

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

CURRENT MASS TIMES

Saturday at 5pm

Sunday at 9:30am

**Masses will be held
in front of the
Parish Center.**

**Reservations are
required – please
visit our website:
ihmbelmont.org**

August 23, 2020 Twenty-First 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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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,

When catholic pilgrims go to Rome they look forward to visiting the tomb of St. Peter, which is under the high altar of St. Peter Basilica. Excavations since the 1940's have definitively proved that the tomb of St. Peter is actually where we have always thought it was. Since the days of St. Peter only two churches have been built over the tomb; one by the Emperor Constantine after the legal recognition of Christianity and the present basilica in all its splendor. The original church was built over the humble burying place of St. Peter in what originally was a Roman cemetery in the Vatican section of ancient Rome. With the excavations complete, scholars and special tours can walk the streets of the ancient cemetery beneath the current basilica, passing by pagan burial places still undisturbed, and then approach the original simple tomb of St. Peter.

On the main level of the basilica pilgrims are invited to kneel at what is called the Confessio (from I believe or confess or profess) and renew in prayer the ancient Apostles' Creed, which is printed on cards in the major languages of the world. For it is near this very spot that the earthly remains of St. Peter have been venerated from the beginning of Christianity. It is here that papal Masses continue to be celebrated at the High Altar and the Masses of simple priests are celebrated at many minor altars, including one in the Clementine chapel in the crypt beneath the pope's altar. Catholics renew the profession of faith St. Peter made in our Lord and accept all that the Lord has to offer, especially His precious gift of the one, holy, catholic, apostolic, Church, built on the rock of St. Peter's faith. We are heirs of that one true Church. The popes are the successors of St. Peter by the mandate of Christ Himself. Of course, the popes cannot alter the teachings of the Lord. Their duty is to hand them on unchanged. In our uncertain world, we have this certainty of faith. If we stand with St. Peter and his successors, and truly love our Holy Mother the Church, then the Kingdom of God will advance on earth in preparation for the eternal Kingdom.

Yours in the Immaculate Heart of Mary,
Fr. Mark G. Mazza, Pastor

Matthew 16: 15-19 – He (Jesus) said to them, “But who do you say that I am?” Simon Peter replied, “You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.” And Jesus answered him, “Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jona! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father who is in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the powers of death shall not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.”

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, August 23rd

**The People of the Parish
Enrico & Catarina Svevo**

Monday, August 24th

Dominic Tran

Tuesday, August 25th

Bolger Family

Wednesday, August 26th

Raymond Serrato

Thursday, August 27th

Darlene Venturini

Friday, August 28th

Giuse Phuong

Saturday, August 29th

Familia Milla

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



God is love

PARISH NEWS

First Communion Celebration!

Yesterday, we celebrated with several of our young parishioners who received communion for the first time. It was a joyful and sacred celebration!

Please keep them in your prayers as they continue to grow in faith. Pray also, for their parents and families, who support and guide them on their journey.

Outdoor Mass

Masses continue to be held outside in front of the Parish Center.

Join us Saturday's at 5pm and Sunday's at 9:30am.

Join us in person (reservations required) or via livestream.

Bring your own chair - if you cannot bring your own chair please indicate this on the reservation form (we will have a very limited number of chairs available so it is recommended that you bring your own if possible)
or

Watch and listen from your car - a sound system will be set up.

Make your reservation at ihmbelmont.org

Be "Census"-able!

Now is the time to complete the **2020 Census** if you haven't already! The deadline has been shortened by 4 weeks to September 30th. A complete count for the Census is at risk with the shortened deadline. This could mean fewer resources for our families, our communities – and we risk losing seats in Congress!

SCHOOL NEWS



Immaculate Heart of Mary School has begun the school year with Distance Learning! IHM School will remain in Distance Learning through September, with the hope of returning to some

form of in-person instruction on September 8th per Archdiocesan and San Mateo County Health Department guidance.

We have also begun a new partnership with **Electivity Enrichment** to offer extra-curricular online programs such as Science Club, Chess, Cartoon Drawing and Product Design among others. Registration deadline is 09/10/2020. Visit: www.electivitykids.com/fall2020.

Our Preschool reopens tomorrow, August 24th for essential workers and their children. If you know of a family that is looking for a preschool for their child who is age 3-5 and is potty-trained, please contact our Preschool Director, Liz Zapien, for more info at: preschool@ihmschoolbelmont.org or via phone at (650) 593-2344.



We are doing a lot to prepare for a great beginning of the school year, even if it is virtually! Please keep our school – students, staff, and families in your prayers!

In the Heart of Mary,

Mrs. Andrea Harville, Principal
Immaculate Heart of Mary School