



IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY SCHOOL

815 E. Cathedral Road
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Website: iheartmary.org

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 16, 2022

SAT.	15	5:15 p.m.	Rose & Sammy Preston & Edward Pettine
SUN.	16	7:30 9:30 11:30	IHM Parishioners Tercha Family & Padaiges Family Sean Donnelly & Deceased Family Members
MON.	17	8:30	Stefania Skarbek
TUES.	18	8:30	John Cupchak
WED.	19	8:30	Elizabeth Barron
THURS.	20	8:30	Lisa Dougherty
FRI.	21	8:30	Frank & Alberta Klusek
SAT.	22	8:00 5:15 pm	Jennie Salvitti Thomas & Nancy Plover
SUN	23	7:30 9:30 11:30	IHM Parishioners Dennis Hudecki Dorothy Salvatore 18th Anniversary

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

The Sanctuary Light in our **Sacred Heart Chapel** for the week of October 17 to October 23 is in loving memory of
Glenn A. Falso
requested by Maria Falso.



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 John, Rachael & Richard Ferretti requested by Elaine Donahue.



The rose placed in the **Chapel** is in loving memory of Donna A. Flood & John Flood requested by friends of "Flood".



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, Dan Dougherty, 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 military here and overseas and for all 1st responders.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SOULS OF OUR BROTHERS AND SISTERS

*Rev. A. Gerard Jordan, Norbertine Fathers
John Flood, Joseph Mc Andrews*



Pastor's Page

We continue our journey through Luke's gospel on the road to Jerusalem. Today we are faced with a question by Jesus at the end of the passage: "When the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"

This is more than just a rhetorical question. It is a question that demands a look inward. Are we willing to be persistent in prayer? The parable of the unjust judge has many similarities with the parable of the man waking his neighbor at midnight that we previously heard in Luke's Gospel (11:5-8). The context and lesson in these parables on persistence in prayer is comfort and encouragement for the disciples as they await the coming of the Son of Man. Keep praying. Don't lose heart!

Even Moses needed assistance in prayer as we hear in the first reading from Exodus today. Moses displays an attitude of tenacity and steadfastness in the midst of a battle. He shows great stamina in keeping his hands raised in prayer, albeit with the support of his community represented by Aaron and Hur. The lesson here is that sometimes we need that same help to pray, in the midst of great adversity. Also sometimes we are called upon to hold up someone else in prayer. There is a definite community aspect to prayer. Moses staff was not enough for them to prevail in this battle for survival. Aaron and Hur must come to his aid.

Back to the Gospel, Jesus uses the parable today of the unjust judge as an example to his disciples about the necessity of continual prayer. If a dishonest judge can be forced to offer justice through persistent petitions, how much more so will God then take care of his children who call out to him.

Paul's Second letter to Timothy charges us to be persistent, whether it is convenient or inconvenient. We can be tempted to stop praying at times when prayer is not answered as quickly as we would like. A true Christian remains steadfast in Christ. The foundation for the believer is scripture, likely understood by Paul here as the Old Testament. The canon of the New Testament was not firmly established until the fourth century.

Paul says, "remain faithful to what you have learned and believed." Through incessant prayer we more fully open ourselves to understand God's will. Prayer nourishes our faith and our faith in turn helps us to stay persistent in our prayer. Our Christian life is nourished by the scriptures we read and by our received tradition.

Let us pray that we can have the persistence of the widow, the perseverance of Moses and the inspiration of scripture to patiently persevere and persist in trusting God's merciful love for us.

As to the question Jesus asks at the end of this Gospel passage today, "when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth", the answer of course is Yes! He will find faith in those who haven't given up praying – for faith will always be found in those who pray and vice versa.

Father Casey

Weekend Clergy Schedule October 23, 2022 **(celebrants are subject to change)**

Saturday, October 22, 2022

5:15 Vigil - Fr. Quan

Sunday, October 23, 2022

7:30 a.m. – Fr. Bongard

9:30 a.m. – Fr. Bransfield***

11:30 a.m. - Fr. Casey

***Deacon Sam Preaching

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

- 1) Sirach 35:12-14, 16-18
- 2) 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18
- 3) Luke 18:9-14



**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.**

Greetings from Immaculate Heart of Mary School!

IHM will be hosting by appointment a Open Houses , 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.



Our Music Ministry has openings for new members.

Cantors, Choir and Instrumentalists

"All those who sing, pray twice!"

Come join usChristmas is coming!!!!

Please contact: Linda Pfefferle 215-704-4652 or Musicfef5@gmail.com

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

Emily Rose Mc Farlane



**RED CROSS
BLOOD
DRIVE**

**The Knights of Columbus
will sponsor a Blood Drive on
Tuesday, Nov. 1, from
2:00pm to 7:00pm in Father
Sullivan Hall.**

You may schedule an appointment online at redcrossblood.org or call 1-800-733-2767.

Online instructions to schedule an appointment:

- ☐ Under Find a Blood Drive enter zip code 19128.
- ☐ On the next page click Refine Search.
- ☐ Under Date Range click Choose My Dates, select Nov.1 on the calendar. Click Refine Results at the bottom of the page.
- ☐ Under Tuesday, November 1 you will see IHM to schedule an appointment.

If you have an existing account Sign In. If not, you can Create My Account. If you have any questions, please e-mail John Rudolph at jnrudolphjr@verizon.net

2022 Pro-Life Summer Raffle Winners

Prizes

1st- \$5,000 Valley Forge Chapter of the Knights of Columbus Perkiomenville

2nd \$1,000 Betty Caffrey Mountain Top

3rd \$500—Dot Stipa Newtown Square

4th \$250 Linda Korpel Bridgeport

5th \$250 Mary Donohue Swarthmore

6th \$100 Rita Skurka Newtown

7th \$100 Eleanor Weirman Huntingdon Valley

8th \$100 Paul Cavaliere Glassboro, NJ

9th \$100 Ellen McLaughlin—Bensalem

10th \$100 Mary Conway—Bridgeport

*Thanks to everyone who participated
in this raffle.*



PUT YOUR FAITH INTO ACTION!

The **Legion of Mary** has been active in IHM Parish for over 40 years. Our mission is growth in personal holiness through prayer and by reaching out to others searching for a closer relationship with Christ and His Church. Our way to Jesus is through our Blessed Mother Mary. Come and explore!

We meet weekly on Wednesday evening at 6:30 PM in Father Sullivan Hall.

The next meeting of the Golden Age Club will be:

Monday, October 24th.



The second collection for next weekend is for



The annual Bishop McDevitt Alumni Memorial Mass

will be held on:

Sunday November 6th at 1:00 PM at Queen of Peace Church in Ardsley.

There will be a post-Mass gathering in the parish hall. All are welcome.

For more information, please visit:

www.friendsofbishopmcdevitt.org

The next pick up for St. John's Hospice is Wednesday, November 2, at 9 am.

Casseroles



Just a reminder that all casseroles should be cooked, then frozen and should only need to be reheated.

FRIENDS IN PINK IS HOSTING THE 7TH ANNUAL FRIENDS ON THE RUN/WALK ON OCTOBER 22, @ 8AM. Location: Manayunk Tow Path Start and Finish at Green Lane to Shawmont turnaround

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.



The next meetings of the St. Vincent dePaul Society will be held in Fr. Sullivan Hall
***October 25 & November 14**
from 7-8:30 pm.

Please join us for this rewarding volunteer work.

*(The October 24 meeting has been changed to October 25).

The Annual Fall Appeal has been mailed. Please fill out the census form and be sure to return it so we can keep our database up to date.

If you have any questions please call Denise Schmidt 215-483-1000.

Thank you.



Sunday Offering Week of October 2, 2022

Sunday	\$10,237.00
Loose	493.00
	<u>\$11,730.00</u>

of envelopes – 618
Average– 18.19

Thank you & God Bless you for your generosity

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*