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Trustees

SACRAMENTS

Baptism
Every other Sunday.

Reconciliation
After all daily Masses and Saturday,
4pm to 4:45pm, or by appointment.

Marriage
Arrangements should be made one year in
advance. Contact Rectory for appointment.

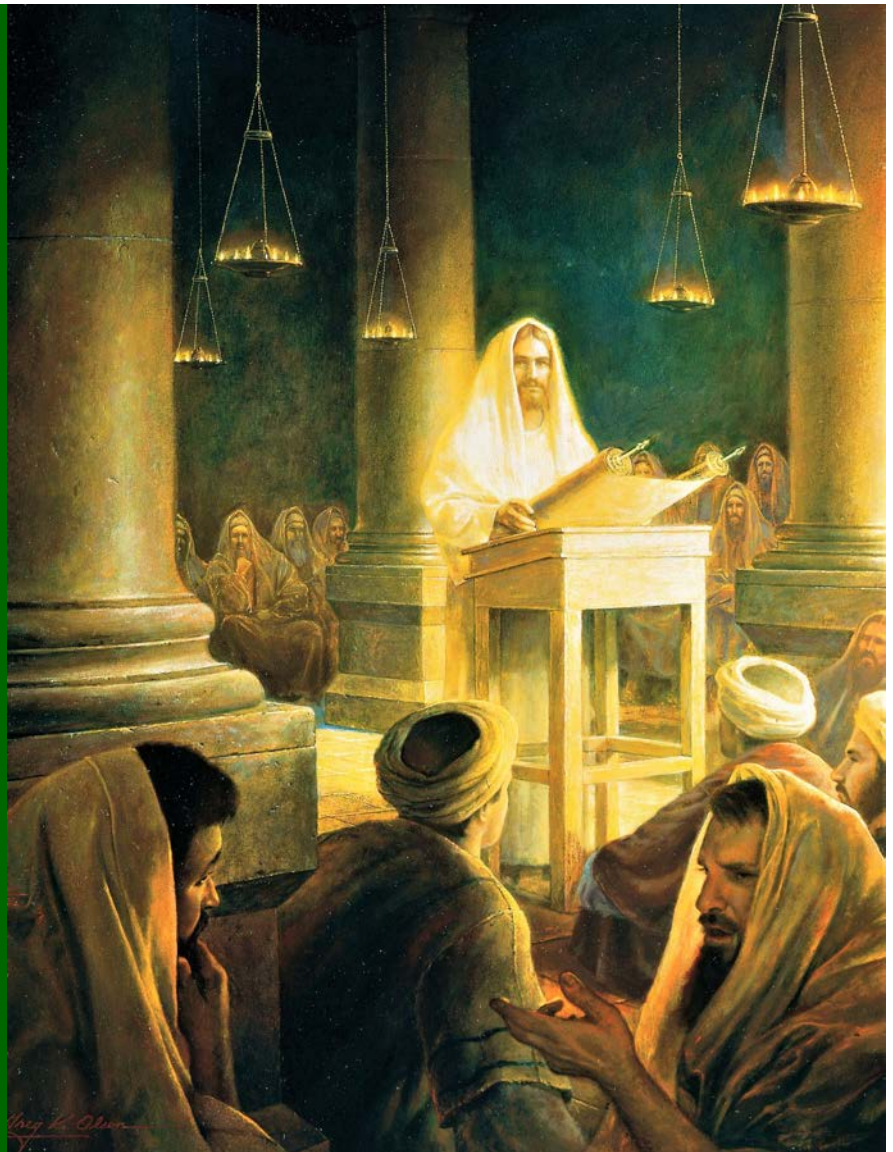
Anointing of the Sick
Contact Rectory for appointment for
home bound or infirmed.

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekdays and Saturday: 8am

Saturday Vigil: 5pm

Sunday: 7:30am, 9am (Polish), 10:30am,
12 Noon



Church of the Immaculate Heart of Mary Roman Catholic Community

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Parish Office Hours in the Parish Center:
Weekdays: 9:00AM - 2:30PM

January 23, 2022

WORSHIP



MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, January 22

- 5pm +Andrew William Cliff by Swanzey Family
+Peter Rice by Barbara & Steve Hegarty
+Remigio Callioni by DeBruno Family

Sunday, January 23

- 7:30am People of the Parish by IHM Parish
9am +Stanislawa & Marcin Wrobel by Szymanskich Family
Blessings on Teresa & Jacek Szklarki by Pirog Family
+Dariusz Gazda by Diane Bower & George Szermer
10:30am+Elizabeth & Concetta D'Amico by Dan&Joy O'Leary
+Charles French by Kenny & Virginia Sochulak
+Giovanna Altadonna by Gioia Family
12 noon +Anna & Siegfried Bader by Christina, Irene & Mike

Monday, January 24 – St. Frances de Sales, Doctor

- 8am +Mary Suleski by daughters Christine & Carol

Tuesday, January 25 – Conversion of St. Paul, Apostle

- 8am +Nellie Driscoll by Agnes Driscoll

Wednesday, January 26 – Sts. Timothy & Titus

- 8am +Edward Pretko by Carol Rebain

Thursday, January 27 – St. Angela Merici

- 8am +John Link by Valentina Link

Friday, January 28 – St. Thomas Aquinas, Doctor

- 8am +Edward Pretko by Anne Suleski

Saturday, January 29

- 8am +William Miele by Carol Miele
5pm +Charles, Paul & William Sokol
+Arnaldo Callioni by DeBruno Family
+Giovanna Germano by Germano Family

Sunday, January 30

- 7:30am +Maria Kielbasa by Maryann & John Matrejek
9am +Jozefa & Wincenty Kupiec by Szymanskich Family
+Bronislaw Pirog by Pirog Family
+Jozef Iwanczak by Pol Family
10:30am +Bertha Dempsey by Family
For All Saints by Gerdia
+Jan Ceglinski by Zoladkiewicz Family
12pm +Edward Pretko by Tyrrell Family

RECENT COLLECTIONS:

December 25: to be reported at a later date.

January 16: to be reported next week.



MEMORIAL CANDLES

St. Joseph (Altar)

In memory of Mickey Wilson
from Aunt Myrna Wattlely

Sacred Heart (Alcove)

In memory of Cynthia my loving wife
from husband Ed Plicinski

In memory of Susan my loving daughter
from Dad Ed Plicinski

DEVOTIONS

Immaculate Heart of Mary Novena

Every Monday following the 8am Mass

Divine Mercy Chaplet

Every Friday following the 8am Mass

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Every Friday - Noon to 7pm

Rosary

Every Saturday following the 8am Mass



PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED

Antoni Miasik, Dorothy A. Mulhearn, Jan Rusnaczyk, Kazimierz Gil, Felicia Fox, James Joyce, Anna Karcz, Eduard Kuceravec, Debra Lukaszewski, William Durkin, Jeanette DeRocker, Norbert Rebain, John Bajor, Concetta M. Tedesco, Eugeniusz Skala, Luciano Grasso, William B. Smith, Frances Zielinski, Pulcherie J. Drejman Stanley Tuczowski, Janet Michelini. Edward B. Pretko, Veronica M. Quinn, Peter Rice, Jan Ceglinski, Kathleen N. Doucette, John B. Hendrickson.

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FAITH FORMATION

FEAST OF ST. FRANCIS DE SALES PATRON OF AUTHORS, JOURNALISTS, WRITERS, DEAFNESS

MONDAY, JANUARY 24



St. Francis de Sales was born in 1567 in the Savoy region of France. He studied rhetoric, the humanities and law in preparation for a political career. He abided by religious celibacy and had a deep devotion to the Virgin Mary but he kept his spiritual life secret from the world.

This devotion clashed with the wishes of his father who had arranged a marriage for him. The Bishop of Geneva found Francis de Sales a position in the Swiss Church, leading to his ordination as a priest in 1593. He was named Bishop of Geneva in 1602 after which he worked to restore Geneva's churches and religious orders. He helped St. Jean Frances de Chantal establish a women's religious order – the Sisters of the Visitation. He died in 1622, was canonized in 1665, and named a Doctor of the Church in 1877. He wrote two well-known books, the *Introduction to the Devout Life* and *A Treatise on the Love of God*. For his writings he has been named patron of the Catholic Press.

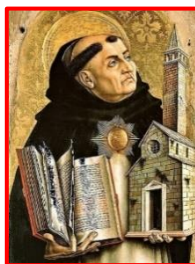
CONVERSION OF ST. PAUL, APOSTLE TUESDAY, JANUARY 25



St. Paul the Apostle was the greatest of the early Christian missionaries. He first appears in the Acts of the Apostles under the name of Saul. Saul was raised in the Jewish faith as a Pharisee trained in the strict observance of God's Law. Saul was upset by the early Christian Church, believing that the early Christians had broken away

from their Jewish traditions. He actively persecuted the Church in Jerusalem. As the first Christian martyr Stephen was being stoned to death, Saul watched the cloaks of the persecutors (Acts 7:58). After his first missionary journeys, Paul was called by Jesus to proclaim the Gospel to the Gentiles. He spent the rest of his life journeying on his missions, establishing local churches, and writing to them when he heard of their accomplishments and failures. Paul's letters are the earliest records of the life and history of the early Church. As inspired by the Holy Spirit, Paul's letters are part of the Canon of the New Testament. As a record of the happenings in the early Church, they are in invaluable record of the expansion of Christianity.

FEAST OF ST. THOMAS AQUINAS PATRON OF STUDENTS & UNIVERSITIES FRIDAY, JANUARY 28



By universal consent, St. Thomas Aquinas is the preeminent spokesman of the Catholic tradition of reason and of divine revelation. He is one of the great teachers of the medieval Catholic Church, honored with the titles Doctor of the Church and Angelic Doctor.

His greatest contribution to the Catholic Church is his writings. The unity, harmony, and continuity of faith and reason, of revealed and natural human knowledge, pervades his writings. The *Summa Theologiae*, his last and, unfortunately, uncompleted work, deals with the whole of Catholic theology. He stopped work on it after celebrating Mass on December 6, 1273. When asked why he stopped writing, he replied, ***"I cannot go on.... All that I have written seems to me like so much straw compared to what I have seen and what has been revealed to me."***

His original Feast Day was March 7, the day of his death, but because the date often falls within Lent, in 1969, a revision of the Roman Calendar changed his Feast Day to January 28, the date his relics were moved to the Church of the Jacobins, Toulouse. Pope Pius V declared St. Thomas a Doctor of the Church, saying Thomas was "the most brilliant light of the Church."

FIRST EUCHARIST CLASS RETREAT SUNDAY, JANUARY 30, 10:15am – 1pm



Second Graders will attend a Children's Retreat on Reconciliation, 10:15am-11:30am, followed by Family Mass at 12 Noon.



Please pray for our First Eucharist candidates and their families as the children prepare for their First Reconciliation.

OUR FAITH-SHARING GROUP ON ZOOM CONTINUES...

WEDNESDAYS, 7pm- 8:15pm



We encourage others to join our informal group of people sharing life and faith, valuing one another, connecting with the church's story, and reaching out in service. Contact facilitator, Barbara Dillon, at barbaradillon181@gmail.com.

FAITH FORMATION

A SPECIAL INVITATION FOR YOU...
PLEASE COME AND LISTEN!



Next Sunday, January 30th, our Parish will be visited by a team of catechists from a nearby parish who will be giving a catechesis for all those who want to strengthen their faith and have a meeting with Jesus Christ in their lives.

Beginning on Monday, January 31st, the catechesis will be given on Mondays and Thursdays, at 8PM, in our Church.

In each meeting, these catecheses bring an announcement of the Good News which will make faith resound in us. This effort of the new evangelization is bringing a living faith to many of our brothers and sisters who today live a Christianity of habit, and is giving to many people, submerged in a secularized world, the possibility of meeting Our Lord Jesus Christ through Christian communities.

We invite you to come and listen to Good News for your life! Let us take advantage of this time of grace in our Parish, not only to grow in faith, but to discover how much God loves us even in the midst of difficulties and turbulent times.

For Adults and Youth (12+)
Mondays and Thursdays, beginning January 31st, at 8PM, in our Church.
Free Childcare available.

For more information, contact Fr. Marcin Fuks at 201-529-3517, or frmarcin@ihmcmahwah.org.

Calling all Couples – Married 50+ Years!



World Marriage Day

**SUNDAY
FEBRUARY 13**

Coming soon... this special day celebrates the gift and blessing of marriage and affirms and supports all married couples. More than ever, our families, parishes and communities need witnesses and support for the union of man and woman that Christ raised to the dignity of a sacrament. **If you'd like to have a photo of you and your spouse in our Bulletin that weekend, please email current photo or original wedding photo to Bulletin@ihmcmahwah.org with your names and years of marriage by Monday, January 31st.**

**THE
"WHOLE CHURCH"
NEEDS TO HEAR
OUR VOICES!**



On October 17, 2021, the Archdiocese of Newark, launched the first step in participating in the worldwide Synod of the Catholic Church initiated by Pope Francis.

Our parish, Church of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, along with 212 other parishes in this Archdiocese, will be joining the process. We have established a Synod Team and will be sharing our plans with you over the next months.

First, what is a Synod? A Catholic Synod is typically a gathering of bishops, under the authority of the Pope, to discuss and make pastoral decisions for the universal church. This Synod is quite different because it begins by reaching out to all Catholics in parishes throughout the world. We are being asked to share our experiences within our parish, and our hopes for our parishes and the whole Church in this millennium, as we grow in faith and invite others to join us on the journey, especially (as Pope Francis has reminded us) "those at the margins or who feel excluded."

We will be holding group listening sessions in February and March. We encourage all to participate, both active parishioners and those who have drifted away. The sessions will begin by invoking the Holy Spirit to inspire all to respond honestly to several questions that will be posed at each session. In the meantime, please pray with us and the whole church by saying the Synod Prayer which can be found on the prayer card at the end of each pew in Church.

Please watch for updates and join us. This is a "once in a generation moment" that Pope Francis is offering to us. We hope you will be a part of our Synod Journey!

BE A PART OF OUR "SOUPER BOWL"!

"Lord, as we enjoy this year's Super Bowl game, help us to be mindful of those without even a bowl of soup to eat."



Our church will be collecting **CANS OF SOUP** and other nonperishable food items for our own "Souper Bowl" to be donated to the Center for Food Action, located right here in Mahwah. Please place your donations in the "soup pot" located in the Church lobby (where you'll also find a list of CFA's most needed items) **through Sunday, February 13th.**



"Today this Scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing."

In today's Gospel, Luke portrays Jesus as One who had a clear understanding of who He was and his mission. Who He was: the One "in the power of the Spirit." His mission: "to bring glad tidings" to the poor, captives, blind, oppressed. Luke also had a clear understanding of who He was and his mission: he investigated "everything accurately anew" in order to proclaim the Good News. From the very beginning, what Jesus came to fulfill has been observed, treasured, handed down. Now we ourselves are to be the bearers of the Good News so that others may "realize the certainty" of the story we have received!

Like Luke's mission in today's Gospel, it is a perfect time to begin talking about the Synod Pope Francis has introduced to the "whole Church" this year. The purpose of the Synod is "listen to the voices of all of the baptized" in every local diocese before the bishops gather again in 2023. Our Parish has now embarked on this journey, and we have put together a Synod Team to spearhead the initiative. You will be hearing from them, as in today's Bulletin, over the next couple weeks to set-up sessions to hear your "voices". Now is the time, to voice your thoughts, opinions – good and bad, suggestions and ideas to shape the future of our Church. If you would like to join the Synod Team, or have any questions at this time, please email parishcouncil@ihmcmahwah.org. Please stay tuned for next steps.

This weekend, the Archdiocese of Newark will launch the 2022 Annual Appeal campaign. We will see this year's video at all Masses. I understand most of you have already received correspondence at your homes from Cardinal Tobin. Last year our goal was \$34,019.; total amount pledged was \$36,330.; received amount was \$35,930. This year our goal is \$30,105. Last year we received \$1,911. directly back to our Parish since we exceeded our goal. In order to receive a Parish rebate, we need to exceed 100% of our goal. Please see www.rcan.org/ways-to-give.

For those who weren't able to make Mass during the Christmas season, you can still make your Christmas donation at any time now – either online with Parish Giving on our Parish website: ihmcmahwah.org/ or drop in the collection basket marked Christmas donation. Last year during the height of Covid, we were blessed with your generosity and I'm praying that can do the same this year.

Have a safe and healthy week. God Bless You. Fr. Jacek

We will be sending out the 2021 Church Donations Statements for income tax purposes on request. Please fill out the coupon below, detach, and put in the Mass Collection baskets the weekends of January 16th and 23rd. Statements will be mailed to you in early February.



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