

# The Good News of Immaculate Heart of Mary

**February 22, 2026 | First Sunday of Lent**

**Father Patrick Beidelman, Pastor | Father Michael Clawson, Associate Pastor**

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— MATTHEW 4:2 —

## **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.

### **Parish Office Hours:**

Monday-Friday  
8am-4pm

**After Hours Emergency Number:**  
317-257-2266, Option #8.

## **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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Mass Readings

Printed copies of the Mass readings will be available at the doors for you to take and follow along.



Reading I~ **Genesis 2:7-9; 3:1-7**  
 Responsorial Psalm~ **Psalm 51:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 17**  
 Reading II~ **Romans 5:12-19 or 5:12, 17-19**  
 Gospel ~ **Matthew 4:1-11**

<https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/022226.cfm>

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Join us Fridays during Lent to pray the

**Stations of the Cross**

*Meet in the Church at 6pm*  
 February 20, March 13

**On Wednesday, April 1 at 6pm,**  
 the 8<sup>th</sup> graders perform the  
**Meditation on the Passion of Christ**

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Lenten Book Study

*This past November, Pope Leo marked the 1,700th anniversary of the Council of Nicaea and our Nicene Creed. Join us this Lent as we explore the Nicene Creed, our ancient statement of faith that has guided Christian thought for 1700 years and is still shared by Christians today.*

In the book 'What Christians Believe' Bishop Barron walks through the Creed, explaining its teachings on the mystery of the trinity, the saving mission of Jesus Christ. Offered Monday nights at 7 pm starting February 23 and Wednesday mornings at 10 am starting February 25 for 5 weeks.

Email Kaitlyn Blandford at [kblandford@ihmindy](mailto:kblandford@ihmindy) to register (book provided).

**Gospel Meditation**

**Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture**

In my second-to-last year of seminary, I woke up one September morning to devastating news: two beloved classmates had died in a car crash. I was overwhelmed with grief and anger like I had never known. I entered therapy for the first time and had intense conversations with my spiritual director. For months I felt lost in a spiritual wilderness. But something unexpected happened: I encountered Christ there. The fear and sorrow didn't destroy me. In fact, that spiritual desert was a time of intense growth in faith.

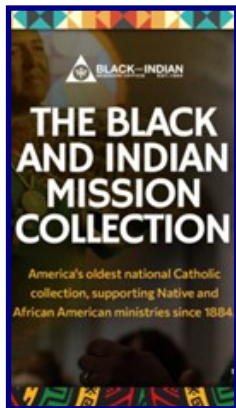
Today's Gospel begins: **"Then Jesus was led by the Spirit into the desert to be tempted by the devil" (Matthew 4:1).** The word "led" denotes a gentle, humble submission to the Spirit. Jesus does not send himself into this desolate place where wild beasts roam and Satan tempts. Who wants to be around roaming, wild beasts? The Church Fathers saw them as symbols of our inner chaos: fears, temptations, wounds. The Spirit leads us there, sometimes against our wishes. But those same Fathers also saw that this deserted place is also where angels ministered to Jesus, amidst his great trial and temptation.

**Lenten Challenge:** This Lent and throughout life's struggles, the Spirit leads you and me into the wilderness. Name one "desert" into which the Spirit has led you: perhaps grief, fear, silence, change, disappointment. Ask for the grace to go there willingly. The beasts may be real, but they will not harm you. There, the angels are waiting to minister to the Christ living in you, who always goes where the Spirit leads.

— Father John Muir

Second Collection

On the First Sunday of Lent, our parish will take up the Black and Indian Mission Collection. This collection supports the pastoral and evangelization needs of African American, Native American, and Alaskan Native communities throughout the United States. Your prayers and sacrificial gifts help sustain missionaries, parishes, schools, and religious education programs that share the hope and love of Jesus Christ. As Pope Francis reminds us, we are all called to evangelize. Thank you for your generosity and for supporting the missions.



**BLACK AND INDIAN MISSION COLLECTION**  
[www.blackandindianmission.org](http://www.blackandindianmission.org)



Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Join us Tuesday mornings on February 24, March 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 from 6:30-9:30am. Holy Hour on Wednesday evenings on February 25, March 4, 11, 18, 25 from 6-7pm.

Please sign up and commit as an attendant for Eucharistic Adoration. You may sign up [HERE](#).





Attend our Stations of the Cross at 6pm in Church  
then head over to the Activity Center!

**Friday, March 13 from 5:30-8pm**

Sponsored by IHM Men's Group  
benefitting St. Anthony's school

**IHM Fish Fry  
& Pizza Party**

Wine & Beer Available!

Suggested donation:  

 Single \$12  
 Family \$40

Sign up to bring a dessert : <https://bit.ly/4roF3Fp>

Social Media & Its Impact on Youth

A PTO-sponsored presentation for parents Please join us on Tuesday, February 24 at 7:00 PM in the Gathering Space for an important and timely discussion on social media and youth mental health.



Are your children using platforms such as YouTube or Snapchat? Do they frequently access iPads, cell phones, or other devices with social media? This evening is for you.

Licensed psychologist Dr. Chelsey Carrington and pediatric neuropsychologist Dr. Jillian Wise from Children's Resource Group (CRG) will share insights on the effects of social media on children and teens, along with practical tips to help parents monitor and mitigate its impact. Parents of children of all ages are encouraged to attend.

Please note: This is an adults-only event.

Food Drive

Donate a variety of Easter foods: canned greens, canned chicken, seasoned rice packets, noodles, pickles, oatmeal, healthy cereal, powdered spices, cooking oils, sugar, flour cake, mixes & candy.

Share your Easter Joy with our pantry clients at SVDP Boulevard Place Food Pantry!

PLEASE PICK UP THE YELLOW LENT EASTER BAGS AFTER MASS AND RETURN BY Palm Sunday.



COME ALONG ON OUR  
**Lenten Journey**

Please sign up here: On Sunday February 22nd, join us at the 9:30 Mass then follow to the gym for coffee, donuts, crafts & family time until 11:15

 <https://bit.ly/4r4ZWQ4>

CONTACT KAITLYN AT [KBLANDFORD@IHMINDY.ORG](mailto:KBLANDFORD@IHMINDY.ORG)




**WATCH AND PRAY**  
IHM Young Adults

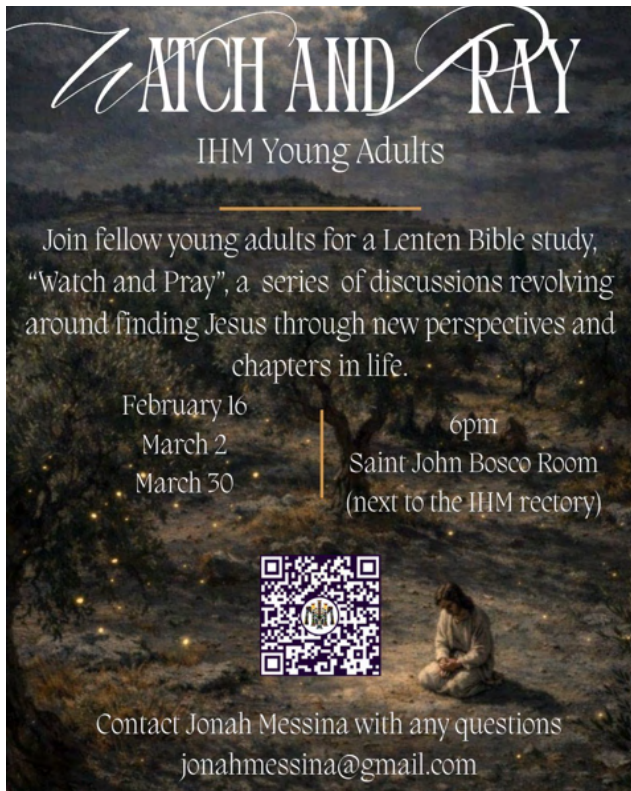
Join fellow young adults for a Lenten Bible study, "Watch and Pray", a series of discussions revolving around finding Jesus through new perspectives and chapters in life.

February 16  
March 2  
March 30

6pm  
Saint John Bosco Room  
(next to the IHM rectory)



Contact Jonah Messina with any questions  
[jonahmessina@gmail.com](mailto:jonahmessina@gmail.com)



Stewardship

Thank you for your generous support of IHM. You may sign up for EFT with this QR code or at <http://bit.ly/48tL86o>.



**Lenten Blessing**

Bless us in Your mercy, Lord, as we enter these 40 Days of Lent. Use this time to call, anoint, bind, strengthen, and inspire us anew. Like a good shepherd, teach us Your voice, and give us the strength to follow. Amen.

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**2027-28 School Year Application**

Please use the link below to begin your application:



[www.ihmindyschool.org/apply-here](http://www.ihmindyschool.org/apply-here)

**Come for a School Tour!**  
 We love to have visitors! Tours are offered on Thursdays at 9:15 a.m. To schedule your tour, please email [admissions@ihmindy.org](mailto:admissions@ihmindy.org).

**A perfect voyage for Dads & Girls!**

Our IHM Parish Father Daughter Dance was a splashing success! From photo booths and cotton candy machines to dancing all night

long, our Dads and Daughters had a blast at this year's nautical-themed event!



*Save the Date* Meditation on the Passion of our Lord

**Wednesday, April 1 @ 2:00 & 6:00 pm**

**Spring Sports Registration**



Please use QR Code to begin player registration or go to [ihmindy.org/cyo-athletics/registration](http://ihmindy.org/cyo-athletics/registration)

**New this Year:**  
**4<sup>th</sup> Grade Boys Volleyball**  
**Cadet (7/8th) Girls Softball!**

IHM 7th/8th graders have the opportunity to play CYO Softball for IHM this year! The Cadet softball season will take place in April and May. Practices will begin right before or after Spring Break, depending on weather. Email Kyle Sanders at [ksanders@lcgindy.com](mailto:ksanders@lcgindy.com).



**CYO Athletic Awards**



**Nominate an IHM Parishioner Today!**

Our Catholic Youth Organization (CYO) hosts a special event every year to recognize outstanding parish adult and teen volunteers whose leadership, service, and volunteerism have made a significant contribution in our Diocese.

Our IHM Athletic Commission would like to give everyone in the parish the opportunity to nominate a deserving parishioner for the The Monsignor Busald Award (adult) or the Spirit of Youth Award. Please take the time to fill out a brief nomination form to help us recognize the special adults in our parish who give generously of their time and talents for youth, as well as the teens who have volunteered to improve the athletic experiences for our young parishioners.

To access IHM's nomination form, please go to:

<https://forms.gle/nBCavcap5ryNv8LRA>

# Penance Services

FOR LENT WILL BE HELD:



- Sunday, March 1 at 2 pm**  
~St. Thomas Aquinas, 4600 N. Illinois St
- Monday March 2 at 7 pm**  
~ St. Lawrence, 4650 N Shadeland Ave.
- Tuesday, March 3 at 7 pm**  
~St. Luke 7575 E Holliday Dr

**IHM YOUNG ADULTS**

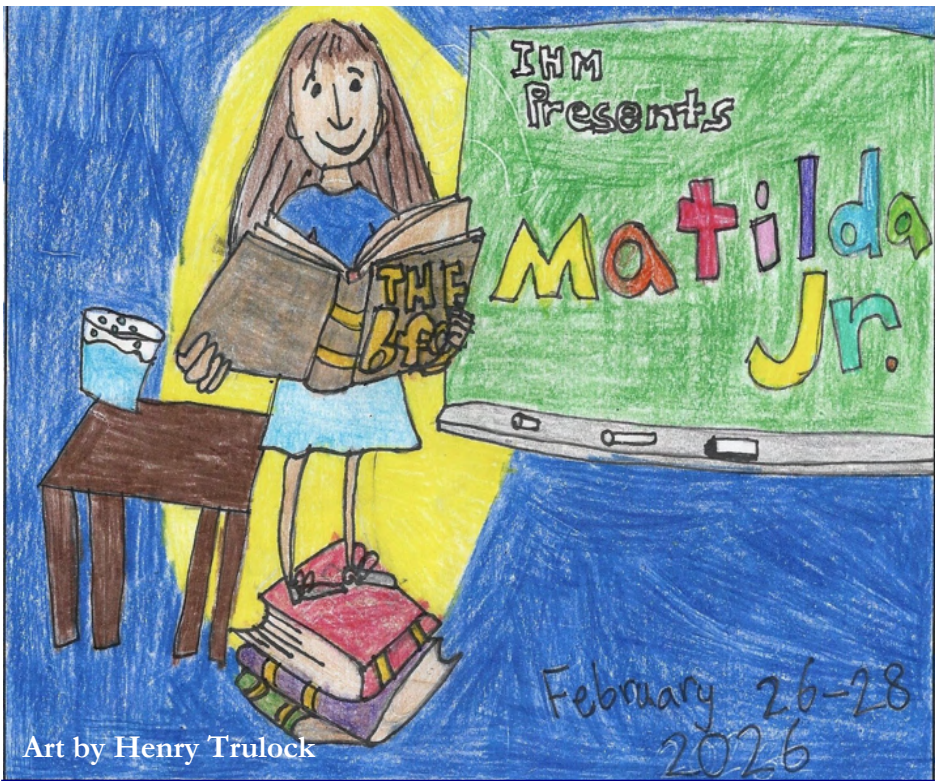
## St. Patrick's Day Celebration

Monday March 16th | 6 pm  
IHM Rectory

Join us for a St. Patrick's day party hosted by Father Pat and Father Clawson. Join us at the rectory following daily Mass!

Contact Jonah Messina with any questions  
jonahmessina@gmail.com





Art by Henry Trulock

Join us for the IHM School Musical, *Matilda Jr.*, at Marian University on February 27 at 7pm & February 28 at 2pm.

This joyful Broadway Junior adaptation celebrates a remarkable girl with an extraordinary imagination. Get your tickets! To purchase visit: <https://cur8.com/23524/project/136445>

## CALLING ALL DADS!

Join other men and dads for a gathering each month this year at Liter House in Broad Ripple.



The next event will be Friday, February 27th, from 6:30 AM to 8:15AM. The theme: "Blessed Are Dads Who Mourn".

Join us for Brian McQueen's moving, powerful story on trusting God and allowing him to comfort you even if you don't feel you deserve it.

The mission of Fraternitas is to empower dads to pass their faith to their families. Pray, learn, and discuss how to be a better father... and enjoy a delicious FREE breakfast! Hosted by Marian University's Franciscan Leadership Institute.

RSVP here: <https://tinyurl.com/FraternitasNorthside>. at [mbridenstine@marian.edu](mailto:mbridenstine@marian.edu)

**MLK Ministry**

Save the date for the next meeting on Monday, March 9 at 7:30 pm. This ministry supports the MLK Community Center, located at 40th and Illinois Street, which serves our local area. Community centers play a vital role in providing essential services to many Indianapolis residents, especially those in need.

Our parish supports the MLK Center through volunteers, collection drives, financial contributions, and participation in their annual MLK Day fundraising breakfast.

We invite you to get involved in this important outreach. For more information, visit [www.mlkcenterindy.org](http://www.mlkcenterindy.org) or contact Scott Lowe at [jsl2206@outlook.com](mailto:jsl2206@outlook.com).

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[svdpindy.org/40days](http://svdpindy.org/40days).  
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use a donation envelope in the  
narthex of the church.**

**St. Vincent de Paul**

Join us Sunday, March 8, 2026, from 2 –7 PM at McGowan Hall (1305 N. Delaware St.) for the 35th annual Irish Fest, supporting the St. Vincent de Paul Unsheltered Ministry. Enjoy live music, Irish dancers, food, raffles, and more. Admission is \$10 (free for ages 12 and under and clergy).

For tickets and information, scan the QR code or contact Darlene Sweeney at [dsweeney@svdpindy.org](mailto:dsweeney@svdpindy.org).



**Women's Care**

Women's Care is in need of childcare volunteers so that moms can attend classes with peace of mind and without barriers. Your time and care can make a meaningful difference for mothers working to build a strong future for their families.

Women ages 18 and older are welcome to volunteer. Female teens (ages 14–17) may serve alongside a parent or guardian. Volunteers serve at a 1:6 ratio. Please consider sharing your time to support these moms and their children & email [lmaldonado.wccindy@gmail.com](mailto:lmaldonado.wccindy@gmail.com).

They complete a background check & provide training so volunteers feel confident and prepared.

**Bulletin Submissions are due Friday by 3pm the full week before. Email [bulletin@ihmindy.org](mailto:bulletin@ihmindy.org).**

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](mailto:ewhealey2@gmail.com).



**Boulevard Place Food Pantry Needs Volunteers**

**Looking to make a real difference in our community?**

Boulevard Place Food Pantry at 4202 Boulevard Pl is seeking volunteers or small groups to help during the week. Shifts are T,W & Sat morning, Th mornings & afternoon shifts.

Please email Amy Taylor at [ataylor@svdpindy.org](mailto:ataylor@svdpindy.org).

**Please pray for these members of the IHM Community and their care-givers:**

Melissa Mates	Rémi Coquard-Wallace	Jane Meyer	Bowen Brant	Bob Anslinger	Phillip McKiernan
Matt Hutton	Carolyn Reutter	Leo Hahn	Rosemary Schilder	Lisa Hoekstra	Charlie Sink
Colleen Ryan	Henry Hartwell	E. Grace	Maeve Buhl	Laura Webber	Caroline Merrick
Cindy Wadelton	Ginny Forbes	V. Rose	Suzanne Cramer	JoAnn Cady	Max Breedlove
Max Schuster	Fr. Chris Johnson	P. Jude	Mike Ruppert	Phyllis Thomas	Cora Vincent
Ramon Rios					



Schedule of Masses		
Date	Time	Mass Intention
Monday, February 23	5:30pm Mass	All those participating in Lenten Bible studies
Tuesday, February 24	5:30pm Mass	Fr. Chris Johnson
Wednesday, February 25	5:30pm Mass	Walking with Purpose group
Thursday, February 26	5:30pm Mass	† Diane Hallquist By: Kathleen Lawrence
Friday, February 27	8:00am Mass	Those seeking spiritual comfort through prayer.
Saturday, February 28	5:30pm Mass	† Kathie Church By: The Noble Family
Sunday, March 1	8:00am Mass	† Nancy Otte & deceased members of the family By: Bill Otte
	9:30am Mass	† Anne Hendrickson By: The Lemme Family
	11:15am Mass	People of IHM

**Mass Ministers for 02/28/26 & 03/01/26** (click [HERE](#) for the schedule)

Mass Coordinators:

5:30pm-Myra Mariani  
8:00am-Bob Buening  
9:30am-Micki Humbert  
11:15am-Julie Tomich



Lectors:

5:30pm-Eva Corsaro, Annie Harton  
8:00am-Christine Duff, Shaun Clifford  
9:30am-Megan Melton, Caitlyn Hoopingarner  
11:15am-Joy Fay, Danielle Esmits

EMHC:

5:30pm-Emily Nowlin, Wendee Maniago, Tom Hanchar, Mary Ellen Hahn, Jennie Gerard  
8:00am-Alissa Cohoat, Anne Hurley, Mary Claire Chapman, Joyce Buening, Brandy Manetta  
9:30am-Michelle Young, Paul Cvar, Mary Johantgen, Eileen Johantges, Mike Hurley  
11:15am-Mark Keisler, Wesley Short, Christi Garcia, Julie Tomich, Katy Spahr

Ushers:

5:30pm-G Harkness Group  
8:00am-Bob Meyer, William Clear  
9:30am-C Murphy Group  
11:15am-Sean Murphy, Kelsey Pease

**Sacraments**

**Holy Communion Service**

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, April 6 2026 from 7:30-9:00pm.** *New parents are encouraged to attend prior to the birth of the child.* Please email Kelli at [kayres@ihmindy.org](mailto:kayres@ihmindy.org) 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.

**Parish & School Staff**

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