

The Good News of Immaculate Heart of Mary

March 15, 2026 | Fourth Sunday of Lent

Father Patrick Beidelman, Pastor
Father Michael Clawson, Associate Pastor



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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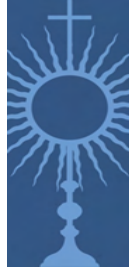


Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Join us Tuesday mornings on March 17, 24, 31 from 6:30-9:30am.

Holy Hour on Wednesday evenings on March 11, 18, 25 from 6-7pm.

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



IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY

Join us during Lent to pray the

Stations of the Cross

Attend 5:30 Mass & meet in the Church at 6pm

Friday, March 13

On Wednesday, April 1 at 6pm, the 8th graders perform the Meditation on the Passion of Christ

Mass Readings

Find printed copies of the Mass Readings at the doors for you to take and follow along.



Reading I~ 1 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a

Responsorial Psalm~ Psalm 23: 1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6

Reading II~ Ephesians 5:8-14

Gospel ~ John 9:1-41

<https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/031526.cfm>

Second Collection

The Catholic Relief Services Collection will take place this weekend. This collection



supports families around the world affected by war, natural disasters, poverty, and human trafficking. Your generosity helps provide humanitarian aid, protect vulnerable children, reunite families, and support efforts that uphold the dignity of families worldwide. Thank you for your prayerful support and click [HERE](#) for more information.

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- ST. JOSEPH

Gospel Meditation

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

If you are like me, it's easy to fixate on our shadows: failures, guilt, shame. Especially when we suffer, it is easy to want to blame ourselves or others. In this week's Gospel, Jesus' disciples ask about the blind man, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents?" (John 9:2) They, like us, focus on blame. But Jesus sees the entire situation differently: "Neither he nor his parents sinned; it is so that the works of God might be made visible through him." He does not deny sin, but he sees deeper — through the light of mercy, not the lens of judgment. The scene hinges on Jesus' strange claim: "I am the light of the world" (John 9:5). He sees things differently than everyone. They see shadows and light. He is the light.

Thought experiment: imagine you are the sun looking at everything on the earth. What do you see? Everything. What do you *not* see? Shadows. Everything is illuminated. If you see it, it is illuminated. For the light, nothing is dark.

Because he is the light, Jesus sees us in the glow of his redemptive love. Even our sin becomes a place where his glory can shine. The man's healing is not just about sight — it is about seeing as Christ sees. Lent is not a season of staring into darkness. It is a time to step into the light — to let Christ's gaze reframe how we see ourselves and one another.

Lenten challenge: Spend 10 quiet minutes this week asking Jesus to show you how he sees you. Not through shame or fear, but through the light of his mercy.

— Father John Muir

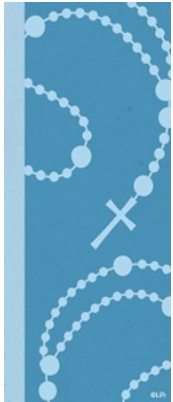
Inspiration of the Week

The Pharisees refused to see what was in front of them. Their blindness was stronger than that of the man born without sight, because it was a blindness they chose for themselves. So what will it be for us? Do we choose blindness, or do we choose sight?



Festival of Graces

Join us for a **special evening on Thursday, March 12 at 6 pm** as we unite in prayer and celebrate the power of God's work in our community. We will begin by praying the Rosary together, lifting our intentions through the intercession of our Blessed Mother. Following the prayer, a few IHM parishioners will share personal witnesses of grace — real stories of how God has moved, healed and guided them in their daily lives. Come and be encouraged by these 'God-incidents' and rediscover how the Mysteries of the Rosary are alive in our own journeys today.



Contact Kaitlyn Blandford with any questions!

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

We need your help to bring desserts!

Please sign up here to help:
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0849AFAE29A4F58-62237063-2026#/>

IHM YOUNG ADULTS

St. Patrick's Day Celebration

Monday March 16th | 6:30 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

IHM Youth Choir

The IHM Youth Choir will be leading the music for the **6:00 pm Holy Thursday Mass** on April 2nd.



A rehearsal will be held in the church immediately after the 11:15 AM Mass on Sunday, March 29.

Junior high and high school students are welcome to participate.

For more information, please contact our Director Joe Burrows, at jburrows@ihmindy.org.

J.O.Y. CLUB

Join the March Luncheon

Tuesday, March 18th at 11:30 am at Maple Breakfast & Lunch, 8487 Union Chapel Rd with the Just Older Youth

RSVP with Michele at 317-796-1224

IHM CATHEDRAL SOUP KITCHEN

SUNDAY, 3/22 VOLUNTEER FROM 11:30AM-1:45PM

We set up, serve, and clean up after the meal one Sunday, every other month. The Cathedral Kitchen is located at 1306 N Pennsylvania St. and please wear closed-toed shoes & a hat for health code reasons.

Sign up here to join: <https://bit.ly/4tsTJyU>



COMING UP AT IHM...



Friday, March 13

8 am - All School Mass

9:15 am - First Grade to St. Pat's Parade

10 am - Richens/Timm Irish Dance Performance Assembly

Saturday, March 14

9 am - First Communion Retreat

Monday, March 16

1:25 pm - 7th Gr. Stations of the Cross

Tuesday, March 17

2:15 pm - 4th Gr. Stations of the Cross

Thursday, March 19

1:30 pm - IHM Talent Show

Friday, March 20 - 27

12 pm 3/20 - Noon Dismissal to kick off **SPRING Break!**

Wednesday, April 1

Meditation on the *Passion of our Lord*



2:00 & 6:00 pm



Science is Everywhere....

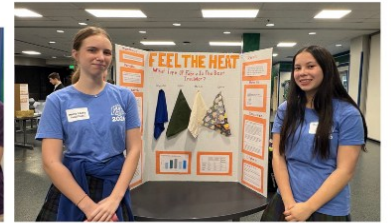
...and especially at IHM School as we had three winning projects in the North Deanery Science Fair! Congratulations to 7th

Graders Aoife Bigelow and Elliet Cornforth who took a 1st place in the Bio/Life Science Division, and 8th Grader Clara Faris for her 1st place in Chem/Engineering. And a big congrats to 8th Graders Mary Clare VanSlambrook and Cora Chan who won Best in Fair for their project



investigating what fabric is the best insulator.

Thank you, Mrs. Schmitz for inspiring our young scientists!



IHM School Admissions Update

IHM School just completed our re-enrollment for our 2026-27 school year and are so grateful for our tremendous community of families! We are thrilled to continue partnering with all of you in creating an outstanding educational program that is rooted in faith and service.

Many of our grade levels are at capacity, but we will have openings in 4th and 7th Grades. If you are interested, please fill out a 2026-27 application using the link below.

Our 2027-28 IHM School Year Application is...

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.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED, SIGN UP HERE:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F044BADAB23AAFF2-62543166-ihmboys>





**40 Days
for 40 Beds**

“Good night. Buenas noches. Bon lannwit.”

It's such a basic statement. But an important one. A good night's rest readies you to take on the challenges of the next day. In Indianapolis, hundreds of children and adults are sleeping on the floor or in chairs each night—interfering with their health, education and welfare.

**IHM has collected enough for 10 beds.
Please help us get to our goal of 40!**

This Lent, we're encouraging Conferences to hold a special collection: **40 Days for 40 Beds**. We are asking each Conference to collect gifts to fund 40 beds.

 <p>Financial gifts exclusively to provide twin beds for children and full-sized beds for adults</p>	 <p>\$100: Twin bed with frame \$200: Double or queen bed with frame</p>	 <p>Ash Wednesday (February 18) through Easter Sunday (April 5)</p>	 <p>Results shared after Easter</p>
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Give online at svdpindy.org/40days or pick up a collection envelope and mail it in.




**YOU ARE INVITED TO THE
CLASS OF 2026
HIGH SCHOOL BLESSING**


11:15 AM MASS
SUNDAY, MAY 3, 2026
IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY CHURCH

Before you embark on your college/life adventure, receive a Blessing from Father Pat & a small gift to remember IHM.

Save the Date!
Please fill out this form to RSVP




IHM is proud to have representation on the Advisory Board for Bishop Simon Brute Seminary. Parishoners Ralph Nowak (Board Chair), Mary Dougherty, & John Ryan cordially extend this invitation.



Bishop Simon Brute' College Seminary

Brute' Stations of the Cross and Fish Fry

Join us for an evening of prayer and fellowship at **Bishop Simon Bruté College Seminary** (2500 Cold Spring Rd, Indianapolis) on **Friday, March 20**. This year is extra special as we celebrate the birthday of Bishop Simon Bruté – our seminary's namesake.

We're keeping things simple and meaningful:

5:00 p.m. – Stations of the Cross
We'll gather in the seminary chapel for a reflective walk through Christ's Passion.

6:00 - 8:00 p.m. – Lenten Fish Fry
Afterward, enjoy a meal in the dining hall with our seminarians, friends, and community members.

There's **no cost to attend**, and **everyone is welcome**. It's a great chance to experience a beautiful Lenten tradition and celebrate the legacy of Bishop Bruté in a warm, welcoming atmosphere.

Hope to see you there! If you have friends or family who would enjoy the evening, feel free to invite them along.

Register by March 14 at <https://bit.ly/BruteFishFry>.


**IHM IS EXCITED TO HOST
THE NORTH DEANERY**

*6th, 7th & 8th
grade Luau*

HULA ON OVER
Friday, April 17

ACTIVITY CENTER/7-9PM

PARENT CHAPERONES NEEDED!
<https://bit.ly/3Ph7ZLg>



Boulevard Place Food Pantry Drive

Share Easter Joy during Lent with our neighborhood patrons at Boulevard Place Food Pantry! Please take a Lent Easter bag and fill them with requested foods for Lent Easter Season.

Donate a variety of Easter foods: canned greens, canned chicken, seasoned rice packets, noodles, pickles, oatmeal, healthy cereal, powdered spices, healthy cooking oils, sugar, flour, cake, mixes & candy. pudding, or Jell-O fruit preserves, microwave popcorn, fruit cup packs, chicken & noodles, Mac n cheese. And of course, any Easter candy would be helpful!

The generous will themselves will be blessed, for they share their food with the poor.— Proverbs 22:9

JOIN OUR MEN'S MINISTRY

AT IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY

All men of the Parish are invited to join us for fellowship. We will discuss Telling the Truth

THURSDAY, MARCH 19TH
GATHERING SPACE
7PM - 8:30PM

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.



IHM High School Youth Ministry

Sunday, March 15 following the 11:15 AM Mass.

🕒 12:15–1:30 PM

📍 Bosco Center

🍽️ Lunch and games provided!

IHM has delivered 30 move in kits!!!



Streets to Home Indy (STHI) is an initiative to end chronic homelessness in Indianapolis. You can help purchase items in a “move-in kit” that contain linens, dishes, cleaning supplies needed for a person moving into a new home. IHM would like to donate at least another 10 kits! **Here is the NEW, updated Amazon link to purchase items in a kit:**
https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/CFDFWD0XCZBL/ref=nav_wishlist_lists_1
(It will be sent directly to where needed.)

Contact Scott Lowe jsl2206@outlook.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>.



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

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| 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, March 16	5:30pm Mass	Mollie Smith By: Dave & Marigrace Bailey
Tuesday, March 17	5:30pm Mass	Marc Frost By: Dave & Marigrace Bailey
Wednesday, March 18	5:30pm Mass	† Helen Rose Doyle By: The Hageman Family
Thursday, March 19	5:30pm Mass	† Eileen Hurley By: The Hurley Family
Friday, March 20	8:00am Mass	† Joni Bunte By: The Madden Family
Saturday, March 21	5:30pm Mass	† The Deceased Members of the Lothman Family By: Sue Foxx
Sunday, March 22	8:00am Mass	† Diane Hallquist By: Kathleen Lawrence
	9:30am Mass	People of IHM
	11:15am Mass	† Clayton Pershing By: Sondhaus Family

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 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.

Mass Ministers for 03/21/26 & 03/22/26 (click [HERE](#) for the schedule)

Mass Coordinators:

5:30pm-Stephen Bourgeois
8:00am-Jane Franceschini
9:30am-Julie Huffman
11:15am-Julie Tomich



Lectors:

5:30pm-Tim Lohrstorfer, Megan Melton
8:00am-Jim Roe, Tim Harvey
9:30am-Julie Huffman, Kevin Bennett
11:15am-Duane Schmitz, Edward Spahr

EMHC:

5:30pm-Bill Campbell, Janelle Pivec, Eileen Johantges, Wendee Maniago, Annie Harton
8:00am-Mary O'Brien, Lawrence Coan, Elizabeth Mascari, Kathy Gogola, Christine Vujovich
9:30am-Dave Stuhldreher, Marcos Zatkulak, Emily Bannister, Kelly Flynn, David Letherman
11:15am-Christi Garcia, Julie Tomich, Katy Spahr, Mark Keisler, Megan Shor

Ushers:

5:30pm-Kathy Ansty, Marq Boggs
8:00am-D Koors Group
9:30am-Greg McCormack, Jack Esselman
11:15am-Charlie Belch, Gabriel Willey

Parish & School Staff

Anna Harvey, Director of Finance & Admin
Joe Burrows, Director of Music Ministry
Kaitlyn Blandford, Director of Evangelization & Discipleship
Karen Winternheimer, Accounts Payable/Tuition
Kelli Ayres, Administrative Assistant
Julie Tomich, Mass Ministries/Admin. Asst.
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