

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time - August 14th, 2022

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John McGuire: 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**

Our readings this Sunday show us that often there is a cost to discipleship. Yet, Jeremiah and Jesus do not run away from the sacrifice and difficulties that come with doing the will of God because they both know that these difficulties and hardships are temporary and that God will guide them and protect them. The Letter to the Hebrews encourages us also to continue to run the race for the Joy that awaits us in the end, a joy we can also experience now in our relationship with Christ and with one another, despite the difficulties that we may also encounter.

The saints also witness for us the value of this commitment to discipleship and how the empowering love of Christ that gave them courage and strength to continue the journey. Christ offers us that same empowering love so that we too can witness the love of God in our lives and world today.

Peace, Fr. Mike



**We Need Help Live-Streaming Mass!**

Typically morning Mass lasts between 25-55 minutes. No technical background required. We will teach you everything we know! There is no long term commitment.

Please contact the parish office at 908-889-2100 or email [office@ihmparish.net](mailto:office@ihmparish.net).

**How to Report Abuse:** The Archdiocese of Newark takes very seriously any and all credible complaints of sexual abuse of minors by members of the clergy, religious, lay staff and volunteers of the Archdiocese. We encourage anyone with knowledge of an act of sexual abuse of a minor to inform the Archdiocese immediately so that we can take appropriate action to protect others and provide support to victims of sexual abuse.

**Whom can I contact to report an allegation of sexual abuse or misconduct?**

If you suspect a child is in imminent danger from abuse, please call 911 immediately.

Contact the Division of Child Protection and Permanency (DCPP)

24-Hour Child Abuse Hotline:

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New Jersey Clergy Abuse Hotline:

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**Archdiocese of Newark - COVID-19 Directives - Updated May 15, 2022**

**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 is 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  
Novena to the Miraculous Medal & St. Jude: Saturdays after 8:30 am  
Reconciliation: Saturdays from 4:15 - 4:45 pm

## Mass Intentions

For the week of August 14th - August 21st, 2022

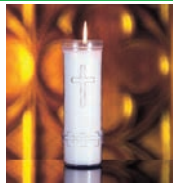
<b>Saturday August 13</b>	7:00 am	Russ Wills (living)	By Katie
	8:30 am	Danny Kelly+	By Mom & Dad & Family
	5:00 pm	Francis McElroy+	By Lynne & Jim O'Connor
<b>Sunday August 14</b>	8:00 am	For the People	By The Parish
	10:00 am	Adele & John Stephanik+	By The Lundgren Family
	12:00 pm	Joseph Guidi+	By Eileen Guidi
<b>Monday August 15</b>	7:00 am	Sr. Margaret Murphy+	By The Lewis Family
	8:30 am	David Regal+	By Tracey Foley
<b>Tuesday August 16</b>	7:00 am	Heba Fortunato (living)	By IHM Pastoral Council
	8:30 am	Joseph Krall+	By Janice Good Piga & Bob Piga
<b>Wednesday August 17</b>	7:00 am	Lydia Zullo+	By Emil & Janet Manfredonia
	8:30 am	Burns/Grogan Families+	By Bea Scully
<b>Thursday August 18</b>	7:00 am	Maria M. Diaz+	By Cornelia Fernandez
	8:30 am	James R. Kennedy+	By Kerry Caspersen
<b>Friday August 19</b>	7:00 am	Alana Beardsley+ and Jillian Miele (living)	By IHM Pastoral Council
	8:30 am	John Gonnella+	By Theresa Gonnella
<b>Saturday August 20</b>	7:00 am	Edgardo Tiangco+	By The Lioanag Family
	8:30 am	Jim McArdle+	By Dan & Rosemary Kelly
	5:00 pm	Barbara & William Apgar Birthday (living)	By Barbara Apgar
<b>Sunday August 21</b>	8:00 am	Robert J. Bergen Anniversary of Death+	By Mary Jane Bergen
	10:00 am	Dominika, Katarine & Martin (living)	By The Nizner Family
	12:00 pm	Francesco Buscini+	By The Buscini Family

<u>Remember Our Sick</u>	John Burkert	Phyllis Fischer	Eileen Lynch	Carmela Resnick	Phyllis Szeker
John Allen	Mary Calabrese	Emily Fleming	Maureen Lynch	Marisol Rodriguez	Carole Ventre
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Fran Boglioli	Edward Clark	Juliann Junio	June McManus	Elisa Silversey	Stephen Voorhees
Erin Brennan	William Consovoy	Gregory Kamouh	Christine Morris	Bernard Slaza	© Please advise if
Samantha Bridge	Colm Cosgrove	Marie Keller	Marlene Mosko	Beverly Sopp	any names can be
James Brown	Ray Clark	Anna Koch	Hilda Pizza	Ryder Francis Spillane	removed from the
Kevin Brown	Albert Fischer, Jr.	Jillian Lapidus	Diane Pricken	Paul Szeker	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 August 14th - August 21st, 2022



### Sanctuary Light

For the intention of:  
**Joseph Guidi+**  
Requested by  
Eileen Guidi



### The Altar Bread & Wine

For the intention of:  
**Domiciano Capitly+**  
Requested by  
Conchita Capitly &  
her Daughters



### Flowers for the Blessed Mother

In memory of:  
**Glen & Elizabeth Winsor and  
Francis & Elizabeth Daly**  
Requested by  
Mary Beth Winsor

## Remember Our Departed



Gladys Sheppard+  
Sr. Ann Sullivan, S.S.J.+

## BACKPACK COLLECTION

Please help the Henrik Lundqvist Foundation and CASA for Children by donating new backpacks and supplies for the new school year.

**Collection Dates are from August 1 through August 22.**

Drop-Off locations include IHM church and a bin located at the entrance to the Nazareth Center (in the back of the parking lot)  
Thank you very much!

Aidan Fairweather  
Young Ambassador for the Henrik Lundqvist Foundation  
More details on [www.ihmparish.net](http://www.ihmparish.net)



## PEE WEE BASKETBALL IS COMING BACK!

Starting **Friday September 30, 2022**

Applications will be available for pickup on Tuesday August 16. Grab a form from the plastic drawer in front of the Nazareth Center entrance. More details coming soon.

## HELP WANTED!

Dedicated, hard-working individual to learn the ropes of running the IHM Pee-Wee Basketball program this fall, with the intention of taking the reins in the future.

## INTERESTED?

Please contact Tom at [decat61@yahoo.com](mailto:decat61@yahoo.com)

## Mother Seton Gala & Silent Auction

Alumnae, family and friends are invited to attend. The festivities will include cocktail hour, hors d'oeuvres and dinner. A silent auction and gift basket raffle are also planned. The event will be held on **Friday evening October 14, 2022 from 6:30-10:30pm at Ariana's Grand: 800 Rahway Ave. Avenel, NJ 07095.** To purchase tickets or for more information please visit [www.msrgala.org](http://www.msrgala.org) or email [gala@motherseton.org](mailto:gala@motherseton.org)

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Look for clues in the *Breaking Bread 2022* book page 200



Virtual Information Session for Undergraduate and Graduate Degrees  
**Tuesday August 16, 2022**  
**5:30-7:30pm**

To register and receive your virtual login information for Zoom please log on to: [www.adult.dc.edu](http://www.adult.dc.edu)



Alpha is a place to connect with others who are open to exploring life, faith, and meaning. Each session includes a time to connect with others and a chance to share questions with the group. We'd love to hear your perspective!



## FREE DINNER

Monday September 19, 2022  
7:00 pm @ The Nazareth Center  
Register at [ihmparish.net/alpha](http://ihmparish.net/alpha)  
Expires 9/19/2022

Matthew 18:20

"FOR WHERE TWO OR THREE COME TOGETHER IN MY NAME, I AM THERE WITH THEM."

GROWING CATHOLICS

## Minister Assignments: August 20 - August 21

Saturday - Sunday	Lectors	Extra-Ordinary Ministers	Presider
8/20 5:00pm	Janice Good Piga	Chris Zucosky John Torzewski	Fr. Rob
8/21 8:00am	Karen Schwaneberg	Rich Banasiak Jack Timko	Fr. Val
8/21 10:00am	Jane McClellan	Lou Zappo Anthony Carlino	Fr. Rob
8/21 12:00pm	Carol Kiley	Regina O'Connor Eileen Wagner	Fr. Val



### Eucharistic Adoration Chapel Hours

Monday - Friday 9:00am - 9:00pm  
Saturday - 9:00am - 2:00pm  
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erins310@gmail.com | 908-531-0128

### IHM PARISH INFORMATION

#### Summer Office Hours:

Mon - Thurs 9:00am - 4:00pm | Fri 9:00am - 2:00pm

**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  
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## Rosary Altar Society News

### A NEW MORNING BEGINS

A new morning brings new beginnings--  
Wake up and greet the newborn day.  
Each new day is a chance to begin again,  
Start over no matter yesterday.  
Leave behind the cares of the night--  
Toss away the ills of yesterday.  
Greet each new day with joyful delight,  
Hold tight to the promise of a new day.  
Waking to a brand-new shining sun--  
Our hearts and minds refreshed with sleep.  
Strength and happiness return,  
No more do our hearts bend to weep.  
Greet our Lord with joy of heart--  
Let Him fill your soul with new delight.  
Await His promises to fulfill,  
Raise your eyes to His shining light.  
- Helen Gleason

♥ We will be having our August Rosary Board Meeting on **Tuesday, August 16th at 6:15pm in the Nazareth Center.** Please confirm your attendance by calling Janice 908-759-6729.

♥ Thank you to those who attended the Summer Get Together Luncheon at Charlie Brown's. The food and the company were enjoyed by all!!

♥ We look forward to Welcoming you all Back to another wonderful IHM Rosarian Year with our first meeting/party of the season on **Tuesday, September 13th at 7pm in the Nazareth Center.** Kindly call Many Anne Sopko 908-322-0279 by September 7th to confirm your attendance.

♥ May God continue to hold you and your families in the palms of His hands. May your days be sunny and bright and your nights be restful and refreshing. We continue to keep you all in our daily thoughts and prayers and we wish you a truly Blessed Week Ahead!!



♥ Janice



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O: 908-497-4002

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<b>Collection Report</b>		<b>August 7, 2022</b>
Weekly Budget Need:		\$11,200.00
Collection:		\$8,172.00
Parish Giving:		\$6,041.34
Surplus/(Deficit)		\$3,013.34
<b>Fiscal Year to Date:</b>		
Budget		\$67,200.00
Actual:		\$64,691.29
Surplus/(Deficit)		(2,508.71)
<b>Rolling 4 Week Averages:</b>		
Average Collection:		\$10,495.28
Average Surplus/(Deficit)		(704.73)

<b>Annual Appeal</b> <small>the 2022</small>	Pledged to Date:	Goal: \$67,107
	\$62,138.24	92.60% of goal



IHM Faith Formation Invites New and Returning Families to **Register for First Communion Preparation!** Children usually prepare to receive First Eucharist in the Spring of Second Grade. Contact [johnmcguire@ihmparish.net](mailto:johnmcguire@ihmparish.net) to find out more about our Faith Formation program.

<b>IHM EVENT CALENDER</b>	
<b>Sunday August 14</b>	
10:00 am	Food Pantry Sunday
<b>Monday August 15</b>	
<b>Tuesday August 16</b>	
6:30 pm	Rosary Altar Society Board Meeting
<b>Wednesday August 17</b>	
10:00 am	Food Pantry
7:30 pm	Knights of Columbus Meeting
8:00 pm	Choir Practice
<b>Thursday August 18</b>	
<b>Friday August 19</b>	
<b>Saturday August 20</b>	
<b>Sunday August 21</b>	

***A Message from the Pastoral Associate John McGuire***

When we think of Jesus and the Saints, I think we often get a very sanitized picture of who they are. The quiet people with halos who only pray in silence, always follow the rules, and never cause any discomfort, or scandal. When we think this way, we do a great disservice to their memory, and even to ourselves as the faithful. This cleaned up version of Jesus, Mary, and the Saints, can often lead us, and especially the children, to feel bad about our moments of rage, and indignation, even when those are the most reasonable response to a situation.

Jesus did not come to follow the status quo. Jesus came to shake up the status quo, to reform the world, to question injustice, and oh yes to defeat sin and death. He overturned the money changers tables in the Temple, and ultimately stood firm against a death sentence, and so overcame the powers of sin and death. Many great Saints stood up against the wickedness of their times, and even reformed their own religious communities to bring about reform. In many cases these people became estranged from their families, communities, and their own great wealth to bring about the Kingdom of God.

The road to sanctity does not mean that we should retreat to a corner, avoid making a ruckus, or ignoring injustice. It means bringing the truth, especially in the face of great injustices, poverty, and the discrimination of the meek and powerless in society.

This week, let us pray that our families can be empowered to follow Jesus, and the example of the Saints, as we seek to bring about the Kingdom of God, and advocate for those less privileged than ourselves.

**Check our Parish Website for opportunities to support the less privileged of our community through supporting our parish Food Pantry, and Back to School Drive: [www.ihmparish.net](http://www.ihmparish.net)**



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