

# Immaculate Heart of Mary Church

Sunday, August 18, 2024

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

## Parish Staff

Very Rev. Ilyas Gill, Pastor/Dean  
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

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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, AUGUST 19, 2024

*Ez 24:15-23 Mt 19:16-22*

8:45 Sr. Mary Ann Ambrose  
By Carol & Jacob Segarra

## TUESDAY, AUGUST 20, 2024

*Ez 28:1-10 Mt 19:23-30*

8:45 Eпитacio Ocampo  
By Ocampo Family

## WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 21, 2024

*Ez 34:1-11 Mt 20:1-16*

8:45 Barbara Labarka  
By Donna Slivoski

## THURSDAY, AUGUST 22, 2024

*Ez 36:23-28 Mt 22:1-14*

8:45 Lupe Jimenez  
By Donna Slivoski

## FRIDAY, AUGUST 23, 2024

*Ez 37:1-14 Mt 22:34-40*

8:45 Frank & Tony Ambrosio  
(For Healing)  
By Donna Slivoski

## SATURDAY, AUGUST 24, 2024

*Rv 21:9b-14 Jn 1:45-51*

8:45 People of Immaculate Heart of Mary  
5:00 Deceased Members of  
Anthony Family Members  
By Anna & Brian Anthony

## SUNDAY, AUGUST 25, 2024

*21st Sunday in Ordinary Time*

*Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b Eph 5:21-32 Jn 6:60-69*

8:45 Joseph & Nancy Ryan  
By Patty Ryan  
11:45 Monthly Mass Enrollment  
4:30 Urdu Mass

## ***IN MEMORIAL WEEK OF AUGUST 18, 2024***



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 in loving memory of *Giuseppe D'Agostino* requested by Family.



The candle at the Sacred Heart Statue is being offered for *In Thanksgiving* requested by Celia Karganilla.



The candle at the St. Anthony Statue is being offered in loving memory of *Sr. Mary Ann Ambrose*.



The candle at the Our Lady of Guadalupe picture is being offered in loving memory *Deacon Antonio J. Gonzalez*.



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
Phool Manhuri Chandra	Gerri Bartolomeo	Vincenza Iuliano
Jorge Escalante	Brian Bohn	Jerome Khokhar
Laura Garcia Martinez	Jose Perez Cruz	Joseph Paloscio
John Hannigan	Charlie Dorego	Albi Ruocco
Mary Mooney	Anthony Deredita	Geraldine Treyman
Maria Plasencia	Laura Leach	Anita Valentino
Joseph Palmer Delia	Eileen O'Neill	Tony Valentino



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



*And our faithful departed loved ones*

*Antonia Gueli*





Dear Friends,

As time swiftly moves forward, we find ourselves on the cusp of a new pastoral year beginning in September. With this transition, we joyfully anticipate the celebrations of Thanksgiving, Advent, and Christmas. These are not just events on the calendar but moments of joy, hope, and spiritual renewal. Reflecting on the passage of time, we are reminded of how our lives unfold within the rhythms of the clock, ever in motion, guided by God's eternal plan.

In its grace, summer offers us a sacred opportunity to draw closer to the Lord and spend cherished moments with our families and friends. Last week, Fr. Francis Ob-Mends embarked on a retreat, where he held each of you, your families, and your loved ones in prayer. He shared that it was a time of profound quiet and spiritual renewal.

As we approach September, I must inform you that we are still behind in meeting our Annual Catholic Appeal (ACA) goal. I humbly ask each Immaculate Heart of Mary Church member to consider participating in this appeal prayerfully. Whether through a one-time gift or a pledge over a few months, your contribution will support the vital social programs of the Diocese of Brooklyn and Queens. I fully understand the challenges the current economic climate poses, but if your circumstances allow, your support of the ACA would be greatly appreciated. May God bless you for your generosity.

I also wish to express my heartfelt gratitude to each and every one of our faithful members who attended the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary on Thursday, August 15, 2024. Your presence and participation were deeply appreciated. May Our Blessed Mother Mary intercede for you, bless you, and protect your families, especially during these challenging times.

Finally, on Tuesday, August 13, the 72nd Precinct Community Council organized the National Night Out at Greenwood Playground on East 5th Street, Brooklyn. This was a fantastic, free event with fun and games for the whole family. I want to extend my thanks to all who participated and showed support for our NYPD family.

May the peace of Christ be with you always.

**Fr. Gill**



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**Parish Goal: \$43,224.00**  
**Pledged to Date: \$35,867.00**  
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**Donors: 80**

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



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[www.ihm-brooklyn.org](http://www.ihm-brooklyn.org)

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**Annual Catholic Appeal 2024 Diocese of Brooklyn.**

This takes you to the ACA webpage; click on

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**Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
August 18th, 2024**

**Prov 9:1-619; Eph 5:15-20; Jn 6:51-58**

Jesus said to the crowd, “Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life...” We can hardly blame the crowd for their shock at this statement — eating the Flesh and drinking the Blood of our Lord should cause us a bit of a shock. Yet how easy it is to show up at Mass Sunday after Sunday, receiving the Eucharist as simply part of a weekly routine.

If we really spent time contemplating the gift our Lord is offering us in this sacrament, we would be awestruck at the love and power in this gift. Through it, our Lord is giving us the very best He has to give — Himself. Not even the greatest theological scholar or the holiest of saints can fully understand this mystery.

Thankfully we don’t need to be a saint or a scholar to receive this gift. But we should do our best to receive the Eucharist with gratitude. And we can look to today’s readings to glean two fundamental principles for becoming better Christian stewards.

The Eucharist is the foundation for a stewardship way of life. Through His gift of the Eucharist, God fills us with His love and strength. This love and strength empower us to live as generous stewards — to be faithful to the ministries we serve in, joyful in material giving, and offer our very best to our families and secular work.

The Eucharist is the ultimate inspiration for a stewardship way of life. When we contemplate this gift of God, we will want to make a joyful return to Him. Mass will become anything but routine and we will live each day as His passionate disciples.

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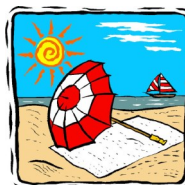


*La Comunidad Hispana*

**The next monthly Spanish Mass at Immaculate Heart of Mary will be on Sunday, September 8 at 1:30 pm with hospitality following Mass. All are welcome!**

**La proxima misa en español en el Inmaculado Corazón de María será el domingo, 8 de septiembre, a las 1:30 pm con hospitalidad siguiendo.**

**Todos son bienvenidos!**



**It’s Vacation Time!  
Find a Mass wherever you go  
at:**

**[www.masstimes.org](http://www.masstimes.org)**

*“Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances “ 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18*



**Exposition and Adoration  
of the Blessed Sacrament  
each Friday of the month.**

Please note that on the first Friday of the month, we will have Exposition, Adoration, and Benediction following the 8:45 a.m. Mass.

On all other Fridays of the month with the second Friday dedicated to Adoration for Life, the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed for adoration and private prayer from 8:00 am until 8:30 am.



**FAITH FORMATION  
REGISTRATION FOR  
2024—2025 OPEN**

**Registration for Faith Formation classes is now open for grades 1 through 8. Classes begin September 8th. Contact Laisha Morales at 718-871-1310 ext. 3 for more information.**

**La inscripción para las clases de Formación en la Fe está abierta para los grados 1 a 8. Las clases comienzan el 8 de septiembre. Las clases comienzan el 8 de septiembre. Contacte a Laisha Morales al 718-871-1310 ext. 3 para más información.**



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

**IHM Eucharistic Adoration  
Saturday, September 21st, 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.**



***Rosary Society News***



On Sunday, September 8 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. At this meeting our guest speakers, Patrick and Denise Collins will tell us about the National Eucharistic Congress which they attended this summer in Indianapolis. Everyone is welcome so please join us and help get this new calendar year off to a great start!!!



**Associated Vincentian Charities  
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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.

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# Immaculate Heart of Mary August 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  
 Sr. Mary Ann Ambrose  
 Miguel Marquez Davila  
 Hong Young Hom  
 Anthony Robert Santangelo  
 Praying for World Peace  
 Thanking God for all blessings  
 Residents of Palm Garden NH  
 Military & 1st Responders  
 Laura Garcia Martinez (For Healing)*

*By Diane Summers Devanney  
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 By Catalina Garcia*



## Immaculate Heart of Mary Prayer Group

**For the month of July & August Prayer Group will meet on Tuesdays from 2:30 pm - 4 pm in the Marian Center.**

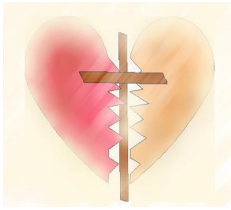
## OPPORTUNITIES TO HELP & VOLUNTEER

*"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.**





## 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!!!



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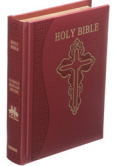
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