

IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH

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December 20, 2020 FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

PARISH STAFF & MINISTRIES

Pastor—Rev. Brijil Lawrence (254) 246-9997
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Secretary/Bookkeeper —Rachel Haferkamp
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Music Ministry —Karen Bartosh& Marsha Gerik
Plant Manager —Charles Beseda (254)749-7718
Safe Environment Champion—Jeryl Hejl
Senior Activities —Agnes Timmons
Knights of Columbus —Ernie Pustejovsky
KJT —Eugene Maroul
KJZT —Jeanette Urbanovsky



MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Mass – 6:00 pm
Sunday – 8:00 am
Monday & Wednesday – 6:00 pm

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 4:30 – 5:30 pm

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Saturday 4:30 – 5:30 pm

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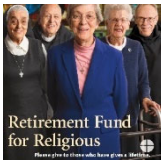
SATURDAY	DEC 19	6:00 PM	† Kenneth Beene by Ray Rabroker
SUNDAY	DEC 20	8:00 AM	Parishioners of Immaculate Heart of Mary
MONDAY	DEC 21	6:00 PM	† MaryAnn Pavlas by Lil Pavlas
WEDNESDAY	DEC 23	6:00 PM	† Mary Ann Pavlas by Susan Kallus
THURSDAY	DEC 24	5:30 PM	† Wanda Pustejovsky by Charles Pustejovsky
THURSDAY	DEC 24	7:30 PM	Steven & Betsy Kopor
FRIDAY	DEC 25	8:00 AM	† Harvey Janek by Judy Ridlehuber
SATURDAY	DEC 26	6:00 PM	† Harvey Janek by Marcella Kiely
SUNDAY	DEC 27	8:00 AM	Parishioners of Immaculate Heart of Mary

CROSS LIGHTS: In Memory of Albin & Josephine Kallus by Susan Kallus

CEMETERY LIGHTS: Charlie, Dennis, and Larry Pavlas

SANCTUARY LIGHTS: Bertha Collins by Julie Jensen

<p>THURSDAY – DECEMBER 24 AT 7:30 PM</p> <p>ALTAR SERVERS: Keaton & Grayson Pustejovsky</p> <p>LECTOR: Doug Pustejovsky</p> <p>USHER: volunteer needed</p> <p>GREETER: Ronda Ballew</p>	<p>FRIDAY – DECEMBER 25</p> <p>ALTAR SERVERS: Kyle & Will Gerik</p> <p>LECTOR: John Gerik</p> <p>USHER: volunteer needed</p> <p>GREETER: volunteer needed</p>
<p>SUNDAY – DECEMBER 27</p> <p>ALTAR SERVERS: Keaton & Grayson Pustejovsky</p> <p>LECTOR: Doug Pustejovsky</p> <p>USHER: Brad & Kolby Padgett</p> <p>GREETER: Jason Sullins Family</p>	<p>SUNDAY – JANUARY 3</p> <p>ALTAR SERVERS: Clayton Wolf, Quintin Kaska</p> <p>LECTOR: Beverly Pustejovsky</p> <p>USHER: Gary Pustejovsky</p> <p>GREETER: Lucas Wolf Family</p>



2020 RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS: Thanks for giving! We are conscious of the great generosity of the many benefactors who support the Retirement Fund for Religious each year,” says a Catholic sister. “Support from the fund has been a tremendous blessing to our retired sisters.” Thank you for donating to last week’s second collection.



DECK THE HALLS: We will be decorating the church for Christmas on Sunday, December 20th directly after 8:00 am Mass. If you can stay after Mass and lend a hand, it would be greatly appreciated.

2021 COLLECTION ENVELOPES are available to be picked up. They can be found on the table at the back of church. If you do not find your name on a box of envelopes and wish to use them, please take a blank box and write your name on the envelope the first time you use them after the new year. Also, if you need a statement showing the total of your yearly contributions that were made through your church envelopes, please contact the church office after the first of the year.

REMEMBER THE ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL BEFORE THE END OF THE YEAR

During this season of generosity; please remember to pray for the work of the vital ministries that are supported through the Annual Diocesan Appeal. Thanks to you our parish has pledged \$14,500 from 183 families. We are striving for 100percent participation. Please complete and return the commitment form that was mailed to you or donate online at bit.ly/ADADonate.



CHRISTMAS MASS VOLUNTEERS: IHOM is looking for Ministers to volunteer for upcoming Christmas Eve and Christmas Day Masses to act as Altar Servers, Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, Ushers and Greeters. See schedule on page 2 for opening. Call the church office to volunteer.

CATHOLIC RADIO: Do you need your Catholic fix on more than just Sundays? RED-C Catholic Radio in Central Texas can take care of your needs at 98.3 FM 24/7! This is a great way for you to learn more about your faith as well!



Thursday, December 24 – Nativity of the Lord (Holy Day of Obligation)

Vigil Mass at 5:30 pm IHOM, Abbott (age 60+ only)

Vigil Mass at 7:30 pm IHOM, Abbott

Vigil Mass at 10:00 pm, NBVB, Penelope

Friday, December 25 – Nativity of the Lord (Holy Day of Obligation)

Mass at 8:00 am IHOM, Abbott

Mass at 10:00 am, NBVM, Penelope

Friday, January 1 – Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God (Holy Day of Obligation)

Mass at 6:00 pm IHOM, Abbott

Mass at 7:00 pm, NBVM, Penelope

PRAY FOR US

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK: Please remember to keep these individuals in your prayers: Judy Ridlehuber, Anna Kaska, Jamie Beauchamp, Bertha Nelson, G.W. Lanmon, Terry Kramolis, Robert Nors, Peyton Ramirez, Jan Bezdek, John Rizo, Gary Evans, Deanell Crawley, Martha Beseda, Billy Pavelka, Michael Pavlas, Sylvia Hastings, Tommy Neill, Joseph Jiron, Casey Richmond Family, Larry Garcia, Johnny Krenek, Mary Smetak Sulak, Michael McKinney, Eric Janda, Anna Wolf, Erwin Pustejovsky Sr. and Jimmy Slovak.

PRAYERS FOR OUR SERVICEMEN AND WOMEN: Donovan Hill, Jeremy & Kayla Pustejovsky, Emily Pustejovsky, Brock Pustejovsky, and Justin Malaer.

It is not necessary to be a member of the parish to be added to the list. **To have anyone added or removed, please contact Rachel Haferkamp at 254-582-3092.** Only the person requesting, or the person being prayed for can request removal from the list.



Steps are being taken to create a safe environment for those who wish to attend, and we want to ensure everyone is informed of the following logistical details to undertake this effort until further notice.

- In consideration for parishioners of all ages, our Saturday Mass at 6:00 pm will be exclusively for 65 and older parishioners, and Sunday Mass at 8:00 am will be attended by the rest of the parish population.
- The obligation to physically attend Mass is still lifted through the time of this pandemic especially for the elderly, their caretakers, the immunocompromised, those who are feeling ill, or those who may have been exposed to COVID-19. You are asked not to attend if you are sick, so that we can continue to protect the vulnerable around us.
- Public Masses will be held with 50% occupancy restrictions in place. Family units may sit together but individuals must ensure safe distancing. These same protocols and occupancy limitations apply in the Diocese of Fort Worth to the celebration of weddings, funerals, and baptisms for the sake of the safety and good health of all involved.
- Masks must be worn by anyone in attendance at the Mass. Children under the age of two are not required to wear masks.
- Holy Communion will ONLY be distributed in the hand. When you come up, receive the sacred host in your hand, step away from the Eucharistic Minister, then use one hand to pull your mask down, before picking up the sacred host to consume it.
- We ask all those in attendance or receiving Holy Communion to also wash and/or sanitize their hands upon arriving at the Church. Remember, no holding hands for the "Our Father" and the Sign of Peace is suspended.
- The offertory baskets will not be used during Mass, but instead baskets will be available at the exit doors where you can drop your weekly contributions.
- The church building will be wiped down with disinfectant in between all masses. Hymnals and other worship aids are not to be present or used at Mass.
- Sacrament of Reconciliation will be administered Saturday 4:30-5:30 pm. Please follow social distancing with the requirement of a mask.