

Immaculate Heart of Mary Church

Sunday, December 3, 2023

First Sunday of Advent

Parish Staff

Very Rev. Ilyas Gill, Pastor
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Deacon James D. Noble

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Schedule of Masses

Saturday Vigil - 5:00 PM
Sunday - 8:45 AM & 11:45 AM & 4:30 PM (Urdu)
Weekdays - 8:45 AM

Confessions

Saturday - 4:00PM. By appointment for all other times.

Devotions

Miraculous Medal Novena, Mondays following the 8:45 AM Mass.
St. Anthony Novena, Tuesdays following the 8:45 AM Mass.
Recitation of the Rosary following weekday morning Mass.
Eucharistic Adoration, every third Saturday of the month from 3:30PM-4:30PM

Baptism

Parents should call the rectory to make an appointment. Please note that there are no baptisms during the season of Lent.

Marriage

Please call the rectory to schedule an appointment with a member of the Parish Staff. Marriage arrangements must be made at least six months prior to the intended wedding date. In addition, please log on to www.pre-cana.org for complete information about marriage preparation in the Diocese.

Parish Registration

All are welcomed and invited to register at the Parish Office and participate in our parish.

Rectory Office Hours

Monday through Friday 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Saturday 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
Sunday 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

To see a particular Staff Member, please call for an appointment.



PARISH MISSION STATEMENT:

With confidence that the Immaculate Heart of Mary will guide us, our parish is:

- A faith community proclaiming the Word of God as preached by Jesus Christ
- Strengthened by the Eucharist and striving to live in faith, hope and charity
- A loving family that works collaboratively to establish and develop ministries that address the diverse needs of our community

Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish welcomes all who wish to join us in our journey of faith.

East 4th Street Entrance





ANNOUNCED MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2023

Is 2:1-5 Mt 8:5-11

8:45 Laura Paloscio
By Judith Carpenzano

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2023

Is 11:1-10 Lk 10:21-24

8:45 Jeannette Cassone
By Paul & Gerri Cassone

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2023

Is 25:6-10a Mt 15:29-37

8:45 Philip Morace
(Birthday Remembrance)
By Wife, Judy

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2023

Is 26:1-6 Mt 7:21, 24-27

8:45 Joe SantaCroce
(4th Anniversary)
By Marie SantaCroce & Sons

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2023

Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception (HDO)

Dn 7:2-14 Lk 21:29-33 Eph 1:3-6, 11-12 Lk 1:26-38

8:45 Jean Emmanuel Irvin
By Yvrose Vendryx
7:30 Rev. Arthur Alban
By Ben & Celia Karganilla

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2023

Is 30:19-21, 23-26 Mt 9:35-10:1, 5a, 6-8

8:45 Patricia Corbo
By Gina Rios
5:00 Michael J. Correia
By Wife, Suhaida & Family
Richard P. Kelly
By Donna Slivoski
Frank Ortiz
By Donna Slivoski
Mary Passafiume
By Joseph Przybyski

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2023

Second Sunday of Advent

IS 40:1-5, 9-11 2 PT 3:8-14 MK 1:1-8

8:45 LeslieAnn Durgalall
By Yvrose Vendryx
11:45 Monthly Mass Enrollment
1:30 Spanish Mass
Carmen Leyva
By Children
4:30 Urdu Mass

IN MEMORIAL WEEK OF DECEMBER 3, 2023



The Wine and Hosts are being offered for *Lisa Vasquez (Living)* requested by Patrick & Denise Collins.



The candle at the Immaculate Heart of Mary Statue is being offered for *In Thanksgiving* requested Anonymously.



The candle at the St. Joseph Statue is being offered for a *Special Intention* requested by Deacon Jim & Mary Noble.



The Candle at the Sacred Heart Statue is being offered in loving memory of *Shamoon Persaud* requested by Joanna & Family.



The candle at the St. Anthony statue is being offered in loving memory of *Chris Rollo* requested by Rollo Family.



The candle at the St. Padre Pio Statue is being offered in loving memory of *Leo Turzo* by Turzo Family.



The red rose at the Immaculate Heart of Mary Statue is being offered in loving memory of *Pasquale Perrotta* requested by his family.



*The sick and the homebound
Immaculate Heart of Mary*

WEEK 1	WEEK 2	WEEK 3
Andrew Bartolomeo	Gerri Bartolomeo	Vincenza Iuliano
Phool Manhuri Chandra	Brian Bohn	Jerome Khokhar
Jorge Escalante	Jose Perez Cruz	Joseph Paloscio
Mary Mooney	Charlie Dorego	Albi Ruocco
Thomas Mazingo	Laura Leach	Geraldine Treyman
Maria Plasencia	Eileen O'Neill	Anita Valentino
	Vincent Padovano	Tony Valentino



And our faithful departed loved ones



Dear Parishioners,



I hope you had a wonderful week! This weekend begins a new liturgical year with the celebration of the first Sunday of Advent. The four weeks of Advent allow us to prepare ourselves for the birth of our Savior, Jesus Christ, who was born so that we can experience the real presence of God. This is known as the season of giving. We are reminded of Jesus' love through acts of charity. We are all called to help those in need and show them the light and passion of Jesus.

Jesus is the light of the World! We are reminded of this during Advent when we light a new candle each week. The four Candles of Advent symbolize Hope, Peace, Joy, and Love. I pray that these four virtues of our Advent help us to be good disciples of Jesus Christ, who is the true light that has been born to expel the darkness from the world. We are each called to spread that light. How are we going to spread Jesus' light during this Advent Season?

On Friday, December 8th we will celebrate the Feast of Immaculate Conception. This is a Holy day of obligation for Catholics. We celebrate with Mass at 8:45 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. I hope to see you at mass!

On December 9th, we will celebrate the feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe. We will begin with Spanish Mass at Noon. A Mariachi band will lead worship. After Mass, the Hispanic Ministry of Immaculate Heart of Mary has invited all that attend to a fiesta in Brooklyn Prospect Charter School immediately following Mass. Please join us in this beautiful celebration!

Next Saturday, December 9th, after the 5:00 pm Mass, we will host our annual blessing of the angels, Christmas trees, and Manger. All are welcome. Join us for hot chocolate, cookies, and a visit from a very special guest (I think his name begins with an "S"). I pray that you have a blessed Advent season!

Thank you, and have a blessed week!

Fr. Gill



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Once at the site, click on "Register" to establish your account and create your password. Then you can join 'lists' that represent parish ministries and groups at IHM. This is how we communicate news and changes!

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As always, thank you for your continued support!



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Parish Goal: \$43,224.00
Pledged to Date: \$48,080.00
Paid to Date: \$47,411.00
Donors: 101

Please be as generous as you can when asked to participate in the Annual Catholic Appeal.



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Scroll down to Announcements on main page, click on **Annual Catholic Appeal 2023 Diocese of Brooklyn**. This takes you to the ACA webpage; click on



FAITH BOOK

1st Sunday of Advent (B) December 3, 2023

Isaiah 63: 16b-17, 19b; 4: 2b-7; Ps 80;

1Corinthians 1: 3-9; Mark 13: 33-37

From today's Gospel reading:

You, Lord, are our father, our redeemer you are named forever. Oh, that you would rend the heavens and come down. Would that you might meet us doing right, that we were mindful of you in our ways.

Reflection:

As we begin Advent, Isaiah reminds us that God is already disposed towards us for, he tells us, God is both a loving parent and our redeemer. God has been and still is, inclined towards us with a listening ear. God is a caring parent ready to hear our plea for forgiveness and our prayers of hope for renewal of mind and spirit this Advent.

So, we ask ourselves:

- This Advent, what do we hope for ourselves?
- What hopes do we hold for our family?

~ *Preacher Exchange, Jude Siciliano, OP* ~



Immaculate Heart of Mary Sewing Group

The name of the IHM Cancer Guild has been changed to the Sewing Group.

Meets Mondays at 10:00 a.m. in the Marian Center. All are welcome!!!



Eucharistic Adoration Come and spend An hour with the Lord

**IHM Eucharistic Adoration
Saturday, December 16, 2023
3:30 pm - 4:30 pm in the church.**

“When you look at the Crucifix, you understand how much Jesus loved you then. When you look at the Sacred Host, you understand how much Jesus loves you now.” ~ Mother Teresa of Calcutta

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available every Saturday from 4:00 pm - 4:45 pm in the church.



Rosary Society News



On Sunday, December 3rd immediately following the 8:45 A.M. Mass the Rosary Society will resume its monthly meetings. The rosary will be prayed in church, followed by fellowship and refreshments in the Marian Center.

The Rosary Society is open to everyone.

Respect Life Ministry News



Respect Life Ministry Meeting

The Respect Life Ministry meets on the 1st Thursday of each month in the Marian Center at 7:00 p.m. The next meeting will be December 7th.

All our welcome!!



**The Daily Mass Book for 2024
is now open for Mass intentions
for the entire year.**

Immaculate Heart of Mary Church
2805 Fort Hamilton Parkway,
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Mass and Celebration for the

Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe

Saturday, December 9, 2023 at 12:00 Noon
Followed by hospitality in the Brooklyn
Prospect Charter School Commons.



La Comunidad Hispana Del Inmaculado Corazon de Maria, invita cordialmente a todos los feligreses a la celebracion de nuestra Señora de Guadalupe, la patrona de las Américas. Esta Misa tendra lugar en sábado, 9 de diciembre de 2023 a 12:00 (mediodía), en el Inmaculado Corazon de Maria Iglesias, ubicada en 2805 Fort Hamilton Parkway, Brooklyn, Nueva York, 11218. Misa sera oficiada por el Padre Octavio Salinas y el Padre Francis en español.



The Hispanic Community of the Immaculate Heart of Mary cordially invites all parishioners to the celebration of our Lady of Guadalupe, the patron saint of the Americas. This Mass will take place on Saturday, December 9, 2023, at 12:00 (noon), in the Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, located at 2805 Fort Hamilton Parkway, Brooklyn, New York, 11218. Mass will be officiated by Rev. Octavio Salinas & Rev. Francis in Spanish.



**THE 2023 IHM
GIVING TREE**

The 2023 IHM Giving Tree will be placed in the church vestibules starting the 1st weekend of Advent, December 2nd and 3rd. This year we will be supporting the IHM Food Pantry. Gift Cards to Food Town or Windsor Farms would be appreciated.

PLEASE NOTE: Due to health concerns, we cannot accept perishable items, including fresh fruit or vegetables.

If you have any questions, please contact Gerri Cassone, Food Pantry Coordinator, at 718-887-5366.



La Comunidad Hispana

The next monthly Spanish Mass at Immaculate Heart of Mary will be on Sunday, December 10th at 1:30 p.m. with hospitality following Mass.

All are welcome!



La proxima misa en español en el Inmaculado Corazón de María será el domingo, 10 de Diciembre, a las 1:30 p.m. con hospitalidad siguiendo.

Todos son bienvenidos!

Immaculate Heart of Mary December Mass Enrollment

In Loving Memory of

Andrew D'Agostino

Glenn D'Agostino

Katherine D'Agostino

Mary D'Agostino

Paul D'Agostino

Phil D'Agostino

"Big" Phil D'Agostino

Robin D'Agostino

Rose D'Agostino

Salvatore D'Agostino

Violet D'Agostino

Rose D'Agostino Casulli

Ray Casulli

Marie Casaretti

Marco Antonio Calle

Miguel Marquez Davila

Deacon Antonio J. Gonzalez

Joseph Grillo

John Hammel

Joseph Johnson

Michael Mooney

Michael Mooney

Ellen Mary Murphy

Filippo & Linda Perillo

Chris Rollo

Georgina Ruocco

Residents of Palm Gardens NH

Thanking God for all blessings

By Diane Summers Devanney

By Diane Summers Devanney

By Diane Summers Devanney

By Diane Summers Devanney

By Diane Summers Devanney

By Diane Summers Devanney

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By Olivieri Family

By Claudia Calle

By Wife, Eusebia Marquez

By Acquafredda Family

By Deacon Jim & Mary Noble

By Debbie Olivieri

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By Acquafredda Family

By Deacon Jim & Mary Noble

By Family

By Angelo Cangro

By Rollo Family

By Ruocco Family

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Immaculate Heart of Mary Prayer Group

Meets Tuesdays from 3:30 pm - 5:00 p.m. in the Marian Center. All are welcome!

OPPORTUNITIES TO HELP & VOLUNTEER

"When I was hungry, you gave me to eat." (Mt. 25)

Our pantry is in need of non-perishable items such as: cereals, peanut butter, jelly, canned vegetables, fruits, and soups, tuna fish, crackers, non-refrigerated milk (ex. Parmalat), etc.

Our Parish pledged to #WalkwithFrancis—donating to the Food Pantry is a good way to walk.





*The Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish
Family warmly welcomes her newest
member baptized in the month of
November 2023:*

Gianna Yagon Sanzon



**OUR NOVEMBER
50/50
WINNER:
Maria Hendry**

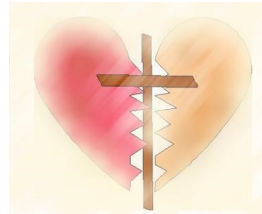


St. Augustine said,

“The one who sings prays twice!”

Do you like to sing? Our church choir is always happy to welcome new members. Contact our Music Director, Connor Whelan, at sacredmusicihm@gmail.com to find out how to get involved.

Are You Aware?



It has been our experience at times that some people may feel they are not able to receive Communion due to divorce or other personal issues. Often times, there may be a misunderstanding regarding Church Teaching in these matters. You are encouraged to see Fr. Gill, Deacons Jim or John for clarity so that you do not miss the opportunity to celebrate the healing presence of Jesus in the Sacrament of Reconciliation and in turn come to the Table of the Lord.

IHM MONTHLY 50/50 DRAWING

Join our monthly 50/50 drawing. You will find the 50/50 envelope in your quarterly envelope packets. All you need to do is put \$10 in the envelope and drop it in the collection basket at Mass.



If you are not registered for envelopes or if you want additional chances to win, you can pick up spare envelopes in the vestibule of the church or at the rectory. The winner is drawn the 1st of each month.
Good Luck!



Associated Vincentian Charities of Brooklyn Gives Back

Immaculate Heart of Mary should share in the profits. For each car, truck or van, running or not the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul will give back to our church \$75/\$200 per vehicle. Maybe you don't have a vehicle, but a family member, friend or neighbor has an old or neglected vehicle in their driveway that they would like to dispose of. Call the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul at: 718-491-2525.

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