

The People of God called to form the Christian Community of

Immaculate Heart of Mary Church

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Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time— July 11th, 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”*



A Note from Fr. Mike

Like the apostles we are called to go on mission, we are called to preach repentance, to bring healing and forgiveness which is reflective of God’s love for us. We also know that this message can sometimes be rejected, just as Jesus warns the apostles that they might face rejection, just as Amos experiences rejection in the first reading.

The experience of Amos and the Apostles teach us to place our trust in the Lord. Whether our message, our words and actions are accepted or rejected, ultimately we know that we are supported by the Lord. Even when we fail, we listen to the message ourselves, we repent and continue on our mission of bringing God’s love to a world in need.

Peace, Fr. Mike

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

“He instructed them to take nothing for the journey but a walking stick – no food, no sack, no money in their belts.” MARK 6:8

Imagine taking nothing but a stick when you go on a trip. The Apostles must have really trusted in God’s providential care. Think of all the material things “we can’t live without” in today’s world. We make our life’s journey more difficult because of all the material baggage that we drag along. Putting God first in everything and putting our money and possessions second gives us freedom because we don’t become “slaves” to wanting to acquire more things.

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.

-Reservations are no longer needed to attend mass.

Remember Our Sick

Mass Intentions

Sunday, July 11th

8:00 am **Jack Foulks+** By Donna & Bill Donaleski
 10:00 am **Carol Agnes Henkels+** By the DeVizio Family
 12:00 pm **Joseph Guidi+** By Eileen Guidi

Monday, July 12th

7:00 am **Frank Ventimiglia+** By Charlie & Geri Barcellona
 8:30 am **James R. Kennedy+** By Alice Van Anda

Tuesday, July 13th

7:00 am **Loretta Gallagher+** By Rich & Eileen Wagner
 8:30 am **Dino Valez+** By Olive Valez

Wednesday, July 14th

7:00 am **Bob Sweeney+** By Rich & Eileen Wagner
 8:30 am **Georgina Mae Good+** By Janice Good-Piga and Bob Piga

Thursday, July 15th

7:00 am **Jack Foulks +** By the Piasecki Famy
 8:30 am **Helen, Herman & Margarete De Blois+** By the Zeck Family

Friday, July 16th

7:00 am **Jack Foulks+** By the Lundgren Family
 8:30am **Lourdes Tiangco+** By the Lioanag Family

Saturday, July 17th

7:00 am **For the People of IHM Parish**
 8:30 am **William E. Barry*** By Peggy Barry & Children
 5:00 pm **Carol Rizzo+** By the Zuppone Family

Sunday, July 18th

8:00 am **Jack Foulks+** By Donna Ayers
 10:00 am **Ronda Rae Henkels+** By the De Vizio Family
 12:00 pm **Mildred & Arthur Zeck +** By the Zeck Family

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	Kathy Moul
Anna Cassella	Hilda Pizza
Paul Cassidy	Diane Pricken
Matthew Cassio	Susan Rozborski
Frank Chimento	Diana Scariati
William Consovoy	Elisa Silversey
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	



Remember those who have died
Msgr. Joseph Plunkett

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 July 11th



For the intention of:

MARGARET TRIGO

Requested by Eleanor Mc Govern



Sanctuary Light for the Week of July 11th

For the intention of:

CAROL RIZZO

Requested by the Zuppone Family

Flowers for the Blessed Mother



For the week of July 11th
In memory of the Mc Crystal & Perfilio Families

Requested by Betty and Tony Perfilio



Family Onsite Activities: (Sign Up Required)

Tues., July 13 @ 6:30 - 8pm - Family Service Project - Walkathon for Mission Clean Water

Wed., July 14 @ 6:30 - 8pm - Family Service Project - Foul Shooting Contest for St. Crispin House Diaper Drive

Thurs., July 15 @ 6:30 - 8pm - Family Service Project - Family Bingo Night for IHM Food Pantry

Tues., July 20 @ 6:30 - 8pm - Family "Music Room" w/ Katie Wills

Wed., July 21 @ 6:30pm - Family Prep for Summer Academy Mass

Thurs., July 22 @ 6:30pm - Celebrating Summer Academy Family Mass

Tues., July 27 @ 6:30 - 8pm - Family Movie Night - The Rosary

Wed., July 28 @ 6:30 - 8pm - Family "Art Room" - Make Your Own Rosaries

Thurs., July 29 @ 6:30 - 8pm - Family Living Rosary

Tues., Aug. 3 @ 9:30am - 12 noon - Family Field Trip to the Cathedral

Wed., Aug. 4 @ 9:30am - 12 noon - Family Field Trip to the Gray Friars Monastery in Newark

Thurs., Aug. 5 @ 9:30am - 12 noon - Family Field Trip to the Shrine of St. Joseph in Stirling

Please feel free to email any questions you may have about the program to me (maryclinton@ihmparish.net) or registration questions to Janet Manfredonia (janet@ihmparish.net).

Peace & blessings,
Mary



IHM FOOD PANTRY

The IHM Food Pantry is in need of donations. Demand for food and toiletries has been increasing as we work our way through the COVID pandemic recovery

Items needed include non-parishable food items, personal toiletry items and baby products.

Please bring your donations to the back of the church. Place the items in the red bins near the back doors. You may also drop donations off at the Nazareth Center.

Thank you for your generosity!

ITEMS NEEDED

- CANNED TUNA, CHICKEN, SALMON
- TOOTHPASTE
- CANNED FRUIT JUICE
- SOAP
- PANCAKE MIX & SYRUP
- PEANUT BUTTER & JELLY
- FEMININE PRODUCTS
- HOT AND COLD CEREALS
- BABY PRODUCTS
- BOXED POTATOES
- DIAPERS
- SNACKS
- DEODORANT
- RICE*
- MAC & CHEESE
- CAKE MIX
- SHELF STABLE MILK
- COOKING OILS
- CANNED VEGGIES
- TOMATO SAUCE
- CANNED FRUIT
- CANNED SOUPS
- COFFEE
- CANNED BEANS

Minister Assignments

Saturday/ Sunday	Lectors	Extra-ordinary Ministers	Presider
5:00 pm	Clark	C. Haight J. Haight	Fr. Mike
8:00 am	Henkels	Gibbons DillZ	Fr. Rob
10:00 am	Zappo	Deacon Jack Dave Diken	Fr. Mike
12:00 pm	Kiley	E. Wagner Foley	Fr. Valentine



“What gives me the most hope every day is God’s grace, knowing that His grace is going to give me the strength for whatever I face.” Rick Warren

Again special thanks to Janice Reilly for all the arrangements on our January in June luncheon and for the lovely favors she had for us. Congratulations to Barbara Apgar, Pearl Power, Kathy Mitchell, Terry Clark and Erin Miller as winners of our door prizes. All who came had a great time and the food was excellent! Great job Stage House Tavern!

All Executive Board Members, which includes officers, chairwomen of the standing committees and monthly meetings, that the next meeting will be a barbecue on August 3rd at 5:30pm at my house, 53 Highlander Drive, Scotch Plains. Any member who would like to also attend and co-chair an event please call Terry Clark for the possible events available and Pat Mazzucca for the barbecue sign up! Thank you.

The great news is that the dues is still only \$25. for a year of membership of spiritual and social events plus your copy of the Directory. You can send your check to Barbara Apgar at 427 LaGrande Ave, Fanwood NJ 07023. Thank you.

Finally, all members please mark your calendar for our first meeting, Tuesday, September 14th at 6:00 pm with a Mass and a Welcome Back Pizza Party. See you there!

A thought to carry with you during this summer—
“Be kind and merciful. Let no one ever come to you without coming away better and happier. Be a living expression of God’s kindness.” Saint Mother Teresa.

Please visit Our Lord in the Adoration Chapel, He is waiting for you to stop by!

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

Thank you and 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.

Website: www.ihmparish.net

July 4, 2021

Weekly Budget Need: \$ 11,300.00
 Collection 10,178.00
 Parish Giving: 2,527.95
 (includes TEXT to GIVE)
 Surplus/(Deficit) \$ 1,405.95

Fiscal Year to Date:

Budget \$ 11,300.00
 Actual: \$ 12,705.95
 Surplus/(Deficit) \$ 1,405.95

Rolling 4 Week Averages:

Average Collection: \$10,562.81
 Average Surplus/(Deficit) (\$350.45)



Archbishop's Annual Appeal

The 2021 Annual Appeal is now underway. We have \$61,400.00 already pledged. Our goal is \$69,693.00. (88.10% 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, July 11th

10:00 am—Food Pantry Sunday

Monday, July 12th

7:00 pm—Parish Pastoral Council

Tuesday, July 13th

Wednesday, July 14th

10 am - 12 pm—Food Pantry Distribution

Thursday, July 15th

9:15am - Centering Prayer /Lectio/Divina

Friday, July 16th

Saturday, July 17th

Sunday, July 18th

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ANNUAL PRAYER SERVICES IN HONOR OF ST. ANNE & ST. JOACHIM

The Annual Prayer Services in Honor of St. Anne & St. Joachim, parents of the Virgin Mary and grandparents of the Lord, Jesus Christ, celebrated by St. Michael Parish, Cranford, will begin July 23 and continue on July 24 & 25 at 7:00 pm each night.

On Monday, July 26th, the fest of St. Anne and St. Joachim, a special Feast Day Mass will be conducted at 7:00 pm.

Candles for the shrine for these saints are available in St. Michael's Parish Center.