

The People of God called to form the Christian Community of

Immaculate Heart of Mary Church

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Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time— July 18th, 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

As disciples of Christ we need to both lead others to Christ and also to be led to Christ. There are times when we encounter opportunities to be the bearer of God's healing grace and peace to others and time when we need to receive that healing grace and peace in our own lives. Jesus desires to take his disciples away to rest and experience his healing love after their missionary journey. To allow them to rest after giving of themselves and Christ to others throughout Israel. In today's gospel however, he finds himself unable to do so because of the vast crowd. There are times in our lives when we encounter the same thing. We desire to rest and be fed, yet the demands placed on us do not permit it. Even then we can still find the peace of Christ that will sustain us and feed us until the time when we can find the rest that we need, for as St Paul says to the Ephesians we come closer to God and find His peace through the blood of Christ which sustains and nourishes us.

MASS BOOK FOR 2022 WILL OPEN ON JULY 20TH

Immaculate Heart of Mary is opening the 2022 Mass Book on Tuesday, July 20th, 2021. Staff will not be available to take mass requests over the phone or in person. Please fill out the order form that is available on the IHM website (printed copies are in the plastic box outside of the Nazareth Center) and drop it off with a \$10 (per mass) donation in the black mailbox in front of the Nazareth Center

We will process the masses in order of receipt and we will do our best to fulfill your requests. We will call you with any questions and to confirm your order. There will be a limit of 4 masses per person. Please indicate if you need to send a card. We will arrange for you to pick up the cards at the entrance to the Nazareth Center.

You may also order a Sanctuary Candle or Altar Bread and Wine for the week at a cost of \$20. Options are included on the order form.

Our Mass schedule is as follows:

Saturday (Anticipated): 5PM

Sundays – 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM, 12 Noon

Weekdays and Saturdays: 7:00 AM and 8:30 AM

Updated Directives During the Covid-19 Pandemic

Introduction

Given the reinstatement by the Bishops of New Jersey of the obligation to attend Sunday Mass and the lessening of restrictions from the state, the following is provided as an immediate update to the May 25 directives.

Still in effect: Masks will no longer be required for fully vaccinated persons. If not fully vaccinated, persons are strongly encouraged to follow CDC guidance and wear a face mask in public settings. Masks are still required on public transit and in health care settings, prisons, child-care facilities and schools, among other places. People will no longer be required to socially distance indoors or outdoors, although unvaccinated persons should continue to maintain a safe distance from others.

These directives apply to all indoor and outdoor events.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS All ministries may return to full service – altar servers, lectors, ushers, greeters and extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion. Masks are no longer required for all vaccinated ministers, including those distributing Communion (Priests, Deacons, and EMs). However, masks may be worn for those who prefer to wear one during the liturgy.

COMMUNION While Communion on the tongue is now permitted, for the safety of the priests, ministers and other communicants, we encourage continued reception of communion in the hand. At this time, Communion from the cup should not be distributed to the assembly.

SIGN OF PEACE The invitation to share the Sign of Peace should continue. Parishioners could be reminded that it is not required to touch during the sign of peace.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION Ushers may take up the collection at the proper time or baskets may be placed at the entrance of the church for the collection. (Beginning July 17, 2021)

PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS The procession to present the gifts of bread and wine and the collection can be resumed. (Beginning July 17, 2021)

BAPTISMAL FONTS Baptismal fonts and holy water receptacles may be filled.

MUSIC Vaccinated music ministers (cantors, choirs, etc.) do not require masks or shields. Music ministers who are not vaccinated should wear a mask. All musical instruments are permitted. Hymnals are now permitted.

SANITIZING The cleaning and sanitizing of churches and common spaces should be done regularly. It is not required after every liturgy.

PARISH MEETINGS Parish meetings in person may resume. Those vaccinated are not required to wear masks for indoor meetings nor are they required to maintain social distancing. The same recommendations for Mass apply to those not vaccinated.

Remember Our Sick

Mass Intentions

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

Monday, July 19th

7:00 am Scully & Grogan Families+ By Bea Scully
8:30 am Juliette Leweis+ By Dan & Roe Kelly

Tuesday, July 20th

7:00 am Dino Velez+ By the Nizner Family
8:30 am Bob Zeck+ By Betty & Tony Perfilio

Wednesday, July 21st

7:00 am Caulfield and Boyle Families+ By Bea Scully
8:30 am Leonard Ehrlich+ By the Foley Family

Thursday, July 22nd

7:00 am Edward J. Barone+ By Ron Katims
8:30 am Marion Barrett+ By Maureen Pecoraro

Friday, July 23rd

7:00 am Helen A. Mc Lane+ By the Tricoche Family
8:30am Jack Foulks+ By Chris & Jack Haight

Saturday, July 24th

7:00 am For the People of IHM Parish
8:30 am Mary Ann Fortunato* By Rich Fortunato
5:00 pm Michael Pannullo+ By the Fischer Family

Sunday, July 25th

8:00 am Juliette Lewis+ By Leone Family
10:00 am Frank Pecoraro Birthday+ By Maureen Pecoraro
12:00 pm Bill Stelzer + By Bonnie & Brett Boyle & 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
Kathleen Herron Vermaelen
Juliann Junio Stephen Voorhees



Remember those who have died
John J. Falco
David Mbachu
Kathy Moul

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 18th



For the intention of:

ROBERT ZECK

Requested by the Zeck Family

Sanctuary Light for the Week of July 18th



For the intention of:

ROBERT ZECK

Requested by the Zeck Family

Flowers for the Blessed Mother



For the week of July 18th
In memory of the birthday of
Louis Schmitt

Requested by Mary Jane Bergen



Family Onsite Activities: (Sign Up Required)

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

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 maryclinton@ihmparish.net

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

“He said to them, “Come away by yourselves to a deserted place and rest a while.” MARK 6:31

Do you spend time, every day, alone and in silence listening to how God is calling you? If not, you are missing out on a wonderful opportunity to develop a more personal relationship with Him. Unless we talk and more importantly, listen to God every day, how else will we know how He is calling us? Consider making a retreat this year, spend some “alone” time with God.



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—July 24-25

| Saturday/ Sunday | Lectors | Extra-ordinary Ministers | Presider |
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| 5:00 pm | Zucosky | Good-Piga Torzewski | Fr. Rob |
| 8:00 am | Brennan | Di Bella Bagdonas | Fr. Valentine |
| 10:00 am | Davis | Deacon Jack Lou Zappo | Fr. Rob |
| 12:00 pm | O'Connor | Kiley Mc Guinness | Fr. Mike |

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



“This is the choice before us: either try to revolutionize the world and break under it or revolutionize ourselves and remake the world.” — Bishop Fulton Sheen

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. Please send your check to Barbara Apgar at 427 LaGrande Ave, Fanwood, NJ 07023. Thank you.

To all Rosarians, you should have received the president’s letter this week by email or US mail. So please check your email, if you have one. If you communicate by US mail, wait until Thursday, July 22, to contact me (908-753-2161) if you have not received it. Thank you.

All Executive Board Members, which includes officers, chairwomen of 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 me, Mary Jane Bergen, for the events available and Pat Mazzucca for the barbecue sign up! 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. Reservations are required, please check the bulletin for further information. See you there!

“God does not always spare the good from grief. The Father spared not the Son, and the Son spared not the Mother.” — Bishop Fulton Sheen.

Even though it is summer, Our Lord is still waiting for you to stop by and visit Him in the Adoration Chapel. He doesn’t go on vacation. We are still praying for you, our parish, and the world!

Thank you and God Bless!

MaryJane

July 11, 2021

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| Weekly Budget Need: | \$ 11,300.00 |
| Collection | 8,344.00 |
| Parish Giving: | 6,593.35 |
| (includes TEXT to GIVE) | |
| Surplus/(Deficit) | \$ 3,637.35 |

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| Fiscal Year to Date: | |
| Budget | \$22,600.00 |
| Actual: | \$27,643.30 |
| Surplus/(Deficit) | \$ 5,043.30 |

Rolling 4 Week Averages:

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| Average Collection: | \$11,642.25 |
| Average Surplus/(Deficit) | 600.09 |



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 18th

Monday, July 19th

Tuesday, July 20th

Wednesday, July 21st

10 am - 12 pm—Food Pantry Distribution

Thursday, July 22nd

9:15am - Centering Prayer /Lectio/Divina

Friday, July 23rd

Saturday, July 24th

Sunday, July 25th

For more information please visit
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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.