

Immaculate Heart of Mary Church

Sunday, July 26, 2026

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Parish Staff

Very Rev. Ilyas Gill, Pastor/Dean
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Mr. John M. Mancuso, Youth Minister/Development Manager
Mr. Connor M. Whelan, Music Director
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Rev. Francis Obu-Mends, CSSp

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Deacon James D. Noble

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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 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, JULY 27, 2026

Jer 13:1-11 Mt 13:31-35

8:45 Anna Tepedino

By Sullivan Family

TUESDAY, JULY 28, 2026

Jer 14:17-22 Mt 13:36-43

8: 45 Salustia Grabiela Olvera Romero
(For Healing)

By Alciviades V. Perez

WEDNESDAY, JULY 29, 2026

Jer 15:10, 16-21 Jn 11:19-27

8:45 Luciana Salvador

By Ocampo Family

THURSDAY, JULY 30, 2026

Jer 18:1-6 Mt 13:47-53

8:45 Kathleen Marie Lawless

By Grace Cantone

FRIDAY, JULY 31, 2026

Jer 26:1-9 Mt 13:54-58

8:45 Marc Sergilus

(Birthday Blessings—Living)

By Haroun Sergilus

SATURDAY, AUGUST 1, 2026

Jer 26:11-16, 24 Mt 14:1-12

8:45 Eileen P. O'Neill

By Donna Spoto

5:00 Giovanni Buono

By Beloved Daughter & Family

Maria Buono

By Beloved Daughter & Family

Sally Gibbons

By Martin Walsh & Family (Brooklyn)

Kathleen Kalbacher

By Family

Thomas Nowak

By Paula & Joe Caiazzo

SUNDAY, AUGUST 2, 2026

Is 55:1-3 Rom 8:35, 37-39 Mt 14:13-21

8:45 Living & Deceased Members
of the Rosary Society

By IHM Rosary Society

11:45 Monthly Mass Enrollments

4:30 Urdu Mass

IN MEMORIAL WEEK OF JULY 26, 2026



The Wine & Hosts are being offered in loving memory of **Deceased Members of Bradshaw/Charles** requested by Joyce Jones & Family.



The candle at the IHM Statue is being offered for **Evie (Birthday Blessings-living)** requested by Family.



The candle at the St. Joseph Statue is being offered for **Special Intention** requested by Benny & Thelma Rivera.



The Candle at the Sacred Heart Statue is being offered for **Special Intention** requested by Joyce Jones.



The candle at the St. Anthony statue is being offered for **Marc Sergilus (Birthday Blessings-living)** requested by Haroun Sergilus.



The candle at the St. Anne statue is being offered for **Sylvain Family (living)** requested by Sylvain-Dun Family.



The candle at the St. John Paul II statue is being offered in loving memory of **Lennie Charles** requested by Joyce Jones & Family.



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



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



The sick and the homebound Immaculate Heart of Mary

WEEK 1

Phool M. Chandra
Jorge Escalante
Laura G. Martinez
Mary Mooney
Joseph P. Delia
Junia Sylvain

WEEK 2

Hazra 'Joann' Ali
Gerri Bartolomeo
Brian Bohn
Jose Perez Cruz
Anthony Deredita
Laura Leach

WEEK 3

Jerome Khokhar
Luis Morales
Joseph Paloscio
Albi Ruocco
Leon Sylvain
Tony Valentino
Anita Valentino



And our faithful departed loved ones

Dear Parishioners,

FROM THE PASTOR

This Saturday, July 25, 2026, we welcomed our young adults for the Young Adult Mass at 5:00 PM, followed by a sunset rooftop fellowship beginning at 6:00 PM.

Young adults between the ages of 18 and 38 gathered for an evening of prayer, friendship, and community.

I would like to extend my sincere gratitude to John Mancuso, our Youth Minister, for organizing this wonderful event and for his dedication to reaching out to our young adults, inviting them to grow closer to the Church and to Jesus Christ. I pray that this ministry continues to help our young adults deepen their faith, build lasting friendships, and remain active members of our parish community.

As we prepare to enter the month of August, we look forward to celebrating one of the Church's great Marian feasts, the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. According to the teaching of the Catholic Church, after completing the course of her earthly life, the Blessed Virgin Mary was assumed body and soul into heavenly glory. This solemn belief was proclaimed as a dogma by Pope Pius XII on November 1, 1950, in the Apostolic Constitution *Munificentissimus Deus*.

The Solemnity of the Assumption, celebrated each year on August 15, is one of the Church's most important feast days and, in many countries, is observed as a Holy Day of Obligation. The Assumption reminds us of the hope of the Resurrection promised to all who faithfully follow Christ. Through her perfect union with her Son, Mary shares fully in His victory over sin and death, offering all Christians a powerful example of faith, humility, and trust in God.

As Catholics, Sunday remains the Lord's Day and our weekly opportunity to gather as one family of faith around the Eucharistic table. While those who are elderly, homebound, or seriously ill may participate in Mass through television, livestream, or social media when they are unable to attend in person, those who are physically able are encouraged to fulfill their Sunday obligation by attending Mass. By faithfully participating in the Eucharist, we strengthen our relationship with Christ and pass on our Catholic faith to future generations.

I would also like to express my heartfelt appreciation to everyone who has participated in the Annual Catholic Appeal (ACA) by making a gift or fulfilling a pledge. Because of your generosity, we continue to move closer to reaching our parish goal. Your support makes it possible for the Diocese to continue many charitable, educational, and pastoral ministries that serve countless people in need. If you have not yet had the opportunity to participate, I kindly ask you to prayerfully consider making a one-time gift or a monthly pledge. Thank you for your generosity, and please know that you and your families remain in my daily prayers.

As summer quickly passes, we look forward to beginning a new pastoral year in September. Our Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA) will begin again this fall. If you or someone you know is interested in becoming Catholic, completing the Sacraments of Initiation, or learning more about the Catholic faith, please contact the parish rectory or leave your information for Ms. Donna Spoto, our OCIA Facilitator.

Registration is also open for our 2026–2027 Faith Formation Program. Parents and guardians wishing to enroll their children in preparation for the Sacraments of First Holy Communion or Confirmation are encouraged to contact the rectory office to schedule an appointment and complete the registration process. Our Faith Formation Program helps our young people grow in their relationship with Jesus Christ while learning the teachings and traditions of our Catholic faith. Classes will begin in September 2026.

May God continue to bless you and your families, and may the Blessed Virgin Mary always intercede for us.

God bless you.

Fr. Gill

Faith Formation

Registrations are now open for fall 2026!



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and become part of a vibrant community
rooted in Christ.***

Program available for:

- ♦ Children (K-8)
- ♦ Sacramental Preparation
(First Communion & Confirmation)

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journey in faith together!

Contact Mrs. Laisha Serrano for
more information or assistance with
enrollment.

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Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday
from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.



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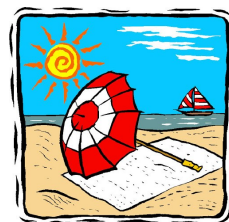
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*"Rejoice always, pray continually, give
thanks in all circumstances"*

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18



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1 KGS 3:5, 7-12; ROM 8:28-30; MT 13:44-52

The stewardship way of life could be described as a daily pursuit of the Kingdom of Heaven. In today's Gospel from Matthew, Jesus uses a series of parables to help us understand the incomparable value of that Kingdom.

First, He reminds us that living for Him and for His Kingdom will require sacrifice. Yet the joy that comes from following Christ makes any sacrifice worthwhile. Jesus says, "The kingdom of heaven is like a treasure buried in a field, which a person finds and hides again, and out of joy goes and sells all that he has and buys that field." He then compares the Kingdom to "a merchant searching for fine pearls." When the merchant finds a pearl of great price, he gladly sells everything he has to obtain it.

In both parables, the Kingdom is something precious that must be sought and recognized. We must intentionally look for it amid the distractions and noise of the world.

Yet Jesus also reminds us that the Kingdom is meant for everyone. He compares it to a net cast into the sea that gathers fish of every kind.

At the same time, He reminds us that each of us will one day be judged. The angels "will separate the wicked from the righteous." It is a powerful reminder that our choices matter.

Let us pray for wisdom to recognize the Kingdom of Heaven in our midst and to pursue it above all else. There is no greater treasure, and no greater source of joy, than a life lived as a faithful disciple of Jesus.

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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 bin at Mass.

50/50

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



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

Please note that on the first Friday, 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.

Immaculate Heart of Mary — July 2026 Monthly 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
Arturo Cardiel (1st Anniversary)
Vicente Garcia
Miguel Marquez
ZJ Mirandilla & Family (Living)
VJ Mirandilla & Family (Living)
Miko Mirandilla & Family (Living)
Diane Hernandez & Family (Living)
Diane Summers Devanney (For Healing)
Laura Garcia Martinez (Living)*

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By Diane Summers Devanney
By Brian & Anna Anthony
By Wife, Catalina Garcia
By Wife, Eusebia Marquez
By Beth Lopez
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By Beth Lopez
By Beth Lopez
By Fr. Gill
By Catalina Garcia*



Immaculate Heart of Mary Sewing Group

**The Sewing group will not be meeting
for the month of July & August.**



Immaculate Heart of Mary Prayer Group

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for the month of July & August.**

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6:00 PM *Rooftop Social*



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18-38
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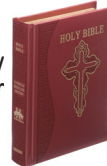
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