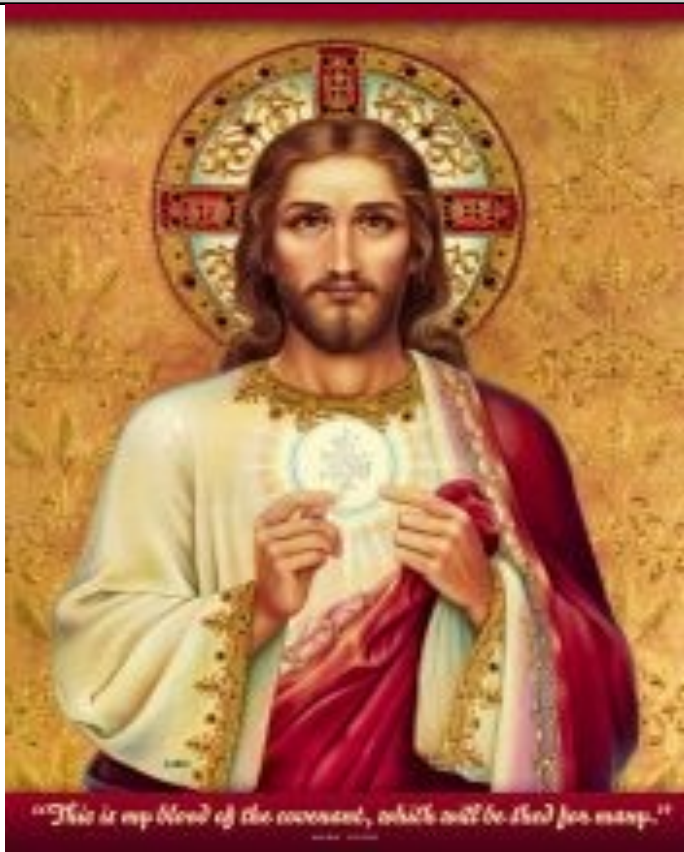


The People of God called to form the Christian Community of

Immaculate Heart of Mary Church

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Most Holy Body and Blood of the Lord— June 6th, 2021



*Immaculate Heart of Mary is now celebrating Mass in church
Please see page 2 for details. Mass will continue to be
livestreamed on Facebook & our website: www.ihmparish.net.*

*Reconciliation is now available on Saturdays from 4:15 – 4:45 p.m.
If you are in need of assistance or have questions please call or email
the office. We are monitoring our phones & email and look
forward to helping you in any way we can.*

*The IHM Office is closed to the public until further notice.
The new Eucharistic Adoration Chapel is now open.*

*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
Website: www.ihmparish.net*

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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”*



Body and Blood of Christ

Moses sprinkles the blood of the sacrifice on the people as a sign of ratification of the covenant that God has established with them, a sign of their acceptance of the covenant. The blood that Jesus uses to make the new covenant is not that of an animal like Moses, but his very own blood as he presents Himself to God as the sacrificial offering on the altar of the cross. Our participation in the Eucharist and receiving the Body and Blood of Christ is our ratification, our acceptance of the covenant. In accepting the covenant in our own lives we are then called and sent to do the same as Jesus, to give of ourselves in service to one another.

Fr. Mike



Feast of Corpus Christi

“Then he took a cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them and they all drank from it.” - MARK 14:23

Jesus, the perfect steward, gave thanks, just before He gave Himself up for us, completely for our salvation. He offers us the same chance to drink from His cup. In the bread and wine, we meet Christ personally. If we follow Him, drinking from His cup means our own self-sacrifice, using all of our gifts for the benefit of others and to do His work on earth.

The Cloud of Unknowing

Is one of the most enduring classics in spiritual literature. It has been read by countless numbers of men and women over the last six centuries and has provided readers with tremendous spiritual nourishment on their spiritual journey.

The Cloud was written from and for a fourteenth century culture. The author of the text is Anonymous. However, it is well established that he was a Carthusian monk. The text is written in middle English however it has been edited and written into clear and simple modern-day English.

The text we shall use a paperback or ebook:

***The Cloud of Unknowing
& The Book of Privy Counseling***

Forward by Huston Smith Edited by William Johnson
Random House 1973: New York

We shall meet on Zoom on Tuesday evenings from 7:15 to 8:15. I shall need your email address!
Dates: June 22, June 29, July 6, and July 13th

Any questions at all please see me after Mass or contact me at: frrob@ihmparish.net

Mass in Accordance with COVID-19 Guidelines

All Masses are now celebrated publicly in church with COVID 19 protocols. The 8:30 am daily Mass and the Sunday 10:00 am Mass will continue to be livestreamed on Facebook & on our website: www.ihmparish.net.

The obligation to attend the Sunday Eucharist is reinstated as of June 5, 2021. IHM will continue to livestream our Masses. In charity and love for our parishioners and clergy, please keep in mind the following updated protocols:

- Churches and parish facilities may return to 100 per cent capacity with no social distancing for both indoor and outdoor services and activities, as of June 4, 2021.
- If you are vaccinated, you are no longer required to wear a mask. Proof of vaccination is not required.
- Anyone not fully vaccinated is strongly encouraged to follow CDC guidance and should wear a mask as well as continuing to maintain a safe distance from others.
- Any vaccinated person preferring to wear a mask should feel free to do so.

Mass Intentions

Sunday, June 6th

8:00 am **Marge Malone+** By Maureen Pecoraro
 10:00 am **Mary & Stephen Sopko+** By the Sopko Family
 12:00 pm **Maria Donnet B. Razal** By the Family

Monday, June 7th

7:00 am **Ms. Courtney Giarritta +** By Mr. & Mrs. Charles Mathews
 8:30 am **Fernando "Dino" Velez** By Dan & Roe Kelly

Tuesday, June 8th

7:00 am **Warren & Mary Dougherty+** By The Family
 8:30 am **Paul Wallace+** By Dan & Roe Kelly

Wednesday, June 9th

7:00 am **Marge Malone+** By Colm & Geeraldine Keogh
 8:30 am **Marcella & Jim Castle+** By Bob & Betty Seery

Thursday, June 10th

7:00 am **Jack Foulks+** By Dan & Roe Kelly
 8:30 am **Sean Hanczaryk+** By John & Pat Hennessy

Friday, June 11th

7:00 am **Brown & Curtin Families+** By the Hennessy Family
 8:30am **Rylan Brax Del Rosario** By the Del Rosario Family
 (living) Happy Birthday

Saturday, June 12th

7:00 am **Irina Rivera+** By the Tricoche Family
 8:30 am **For the People of IHM Parish**
 5:00 pm **Vincent & Dorothy Fitzpatrick+** By Glenn & Elaine Carman

Sunday, June 13th

8:00 am **Marion Flynn+** By the Mc Govern Family
 10:00 am **Dino Velez** By Olive Velez
 12:00 pm **Edward Markey+** By Patricia Markey & Family

Remember Our Sick

John Allen	Anna Koch
Rose Badala	Eileen Lynch
Larry Biunno	Maureen Lynch
Fran Boglioli	Owen Mike McCabe
Erin Brennan	June McManus
Samatha Bridge	Christine Morris
James Brown	Thomas Moore
Kevin Brown	Marlene Mosko
John Burkert	Hilda Pizza
Anna Cassella	Charlie Plungis
Paul Cassidy	Diane Pricken
Matthew Cassio	Susan Rozborski
Frank Chimento	Diana Scariati
Colm Cosgrove	Bernard Slaza
Edward Clark	Beverly Sopp
Ray Clark	Ryder Francis Spillane
Albert Fischer, Jr.	Paul Szeker
Emily Fleming	Carole Ventre
Mary Foster	Daniel Ventura
Nicole Griffin	Sr. Elizabeth
John Heiling	Vermaelen
Kathleen Herron	Stephen Voorhees
Juliann Junio	Christy Ward

Remember those who have died:

Loretta Gallagher
Kevin Leary
Vincente Moricone
Mary Beth Niedzwiecki
Marie Terese Tobin



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.

The Altar Bread & Wine for the Week of June 6th



For the intention of:
Sr. Mary Geis

Requested by Ceil D'Agostino

Sanctuary Light for the Week of June 6th



For the intention of:
Marc Eric Fusillo

Requested by Tracey & John Foley

Flowers for the Blessed Mother



For the week of June 6th

In memory of
George Schmitt &
Sister Jane Frances O.P.

Requested by Mary Jane Bergen



End of the Year Writing Projects

The end of the school year is just around the corner, and our younger students are working diligently to end the year with some engaging projects.

Mrs. Christine Dencker’s second graders have just completed a beloved SBA tradition - the Flat Stanley project. This cross-curricular project required the students to read “Flat Stanley” and then create “Stanleys” of their own to send to friends and relatives. When Stanley returned, the students built a poster of his adventures to share with the class. This project is a great culmination of the theme of this year’s social studies curriculum - communities.

Third grade students are completing two writing projects. For the first project, each student will write a letter to every classmate reflecting on the school year. The letters will include something they enjoyed doing with their classmates, and descriptions of each classmate along with a hand drawn picture. The purpose of the project is for students to share the positive experiences they had with each other this year. The second project was a challenging one. The students wrote a book *Animals Around the World*. After each student selected an animal, Mrs. Maria Stetin, our third-grade teacher, assigned the students two websites for research and gave them each a writing organizer so that each student could find out facts about their animals and write an essay. The students then drew a picture of their animal. All the essays and pictures were uploaded and bound into a book. It was a wonderful project to end the year.

PROTECTING GOD’S CHILDREN CERTIFICATION SESSION

All new volunteers at IHM and those requiring recertification are invited to participate in the session we will be holding on June 22nd, 2021 at 7:00 pm in the Nazareth Center. The meeting will be “in person” and follow the current COVID protocols.

Volunteers or employees who could have unaccompanied contact with children at any time must attend a PGC session and be certified.

The session will be limited to 15 persons. Deacon Jack Lynch will conduct the meeting.

In order to register (required) please access VIRTUS Online and follow the menu to sign up.

You may also recertify online or attend a “Keeping the Promise Alive” session. Those options are available on VIRTUS Online as well.

If you have any questions concerning the IHM session please contact us at faithformation@ihmparish.net

Please direct questions concerning recertification online or “Keeping the Promise Alive” option to the VIRTUS Help Desk.

How to Report Abuse

The Archdiocese of Newark takes very seriously any and all complaints of sexual misconduct by members of the clergy, religious and lay staff of the Archdiocese.

We encourage anyone with knowledge of an act of sexual misconduct to inform the Archdiocese immediately so that we may take appropriate action to protect others and provide support to victims of sexual abuse.

Individuals who need to report an allegation of sexual misconduct may do by calling the Victim's Assistance Coordinator of the Archdiocesan Office of Child and Youth Protection at 201-407-3256.



BOLD Youth Ministry LUAU THIS SUNDAY (June 6)

WHO: All in High School and their friends (8th Graders are also invited to this night!)

WHAT: Luau party ~ FOOD ~ GAMES

WHERE: Lawn by Nazareth Center (Gym if it rains)

WHEN: Sunday, June 6 from 7:30pm-9:00pm

**Minister Assignments
Weekend of June 12-13**

Saturday/ Sunday	Lectors	Extra-ordinary Ministers	Presider
5:00 pm	Clark	C. Haight J. Haight	Fr. Rob
8:00 am	Keogh	Gibbons Dill	Fr. Valentine
10:00 am	Zappo	Diken Deacon Jack	Fr. Rob
12:00 pm	O'Connor	McGuinness Wagner	Fr. Mike



As we are entering the month of June, and the lifting of some of Covid restrictions —

“Keep calm and pray the Rosary.” Anonymous.

On Thursday, June 10th, we are planning a trip by car/car pooling to Grounds for Sculpture , ticket costs \$15 plus your lunch. Check with Pat Mazzucca at 908-889-6539 if there is any space available. Due to Covid restrictions, space on this adventure is limited to 13 people.

On Tuesday, June 29th, 12noon to 3pm, we will have our January luncheon at Stage House Tavern in Scotch Plains—no snow date needed! The Cost is \$25, see flyer for details. Janice Reilly is our chairlady to register for this event and checks are to be sent to Barbara Apgar.

As the summer months are beginning and our lives are getting busier, Our Lord is still waiting for you to visit Him in the Adoration Chapel. Thank you.

One more quote, from St Francis de Sales, “Nothing is so strong as gentleness. Nothing so gentle as real strength.”

We are still praying for you, our parish, and the world! Thank you.

God Bless,

MaryJane

Parish Information

Religious Education Classes

Questions? Faithformation@ihmparish.net

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

Adoration Chapel:

The new Adoration Chapel is open. Contact Betty Swisher at 908 889-4123 for details. Chapel closed on Holy Days & Holidays.

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: 4:15-4:45 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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**PRAY THE
ROSARY**

May 30, 2021

Weekly Budget Need:	\$ 10,784.32
Collection	5,244.00
Parish Giving:	2,683.46
(includes TEXT to GIVE)	
Surplus/(Deficit)	\$ (2,856.86)

Fiscal Year To Date:

Budget	\$ 506,863.04
Actual:	455,511.52
Surplus/(Deficit)	\$ (51,351.52)



Archbishop's Annual Appeal

The 2021 Annual Appeal is now underway. We have \$57,525.00 already pledged. Our goal is \$69,693.00. (82.54% of goal.)

The outpouring of support from many parishioners like you helps sustain the important ministries across the Archdiocese of Newark.

If you have yet to give, please pick up a pledge form at the back of the church or visit www.rcan.org/sharing.

Thank you for your prayers and support

**A Giving Option to Support Our Parish
TEXT-TO-GIVE 908-224-3545**

Text a dollar amount to (908) 224-3545; you will then be directed on how to proceed through your existing Parish Giving account or setting up an new account



Calendar of Events at IHM

Sunday, June 6th

7:30 –9:00 pm Youth Ministry Luau Party

Monday, June 7th

Tuesday, June 8th

Wednesday, June 9th

10 am - 12 pm—Food Pantry Distribution

Thursday, June 10th

9:15am - Centering Prayer /Lectio/Divina

Friday, June 11th

Saturday, June 12th

Sunday, June 13th

For more information please visit www.ihmparish.net



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**SUMMER ACADEMY
REGISTRATION**

Virtual Session #1 will run from Monday, June 28th through Friday, July 9th (No program on July 5th) There will be no session 2 this year.

The session will follow a similar format to last year's virtual program. Our theme this year is "Pray Always."

Each session will be recorded daily so you can still participate at your leisure

In person and activities will be offered throughout the summer.

Registration information: email questions to faithformation@ihmparish.net