

The Good News of Immaculate Heart of Mary

December 28, 2025

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Monday-Friday 8am-4pm

The Mission of Immaculate Heart of Mary

The Immaculate Heart of Mary parish strives to be a vibrant Catholic community with the Gospel of Jesus Christ as our guide. We invite all to strengthen their spirituality and develop their relationship with God through dynamic liturgy, life-long learning, and sharing faith within and outside our community.



Mass Schedule

Saturday - 5:30 pm

Sunday - 8:00 am

9:30 am

11:15 am

Weekdays:

Monday-Thursday - 5:30pm

Friday - 8:00am



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Schedule of Masses

Date	Time	Liturgical Celebration	Mass Intention
Monday, December 29	5:30pm Mass	St. Thomas Becket	† Pauline Shikany By: Fr. Pat
Tuesday, December 30	5:30pm Mass		† Robert Beidelman By: Fr. Pat
Wednesday, December 31	5:30pm Mass	Vigil of the Solemnity of Mary	† Fr. Larry Richardt By: Fr. Pat
Thursday, January 1	12pm Mass	Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God	† Fr. Paul Landwerlen By: Fr. Pat
	6:00pm Mass		† Patricia Beidelman By: Fr. Pat
Friday, January 2	8:00am Mass	Ss. Basil & Gregory	† Donald Day By: Fr. Pat
Saturday, January 3	5:30pm Mass	The Most Holy Name of Jesus	† Kathie Church By: Fr. Pat
Sunday, January 4	8:00am Mass	The Epiphany of the Lord	† Karen Beckerich Feeney By: Fr. Pat
	9:30am Mass		People of IHM
	11:15am Mass		Catholic School Educators

† signifies deceased

Sacraments

Holy Communion Service

Holy Communion is offered Monday through Thursday at 15 minute intervals from 7:00-8:00 am in the Chapel. On Fridays, 7-7:30.

Reconciliation

After daily Mass, Monday-Thursday

Marriages

Engaged couples must start their preparation *at least* six months prior to the wedding. Preparation includes work with a sponsor couple & Tobit.

A person must be registered & active for 6 months BEFORE plans will be discussed or a date set.

Baptism

All infant baptisms take place at one of the weekend Masses chosen by parents. One preparation class for first time parents is required. **The next class will be held on Monday, February 2, 2026 from 7:30–9:00pm.** *New parents are encouraged to attend prior to the birth of the child.* Please call the parish office and speak to Kelli to schedule class & sacrament.

Anointing of the Sick

This sacrament is offered to people who are seriously ill, injured, elderly, or about to undergo surgery or other medical procedures. Call Fr. Pat at the Parish Office.

Stewardship

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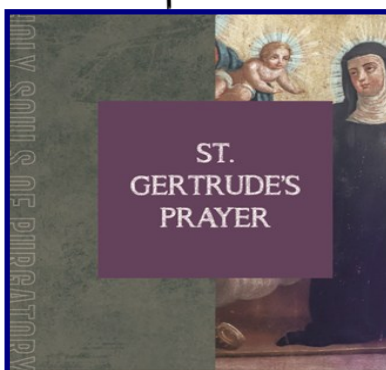


Mass Intentions

Please call Anne in the Parish Office to schedule a Mass. *Intentions cost \$10 donation.* It is a wonderful gift to give at the holidays!



And because he had been warned in a dream, he departed for the region of Galilee. He went and dwelt in a town called Nazareth, so that what had been spoken through the prophets might be fulfilled, *He shall be called a Nazorean.*
- Mt 2:22b-23



Devotions, Explained!

St. Gertrude's Prayer is a petition said on behalf of the Holy Souls of Purgatory, offering the Blood of Christ in reparation for the sins of the departed.

Baptism

With joyful hearts, we welcome our newly baptized to Immaculate Heary of Mary:


Jackson Paul Stieneker
~child of Caroline & Jeremy



Eucharistic Adoration

Spend time with Jesus Tuesday, January 6. Sign up [HERE](#) to be an attendant to help.





**IMMACULATE
HEART OF
MARY**

**Solemnity of Mary,
Mother of God**

HOLY DAY MASS TIMES

Wednesday, December 31, 2025
5:30pm

Thursday, January 1, 2026
12pm, 6pm

CHRIST THE KING	8:30AM
ST. JOAN OF ARC	10AM
ST. THOMAS	9AM

Adult Confirmation

Are you, or someone you know, a baptized Catholic who has never celebrated the Sacrament of Confirmation?



Confirmation, Baptism, and Eucharist are the Sacraments of Christian Initiation. Once you have celebrated these three Sacraments you are a fully initiated member of the Catholic Church. There will be a celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation for adult Catholics in the spring with Archbishop Thompson and we would love to celebrate with you.

Contact Kaitlyn Blandford for more information.

Sister of St. Benedict Come & See Weekend

The Sisters of St. Benedict in Ferdinand invite women who are discerning religious life to join them for a Come & See Weekend. Held from **January 2 to January 4, 2026**, the event will give single Catholic women between the ages of 18 and 40 the opportunity to connect with other women who are considering religious life, experience the Benedictine way of life & get an inside look at what this community means to the Sisters. *Contact Sister Jill Renber at vocation@tbedome.org.*

Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

God created the Holy Family with a great sense of purpose, because he knew that Jesus would be defined by the woman and man who raised him. Who is our "Holy Family" — the people who will define us? Who has God placed within our lives for a specific purpose?

Mass Readings

Reading I~ Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14

Responsorial Psalm~ Psalm 128:1-2, 3, 4-5.

Reading II~ Colossians 3:12-21

Gospel ~ Mt 2:13-15, 19-23

<https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/122825.cfm>

Family Blessing

May God bless, protect, unite, mend, and renew our family. Help us to be instruments of healing and holiness, breaking generational curses, rewriting scripts, overcoming tribulation, joining in gratitude, and growing in joy ... together. Amen.

Gospel Meditation

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

When I was ten, my dad gathered our family around the table in small-town Vermont and told us we were moving to the big desert city of Phoenix, Arizona. We were leaving behind family, friends, and everything familiar. None of us knew what to expect.

But something beautiful happened. As we made the move together, our family grew closer. In retrospect, I'm amazed at my parents' courage to go on that adventure. Even as a kid I realized our family found, in that challenge, a deeper unity and mutual love.

In today's Gospel, Joseph is told: **"Rise, take the child and his mother, and flee..." (Matthew 2:13, 20)**. First to Egypt, then later to Israel. The Holy Family is frequently challenged to move and change, to adapt to God's will for them, in order to find safety in the midst of threat. It's not just an idiosyncratic story about survival. It's a spiritual pattern for all of us. Every Christian family is called to be a kind of sanctuary, especially in a world full of noise, busyness, and fear.

May I make a practical application for us? The Lord's Day, Sunday, is perhaps the most practical way we imitate this dynamic we see in Joseph and his family. Sunday is not meant to be just like every other day, filled with errands and stress. It's meant to be a day set apart; a holy "escape" into rest, worship, joy, and peace. A day to rise, take your family, and flee, into God's presence

— Father John Muir

Changing Lives Forever

We appreciate the support from Fr. Pat, the IHM SVDP Conference, the Outreach Commission, the MLK Center, & all the volunteers who provided lunch for this program over the last few months. We have 9 graduates who have plans to make important changes to their lives during the next year.

Please keep them in your prayers.



♥ Blood Drive

Blood donations are vital to the most vulnerable in our community. **Join us in the Gathering Space January 11 after the 11:15 Mass to learn how each of us can do our part.**

A Veristi Blood Center representative, a surgeon, and parish blood drive coordinators will emphasize the need and how we can be a part of this life giving service.

We encourage you to attend! Contact Tim for information at tlohrstorfer@gmail.com.

IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY

Mom's Group

Join on Monday, January 12th

2 sessions: 10am or 7pm

IN THE GATHERING SPACE

Get to know other inspiring females in our parish.

Contact Kaitlyn at kblandford@ihmindy.org

YOUR BLOOD
IS A *Lifeline*



NATIONAL BLOOD DONOR MONTH

Immaculate Heart of Mary Blood Drive!

Sunday
**January
18th**
8:00am - 1:00pm

Helpful tip:
Make sure to eat a
healthy meal and drink
plenty of water before
donating.

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Just one blood donation can help save up to three lives! Your simple act of kindness could make a life-changing difference for patients in need.

APPOINTMENTS PREFERRED: Call 800-632-4722
or scan the QR code below to schedule your
appointment!

LeaderinMe

All the 7 Habits are important, but I think "first things first" is my favorite. This is my favorite because you can do it in sports. For example, doing fundamentals instead of fun games should come first, because fundamentals get you better than playing fun games. Also you can do it in school. You can do homework first before playing video games. If you do your homework first you don't have to rush, then you can play video games with the extra time. I used the "first things first" by doing my homework before practice and watching the Pacers game, and by doing that homework I had a good grade and I still watched the Pacers game.

~Reggie, Class of 2029

Honduras Outreach Mission Trip

We are looking for more people to join our Honduras mission trips in 2026!

Come connect with IHM's 20-plus-year mission to Sister Maria Rosa's children's village. We help spruce up the children's homes, visit their schools & play with the kids!

Adult Trip: Saturday, January 31st to Saturday, February 7th 2026

Youth Trip: Monday, June 29th to Monday, July 6th 2026 for rising high school Seniors of the parish (Class of '27)

Please connect with Ellie Dedinsky for more information at cjdedinsky@gmail.com.



Upcoming School Events!

December 20 - January 4
Christmas Break!!!

2026!
Monday, January 5
First Day Back to School in 2026!



Sunday, January 25
10:30 am-12:30 pm - Catholic Schools'
Week Open House!

Scan QR to RSVP
or email:

admissions@ihmindy.org

**OPEN
HOUSE**



Friday, January 30 - Trivia Night!

Grab your friends, pick your theme,
and secure your table for the most fun
night of the year....IHM Trivia Night!

<https://services.ihmindy.org/trivia-night>

Plenty of fabulous sponsorship opportunities,
so use this link to support our 8th Graders:
<https://services.ihmindy.org/trivia-night-sponsorship>

Saturday, Feb. 7 - Save the Date:

IHM Father Daughter Dance

Anchors Away!

Registration link coming in January!



**Interested in IHM School
for your children?**

To help IHM School better plan for our
future in educating the children of our
Parish, we would like all families with
small children to fill out our
School/Parent Inquiry Form for the
year your child would enter
kindergarten. For questions, please
email admissions@ihmindy.org.

**Please use this link to access
the Parent Inquiry Form:**

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Merry Christmas to all!



**MAY THE
SPIRIT OF
Christmas
BE WITH YOU**

Thank you to our
Kindergarten classes for
sharing the most precious
Christmas story!



January 30, 2026

Grab your trivia-expert friends
and get ready for one of the most
fabulous nights at IHM!!



IHM ATHLETICS

Basketball Concession Stand Help Needed!

Great opportunity for high school service hours! Or for anyone who wants to watch a few basketball games and help our athletic program! Please use this link to sign up for a time slot! Or contact Gina Stepusin at ginaruch@yahoo.com

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F044BADAB23AAFF2-60364302-ihmboys#/>

Basketball Home Game Family Pass



SCAN OR CLICK

The IHM Family Pass entitles the purchaser's immediate family members (parents and children of any age), admittance into our gymnasium for home basketball and volleyball events. For questions, please contact Sports Ministry Director Annie Rumer at cyo@ihmindy.org.

<https://services.ihmindy.org/ihm-athletics-family-pass>



Growing Together as a Listening Church

Join us for a hands-on workshop designed for parish leaders and parishioners to explore how synodal principles can enrich parish life.

~ Saturday, March 7

~ 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.

~ St. John Paul II Parish, Sellersburg, IN

Facilitated by Ken Ogorek, this free event will help improve meetings, discussions, and decision-making in your parish.

Register now: bit.ly/4pXIXxW

Let's grow together as a listening Church!

Archdiocese Legacy Gala

Life, Education and Real Presence

Join for an unforgettable evening of faith, fellowship, & generosity at the Legacy Gala on Friday, February 6, 2026. This is benefiting three pillars of the Archdiocese of Indianapolis: Bishop Simon Bruté College Seminary, Catholic Charities, and our Catholic schools. Patrica Etling is the 2026 Gala Honoree.

Click [HERE](#) for more information.



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Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come.

—2 Cor 5:17 (ESV)



May God's peace be upon you and remain with you throughout the year.

The Office of Youth Ministry is having the first annual Holy Fire middle school event on February 28, 2026 at Pike Performing Arts Center in Indianapolis! This event is open to all youth in grades 6--8 and will include talks by dynamic speakers, witness by peers, inspirational praise and worship, and rich experiences of the Sacraments.

Holy Fire promo video:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HxnKKcueCdI>



Contact Kaitlyn Blandford with any questions at kblandford@ihmindy.org

Information About Reporting Abuse

If you are a victim or know of anyone who is a victim of any type of sexual misconduct, please contact our victim assistance coordinator at (317) 236-1548 or at victimassistance@archindy.org to make a report.

You can also make a confidential report by calling 888-393-6810.

Please Pray

Please pray for these members of the IHM Community and their care-givers: Melissa Mates, Bob Martinez, Bob Fine, Matt Hutton, Colleen Ryan, Cindy Wadelton, Max Schuster, Bob Anslinger, Lisa Hoekstra, Laura Webber, Connie Graham, Phyllis Thomas, Maeve Buhl, Rémi Coquard-Wallace, Suzanne Cramer, Phillip McKiernan, Carolyn Reutter, Leo Hahn, Henry Hartwell, Charles Lane, Caroline Merrick, Max Breedlove, Cora Vincent, Bowen Brant, Rosemary Schilder, Jo Ann Cady, Jane Meyer, Mike Ruppert, E. Grace, V. Rose, P. Jude & family & all of our elderly.

IHM has a Prayer Chain

made up of parishioners committed to praying for immediate special needs. Contact Gerry at 317-251-2562 or Ellen at ewhealey2@gmail.com.



Mass Ministers for 01/03/26 & 01/04/26

(click [HERE](#) for the schedule)

Mass Coordinators:

5:30pm-Stephen Bourgeois
8:00am-Linda Eichholtz
9:30am-Michelle Young
11:15am-Julie Tomich



Lectors:

5:30pm-Edward Stahl, Tim Lohrstorfer
8:00am-Doug Oppman, Liz Elias
9:30am-Seamus Wheeler, Janet Partenheimer
11:15am-Danielle Esmits, Christi Garcia

EMHC:

5:30pm-Joel O'Brien, Myra Mariani, Lisa O'Connor, Lenore Schmitz, Annie Harton
8:00am-Ron Wallace, Kathy Gogola, Bill Otte, Doug Oppman, OPEN
9:30am-Marcos Zatkulak, Pam Budny, Lori Eyth, Lane Young, Mary Johantgen
11:15am-Wesley Short, Bob Killigrew, Megan Short, Sara Freeman, Mark Keisler

Ushers:

5:30pm-John Leppert, Marq Boggs
8:00am-Richard Schuster, William Cleary
9:30am-Mark Fontanna, Greg Prosser
11:15am-Julie Tomich, Sean Murphy



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