

# CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY

## 1040 ALAMEDA DE LAS PULGAS

### BELMONT, CALIFORNIA 94002

#### MASS TIMES

##### Monday through Saturday:

7:50 AM Divine Mercy Chaplet  
8:15 AM Mass  
Rosary Following Mass

##### Sunday Obligation

5:00 PM (Sat. Vigil)  
7:30 AM  
9:30 AM  
11:30 AM  
5:00 PM Latin Mass (1<sup>st</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays of the month)

##### First Friday Holy Hour

7:00-8:00 p.m.  
Exposition, Meditation & Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

##### Bulletin Deadline:

10:00 AM Tuesday

January 5, 2020 – The Epiphany of the Lord



#### 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. Kortenkamp .....Permanent Deacon  
Ms. Johanna McCormack.....School Principal  
Mrs. Robyn Lang.....Director of Religious Education  
Mrs. Elizabeth Zapien.....Pre-School Coordinator  
Ms. Georgianna Askoff.....Music Coordinator  
Ms. Terri Lee Craib.....Parish Secretary  
Mrs. Karen Turner.....Parish Operations Manager

#### PARISH OFFICE:

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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.

#### ANOIDNTING THE SICK:

This sacrament is for those who are elderly, seriously ill, or scheduled for surgery. Contact the Parish Office to schedule the anointing in Church or at home. 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 if you or a family member cannot attend Sunday Mass and would like to receive the Eucharist at home during the week.

#### NEWCOMERS:

Welcome to our community. You are invited to register in the parish on each 2nd Sunday of the month in the vestibule after Mass, by coming to the Parish Office during regular business hours, or by completing a "Welcome Card" found in the pamphlet rack at the entrance of the Church and mailing it to 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: 4:00-4:45 pm or at other times by appointment.

*Right is right even if no one is doing it. Wrong is wrong even if everyone is doing it.*



## **The Epiphany of the Lord (Solemnity) – Sunday, January 5, 2020**

**We saw His star at its rising and have come to do Him homage. (Mt.2:2)  
Vidimus stellam eius in oriente, et venimus adorare Dominum.**

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

In the Traditional (currently Extraordinary) Form of the Roman Rite this feast was for centuries fixed on January 6<sup>th</sup>, which falls on a Monday this year. Whereas in the Ordinary Form after 1969 the bishops' conferences were given the option of keeping the Epiphany always on the sixth or moving this feast to the Sunday after the Feast of the Holy Family or the Sunday after the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God, which always falls on January 1<sup>st</sup>. The U.S. bishops chose to always have it fall on a Sunday. Last year in 2019 both practices coincided, but not this year. Therefore, we can say that the full twelve days of Christmas are celebrated each year only when the traditional calendar is followed or the rare year that January 6<sup>th</sup> falls on a Sunday. To make matters even more complicated in some countries the Epiphany remains always fixed on January 6<sup>th</sup> no matter what, but not in others like the United States. On Sunday, January 5<sup>th</sup> in the Extraordinary Form in Latin we will celebrate the Feast of the Most holy Name of Jesus at the 5pm Mass, whereas our Saturday evening Mass and our morning Masses this weekend are for the Epiphany. On Monday, January 6<sup>th</sup> the morning Mass at 8:15 am will be a Christmas weekday Mass, but the Latin Mass in the evening at 6:30 pm, following the Extraordinary Form, will be the Feast of the Epiphany.

The Feast of the Epiphany always captivates the imagination. Who were these wise men, or as tradition calls them, kings? Actually, little is known. We know that they first consulted King Herod; we know that they returned home by a different route so as to avoid leading Herod to the Holy Family; we know that they followed a star, found the Lord, and then offered gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. Nevertheless, this little tells us a lot in our own journey of faith. Remember, what happened then continues to happen today.

Tradition gives names to the three kings: Gaspar, Melchior, and Balthazar. That they would seek out the Savior is a sign for all times that we are created by God to seek out and to discover the Truth. God wills that we come to Him, and that we find salvation in His Son, the Lord Jesus Christ, and His Church. Yet, many times, we don't put out much effort. We fail to readily turn from sin, or pray faithfully, or study about our faith. We are contented with the minimal. The three kings were not. They exhausted themselves in travel, outsmarted King Herod, followed diligently the star; and, finally, they offered their hearts, minds, and souls to the Lord in homage, which is clear by the precious gifts they brought. We must do the same. To worship God, to adore Him, is the complete offering of who we are into His service for His greater honor and glory. That is what it's all about. As we begin another year in the Lord's service, each of us is called to renew our complete, undivided, consecration to our heavenly Father through Jesus Christ, His Son, our Savior and the Savior of the entire world. We must promise to be His best, most devoted, disciples. He is counting on us.

The gifts the three kings offered, in fact, tell us about Jesus mirrored in their faith. The gold signifies that Jesus is King; the frankincense that He is God; the myrrh that He is our only hope to eternal life in the Resurrection. In giving to God, we receive back far more than we have given. Come, let us truly adore Him!

May this New Year bring to you and your loved ones bountiful blessings and graces!

Yours in Jesus, Mary, and Joseph,  
Father Mark G. Mazza, Pastor

*"Where is the newborn King of the Jews? We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage." Matt. 2:2*

## PRAY FOR

- Those who have died, and especially those who have no one to pray for them. May their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace.
- Those who are newly baptized: May God always be present to them and may they continue to grow in “age, wisdom and grace.”
- Peace in our world, for those who serve our country, at home and overseas; for all who suffer in any way due to war and civil disturbance, that God will assist all people toward reconciliation and peace.
- Those who are sick or who suffer in any way, that God will assist them in their need. Especially, Bob Ahrens, Tom Anderson, Joe Andreano, Fernando Arguello, Manny Galvez, Gary Harder, Henry Jacquemet, Patrick Lobo, John McEvoy, Jesse Montalvo, Victoria Renard, Ron Rosso, and for those who suffer alone and have no one to pray for them.

## Mass Schedule

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<b>Jan 4 Sat</b>	<i>St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, Religious</i> <b>8:15am – Geraldine Morrissey</b> <b>5:00pm – Enrico Svevo</b>
<b>Jan 5 Sun</b>	<b>7:30am – Raniero Roselli</b> <b>9:30am – People of the Parish</b> <b>11:30am – Ernest Bautista</b> <b>5:00pm – Latin Mass</b>
<b>Jan 6 Mon</b>	<i>Christmas Weekday. St. Andre Bessette, Religious</i> <b>8:15am- John Carroll</b>
<b>Jan 7 Tue</b>	<i>Christmas Weekday. St. Raymond of Penafort, Pr.</i> <b>8:15am- Loraine Markey</b>
<b>Jan 8 Wed</b>	<i>Christmas Weekday</i> <b>8:15am- Raymond Serrato</b>
<b>Jan 9 Thu</b>	<i>Christmas Weekday</i> <b>8:15am- Mary Antony</b>
<b>Jan 10 Fri</b>	<i>Christmas Weekday</i> <b>8:15am- Fr. Xavier Harris</b>
<b>Jan 11 Sat.</b>	<i>Christmas Weekday</i> <b>8:15am- In Reparation to the Immaculate Heart of Mary</b> <b>5:00pm- Charleen Bunyan</b>
<b>Jan 12 Sun</b>	<b>THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD</b> <b>7:30am – Giuseppe Pierantoni</b> <b>9:30am – People of the Parish</b> <b>11:30am – Patricia Gallelo</b>

### SUNDAY COLLECTION

Collection for weekend of 12-22-19: \$6,898.00

### CELEBRANTS for Jan 11 & 12, 2020

Sat. 5:00 pm – Fr. Gepiga  
Sun 7:30 am – Fr. MacDonald  
9:30 am – Fr. Gepiga  
11:30 am – Archbishop Cordileone  
(Sacrament of Confirmation)

### READINGS for Jan 11 & 12, 2020

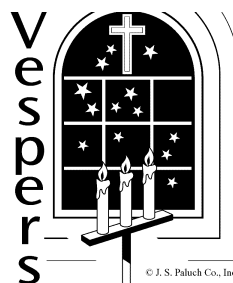
First Reading: Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7  
Second Reading: Acts 10:34-38  
Gospel: Matthew 3:13-17

## BAPTISM

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### Congratulations to our newly baptized!

In the month of December 2019, we welcomed  
Harley Reed  
Audrey Allen  
So glad you are part of our family of faith!



**JANUARY 14, 2020**

*Solemn Vespers at  
the Church of the  
Immaculate Heart of  
Mary, Belmont*

All are invited to participate in the celebration of a liturgy of Solemn Vespers at 7:00 p.m., Tuesday, January 14, 2020 here at Immaculate Heart of Mary. The prayer service is a joint collaboration by the parishioners of Immaculate Heart of Mary and our good neighbors, the parishioners of our Sister Church, the Greek Orthodox of the Church of the Holy Cross. All are welcome to attend. Archbishop Salvatore J. Cordileone will be the Presider and Metropolitan Gerasimos of the Greek Orthodox Metropolis of San Francisco will be the Homilist. A dessert reception will follow in the Parish Center. This will be the fourteenth year that the Roman Catholic and Greek Orthodox communities have gathered to pray in Belmont, California.

### ADVENT GIVING TREE

Thank you for your generous donations this year to the Advent Giving Tree. Through your kindness, more than 200 families donated a total of \$5,500. Your contributions assist those in need at the St. Francis Center in Redwood City.

## ***NEW—Parishioner Survey Is Online***

Parishioner Survey cards were made available in most parishes of the Archdiocese on Sunday, December 22. Thanks to all the Mass-goers who filled them out. The survey is now online, in English and Spanish. If you did not submit a card on Sunday, or if you want to submit more information or commentary on any of the questions, please use the survey at the Archdiocesan website, above. The survey is anonymous and takes just a few minutes. With help from each parishioner we will be able to know and understand better our Catholic people and their needs. Please complete the survey by January 31, 2020.

[sfarch.org/parish-survey-english](http://sfarch.org/parish-survey-english)

[sfarch.org/parish-survey-spanish](http://sfarch.org/parish-survey-spanish)

## **WALK FOR LIFE West Coast**

**January 25, 2020** will mark the 16<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Walk For Life West Coast in San Francisco. Please save the date!

The Walk begins at Civic Center Plaza at 12:30 pm, walking down Market Street to Justin Herman Plaza.

Register and info: 415-658-1793  
email: [info@WalkforLifeWC.com](mailto:info@WalkforLifeWC.com)

## **MARRIED COUPLES**

This New Year, make a Resolution to make your marriage the *best it can be* by attending a **Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend!** The next **Marriage Encounter Weekends** include: **Feb 29-Mar 1, 2020 in San Francisco, CA** and **May 15-17, 2020 in San Jose, CA**. For more information and/or to apply for a Weekend, visit our website at: [\*\*sanjosewme.org\*\*](http://sanjosewme.org) or contact **Ken and Claranne** at **408-782-1413** or via email at [\*\*applications@sanjosewme.org\*\*](mailto:applications@sanjosewme.org).



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**MEN'S GROUP:** Exodus90 is a do-it-yourself spiritual exercise (with the help of a few fellow parishioners) that will cause spiritual growth! Find out more at [Exodus90.com](http://Exodus90.com) or contact Dave Arms at (650) 333-7338.



## **IHM SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE**

January 26, 2020

### **Come and Visit us**

We invite all interested parents to tour our school class rooms and meet our teachers. Admissions tours are every Thursday at 9:00. We look forward to sharing our IHM spirit with you! For appointments call the school office at (650) 593-4265.

### **IHM School Admission Policy**

Immaculate Heart of Mary School, mindful of its mission to be witness to the love of Christ for all, admits students of any race, color, and national and/or ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs and activities generally accorded to or made available to students at this school. Immaculate Heart of Mary School does not unlawfully discriminate on the basis of race, color, and national and/or ethnic origin, age, sex or disability in the administration of educational policies, admissions policies, scholarship and loan programs, and athletic and other school administered programs.

### **IHM Preschool**

Now Accepting Applications for 2020-2021. Please contact the IHM School office at (650) 593-4265 to make an appointment for a short observation of the preschool classroom, and a tour of the school.

### **Preschool Schedule Options**

***FULL DAY: 8:00 a.m. – 3:00 pm***

5 days per week - Monday through Friday

3 days per week - Monday, Wednesday, Friday

2 days per week - Tuesday and Thursday

***HALF DAY: 8:00am – 12:30pm***

5 days per week - Monday through Friday

### **EXTENDED CARE AVAILABLE:**

3:00pm – 5:30pm