 @ 7:30pm 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 215-850-9740.