

CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY
1040 ALAMEDA DE LAS PULGAS
BELMONT, CALIFORNIA 94002

CURRENT MASS TIMES

Weekend Masses
 Saturday 5:00pm
 Sunday 9:30am
 Reservation required.

Weekday Masses
 Tuesday 8:15am
 Thursday 8:15am
 No reservation required.

Traditional Latin Mass
 Sunday 4:00pm
 Reservation required.

Reservations can be made on our website at:
www.ihmbelmont.org

November 8, 2020
Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time



PASTORAL STAFF:

Rev. Mark Mazza.....Pastor
 Rev. Rufino Gepiga.....Parochial Vicar
 Rev. Mr. Henry Jacquemet.....Permanent Deacon
 Rev. Mr. Steven G. Hackett.....Permanent Deacon
 Rev. Mr. Leon P. KortenkampPermanent Deacon
 Mrs. Andrea Harville.....School Principal
 Mrs. Robyn Lang.....Director of Religious Education
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 Ms. Terri Lee Craib.....Parish Secretary
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BAPTISMS:

Parents wishing to baptize children should call the Parish Office to schedule the baptism and to schedule participation in our Baptismal Preparation Program. Please call two months before you wish the Baptism. The preparation may be done before the birth of the child.

MARRIAGE:

Arrangements must be made six months before the tentative date of the marriage by calling the Parish Office.

ANOINTING THE SICK:

This sacrament is for those who are elderly, seriously ill, or scheduled for surgery. Please contact the Parish Office for current protocols. If in hospital, request the Catholic Chaplain or a priest from the Parish in which the hospital is located, through the nursing station.

COMMUNION FOR THE HOMEBOUND:

Contact the Parish Office for current protocols.

NEWCOMERS:

Welcome to our community. You may register online at ihmbelmont.org/contactus or by calling the Parish Office.

R.C.I.A.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is a process by which adults prepare to enter fully into the Catholic Church through Baptism, Confirmation or Eucharist. Please call the Parish Office for more information.

PENANCE:

Saturdays: By appointment. Please call the Parish Office.



LETTER FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

Those of a certain generation remember well the simple joy of Saint John XXIII. Soon after he became pope on October 28, 1958, he called for a general council of the church, which would become known as Vatican II. Several years went into planning with the council opening on October 11, 1962. It would conclude on December 8, 1965. Though sometimes misrepresented, Saint John XXIII sincerely wanted the Gospel to reach the spiritually hungry and thirsty in the modern world. He wanted a new Pentecost to take place to fan the flames of faith to burn brighter than ever. Though the church would experience a time of updating and renewal (aggiornamento) we are still in need of a spiritual revolution. Though we all hope that it may come, we must be patient, keeping the faith. Even if many have given up on the work of the Holy Spirit, we don't. Like the wise virgins in the Gospel we desire the wisdom to remain steadfast in faith no matter what. The foolish virgins by their bad example, remind us to keep constant vigil on our life in the spirit, our sanctity, lest we lose heaven forever.

Saint John XXIII was diagnosed with cancer of the stomach on September 23, 1962, though his poor health was largely kept secret. He prayed for the strength to see through the council he began, but that was not to be. God had other plans for him. During those last months of his life when his many visitors would ask him how he was he would inevitably remark "Ogni giorno e un buon giorno per vivere ed anche per morire; every day is a good day to live and every day is a good day to die." He placed everything in God's hands and accepted God's will. He was joyful to do the Lord's work, but at the same time he was preparing himself to see God face to face. With a smile he would comment "my bags are packed." He had no illusions. Peacefully he went to the Lord on June 3, 1963. His diary, published as a Journal of a Soul, would reveal the life of a holy man, who from his youth until his dying day lived in communion with the Lord. He was like the wise virgins ready to go out and meet the bridegroom, the Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. His final words: "Souls, souls, that all may be one!"

Holy and wise people like Saint John XXIII inspire us to live each day in the light of eternity. They show us what matters most as we pass through this world. There are many joys and there are sorrows. Through it all by God's love and grace we keep the torch of faith burning brightly. When the bridegroom returns we pray that we are found ready to go "into the wedding feast with him." Amen!

Matthew 25:13 Watch therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, November 8th

**Raymond Serrato
The People of the Parish**

Monday, November 9th

Stephan Pham

Tuesday, November 10th

Poor Souls in Purgatory

Wednesday, November 11th

Special Intention (Souls Alone)

Thursday, November 12th

Patrick Moran

Friday, November 13th

Bolger Family

Saturday, November 14th

Lenny Sanfilippo

Please note: Mass Intentions scheduled at a time when Mass is not being held in public will be fulfilled privately by a Priest.

We at IHM are extremely grateful for your willingness to continue supporting us financially which continues to be critical. Please also remember our friends, Catholic Charities – www.CatholicCharitiesSF.org AND Society of St. Vincent de Paul www.svdpsm.org as they both continue to work on the frontlines during the current pandemic.

PARISH NEWS

Introducing IHM Youth Outreach!

The mission of the IHM Youth Outreach program is to help youth of all ages to connect through science and sports.

As the pandemic has triggered the cancellation of most youth sports activities, the IHM Youth Outreach golf team has been going strong. With over 30 members, grades K-8, the golf team meets once a week. On Halloween, the Youth Outreach Program hosted Spooky Science and Graveyard Golf. The event was a smashing success that afforded many children the opportunity to collect treats in a safe environment. The event started with a 9-hole mini golf course. After the golf game was finished, golfers checked in their putters and headed over to the spooky science lab to conduct polymer experiments such as vampire veins and slime.

Special thanks to Father Rufino, Youth Outreach Spiritual Advisor, for guiding the program!

For more information or to volunteer, email youth@ihmbelmont.org.

Youth Outreach upcoming event

Join us for a *Screening Under the Stars*. At **6:00 p.m. on Nov. 14**, we will be showing *Onward* on our drive-in movie screen. Cost is \$35 per car. All proceeds benefit IHM School.

Purchase your tickets at:

<https://ihmbelmont.org/drive-in>

SCHOOL NEWS



**Welcome
Back to
Campus
3, 4 & 5!**

November 2nd was a special day at Immaculate Heart of Mary School as we welcomed back 3, 4, and 5 students to campus for in-person learning. It was a day full of adjustment as we embraced the Hyflex Learning Model for both students in the classroom and learning remotely. At this time, Grades 6 - 8 will be able to return to campus on Monday, November 30, 2020.

We will continue to adjust to best meet the needs of all of our learners while keeping everyone safe!

Moving forward in Faith,
Mrs. Harville, M.S.Ed.



**Our next School Mass is November 22nd
at 9:30am for 6th Graders.**