

Immaculate Heart of Mary

Active Parishioner Guidelines

Each of the guidelines, as defined below, must be met for a family to qualify for active parishioner status.

- ❖ **Registered as an IHM family** – the Parish office has a record of all currently registered parishioners.
- ❖ **Regular Mass attendance** – consult with Fr. Bob Sims to determine weekly attendance as required by his criterion.
- ❖ **Regular and appropriate stewardship contributions to IHM** – the Business office will monitor all stewardship contributions to IHM. A working family should make regular contributions in an amount at least equal to \$1,000.00 annually. This amount represents approximately 50% of the average annual giving level of all contributing parishioners at IHM. Individual circumstances will be taken into consideration when requested.
- ❖ **Sharing time and talent in ministry at IHM** – consistent involvement in parish and/or school opportunities.
- ❖ **Commitment to the “broader Church” through participating in periodic capital campaigns** – capital and other specific fundraising campaigns are initiated from time to time and participation is required to qualify for active parishioner status.

It is acknowledged that individual circumstances may limit a family’s ability to participate fully in these guidelines for qualification as active parishioner status and the resulting lower school tuition rates. Consideration will be given in these circumstances, but such consideration must be requested.

For parishioners with children in IHM’s school, your status as active parishioner or inactive parishioner will impact the priority of placement for school applicants and your school tuition rates. Active Parishioner Status entitles school families to pay a lower tuition rate than inactive parishioners. If after an evaluation of school families is completed, and it is determined that your family has not met the guidelines, a letter will be sent informing you of your inactive parishioner status. At that time, unless you have previously contacted Fr. Bob, the tuition for your children would reflect this inactive status.

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