

Easter Sunday - April 17th, 2022

*The People of God called to form the Christian Community of*  
**Immaculate Heart of Mary Church**



*“He had to rise from the dead.”*  
JOHN 20:9

**MISSION STATEMENT**

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

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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

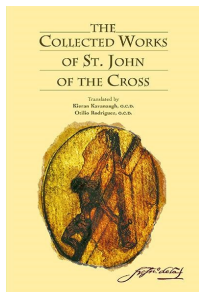
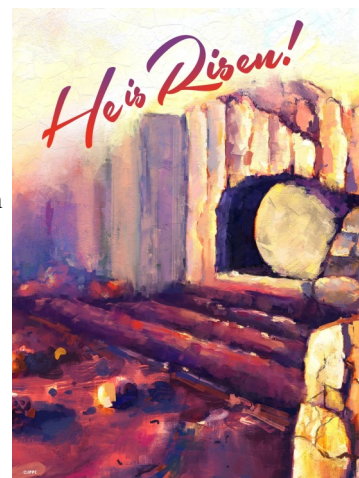


Mass will continue to Live Stream on Facebook and our website:  
[www.ihmparish.net](http://www.ihmparish.net)

## A NOTE FROM FATHER MIKE

As we celebrate the resurrection of our Lord we experience the love that He continues to show us each and every day. In response to this experience we renew our baptismal promises, we commit ourselves anew to faithful discipleship, we allow the love of God to light up not just our lives, but also the life of our community of faith and of our world. Mary of Magdala sees the tomb empty and returns to the apostles and says "They have taken the Lord from the tomb, and we don't know where they put him." We know in faith that he has risen. We know in faith that he continues to reside amongst us, in our hearts, in our gathering in His name, in His presence in the Eucharist.

We go forth this weekend refreshed and renewed to serve God and one another with grateful hearts, to share that presence of our risen Lord. As we have experienced the death and resurrection of Christ, we are also invited to live that out in our own lives, to die to ourselves so that we can rise to new and greater life in Christ Jesus. On behalf of Fr. Valentine, Fr. Rob, Deacon Jack, and all of us who have the privileged joy of serving you here at IHM, we pray that your Easter be full of hope and joy.  
 Peace, Fr. Mike



### The Collected Works of St. John of the Cross Returns!

We shall continue our discovery of the Christian Mystics beginning **Tuesday April 26, 2022 at 7:00 pm.** Everyone is welcome to join us as we take up the spiritual writings of St. John of the Cross. Our Tuesday Zoom seminars are one hour and begin at 7:00 pm and ends 8:15pm. Our book is: The Collected Works of St. John of the Cross. Our first session is April 26, 2022 at 7:00 pm. This program is estimated to run until June 7th. I have limited copies of these classic writings of St. John of the Cross. So please contact me to get your book at [FrRob@ihmparish.net](mailto:FrRob@ihmparish.net) or see me after Mass on Sunday. Thank you!  
 Fr. Rob



**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 an update to the **February 16, 2022 COVID-19 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. 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 Masses and activities in Church. Archdiocesan protocols for Religious Education and Basketball programs remain in effect.

**LITURGICAL MINISTERS:** All ministries may return to full service – altar servers, lectors, ushers, greeters and extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion. Ministers of Holy Communion must still sanitize their hands and wear a mask when distributing Communion.

**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.

**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.

### Immaculate Heart of Mary Church Schedule for Mass & Worship (schedules are subject to change)

Saturday (Anticipated) 5:00 pm  
 Sundays - 8:00 am, 10:00 am, 12:00 noon  
 Weekdays & Saturdays - 7:00 am and 8:30 am  
 National Holidays - 9:00 am  
 Holy Days - 7:00 am, 12:00 noon, 7:00 pm

Morning Prayer - Monday - Saturday at 8:15 am  
 Rosary: Monday - Saturday after 8:30 am  
 Mass  
 Novena to the Miraculous Medal & St. Jude:  
 Saturdays after 8:30 am  
 Mass  
 Reconciliation: Saturdays from 4:15 - 4:45 pm

## Mass Intentions

For the week of April 17th - April 24th, 2022

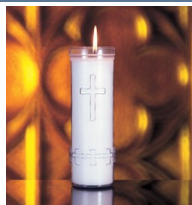
<b>Saturday April 16</b>	8:30 am	For The People	By IHM Parish
	8:00 pm	Easter Vigil - 1: In loving memory of Natalie & Henry Rozborski+ 2: Barbara McCarthy+	By The Zelonis Family By Kelly & Tom Bowen
<b>Sunday April 17</b>	8:00 am	Brian Patrick McAndrews+	By The Varela Family
	10:00 am	Salvatore Wood+	By The Verdic Family
	12:00 pm	For the People	By IHM Parish
<b>Monday April 18</b>	7:00 am	Marjorie Yanukonis+	By Marian Yaeger
	8:30 am	Mary Graham+	By Betty Swisher
<b>Tuesday April 19</b>	7:00 am	For Peace between Ukraine & Russia	By IHM Parish
	8:30 am	Ryan Casey+	By Geraldine & Colm Keogh
<b>Wednesday April 20</b>	7:00 am	For the sick at Center for Hope Hospice	By IHM Parish
	8:30 am	Deceased members of the Guarna Family+	By Antoinette Guarna
<b>Thursday April 21</b>	7:00 am	David F Regal+	By Patty Regal
	8:30 am	Rita & Russell Wagner+	By Richard & Eileen Wagner
<b>Friday April 22</b>	7:00 am	Patrick Flanagan+	By Kevin & MaryKate Schiller
	8:30 am	Kevin Dwyer+	By Bernadette Dwyer
<b>Saturday April 23</b>	7:00 am	For the Students at Union Catholic High School	By IHM Parish
	8:30 am	For The People	By IHM Parish
	11:00 am	Memorial Mass for Ed Clancy+	By IHM Parish
	5:00 pm	Natalie Rozborski 3rd Anniversary+	By The Zelonis Family
<b>Sunday April 24</b>	8:00 am	Jack Foulks+	By The Varela Family
	10:00 am	Eleanor Watson+	By The Poillon Family
	12:00 pm	Mary & Stanley Gorski+	By Arlene Knox

<i>Remember Our Sick</i>	Mary Calabrese	Emily Fleming	William Maines	Marisol Rodriguez	Carole Ventre
John Allen	Anna Cassella	Mary Foster	Jim Malfetti	Susan Rozborski	Daniel Ventura
Rose Badala	Paul Cassidy	Nicole Griffin	Bill Malone	Dolores Rust	Sr. Elizabeth
George Becker	Matthew Cassio	Kathleen Herron	Owen Mike McCabe	Diana Scariati	Vermaelen
Larry Biunno	Frank Chimento	Juliann Junio	June McManus	Arty Shapiro	Stephen Voorhees
Fran Boglioli	Edward Clark	Gregory Kamouh	Christine Morris	Elisa Silversey	
Erin Brennan	William Consovoy	Marie Keller	Thomas Moore	Bernard Slaza	
Samantha Bridge	Colm Cosgrove	Anna Koch	Marlene Mosko	Beverly Sopp	
James Brown	Ray Clark	Jillian Lapidus	Hilda Pizza	Ryder Francis Spillane	© Please advise if
Kevin Brown	Albert Fischer, Jr.	Eileen Lynch	Diane Pricken	Paul Szeker	any names can be
John Burkert	Phyllis Fischer	Maureen Lynch	Carmela Resnick	Phyllis Szeker	removed from the
					sick list. Thank you.

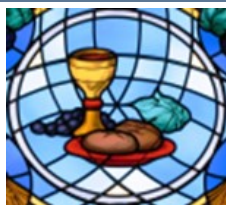


**Hospital Privacy** | Please remember that current privacy laws regarding patients in hospitals do not allow hospitals/pastoral care offices to contact parishes. If you or a loved one are in the hospital and want a priest to visit, please call the IHM office at (908) 889-2100.

## Special Intentions for the week of April 17th - April 24th, 2022



**Sanctuary Light**  
For the intention of:  
**The Gara Family (living)**  
Requested by  
Mom, Dad & Christopher



**The Altar Bread & Wine**  
For the intention of:  
**Joseph Guidi+**  
Requested by  
Eileen Guidi



**Flowers for the Blessed Mother**  
For the intention of:  
"My 4 grandchildren."  
**May Mary watch over them.**  
Requested by Elizabeth Sandiford

## Remember Our Departed



Joan Marie Guarino+  
Brian Keller+  
Vincent Mastrella+  
Laurel McKenzie+  
David Regal+  
James R Tinnes+

It is with great sadness that we announce that Mary Clinton, our beloved pastoral associate for Faith Formation will be leaving IHM at the conclusion of the Summer Families of Faith program in July. Mary has served our parish and your children with great love and integrity for the past 6 years, she will be missed by so many. We were blessed to have her lead so many of our children through sacramental preparation, the summer academy and the Families of Faith initiative. We wish Mary only the best as she moves on to the next chapter in her life, she is looking forward to taking on new projects and spending more time with her family and friends. If you know of anyone that might be suitable for this role, is a practicing catholic and has 5+ years experience in leading faith formation programs, please encourage them to send their resume to [frmike@ihmparish.net](mailto:frmike@ihmparish.net)  
Peace, Fr. Mike



**BUY A BRICK SPRING 2022**  
Please donate a brick and place an everlasting memento in the walkway & patio of "Our Lady of Fatima" garden. We are offering 2 sizes of bricks: 4x8 and 8x8. **Order deadline is May 13!** Order forms are by the doors in church.



**SAVE THE DATE!**  
**Sunday, June 26, 2022** Celebrating Fr. Mike's 25th Anniversary plus the Feast of the Immaculate Heart of Mary! Mass at 12 noon followed by outdoor music/food festival.



The Women's Prayer Group will meet on **Thursday May 5th at 7:30PM** via Zoom. The topic will be Our Lady Guadalupe. Contact [tefoleyihm@gmail.com](mailto:tefoleyihm@gmail.com) for the Zoom link. Prayer connects us all!



IHM Men's Scripture & Discussion Group: Next virtual meeting is **Thursday April 28th 7:30pm** available through Zoom. Contact David Diken at [dndiken@aol.com](mailto:dndiken@aol.com) for more info.



**GOOD NEWS!**  
**Archdiocese Sportsman Award Winners from IHM Parish**

This past Sunday Thomas Riley and Graydon Trujillo, IHM parishioners and CYO Basketball players, were awarded the Archdiocesan Sportsmanship award for their service and activity on and off the court. Joe Riley, IHM Parishioner and Basketball Coach, was awarded the Archdiocesan Adult Discipleship Award for his commitment to our basketball program and our parish. Congratulations Thomas, Graydon and Joe, and thank you for your leadership and commitment to our parish family.

**Spirituality of Knitting & Needlecraft Retreat**  
**April 29-May 1**  
Marianist Family Retreat Center in Cape May, NJ  
[www.capemaymarianists.org](http://www.capemaymarianists.org)  
or call 609-884-3829

Endorsed by Diocese of San Jose  Hope, Help, & Healing since 1981  
**Rachel's Vineyard Retreats**  
Healing from the trauma of abortion one weekend at a time.  
**April 22-24 (Spanish)**  
**May 20-22 (English)**  
Call 973-497-4350  
[cheryl.riley@rcan.org](mailto:cheryl.riley@rcan.org)



**Panther for a Day**  
**Friday April 29, 2022**  
11:45 - 3:15pm  
Academy of Saint Elizabeth  
2 Convent Road, Convent Station, NJ.  
Open to girls in 7th Grade. Register online at [www.aosenj.org](http://www.aosenj.org)



**ARCHDIOCESE of NEWARK**

**2022 Lenten Regulations**

I. The days of both Fast and Abstinence during Lent are Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. If possible, the fast on Good Friday is continued until Easter Vigil (on Holy Saturday night) as the "paschal fast" to honor the suffering and death of the Lord Jesus, and to prepare ourselves to share more fully and to celebrate more readily His Resurrection. The other Fridays of Lent are days of Abstinence.

On a day of Fast, only one (1) full meal is permitted, and two (2) smaller meals, which, if added together, would not exceed the main meal in quantity.

Those between the ages of 18 and 59 are obliged to fast. On a day of Abstinence, no meat may be eaten. Those who have reached the age of 14 are obliged by the law of abstinence.

II. The obligation to observe the laws of Fast and Abstinence "substantially", or as a whole, is a serious obligation.

III. The Fridays of the year, outside of Lent, are designated as days of penance, but each individual may substitute for the traditional abstinence from meat some other practice of voluntary self-denial as penance.

IV. The time for fulfilling the Paschal Precept (Easter Duty\*) extends from the **First Sunday of Lent, March 6, 2022** to **The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity, June 12, 2022.**

\* Canon 920, §1: All the faithful, after they have been initiated into the Most Holy Eucharist, are bound by the obligation of receiving Communion at least once a year.

**Very Reverend John J. Chadwick, S.T.D. Vicar General**  
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**LENT**  
Pray + Fast + Give

## Minister Assignments: April 23 - 24

Saturday - Sunday	Lectors	Extra-Ordinary Ministers	Presider
4/23 5:00pm	Chris Zucosky	Alice Schaffernoth John Torzewski	Fr. Val
4/24 8:00am	Rich Banasiak	Lou DiBella Ed Sullivan	Fr. Mike
4/24 10:00am	Heba Fortunato	Anthony Carlino Lou Zappo	Fr. Val
4/24 12:00pm	Regina O'Connor	Carol Kiley Diane McGuinness	Fr. Rob



**Eucharistic Adoration Chapel Hours**  
Monday - Friday 9:00am - 9:00pm  
Saturday - 9:00am - 2:00pm  
Closed on Sundays, Holy Days & Holidays

For more information contact Erin Miller at:  
erins310@gmail.com | 908-531-0128

### IHM PARISH INFORMATION

► **IHM Office is closed on Easter Monday.**

**Mass Intention Reservations:** Call or leave a message at the office (908)889-2100 or email office@ihmparish.net

**Religious Education:** faithformation@ihmparish.net

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

**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 Nazareth Center 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

**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 at (908) 889-2100

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

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## Rosary Altar Society News

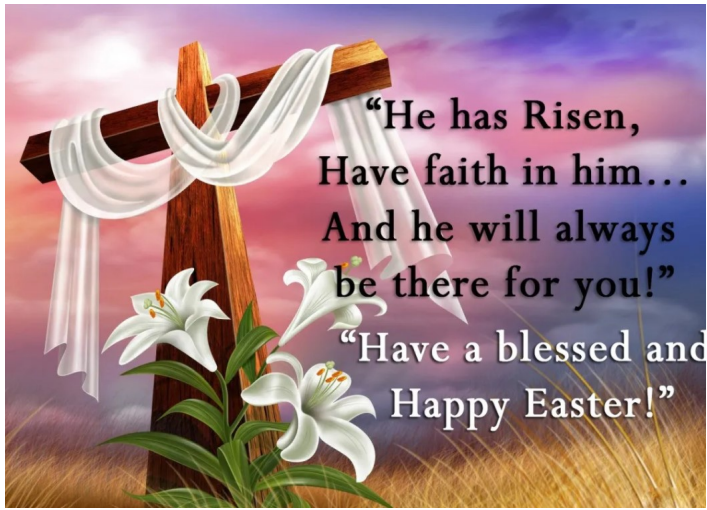


*A snapshot from the Creative Glass workshop hosted by Katie Wills. Glass candy bowls are all around, as far as the eye can see! Thank you to everyone who attended this fun filled evening!*

The quotes are from the book "Thirsting for God" daily meditations by Mother Teresa. *"May the risen Christ be your joy and peace. May the joy of the risen Christ be your strength in your work, your way to the Father, your light to guide you, your Bread of Life. Remember that the passion of Christ always ends in the joy of the resurrection. When you feel in your own heart the suffering Christ, remember that the resurrection has to come. The joy of Easter will dawn."*

1. We want to thank Katie Wills for taking us into the world of Glass! We learned about the different types of glass and in particular the history of the glass we were using to create our candy dishes. Many thanks to Barbara Apgar and Barbara Mrozek all the little details that they did to create this fun event. Also much thanks to all behind the scene in preparation for this event. All who participated had an enjoyable evening.
2. Reminder to all Executive Board Members that there is a Board Meeting scheduled for **Tuesday, April 19th at 6:15pm**, at the Nazareth Center Meeting room. All new and retiring officers and committee chairladies are invited. Please RSVP BY APRIL 14th to me at 908-753-2161.
3. After the 10:00am Mass on **May 15, 2022**, our new slate of officers for the 2022-24 term will be installed. All new members from the past two years will also be installed and receive their Miraculous Medal. I will be inviting those new members to that installation. If you do not receive an invite by April 20th please call me at 908-753-2161. Thank you.
4. All ladies of the parish please mark your calendar for The Rosary Altar Society Communion Luncheon, which will be held on **May 15th at the Shackamaxon Country Club**. The time is from 11:30am to 2:30pm and the cost is \$45. Please check the flyer for more details on the menu. Deadline to register is May 1st.
5. Parishioners, we still have critical openings at the Adoration Chapel when there is no one to come and visit with Our Lord. Please if you can spare some time, call Erin Miller at 908-531-0128 to check on those critical openings! Thank you.
6. Do you like clean linens? We still need your help! Our Lord deserves clean linens. If you can iron a man's handkerchief, congratulations you qualify for this opportunity to thank Our Lord for all He has done for you! Please call Betty Perfilio at 908-889-4868. Thank you.
7. Have you been to the Botanical Gardens in NY, lately? If not, save the date **June 8th**. This will be our first bus trip in two years! The trip will include transportation to and from, admission to the Gardens, a tram ride in the Gardens and lunch! More information to follow!!

Final quote, *"Serve God Joyfully. Let there be no sadness in your life: the only true sorrow is sin."* I want to wish everyone a very Blessed and Joyful Easter! We are still praying for you, our parish, and especially the world! Thank you and God Bless!  
MaryJane



**HIGH SCHOOL TEENS!**

**Catholic Heart Work Camp, our Summer Service Trip!**  
Who: All High School Teens (8th Graders-Graduating Seniors)  
What: Summer Mission Trip with Catholic Heart Workcamp  
When: Sunday, June 26th - Friday, July 1st  
Where: Bridgeport, CT (transportation provided via carpool)  
 \*Previously based out of Hartford, CT\*  
Why: Join us for a great week of service, friendships, spiritual growth, and memories that will last a lifetime. Here's your chance to inspire others to live as disciples of Christ through a life of service. Plus, we have a blast!  
Registration Cost: \$375. In addition to the registration fee, all teens must fundraise a minimum of \$275 toward the trip.  
 Register at [www.boldym.com/chwc](http://www.boldym.com/chwc)  
 Contact Rachael Flanagan with any questions!  
 Email [ihmsp@boldym.com](mailto:ihmsp@boldym.com) or Call / Text (908) 280-2893



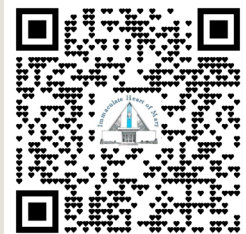
**@ St. Barts:** The students have enjoyed going outside & praying the Stations of the Cross with their Sixth grade prayer buddies. The togetherness reflects the family like atmosphere at the Academy and encourages the students to celebrate their faith together.

IHM EVENT CALENDER	
<b>Easter Sunday April 17</b>	
8:00 am	Easter Mass
10:00 am	Easter Mass
12:00 pm	Easter Mass
<b>Easter Monday April 18</b>	
<b>Tuesday April 19</b>	
7:00 pm	Rosary Executive Board Meeting
<b>Wednesday April 20</b>	
10:00 am	Food Pantry
8:00 pm	Choir Practice
<b>Thursday April 21</b>	
9:30 am	Centering Prayer/Lectio Divina Zoom
<b>Friday April 22 Earth Day</b>	
<b>Saturday April 23</b>	
<b>Sunday April 24</b>	
10:00 am	8th Grade Confirmation Rite of Service
3:00 pm	Anniversary Liturgy @ Sacred Heart



**Faith Formation Spring - Summer 2022 Event Schedule**  
**Sun 4/24** - 10:00 am - 8th Grade Confirmation Rite of Service  
**Sat 4/30** - 10:00 am - Reception of First Communion  
**Sat 4/30** - 4:30 pm - 9th Grade Confirmation Easter Gathering  
  
**Sun 5/1** - 10:00 am - Reception of First Communion  
**Sat 5/7** - 10:00 am - Reception of First Communion II  
**Fri 5/13** - 6:30 pm - 9th Grade Confirmation Practice  
**Sat 5/14** - 11am + 2pm - 9th Grade Confirmation Ceremony  
**Wed 5/18** - 7:00 pm - Parent/Child Inquiry Meeting  
  
**Registration Deadline 2022-2023 Programs: Ends 6/1**  
 Summer Program 2022: **Monday 6/27 - Friday 7/8**

For full details and fees please visit our Youth & Families page at: [www.ihmparish.net/childrensfaithformation](http://www.ihmparish.net/childrensfaithformation)



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