

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, MAY 21, 2016

5:00 PM + John Potocki

SUNDAY, MAY 22, 2016

8:15 AM + Msgr. Frederick F. Curry

11:15 AM – People of the Parish

MONDAY, MAY 23, 2016

NO MASS

TUESDAY, MAY 24, 2016

9:00 AM + Randy Thiec

WEDNESDAY, MAY 25, 2016

9:00 AM + Jimmy Drummer

THURSDAY, MAY 26, 2016

9:00 AM – Special Intention of Jill Cullen

FRIDAY, MAY 27, 2016

9:00 AM + Helen Onrubia

SATURDAY, MAY 28, 2016

5:00 PM + Joseph Karmazin

SUNDAY, MAY 29, 2016

8:15 AM + James Maysilles

10:15 AM – People of the Parish

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NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

Genesis 14:18-20 / 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

Luke 9:11-17

FAMILY PERSPECTIVE – The words of Jesus in today's gospel, "I have many things to say to you, but you cannot hear them now," could have been said by any parent. It can be frustrating because our desire to guide is often misinterpreted or poorly received. We cannot program our children. We can only teach, lead, and trust the Spirit of truth will guide them.

SICK OF THE PARISH – Please keep our members in your thoughtful prayers.

Susan Goughnour, Fred & Yvonne Staub, Kenneth Williams, Don & Roxey Myers, Helen & Laverne Lawrence, Keira Slonaker, Polly Renaut, John Feiser, Dorothy Schlaline, Kiefer Kuhn, Marilyn Drummer, Kai Goley, Maria Maxwell, Richard Harkenrider, Jay Gary, Louise Snoots, Norma Woerner, Theron Menges, Noreen Kline, Judy Leary, Alice Williams, Donna Cassatt, Robert Leary, Kathy & Russ Brock, and Rose Altobelli.

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS – "We boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God." How do you hope to share in God's glory ... as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? Call Father Brian Wayne at (717)657-4804 ext. 282 or email

frbwayne@hbgdiocese.org.

SCRIPTURE REFLECTION

"The Spirit of truth ... will take from what is mine and declare it to you." Jesus says in today's Gospel that the Spirit declares something to us. We actually have a kind of share in the blessed life of the Trinity through this spiritual declaration. In particular, God gives us the gift of his truth. Today's reading reminds us that truth exists, that it comes from God, and that we can know it, hear it, and live according to it. "But when he comes, the Spirit of truth, he will guide you to all truth."

These days, the very idea of truth is a touchy subject. Because there is so much focus on tolerance and not offending anyone, we tend to shy away from discussions about "absolute" truth. Instead, we hear a lot of talk about "what's true for me" or "what's true for you". But truth does not change. Either Jesus is God or he isn't. Either his claims were true or they weren't. The Holy Spirit helps to convince us of what is really right. But we needn't fear that this will lead us to be intolerant. It is the same Spirit within us that brings the fruits of love, peace, patience, kindness and generosity.

QUESTIONS FOR CONSIDERATION

Gospel Question: Can you think of how the Holy Spirit has guided you to truth?

1st Reading Question: What surprises you most about wisdom in today's reading from Proverbs?

2nd Reading Question: What insight into the Trinity do you gain from Paul's letter to the Romans?

MISSION FOR LITURGY AND WORSHIP

ALTAR SERVERS for Sat/Sun May 28-29

5 PM Mass: Regina Walton, Hannah Fletcher, Bob O'Brien

8:15 AM Mass: Alison Heilman, Ryan Gebhart, Ava Simone

10:15 AM Mass: Tyler Raubenstine, Brielle Baughman, Nick Steinke

Coordinator is Lori Kuhn.

LECTORS for Sat/Sun May 28-29

5 PM MASS – Pat Renaut

8:15 AM MASS – Barb Bowker

10:15 AM MASS – Evelyn Heiliger

Coordinator is Dianne Giampietro.

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY

COMMUNION (EMHC) for Sat/Sun May 28-29

5 PM: Sharon & Leo Hare, Syndia Helmers, Steve Hoffman, Steve Signorello

8:15 AM Bill Bowker, Kevin Heilman, Margie & Sam Leese, Jeanne Maysilles

10:15 AM: Bonnie Hensel, Joyce Menges, John & Diane Schlaline, Stella Thomas

Coordinator is Claire Wentz.

APRIL FINANCIAL REPORT –	
Monthly Budget	\$ 33,600.00
Income for Apr. 3rd	10,569.95
Apr. 10th	9,758.01
Apr. 17th	8,281.99
Apr. 24th	10,969.36

TOTAL MONTHLY INCOME \$ 39,579.31

SECOND COLLECTIONS:	
Capital Expense Collection	1,495.25
Catholic Home Missions	1,315.00

FOURTY HOURS EUCHARISTIC ADORATION –
 Our Annual 40 Hours Eucharistic devotions will be celebrated here in our Parish June 5th, 6th and 7th. Fr. McNeil will be our guest homilist each evening. We invite you during this *Jubilee Year of Mercy* to give yourself the gift of personal prayer time with our Eucharistic Lord. There are posters at the Church doors and on the bulletin board at the bottom of the front steps for you to sign-up for a half-hour prayer time. If you are unable to commit to certain times, please stop in for a visit as your schedule permits. You are also encouraged to attend the Prayer Services on Sunday, Monday and, Tuesday evening at 7 PM.

PARISH PICNIC PLANNING MEETING – There will be a meeting on Tuesday evening, May 31st at 6:30 PM in the Social Hall to plan our annual Parish Picnic, which will be held on Sunday, July 31st from 11:30-4:30 PM. Everyone is welcome to come with some NEW ideas to make this a true IHM family celebration. If you have any questions, please call Sister Rosanne.

GROCERY CERTIFICATES – Please know how VERY GRATEFUL we are to all of you who support our Grocery Certificate Program and ultimately our Religious Education Program. During the week of May 15, 2016 we sold \$1020 for a profit of \$51.00.

AERO ENERGY PLAN – For each parishioner who is or becomes an Aero customer, IHM receives up to 3 cents per gallon of oil or propane. This is an excellent way to help your parish! If you are not already registered with Aero Energy for this program, please call Aero Energy at 888-480-1271 and sign up for the House of Worship Program. Any questions, please call Anita in the parish office.

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PRAYER FOR RELIGIOUS FREEDOM

Almighty God,
 We give you thanks for the great blessings you have bestowed upon the people living in the United States of America. As Americans we are “one nation, under God, indivisible with liberty and justice for all.” We have survived many challenges by those who would deny our God given dignity and rights as human beings and continue to stand as a beacon of hope for the oppressed.

The first amendment to our Constitution ensures that “Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof ...” We ask you to help us continue to defend our religious freedoms so that all people of faith can continue to worship according to their convictions without fear.

We pray that our flag will continue to wave as the symbol of freedom for all. May you open hearts and minds to your will and give courage to those who take action to defend our religious freedom. Amen.

National Council of Catholic Women

POSITION AVAILABLE – Help High School Students live their Catholic Faith.

IHM Parish is seeking the right **Parish Youth Ministry Leader**, a part-time qualified position. Needed to assist in directing our growing high school youth ministry, which began two years ago, and to inspire continued future growth. IHM Youth Ministry is a Christ-centered ministry, currently serving high school students in a parish environment. Together with the adult core team of volunteers and a supportive pastor, the Youth Minister images the presence of Jesus in a special way for teens looking to connect with God through the Catholic Church in a constantly-changing world. Responsibilities include: coordinating the youth ministry; collaborating with and directing the adult core team; developing a systematic and intentional plan for youth ministry and catechesis that utilizes a creative variety of formats, settings, and time frames; providing resources (both at and away from the parish) for effective programming; fostering the involvement of young people in the life of the parish; managing the outreach to and evangelization of all young people in the parish; creating innovative ways to bring people together. We offer competitive salary, along with the opportunity to mold and shape the present-day and future faithful of the church. All interested, qualified applicants should submit a basic resume and simple cover letter (via email or mail) by June 6, 2016 to:

Fr. Timothy D. Marcoe, Pastor
 Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish
 6084 W. Canal Rd.
 Abbottstown, PA 17301
ftrmarcoe@hbqdiocese.org.

*A response will be given as soon as possible after application is received.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

FIAT DAYS – Attention all Catholic young women ages 15-25. Our Lord Jesus Christ has a great plan and mission for you! You are invited to attend the Diocese of Harrisburg's 9th Annual Fiat Days vocation discernment retreat. Activities include Holy Mass, Eucharistic Adoration, sports, games, great food, talks and more. Fiat Days will be held July 5-8, 2016 at Mount St. Mary's University and Seminary. There is a \$50 registration fee, all other expenses funded by the Diocese of Harrisburg. Please contact the Office of Vocations at 717-657-4804, ext. 282 with questions or for a registration packet.

QUO VADIS DAYS – Attention all Catholic young men ages 15-25. Our Lord Jesus Christ has a great plan and mission for you! You are invited to attend the Diocese of Harrisburg's 12th Annual quo Vadis Days vocation camp. Activities include Holy Mass, Eucharistic Adoration, hiking, sports, games, great food, talks and more. QVD is staffed by the Diocese of Harrisburg's priests and seminarians. QVD will be held from June 19-23, 2016 at Mount St. Mary's University and Seminary. There is a \$50 registration fee, all other expenses funded by the Diocese of Harrisburg. Registration forms can be found on www.hbgdiocese.org. You may also contact the Office of Vocations at 717-657-4804, ext. 282 with questions or for a registration packet

ABBOTTSTOWN/EAST BERLIN FOOD BANK – the food pantry held on May 4th served families which included individuals. The link to the Time to Sign Up page for the food pantry on Wednesday, June 1 is <https://www.timetosignup.com/nhm/sheet/56850>. Please remember to drop off health/beauty aid items, such as soaps, toothbrushes, diapers, etc. and place them in the food pantry barrels.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL – We have a really fun Vacation Bible School planned for this summer! If your children attend “BARNYARD ROUNDUP” they will learn so much about Jesus, our “Good Shepherd” who in his compassion and mercy feeds 5000 people; welcomes home the “Lost Son”; sows seeds of love and goodness in our hearts; and meets Mary at the empty tomb on Easter Sunday morning. VBS will be held July 18th through July 22nd from 6-8:30 PM. Registration Forms can be found on the ledge behind the last pews. For more information, call Sr. Rosanne.

WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS – We are happy to welcome the following new parishioner to IHM Parish:
Mrs. Kristy Bucholtz, East Berlin

FLOWERS – Looking for a way to memorialize a loved one or celebrate a special occasion? A beautiful way would be to order flowers on the altar. Most weekends are available from now through the end of the year. **Please call Anita in the parish office** to make arrangements.

PARISH WEBSITE HAS MORE PARISH INFORMATION, CALENDAR AND ACTIVITIES. VISIT WWW.IHMPARADISE.ORG.

MISSION TRIP TO JAMAICA – Fr. Marcoe will lead a week long mission trip/work retreat to serve with the Missionaries of the Poor in Kingston, Jamaica on Sept. 30-Oct. 7, 2016. This missionary pilgrimage is a response to the invitation of Pope Francis during the Extraordinary Jubilee Year of Mercy to extend God’s merciful love to others, especially the needy and the marginalized. Missionary pilgrims will perform Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy with the religious brothers as they minister to the poorest of the poor, the homeless and the abandoned. If interested, email Luz Socrates at luzvsoc@hotmail.com or call the parish office.

MEDICAL EQUIPMENT – We here at IHM have several pieces of medical equipment for parishioners to borrow when needed. They include: crutches, walkers, commode boosters, shower chairs, a cane and a wheelchair. Also, a parishioner has items that are no longer needed and if someone would like to have them, please contact the parish office for more information. They include 16” wheelchair, walker, SpOx fingertip meter, toilet seat side rails, toilet seat lifts, automatic blood pressure meter, shower chairs, bathtub handrail, short bedrail, women’s depends L. There are also two items for sell; a bathtub lift and a Go-Go electric scooter. Call Anita in the parish office at 259-0611, ext. 5.

CHRISTMAS GREETING – Sister Maggie Moore (aka “Sister James”), who was at Paradise School for 37 years is now at the Villa for the Sisters of St. Joseph. Sister Maggie is quite sick and I know she would appreciate hearing from you, the good parishioners at IHM, whom she loves dearly. Perhaps you can take a minute to send her a Christmas card and let her know you are praying for her. Sister Maggie’s address is Saint Joseph Villa, 110 W. Wissahickon Ave., Flourtown, PA 19031-1898.

HIPPA LAWS – Please note that HIPPA (health care privacy laws) prevent hospitals from automatically notifying the parish office when you are in the hospital. Therefore, we ask you to please give consent (permission) for the parish office to be notified. If you would like Fr. Marcoe to know of your hospitalization, please inform the parish office before going into the hospital OR once hospitalized, ask the nurse or hospital chaplain/pastoral care staff person to notify the parish.

AED EQUIPMENT – Please note that we now have a centralized first aid station in our church. The AED (defibrillator), first aid kit, and other items are located in the space by the pillar on your way back to the elevator alcove. The reason for this move was to locate all these medical items in a central and visible location in the church, should an emergency arise. There are also first aid kits located in the social hall kitchen and the religious education building (in the main office)

CATHOLIC SCHOOL EDUCATION – Are you considering a Catholic School education for your child/children? If so, please consider checking out the following:
Immaculate Conception School (preK-8th grade)
101 N. Peter St., New Oxford, 717-624-2061
www.icsbvm.org.
Delone Catholic High School (grades 9-12)
140 S. Oxford Ave., McSherrystown, 717-637-5969
www.delonecatholic.org.

