

The People of God called to form the Christian Community of

Immaculate Heart of Mary Church

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The Third Sunday in Ordinary Time, January 26, 2020



Liturgy of the Eucharist

Saturday: 5 p.m. (Anticipated Mass)

Mass Schedule Sundays: 8 a.m., 10 a.m. and 12 noon

Daily Mass Monday - Saturday 7 a.m. & 8:30 a. m.

Holy Days of Obligation - *See Mass Schedule on page 3*

Morning Prayer: Monday - Friday at 8:15 a.m.

Rosary: Monday - Saturday after the 8:30 a.m. Mass

Novena to the Miraculous Medal & St. Jude - Saturday after 8:30 a.m. Mass

Office & Eucharistic Adoration Chapel Hours: Mon - Thur. 9 a.m. - 8 p.m.;

Fri. 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.; Sat. 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Reconciliation: Saturdays: 4:15 - 4:45 p.m. 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 light that shines on those in darkness is the light of Christ, the light of God’s love. That light transforms and renews us, it allows us to let go of fear, of sin, of regret, of all that holds us back. That light lets us experience the love that God has for each of us, and to experience the glory of God in our lives and to rejoice in that love. Because we are able to let go we are able to move more deeply into a loving relationship with Christ and with one another, and to respond to God’s invitation not only to follow, but to become the instruments of His Kingdom by bringing the Good News of God’s love to the people we encounter each and every day.

Peace,

Fr. Mike

Scripture Reflection The Third Sunday in Ordinary Time



“He called them and immediately they left their boat and their father and followed Him...”

Matthew 4:22

Just as Jesus called the first apostles, He calls each of us to follow Him too. Not everyone is called to leave their business or family behind, but we are expected to put God first in everything. Everything from our time in daily prayer, our talent in participating in one of our parish ministries and our treasure to support the financial needs of our parish mission.

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



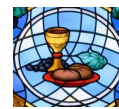
February 28, 29 & March 1, 2020
The cost is \$240 and is due January 28, 2020
Contact Christine Haight at 908 322-6462
for more information.

BINGO & Brunch Thank you!



Thank you to all volunteered & attended our MLK Brunch and BINGO. This is a community event where our teens serve out local senior citizens brunch and they play BINGO. Fun was had by all. Check out our Facebook and Instagram accounts for pictures.

Altar Bread and Wine Intentions



*The Altar Bread and Wine was donated the week of January 26th:
For the intentions of
Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish*

Help us Make the Rectory into a Home



Please join us in showering our clergy with love in celebration of the their new home by sending them needed home essentials from their Rectory Registry on Amazon. Please see the bulletin insert for details.

Any help at all, including gift cards for Amazon, Bed, Bath & Beyond, Home Depot, Lowes or Visa would be immensely appreciated. Please send gifts and gift cards directly to IHM Parish, 1571 S. Martine Ave., Scotch Plains, NJ 07076 by February 10, 2020.

Sincerely,

The IHM Fairy Godmothers Guild.

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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”. Thank you!

Remember Our Sick



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| 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 |
| Albert Fischer, Jr. | Carole Ventre |
| Emily Fleming | Daniel Ventura |
| Mary Flynn | Sr.Elizabeth Vermaelen |
| Anna Franke | Stephen Voorhees |
| Nicole Griffin | Christy Ward |
| | Norah Yokom |

Mass Intentions

Sunday, January 26h

- 8:00 am **Jeremiah O'Neil+** By Vivian O'Neil
 10:00 am **For the People of IHM Parish**
 12:00 pm **James R. Kennedy+** By Alice Van Anda

Monday, January 27th

- 7:00 am **John Wilkinson+** By Betty & Tony Perfilio
 8:30 am **Christina Medina+** By David & Evelyn Cardona & Family

Tuesday, January 28th

- 7:00 am **Nina Martone+** By the O'Donnell Family
 8:30 am **John Reilly+** By his family

Wednesday, January 29th

- 7:00 am **Lynda Morris+** By Kathleen Smith
 8:30 am **Ramon Valera+** By Paul Cassidy

Thursday, January 30th

- 7:00 am **Ramon Valera+** By Jim Kelliher
 8:30 am **Magdalena (Leni) Becker** By Barbara Riepe

Friday, January 31st

- 7:00 am **Joseph D'Annunzio+** By Colm & Geraldine Keogh
 8:30 am **Ramon Valera+** By Gil & Erlinda Fajardo

Saturday, February 1st

- 7:00 am **Tom Gonch+** By Chris Gonch
 8:30 am **Rita Salamon+** By Walter Schwaneberg
 5:00 pm **Henry Rozborski+** By the Zelonis Family
 (Birthday)

Sunday, February 2nd

- 8:00 am **For the People of IHM Parish**
 10:00 am **Bill McManus+** By Judy & family
 12:00 pm **Glenys Jane Manfre+** By her husband

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: Viola T. Danko+

Sanctuary Light: Week of January 26th:
The Sanctuary Candle will burn for:
For the intention of Robert Savittiere+
Requested by Phyllis Biunno



Flowers for the Blessed Mother



For the week of January 26th:

In memory of:
The Stantons+

Requested by Mary Beth Cregg



70 years of Catholic Education

This Catholic Schools Week is a very special one for the Academy. It marks the Academy celebrating 70 years educating our local children. We asked our teachers to reflect on what it means to such a special part of our students lives:

“In Pre-K 3 we sing morning prayers, and prayers before snack and lunch. One day I forgot to sing our lunchtime prayer and several students reminded me. I love that prayer has become such an important part of their little lives!! We are truly working with families to instill a lifetime of prayerfulness in their children.” - Mrs. Susan D’Apuzzo, PreK-3 teacher

“Being a minister to Catholic education at Saint Bartholomew Academy has been a rewarding experience. Beginning with my days of teaching Physical Education as well as PreK-4, Kindergarten, Grade 4, and now Grade 7. Teaching them not only the mechanics of language arts and writing, but most importantly, embracing the love of God in their hearts has been very fulfilling. The gifts and talents our children have are all such special gifts from God. I am blessed to be a part of a community that embraces children to be all that God calls them to be. The community of Saint Bartholomew Academy has been such a blessing to me!” - Mrs. Schoendorf, Middle School Language Arts/Writing teacher

“From the moment the students walk through the door every morning I know why I teach in a catholic school. Our vocation is to provide a caring and enriching environment with our faith as the center in all we do from academics to play. I am blessed to be a part of the SBA community.”

-Ms. Tanya Tone PreK-4 teacher

Many Gifts, One Nation: St. Bartholomew Academy will join Catholic schools across the nation by participating in the NCEA’s Day of Giving Campaign. Donations may be made online beginning on January 28 for a 24-hour period. We will use this special campaign to help keep Catholic education affordable for all those in our community. Our goal is to raise \$70,000 to celebrate our 70th Anniversary. Please help us reach this goal by donating on the 28th-29th so we can have 70 more years of guiding our students to Strive, Build, and Achieve!

**Archdiocese of Newark
Anniversary Liturgies for 2020**



Our Archdiocese will be celebrating five, twenty-five, and fifty years of **Christian** marriage in the year 2020. These anniversary liturgies will be celebrated by Cardinal Joseph Tobin in the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart in Newark as follows:

- April 19th at 3pm - people celebrating 5 & 25 years**
- May 3rd at 3pm - people celebrating 50 years**

Please contact Terry Clark at 889-2100 if you would like to take part in this beautiful Mass. RSVP by April 3rd.

**Change the World
One Act of Service at a Time
Join BOLD for Catholic Heart Work Camp**

We are calling all high school teenagers, college students, young adults and youth leaders to join us for a week of service, friendships, spiritual growth and memories that last a lifetime. BOLD will be sending teens from multiple parishes to two different cities for a week of service and fun with Catholic Heart Work Camp:

- **St Croix, Virgin Islands**
June 27 - July 3 or 4, 2020
For details and registration, go to www.boldym.com/stcroix
- **Pittsburgh, PA**
July 19 - 24, 2020
For details and registration, go to www.boldym.com/chwc

Contact Rachael Flanagan for more info: ihmsp@boldym.com or text/call 908 280-2893.

**IHM Engaging Disciples Community Team
Men’s Scripture & Discussion Group**



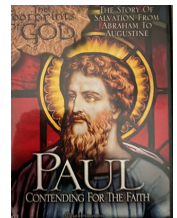
2nd Saturday Morning of the Month
7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.

2/8/20, 3/14/20, 4/11/20, 5/9/20, 6/13/20
Open to All Men.

Coffee & light refreshments will be served.
Sessions will be held in basement of IHM.

**Immaculate Heart of Mary
Bible Study**

Please join us as we study
“Paul – Contending for the Faith”
Wednesdays at 1pm
4 Sessions: January 22, January 29,
February 5 & February 12, 2020
Immaculate Heart of Mary
Nazareth Center Meeting Room
RSVP to Eileen Wagner at 908 317-8554
or email eilwagner45@gmail.com.



**Minister Assignments
Weekend of February 1-2**

Saturday/ Sunday	Lectors	Extra-ordinary Ministers	Presider
5:00 pm	Mitchell	Haight* Haight* Good-Piga Kelly* Cassidy	Fr. Mike
8:00 am	McCallion	Gibbons* Bagdonas* Wagner Conforti	Fr. Rob
10:00 am	Lewis	Staniec (S) Fischer Cregg Carlino Fortunato Diken (cup)* Prato (cup)*	Fr. Mike
12:00 pm	Hernandez	Sullivan Wagner Sapienza Sapienza McGuinness	Fr. Rob

Rosary Altar Society:



February 11, 2020 is our Half-Day Retreat. We begin the day with 8:30 a.m. Mass and proceed to the church basement where light refreshments will be available. Our speaker will be Sr. Mary Jo Kearns R.S.M., from Mount St. Mary's in Watchung. She will address "Cultivating Spirituality in our Everyday Lives." The workshop ends at 12 noon and you are invited to bring a "brown bag" lunch and enjoy a meal and fellowship. We always have a lot to share.

March 3rd from 1-3:00 pm in the Nazareth Center we will hold the "Lions and Lambs" Baby Shower in support of Raphael Life House. During February you will see designated boxes in the church vestibule, where you can place your new gifts for the shower. Please purchase only from the suggested gift list posted at the church doors.

This is a great time to take advantage of sale prices for costume jewelry. This jewelry will be donated to the children in Elizabeth who in turn will pick out something lovely for their moms for Mother's Day. This jewelry will be collected on April 14th in the Nazareth Center at 7pm during "Our Night of Inspiration." Father Rob will be our featured speaker. Please plan on being with us. Coffee, tea and desserts will be served. More information as the time draws closer.

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

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IHM Holy Name Society

The next meeting is Sunday, February 2nd after the 8:00 am 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: 9 am - 8 pm

Friday: 9 am - 4 pm

Saturday: 9 am - 12 pm

***Sunday: 8:30 - 11:30 am**

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

New Mass Schedule for 2020

The new weekend Mass schedule is in effect. 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)

Sheltering the Homeless

Our guests will arrive on Sunday, February 2nd and will be staying for a week. As we welcome them, we need dinner preparers and servers. We also need the following volunteers: evening hosts, breakfast hosts, overnight hosts, set-up, breakdown & laundry. All of our past guests have obtained housing and now have jobs. Kudos to all of you who volunteered in the past.

IHM will host Monday, Wednesday & Friday. St. Bart's will host the other days. All help is greatly appreciated. We will have sign ups next weekend. Questions? Please call Kathy Mitchell 908 322-9410.

Calendar of Events at IHM

Sunday, January 26th
Office Closed

Monday, January 27th

Tuesday, January 28th

Wednesday, January 29th

11 a.m. - Food Pantry

1 p.m. - St. Paul Bible Study

4:15 p.m. - Children's Choir Practice

8:00 p.m. - Adult Choir Practice

Thursday, January 30th

Friday, January 31st

Saturday, February 1st

Sunday, February 2nd

Hosting the Homeless

8:30 a.m. - Families of Faith Gathering

9 a.m.- Holy Name Society Meeting & Breakfast

1 p.m. - Baptism Prep Class



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Charitable Contribution Forms for 2019

There are several different ways to receive charitable contribution forms for tax purposes from IHM:

* **Collection Envelopes:** If you are using envelopes for your Sunday collection contribution, you will receive a form in the mail from our envelope company, provided you have contributed \$100 or more in 2019.

* **Capital Campaign:** Any cash or check contributions to our "Praise for the Past... Building for the Future" Capital Campaign will be acknowledged by a letter from IHM being mailed later this month.

* **Parish Giving:** You can print a contribution history activity form for all electronic fund transfer contributions through Parish Giving by visiting your account at www.parishgiving.org.

Contact Tracey in the office if you need assistance.

Offertory Collection

January 19, 2020

Weekly Budget Need: \$11,960.78

Collection: \$7,368.00

Parish Giving: \$2,196.45

Surplus/(Deficit): (\$2,396.33)

Fiscal Year to Date:

Budget \$358,823.40

Actual \$315,084.00

Surplus/ (Deficit) (\$43,739.40)

Christmas Collection to date: \$71,022.41

Thank you for your generosity!