

# Immaculate Heart of Mary Church

Sunday, January 21, 2024

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

## Parish Staff

Very Rev. Ilyas Gill, Pastor  
Deacon John M. Cantirino  
Mr. John M. Mancuso, Youth Minister/Development Manager  
Mr. Connor M. Whelan, Music Director  
Ms. Laisha Morales, Director of Faith Formation  
Ms. Rosa Rosas, Administrative Assistant

## Priest in Residence

Rev. Francis Obu-Mends, CSSp

## Retired Deacon

Deacon James D. Noble

## Our School

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Ms. Stephanie-Ann Germann, Principal



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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](http://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, JANUARY 22, 2024

2 Sm 5:1-7, 10 Mk 3:22-30

8:45 Frank Noll

By Paul, Gerri, Annie & Chris Cassone

## TUESDAY, JANUARY 23, 2024

2 Sm 6:12b-15, 17-19 Mk 3:31-35

8:45 Michael Mooney

By Brooks & Cassone Families

## WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 24, 2024

2 Sm 7:4-17 Mk 4:1-20

8:45 Special Intention

By Claudia Calle & Family

## THURSDAY, JANUARY 25, 2024

Acts 22:3-16 Mk 16:15-18

8:45 John Growney, Sr.

By Geraldine Treyman

## FRIDAY, JANUARY 26, 2024

2 Tm 1:1-8 Mk 4:26-34

8:45 Serapio V. Aragonés, Jr.

By Angie Hemulgada

## SATURDAY, JANUARY 27, 2024

2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17 Mk 4:35-41

8:45 Fedele Iuliano

By Wife, Vincenza

5:00 Neil Johnson

By Family

Special Intention

By Maria Plasencia

Francesco Schiano

By Schiano Family

## SUNDAY, JANUARY 28, 2024

*Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

Dt 18:15-20 1 Cor 7:32-35 Mk 1:21-28

8:45 In Thanksgiving

By Ocampo Family

11:45 Monthly Mass Enrollment



Please remember our men and women serving throughout the world in the US Military in your prayer.

## *IN MEMORIAL* WEEK OF JANUARY 21, 2024



The Wine & Hosts are being offered in loving memory of *Deceased Members of Guardino-Cigna Family* requested by Ruocco Family.



The candle at the Immaculate Heart of Mary Statue is being offered in loving memory of *Malvina Charles* requested by Joyce Jones & Family.



The candle at the St. Joseph Statue is being offered in loving memory of *Nerlande Beldor* requested by Benita Fequiere.



The candle at the Sacred Heart statue is being offered for a *Special Intention* requested Anonymously.



The candle at the St. Anthony statue is being offered in loving memory of *Jeanne Mitchler-Fiks* requested by Erik Fiks.



The candle at the St. Anne statue is being offered in loving memory of *Deceased Members of Fequiere Family* requested by Benita Fequiere.



The candle at the St. Thérèse statue is being offered in loving memory of *Mita Bradshaw* requested by Joyce Jones.



The candle at the Our Lady of Guadalupe picture is being offered for *Deceased Members of Rivera Family* requested by Benny Rivera.



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



*And our faithful departed loved ones*

*Nilda Garcia*



Dear Parishioners,



February is Black History Month; during this time, let us remember all those who fought for equality. Let us remember all the great black saints, especially Saint Augustine of Hippo, a towering figure in theology and philosophy whose teachings continue to guide us. Additionally, we honor Saint Monica, his mother, whose steadfast prayers and unwavering faith played a pivotal role in Augustine's conversion.

On February 3<sup>rd</sup>, we will celebrate the Feast of Saint Blase; we seek the intercession of this holy physician for the health and well-being of our community. May his blessings extend to all who need physical and spiritual healing. We will have the blessing of the throats at the 8:45 a.m. Mass.

As we approach the solemn season of Lent that begins on Ash Wednesday (February 14<sup>th</sup>), let us use this time for introspection and renewal. Through prayer, fasting, and acts of charity, we prepare our hearts to walk with Christ on His journey to the Cross. Let the stories of Black saints and the lessons of Black History Month guide us in fostering a community that embraces diversity and celebrates the richness of our collective heritage.

May this season be a time of profound spiritual growth for each of us and strengthening the bonds that unite us as children of God.

Upcoming Events:

- Saturday, February 10<sup>th</sup> is our Annual Mardi Gras Celebration. Please purchase your tickets at the Rectory Office.
- Lenten Mission begins on March 9<sup>th</sup> and runs through March 13<sup>th</sup>. Fr. Greg Friedman O.F.M will be our guide on this Lenten Mission—more details to follow.

**Making Weekly Offerings Electronically:** In our effort to adapt to the changing times, we would like to encourage you to consider making your weekly offerings electronically. This modern approach ensures a seamless and secure process while supporting the financial needs of our parish. Visit our website at [www.ihm-brooklyn.org](http://www.ihm-brooklyn.org) or contact the parish office for information on electronic giving options.

As we navigate these various celebrations and preparations, let us pray for our community. May God's grace guide us through this season of life, renewal, and spiritual growth.

*Fr. Gill*



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**Parish Goal: \$43,224.00**  
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**Paid to Date: \$48,420.00**  
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**Please be as generous as you can when asked to participate in the Annual Catholic Appeal.**



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### Rosary Society News



On Sunday, February 4, following the 8:45 a.m. Mass, the Rosary Society will hold its monthly meeting. The rosary will be prayed in the church, followed by fellowship and refreshments in the Marian Center. This month we have the honor of welcoming our dear Fr. Francis who will speak on the topic of Forgiveness.

All are welcome!!



### Food Pantry Giving Trees 2023

On behalf of our parish Food Pantry, I would like to express my sincere appreciation to all who selflessly gave of their time and treasure to make our Thanksgiving and Christmas food pantry distribution an overwhelming success. In addition to our parish food pantry recipients, we were able to assist other community members, including a local church and a Knights of Columbus Food Pantry whose pantry shelves were in need of replenishment.

Particular thanks to: **Tina from Foodtown: Verrazano Rotarians; Campagna & Son Foods;** our **Scouts** and their *awesome* leaders; as well as our dedicated **volunteers**. You are the best!!! May God continue to bless you and those you love. We have collected 65 gift cards totaling \$1,620. Thank you so much for your generosity and support!!!

**Gerri Cassone**  
*Food Pantry Coordinator*



### *Eucharistic Adoration* *Come and spend* *An hour with the Lord*

**IHM Eucharistic Adoration**  
**Saturday, January 20, 2024**  
**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.



### **2023 CHURCH CONTRIBUTIONS**

**If you would like a statement of your 2023 church contributions please call the rectory at 718-871-1310, Ext 2.**

### **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.





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# Pro Vita Mass

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Join the Diocese of Brooklyn and the Knights of Columbus of Kings and Queens Counties as we celebrate the gift of life and pray for a respect for life at all stages.

**Sunday, January 21, 2024, 11:00am Mass**  
**St. James Cathedral-Basilica, Brooklyn**

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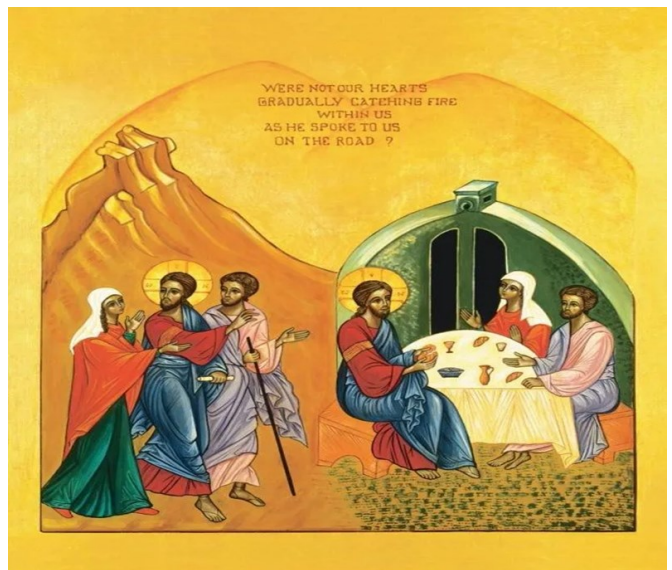


## Women's Retreat

Friday, March 8<sup>th</sup> – Sunday, March 10<sup>th</sup>, 2024

*Theme: The Eucharist and the Hungers of the Human Heart*

In honor of the year of the Eucharist as part of the National Eucharistic Revival, our theme for 2024 will be:



The retreat will offer you an opportunity to get in touch with the hungers within your own heart and how an encounter with the living Christ through prayer, scripture, community, and most importantly, the Eucharist satisfies those hungers.

If you are interested, please register online at: <https://www.sanalfonso retreats.org/2024-events>. The cost is \$300. A \$50 non-refundable deposit is required to secure a seat. For more information, please email Marybeth Keenley at [mkeenley@juno.com](mailto:mkeenley@juno.com) or, call St. Alphonso's Retreat House directly at (732) 222-2731 Ext 140.

# Immaculate Heart of Mary January 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*

*Jean-Claude Jean Baptiste*

*Miguel Marquez Davila*

*Deacon Antonio J. Gonzalez*

*Nelson L. Hernandez*

*Joseph Johnson*

*Ada Magno*

*Thanking God for all blessings*

*Good Health for Residents of*

*Palm Garden NH*

*Living & Deceased Members of the*

*Rosary Society*

*By Diane Summers Devanney*

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*By Marie Claude*

*By Wife, Eusebia Marquez*

*By Acquafredda Family*

*By Wife & Son*

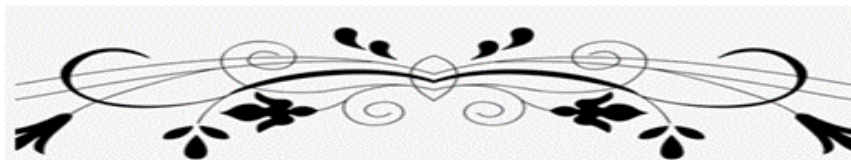
*By Mike & Liz Olivieri Lenahan*

*By Liz Gahagan*

*By Ruocco Family*

*By Ruocco Family*

*By IHM Rosary Society*



## 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.**





# Immaculate Heart of Mary Church



Saturday, February 10, 2024

6:00 PM – 10:00 PM

Brooklyn Prospect Charter School Gym  
3002 Fort Hamilton Parkway



\$30.00- Adult  
\$15.00 – Kids Under 16



Hot Buffet, DJ, Entertainment, Games,  
Raffles, Door Prizes, 50/50, and More!

Purchase your tickets by Monday, February 5<sup>th</sup>.

For more information, call the rectory at 718-871-1310

No tickets will be sold at the door!!



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