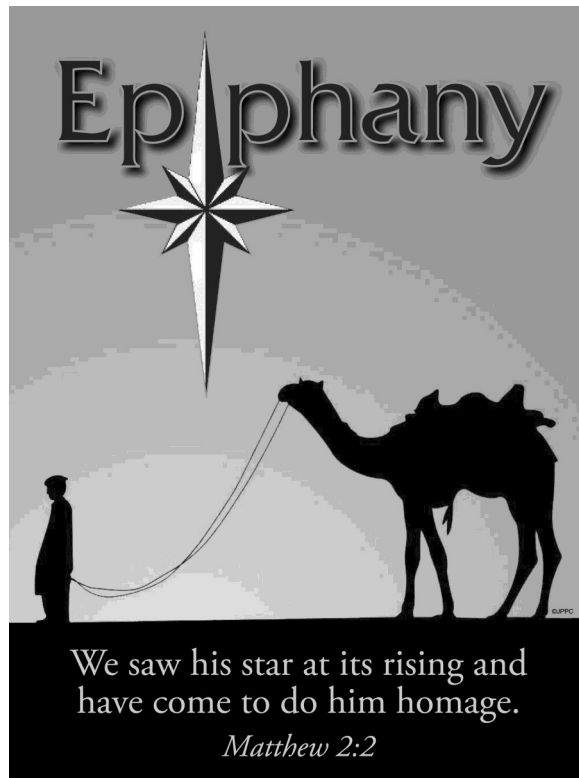


The People of God called to form the Christian Community of

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The Epiphany of the Lord, January 5, 2020



Liturgy of the Eucharist

Saturday: 5p.m. (Anticipated Mass)
Mass Schedule Sundays: 8 a.m., 10 a.m. and 12 noon
Daily Mass Monday - Saturday 7a.m. & 8:30 a. m.
Holy Days of Obligation - *See Mass Schedule on page 3*
Morning Prayer: Monday - Friday at 8:15am
Rosary: Monday - Saturday after the 8:30a.m. Mass
Novena to the Miraculous Medal & St. Jude - Saturday after 8:30a.m. Mass
Office & Eucharistic Adoration Chapel Hours: Mon - Thur. 9am - 8pm;
Fri. 9am - 4pm; Sat. 9am - 12pm & Sun. 8:30am - 11:30am
Reconciliation: Saturdays: 4:30-5 pm. Please call the office for a private confession.

Served by: Rev. Michael G. Ward, K.H.S., Pastor

Rev. Valentine Ugwuanya, Parochial Vicar

Rev. Robert Kunze, Weekend Assistant

Deacon Jack Lynch

Katie Wills - Director of Music Ministry

Mary Clinton - Pastoral Associate for Faith Formation

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MISSION STATEMENT

"We reach out to all through prayer and service, as we live our Catholic faith in Christ with Mary"

Notes from Fr. Mike



The Magi bring gifts of Gold, Frankincense and Myrrh. Tradition identifies these gifts as representative of the Kingship of Jesus, the Divinity of Jesus and the redemptive suffering of Jesus. In a way they foretell the mission of Jesus Christ as the incarnate word of God. Gold is the gift for Kings, incense is used in the worship of God, and Myrrh is the fragrant oil used in burial rituals. Christ the King is the ruler of all and leads us into the fullness of His kingdom, He is the second person of our triune God through whom the world was created, and He has redeemed and saved us through his suffering, death and resurrection. All reminders of the great gift of God’s love for all of His people.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Fr. Mike

**Scripture Reflection
Epiphany of the Lord**



*“Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh.”
MATTHEW 2:11*

The image of the Magi kneeling before the infant Jesus and opening their treasure chests for Him is an image that we should all try to follow each day. In gratitude for all that we have been given, we are called to generously share all of our gifts, not just the ones we pick and choose. God wants us to be generous with everything, but especially that one thing that means the most to you.

**Come to the quiet
“Choosing to Live in Peace”
San Alfonso Retreat House in West Long Branch**



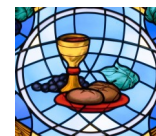
February 28, 29 & March 1 2020
The cost is \$240 and is due January 28, 2020
See bulletin insert for more details

**St Bartholomew and Immaculate Heart of Mary
Men’s Reception – January 15th**

All men of the Parishes are invited to a reception at Darby Road in Scotch Plains on Wednesday, January 15 at 7:00 pm. Join fellow parishioners to kickoff 2020, sharing appetizers, beverages and friendship. You can also learn about some of the ministry opportunities available, including the Cornerstone XII team’s plans for the upcoming retreat.

Any questions call Michael Caramico at 908-418-7202 or Brendan McNamara at 908-251-2245.

Altar Bread and Wine Intentions



*The Altar Bread and Wine was donated the week
of January 5th:*

*For the intentions of the Lundgren Family
Requested by the Cregg’s*

Are you new to Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish?

Are you interested in joining the parish? Has your contact information changed? If yes, please fill out this form and put it in the collection or send it to the IHM office.

- I am new to IHM and/or I would like to register.
- I would like to receive information regarding Faith Formation.
- I am interested in volunteering for a ministry.

Name: _____ Phone number: _____

Address: _____ Email: _____

Remember Our Sick



Mass Intentions

Sunday, January 5th

8:00 am For the People of IHM Parish
10:00 am Helen Raskowsky By Al Smith
12:00 pm Edward & Evelyn Gottlick+ By Patricia Markey

Monday, January 6th

7:00 am Dolores O'Brien+ By Sarah Manzella & Kevin Savacool
8:30 am James S. Mulholland+ By Tom Barth

Tuesday, January 7th

7:00 am James Lissmore+ By The Gelling Family
8:30 am Pat McNally+ By Betty Swisher

Wednesday, January 8th

7:00 am Dolores O'Brien+ By Pat Brookins
8:30 am Curt Marcelle+ By Dan & Rosemary Kelly

Thursday, January 9th

7:00 am Veronidia J. Yabut+ By Marilyn Gialanella
8:30 am Marc Lamendola+ By the Franciscus Family

Friday, January 10th

7:00 am Marie Arcese+ By Mary Spaeth
Joseph Pascale (living) By the Lundgren Family
8:30 am Marie & William Piga & William Piga Jr. By Janice Good-Piga & Bob +Piga

Saturday, January 11th

7:00 am Mary Hughes+ By Augrey Lotz
8:30 am Heba Fortunato By Tracey Foley
5:00 pm Frances Takars+ By Barbara Apgar

Sunday, January 12th

8:00 am Vladimir Pcolinsky+ By the Coughlan Family
10:00 am Howard & Marion Franciscus+ By the Franciscus Family
12:00 pm Fred Chemidlin+ By Patricia Markey & Family

Lee Achiron Colleen Guidera
John Allen John Heiling
Eileen Arnold Janet Kanelos
Rose Badala Eileen Lynch
Larry Biunno Maureen Lynch
Thomas Bodenberd Christine Morris
Fran Boglioli Jim McLean
James Brown June McManus
Kevin Brown Bob McMillion
John Burkert Thomas Moore
John Byrne Timothy Murphy
Anna Cassella Charlie Plungis
Matthew Cassio Hilda Pizza
Donald Checchio Madeline Pravata
Frank Chimento Diane Pricken
Colm Cosgrove Cheryl Reid
Edward Clark Joel Rivera
Joe Clarke Susan Rozborski
Ray Clark Jeannie Schroeder
Elle Crofton Bernard Slaza
Enrique Curbelo Beverly Sopp
Dorothy D'Angelo Ryder Francis Spillane
Taylor Dill Paul Szeker
Denise Donnelly Samuel Testa
Marie Farrell Carole Ventre
Albert Fischer, Jr. Daniel Ventura
Emily Fleming Sr.Elizabeth Vermaelen
Mary Flynn Stephen Voorhees
Anna Franke Christy Ward
Nicole Griffin Norah Yokom

Hospital Privacy

Please remember that current privacy laws regarding patients in hospitals do not allow hospitals/pastoral care offices to contact parishes. If you or a loved one are in the hospital and want a priest to visit, please call the IHM office at (908) 889-2100.



Remember those who have died: +

Sanctuary Light: Week of January 5th:
The Sanctuary Candle will burn for:
For the intention of Susan Intrabartilo+
Requested by Phyllis Biunno



Flowers for the Blessed Mother



For the week of January 5th:
In memory of
In Thanksgiving for my parents
Edward and Jean Winsor
Love,
Mary Beth Winsor



**Out with the old....
to help others....**

“Out with the old and in with the new” is a popular expression at this time of year. Would you be willing to clean out that closet or attic to help the many struggling members of our society? One way to do this is by donating any unwanted clothing, small appliances, shoes, linens, sheets, towels, stuffed animals, novels, toys, children’s books, and knickknacks to the Catholic Charities donation bin located on your Church grounds.

May your continued generosity brighten every day of the New Year. Thank you.

**Knights of Columbus
March for Life Bus Trip to Washington
January 24, 2020**



Help save an unborn life and change yours! Bus leaves from IHM Church. Mass begins at 6am. Bus departs 6:45am, returns about 9pm. \$35 for adults, \$25 for students, includes sandwiches, drinks, snacks. Please RSVP by 12-16. Send check to Knights of Columbus, PO Box 302, Scotch Plains, NJ 07076. Please include names and phone numbers. Make credit card payments at mkt.om/kofc5730. For more details, call Mike Romanyshyn at 908-868-2625 or email mromanyshyn@gmail.com.

**Mount Saint Mary House of Prayer
1651 US Highway 22, Watchung, NJ
908 753-2091, website: www.msmhope.org**

**Martha & Mary: Models of Hospitality
Monday, January 27, 7-9pm**

The two sisters, Martha and Mary, are found in three prominent stories in the Bible, all of which give us a glimpse into their personalities and provide reflections for our lives today
Presenter is Mary Jo Kearns, RSM
\$20-30 or what you can afford.



Do You Shop on Amazon.com?

If so, please choose Immaculate Heart of Mary, Scotch Plains through your AmazonSmile account. There is no cost to you and Amazon will donate a portion of the sale to IHM. Just go to smile.amazon.com, search for Immaculate Heart of Mary Scotch Plains and then click on “select”.

Advent Wreath Candle Lighting



During Advent our parishioners lit the wreath before each Mass. We would like to thank and acknowledge these participants:

1st Week of Advent = Candle of Promise

- 11/30 @ 5:30 == Sister Percylee Hart
- 12/1 @ 7:45 == Phyllis Manno
- 12/1 @ 9:00 == Steve and Anita Prato
- 12/1 @10:30 == Pam Bonaccolto
- 12/1 @ 12:00 == Carol Kiley

2nd Week of Advent = Candle of Light

- 12/7 @ 5:30 == Marion Berger
- 12/8 @ 7:45 == Anne Gibbons
- 12/8 @ 9:00 == Luke and his mom Mrs. Talty
- 12/8 @10:30 == Will, Billy and Annie Folger
- 12/8 @ 12:00 == Eileen Wagner

3rd Week of Advent = Candle of Love/Joy

- 12/14 @ 5:30 == John Hennessy
- 12/15 @ 7:45 == Dorothy Foulks
- 12/15 @ 9:00 == Anthony and Gabriella Carlino
- 12/15 @10:30 == Erin Kijowski and Family
(in memory of her mother)
- 12/15 @ 12:00 == The Brigante Family

4th Week of Advent = Candle of Hope

- 12//21@ 5:30 == Marie Keller
- 12//22@ 7:45 == Lori and Kerry Lee
- 12//22@ 9:00 == The Bagdonas Family
- 12//22 @10:30 == Alfonse Atkins
- 12//22@ 12:00 == Bridget Davis and family

**Minister Assignments
Weekend of January 11-12**

Saturday/ Sunday	Lectors	Extra-ordinary Ministers	Presider
5:00 pm	Good-Piga	Speth Apgar Clark Torzewski* Schaffernoth*	Fr. Mike
8:00 am	Henkels	Foulks* Keogh* Banasiak Dill	Fr. Mike
10:00 am	Davis	(N) Regal (N) Naugle (N) Dougherty Allegra (S) Fischer (Cup) Aman* (Cup) Swisher*	Fr. Rob
12:00 pm	Foley	Palomares Lundgren O'Connor Fajardo* Fajardo*	Fr. Rob

Rosary Altar Society:



If you haven't made plans to attend our January 7th Winter Luncheon, we hope you will do so now. We will meet at the Stagehouse Restaurant in Scotch Plains at noon. This will be a time to enjoy each other's company as well as some delicious food. We will have a choice of appetizer, entree and dessert. In case of inclement weather the snow date is January 14th.

Everyone in the parish is invited so bring a friend, a husband, or a relative. Reserve your seat by sending a \$40 check to Barbara Apgar at 427 LaGrande Ave., Fanwood, NJ 07023. Hope to see you there.

The Rosary Altar Society's annual San Alfonso Retreat is scheduled for February 28-March 1, 2020. Please see this weekend's bulletin insert for more details.

Have a wonderful, healthy and happy new year!

Parish Information

Religious Education Classes

Questions? Faithformation@ihmparish.net

Baptisms: Please call the office at (908) 889-2100.

Adoration Chapel:

Temporarily located in the Nazareth Center. See page 6 for new hours. Chapel closed on Holy Days and Holidays. Please note, if SPF schools are closed due to bad weather, the chapel will be closed.

Marriage:

Appointments should be made at least one year in advance. Contact the priest about a date and Pre-Cana information.

New Parishioners:

Registration forms available at www.ihmparish.net or in the office.

Ministry to the Sick & Homebound:

Please notify the parish office of those who are sick or homebound, in hospitals or are unable to worship. For urgent calls, contact 908 889-2100 at any time.

RCIA-Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults:

Religious education for adults who are either not Baptized or who are Catholic, but have not received all of their sacraments and would like to be Confirmed or receive Communion. We have flexible hours. Call (908) 889-2100. All are welcome.

Reconciliation: Saturdays: 4:45-5:15 pm

Arrangements can be made at any time for private confession. Please call the office.

Parish Schools:

St. Bartholomew Academy (908) 322-4265
Union Catholic Regional High School (908) 889-1600

Website: www.ihmparish.net



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IHM Holy Name Society

The next meeting is Sunday, January 5th after the 8:00am Mass in the church basement. All interested men of the parish are invited to join us for breakfast. We serve eggs, sausage, crumb cake and coffee at every meeting.

Please join us.



Nazareth Center Office & Adoration Chapel Hours

Monday - Thursday: 9am - 8pm
Friday: 9am - 4pm
Saturday: 9am - 12pm
Sunday: 8:30 - 11:30am

**The Nazareth Center Office is open Sundays when Faith Formation classes are taking place.*

Thank You

Many thanks to our church decorators, led by Chris Zucosky: MaryKate Schiller, Dan Kelly, Charlie Mulrooney, Chip Mulrooney, Rich Fortunato, Colm Keogh, George Staniec, Allison Staniec, John Foley, Donnagh Ryan, Mike Marino, Brendan McNamara, Joe Farrell, Bob Speth, and Matt Junio.

Also thank you to our CYO basketball players who helped to clean the church and fill the luminaries for Christmas Eve. Our church looked so beautiful!

New Mass Schedule for 2020



The new weekend Mass schedule is effective January 1, 2020.

The weekend Masses will be as follows:

Saturday: 7 a.m. & 8:30 a.m. (Daily Mass), 5 p.m. (Anticipated Mass)

Sunday: 8 a.m., 10 a.m. & 12 noon

(Weekday Masses are 7 a.m. & 8:30 a.m. Monday - Friday)

A Year End Charitable Giving Tip...

If you are 70 1/2 or older and need to make required minimum distributions (RMD) from you IRA, you can do so without the distribution being taxed. This can be accomplished by making the RMD directly to a charitable organization.

Please call the office at (908) 889-2100 for additional details.

Calendar of Events at IHM

Sunday, January 5th

NEW 2020 MASS SCHEDULE
 8:15am -Families of Faith Family Faith Formation
 9am - Holy Name Society Meeting & Breakfast
 1pm - Baptism Prep Class

Monday, January 6th

7 pm - 8th Grade Year 1 Confirmation Class

Tuesday, January 7th

Rosary Altar Society's Luncheon at Stagehouse Restaurant

Wednesday, January 8th

11am - Food Pantry

Thursday, January 9th

Friday, January 10th

5pm - Women's Cornerstone Christmas Party

Saturday, January 11th

7:30am - Men's Scripture & Discussion Group

Sunday, January 12th

Food Pantry Sunday
 8:15am - Families of Faith Gathering
 11am - Prayer Shawl Meeting



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Offertory Collection

December 22, 2019

Weekly Budget Need:	\$11,960.78
Collection:	\$10,452.00
Parish Giving:	\$1,886.56
Surplus/(Deficit):	\$377.78

Fiscal Year to Date:

Budget	\$310,980.28
Actual	\$273,445.21
Surplus/ (Deficit)	(\$37,535.07)

Sharing God's Blessings:

Pledged to date: \$44,570.00 (61.99% of goal)
 Goal: \$71,902.00

Thank you for your generosity!