



*The right thing is not  
always the easy thing.*

**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*

### 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 p.m. VIGIL MASS**

**8:30 a.m., Noon & 7:30 p.m. (times may vary on certain Holy Days; please check inside pages or parish website)**

#### 1ST FRIDAY: IN SACRED HEART CHAPEL

**8:30 a.m.**

#### 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 the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays of the month at 12:30PM  
Next dates: **Today, September 1<sup>st</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup>**

**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 Wednesday, September 11, 2019 at 7:00pm** in the 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 Fall 2019 date is to be determined. Please call Denise Schmidt, parish secretary at 215-483-1000 to register for Pre-Cana. **St. Matthew's Parish Conshohocken is offering a one day Pre-Cana on October 19th.** Contact Helene@stmatthewparish.com to register.

**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 August 18, 2019

SAT.	17	5:15pm	Thomas & Nancy Plover
SUN.	18	7:30 9:30 11:30	IHM Parishioners Alice Keough Johnny Moore-21 <sup>st</sup> Anniversary
MON.	19	8:30	Helen Cahill
TUES.	20	8:30	Deceased Members of the Joseph Wolek Family
WED.	21	8:30	Krista Harron
THURS.	22	8:30	Leopold Mancuso
FRI.	23	8:30	Frank Forgione
SAT.	24	8:00 5:15pm	Anthony Chichearo Rose Sullivan
SUN.	25	7:30 9:30 11:30	IHM Parishioners Robert Avington Shane Montgomery

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



*Father of goodness and love, hear our prayers for the sick members of our community and for all who are in need.*

Alan Andreoni, Elaine Andreoni-Searle, Mary Bartsch, Elaine Bene, Joyce Bielawski, Wayne Bielawski, Terry Carr, Officer Andy Chan, Harry Christman, Michael Clark, Brooke Conklin, Renzo Contarin, Dan D'Angelo, Taylor Davis, Virginia Farabelli, Danny Forte, Michael Hansberry, Ruth Hyres, Sheilah, Janes, Francis Kane, Mary Jo King, Nancy Kline, Mr. Kosh, Mary Krier, Gloria LaNoce, Richard Levering, Keelin McEleney, Winifred Meall, Ava Danielle Mormello, Christopher Newell, Carol Newell, Chris Newell, Zina O'Connor, Christine Orzech, Dave Pendleton, Bill Pinto, James "Jim" Polisi, Sr., Tom Przybek, Baby Rayna, Joel Rivera, Anita Russell, Timothy Sager, Mary Salvatore, John Scharff, Mairead Scharff, William Scheibenoffer, Monica Scrocki, Salvatore Sparacino, Felicia Teske, Paul Teske, Molly Thompson, Rose Triola, Christine Triola, Louise Vesce, Maddox Vielman, Megan Walker, Megan Ward-Clifford, Walter Wayne Whitehouse, Charles Whittaker, Pam Wisdom, Bernadette Worthing, Marie Yocco, Anthony Zul.



*We continue to pray for our men & women in the military here and overseas and for law enforcement.*

### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SOULS OF OUR DECEASED BROTHERS and SISTERS

*Kathleen Bernhardt*

*Olga Scarci*



### ROSES



The rose placed in the *Church* is in loving memory of Krista Harron Spera requested by The Harron Family & Will Spera.

The rose placed in the *Chapel* is in loving memory of Krista Harron Spera requested by The Harron Family & Will Spera.

### READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

- 1) Isaiah 66:18-21 (123C)
- 2) Hebrews 12:5-7, 11-13
- 3) Luke 12:22-30

*The Sanctuary Light in our Sacred Heart Chapel for the week of August 19<sup>th</sup> to August 25<sup>th</sup> is in loving memory of Frank Forgione requested by his wife Philomena.*



Each Tuesday the Blessed Sacrament is exposed for our adoration in our Sacred Heart Chapel from 9 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Benediction and Novena follows.

## Pastor's Page

I am sure you have heard the old saying “shoot the messenger”. As we hear in the first reading this was first said of the prophets in the Old Testament. Today we hear the sad story of Jeremiah. Jeremiah was called to prophecy during the reign of King Josiah (628BC). He was one of the great tragic figures of the Old Testament, preaching to the complacent and falsely secure Judahites in the years before the Babylonian exile.

The role of a prophet is never easy and that was especially true for Jeremiah. He did not relish the idea of confronting people with truths they did not want to hear. He was despised and persecuted by the people he was trying to save. In spite of repeated failures at reaching the people he persevered in his calling, even as he was dragged off to Egypt to an unrecorded death around 570 BC.

Jeremiah pointed out the inevitable doom to come for Judah and Jerusalem if they did not turn things around. Jeremiah continued to preach until the destruction of Jerusalem by the Babylonians around 587 BC. Opposition and violence marred his long prophetic life as the reading today clearly shows.

As we move to the Gospel today we can see a similar theme that the message may not be well received. Jesus himself says that his message is going to cause division. Jesus announces with the zeal of a prophet, “I have come to set the earth on fire, and how I wish it were already blazing” (Luke 12:49). Jesus is well aware of the cost of such preaching as he makes his way to Jerusalem. “There is a baptism with which I must be baptized” (Luke 12:50) This would be a baptism unto his death.

Jesus means by this baptism a plunge into his mission. It is a series of mixed emotions because of the suffering connected with it. The fire Jesus speaks of is a symbol of the Holy Spirit. He is already engaged in the task of lighting a fire on earth. The fire of the Holy Spirit will be cast on the earth through the fulfillment of the events for which Jesus is heading toward Jerusalem.

Jesus in the preceding passages in Luke's Gospel has been directing his disciples on the proper attitude toward possessions and the need for constant watchfulness in anticipation of the coming reign of God. In today's passage he acknowledges that those who follow him risk even harsher difficulties – that of familial discord and rupture.

At times the Word comforts, at times it challenges. Let us pray for the strength and courage to live the words that we hear.

*Father Casey*

The second collection next weekend, August 24/25, will be for Mission Co-Op.

Thank you for your support.



**Beginning June 13<sup>th</sup> through September 9<sup>th</sup> the Rectory Summer Office Hours will be:**  
**Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday 9 am to 7 pm**  
**Thursday and Friday 9 am to 4 pm**  
**Saturday 11 am to 7 pm**  
**Sunday 9 am to 2 pm**  
**Please make a note of the Summer Hours.**  
**Thank you.**

The 2019 **ProLife** summer raffle occurs on Saturday, September 28<sup>th</sup> 2019 and the proceeds benefit the pro-life legal fund for Southeast Pennsylvania. Please call Ann Marie Beaver 215-483-8204 to get your raffle ticket today. They are \$25.00 Thank you for supporting the pro-life movement.

### Weekend Clergy Schedule: August 24<sup>th</sup> & August 25<sup>th</sup> (celebrants are subject to change)

#### Saturday, August 24<sup>th</sup>

5:15 p.m.. Vigil: Fr. Casey

#### Sunday, August 25<sup>th</sup>

7:30 a.m.: Fr. Verruni

9:30 a.m.: Fr. Bongard/Deacon Sam

11:30 a.m.: Fr. Mayfield, PINE/Deacon Sam

## Parish Information

### Weekend Offering August 3/4, 2019

Envelopes	\$10,967.00
Loose	<u>\$962.06</u>
	\$11,929.06

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Average \$18.53  
Poor Box \$350.62

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### Weekend Offering August 10/11, 2019

Envelopes	\$9,462.00
Loose	<u>\$921.40</u>
	\$10,383.40

#envelopes 600  
Average \$15.77  
Poor Box \$337.00

*Thank you & God Bless you for your generosity!*

### IHM Golden Age Club trip to Mohegan Casino (Wilkes Barre, PA)

**When:** Friday, October 18, 2019 board bus at IHM parking lot at 10:15am and returning at 7:30pm

**Cost:** \$40.00 includes \$25.00 slot play & \$5.00 food voucher

**Contact:** Laura Kusniesz, 7255 Shalkop St., Phila., PA, 19128, 215-483-9243



### The Society of St. Vincent DePaul at IHM

IHM's SVDP Society assists people in need in the Andorra/Roxborough/Manayunk areas but also in nearby Philadelphia neighborhoods. Our funding comes primarily from the poor box so please continue to be generous. If you'd like to join us in this rewarding volunteer work, come to a meeting in the Knights of Columbus Room in Father Sullivan Hall from 7-8 p.m.

#### Our upcoming meetings are:

August 26<sup>th</sup>

September 9<sup>th</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup>, October 7<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup>

November 4<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup>, December 2<sup>nd</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup>



**ST. JOHN'S HOSPICE** is in great need of casseroles. **FROZEN TURKEYS ARE ACCEPTED.** They pick up the first Wednesday of the month. Please note this is a change. They will no longer pick up on the last Wednesday of the month. Next pick up will be September 4<sup>th</sup>. If you are able to make a casserole, please pick up a pan in the rectory.



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### CASINO TRIP

**When:** Wednesday, August 21, 2019

**Where:** Resorts, Atlantic City

**Time:** Bus leaves from in front of IHM at 2:00PM, returns at 10:00PM

**Cost:** \$25 when boarding bus, \$25 back from casino

**Contact:** Mike Shiel, 215-487-7296 or email, mpps5@aol.com

Welcome to the newest members  
of our IHM Parish!

**Mr. Christopher Hammes & Ms. Lauren Pantalone**

### ROMAN CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

#### CLASS OF 1969

#### 50th CLASS REUNION

If you are a member of the class of 1969 OR if you know anyone who graduated with us, please contact one of the below committee members.

Reunion date 10-5-19 at the

Union League Golf Club at Torresdale

<https://www.unionleague.org/golf-club-at-torresdale.php>

Pat Murphy	<a href="mailto:jopat453@msn.com">jopat453@msn.com</a>	215-884-6584
Bob Johnston	<a href="mailto:rjohnston316@aol.com">rjohnston316@aol.com</a>	215-331-3412
Jerry Caiazzo	<a href="mailto:jcaiazzo113@gmail.com">jcaiazzo113@gmail.com</a>	610-507-1601
Jim Bonner	<a href="mailto:jimbonnersr17@aol.com">jimbonnersr17@aol.com</a>	610-573-1459

#### Homecoming / All Class Reunion

St. William Alumni and

All Parishioners (former and present)

All are invited to come together, reminisce and celebrate  
Sunday—October 6, 2019 (2:00-7:00pm)

Philadelphia Ballroom

2014 Hornig Road, Philadelphia, PA 19116

\$50 (open bar & buffet)

Make your reservations by calling 215-745-1389

*Checks made payable to The Church of St. William*

## Parish Information

### EWTN Special - CATHOLICS COME HOME SLIPPERY SLOPE

Tom welcomes Michael Mark, a former drug addict and dealer Witness his incredible transformation, that brought him and his 90 year old father home to their Catholic Church family and how Michael helps the homeless in a men's hospice.

(30 minutes). This program will air August 26 at 6:30 PM.

You can find EWTN program guides at each Church entrance.

### Our Lady of Peace Annual Women's Retreat at Malvern Retreat House: Sept. 13-15, 2019

Come to Malvern Retreat House to renew and strengthen your relationship with our Lord. Take time to deepen your faith in the company of other women who seek more from their faith lives. Malvern's own new rector, Fr. Jim McGuinn, will lead the retreat and share thought-provoking insights to help us explore our faith. The theme is "Christ, the Divine Physician" from the perspective of the Prodigal Son's older brother, which is sure to be an interesting twist on a familiar Bible passage. The weekend will also feature guest speaker is Gary Zimak, an author, radio personality and evangelist. Gary will speak about overcoming anxiety and stress in our lives while deepening our faith. Please consider the gift of this weekend retreat for yourself and other women in your lives. To register, call (610) 644-0400 or visit [www.malvernretreat.com](http://www.malvernretreat.com).

### PREP REGISTRATION

Hope everyone is staying cool this summer! Fall is fast approaching---**Just a reminder that Final PREP Registration is on Tuesday, 9/3/19 from 6:00-7:30 p.m. in F.S.H.** All registration fees must be paid no later than the first night of class, Tuesday, 9/10/19. Checks made payable to IHM Parish.

Also, please note that we are changing the hours for PREP on Tuesday evenings. Classes will start at 6:00 p.m. and Dismissal will take place at 7:30 p.m. We look forward to seeing our children in September. Enjoy the rest of your summer!! For further information, please e-mail: [mking@iheartmary.org](mailto:mking@iheartmary.org) or call: Mary Anne Kostic-King @ 215-483-4266.

Monday, September 9, 2019 Healing Service



### ST. MARY MAGDALEN CHURCH

2400 N. Providence Road,  
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**6:30 PM - Recitation of the Holy Rosary**

**7:00 PM - Holy Mass followed by**

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For more information visit  
[www.flameoflove.us](http://www.flameoflove.us)



## You Are Invited To *Saint John's Hospice* 2019 Fall Fling Gala

September 20, 2019, 7:30pm  
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[www.SaintJohnsHospice.org](http://www.SaintJohnsHospice.org)

Do you feel a call to serve others? Do you feel a call to serve God? The Missionary Servants of the Most Blessed Trinity will be hosting a discernment retreat day, Saturday, September 28<sup>th</sup> for all women ages 18+ that are considering religious life. Join MSBT sisters for a day of prayer, activities, reflection and fellowship. Breakfast and lunch included, \$15 donation suggested. To register go to [msbt.org](http://msbt.org) or for more information please email [voc@msbt.org](mailto:voc@msbt.org).

**Fourth Annual Padre Pio Festival** - St. Bede the Venerable Parish - Sept. 14, 15, 2019 The priests and the parishioners of Saint Bede the Venerable Church, located in Holland, Pennsylvania (Bucks County, Northampton Township), welcomes all to its Fourth Annual Mass and Festival to honor St. Pio of Pietrelcina, better known as "Padre Pio," on Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 14 and 15. The two-day event will be highlighted by Saturday Vigil Mass and Sunday 12:30pm Mass celebrated by Fr. Pio Mandato, followed by a street procession with a statue of Padre Pio through the surrounding neighborhood. The festivities continue with a healing service with confessions, a children's pavilion, musical entertainment and several specialty food and craft vendors. Plenty of free parking is available, pilgrim buses are welcome. For more information, go online to [padrepiofestivalhollandpa.com](http://padrepiofestivalhollandpa.com), or call the St. Bede parish office at 215-357-5720.

## 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. Andrew E. Lowry** - 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** - Director of Religious Education  
**Mr. Richard Strickland** - Maintenance Supervisor  
**Mrs. Denise Kavanaugh** - Bulletin and Website Editor

### OUR PARISH OFFERS SPIRITUAL RESOURCES IN OUR CHURCH and IN OUR HOMES

**Stewardship of Faith Display Case:** Free spiritual books, CD's, Pamphlets 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. Many by well-known Catholic authors.

*These Spiritual Resources are located adjacent to the Main Lobby in the room formerly used for Baptisms. Please stop in and browse before or after mass.*

*We need to know our faith before we can share it.*

**FORMED Program:** The parish also provides us with **FREE** access to a wealth of spiritual material **ONLINE**, including: FEATURE LENGTH MOVIES, PROGRAM/COURSES, AUDIO TALKS, and DEVOTIONAL EBOOKS. You can access **FORMED** by going to **FORMED.org**. Register using the Parish Code **B2H4YJ** and set up your username.

## IHM CHURCH MINISTRIES & GROUPS

### LITURGICAL

**Altar Servers:** Rev. Edward J. Casey

**Ministry of the Word (Lectors):** Sidney J. MacLeod, Jr., [sidneyj@macleod.com](mailto:sidneyj@macleod.com)

**Ministry of the Eucharist:** Mary Ann Kostic-King, [mking@iheartmary.org](mailto:mking@iheartmary.org)

**Ministry of the Eucharist Outreach:** Chuck Fuges, (215-482-1397)

**Music Ministry:** Rehearsals—Thursdays at 7:00p.m. in Church.  
Contact: Linda Pfefferle (215-704-4652)

**Ushers:** John Rudolph, Peter Caruso

**Sacristans:** Peter Caruso, [pjcaruso45@yahoo.com](mailto:pjcaruso45@yahoo.com)

### SOCIAL OUTREACH

**CYO:** High School and Grade School meetings as announced

**Boy Scouts:** John Macoretta, Scoutmaster (215-680-1049);  
email: [scoutroop474@yahoo.com](mailto:scoutroop474@yahoo.com)

**Golden Age Club:** Meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:homeandschool@iheartmary.org)

**Tuition Office:** contact Traci Kovach (215-483-1103). Hours are Tuesday & Wednesday 9a.m. to 2p.m. or email: [tuition@iheartmary.org](mailto:tuition@iheartmary.org)

**SCRIP:** S&C—Traci Kovach [scscrip@iheartmary.org](mailto:scscrip@iheartmary.org);  
Supermarket Script - Susan Lojewski (267-549-2746)

### 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.

**Parish Nurse Program:** Mary Lou Dinda (215-482-0865)

**Care of Church and Chapel Spaces:** parishioners who clean God's house weekly. Denise Schmidt (215-483-1000)

**Counters:** Ann McElroy, [irishaim@comcast.net](mailto:irishaim@comcast.net)

### SPIRITUAL OUTREACH

**Legion of Mary:** Prayer and service for Jesus through Mary. Meets every Wednesday at 7:00p.m. in Father Sullivan Hall (former Teacher's Lounge). Call Marianne Klusek (215-285-7348)

**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:** contact Mike Shiel (215-487-7296)

**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)

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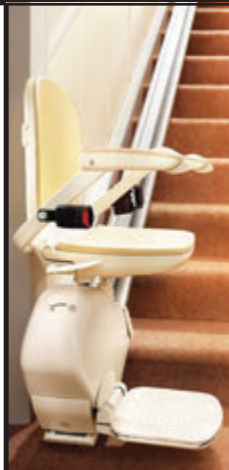
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