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IS OUR  
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# POPE FRANCIS

## *A Journey of Faith*



THE CHURCH OF  
THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY  
MAHWAH, NEW JERSEY



**Saturday, September 19, 2015**

**5:00PM Eleanor Cruse**  
by Robert Cruse &  
granddaughter, Christie

**Sunday, September 20, 2015**

**The Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Catechetical Sunday**

**7:30AM Mary Plicinski** by son, Ed Plicinski  
**9:00AM Roman Zwierz**  
by Mr. & Mrs. Robert & Jean Hooper  
**10:30AM Camillo DeRinaldi** by wife, Theresa  
**12:00PM Anton Leahy** by Joan Taylor

**Monday, September 21 For Our Parishioners and**

**8:00AM Deceased Members of  
the Dinoso/Escusa Families**  
by Lulu Dyap  
**Lottie Strong** by Mary Krupinski  
**12:00PM Dorothy Ginger Almeida**  
by son, Michael & daughter-in-law Lindsey  
**Health Blessing for Fr. Floyd**  
by Mary Ellen Cacioppo

**Tuesday, September 22**

**8:00AM Chester S. Wans, Sr.** by daughter, Eileen  
**12:00PM Deceased Members of  
the Trusewicz Family** by Mary & Family  
Eileen Lisi by husband, Vincent

**Wednesday, September 23**

**8:00AM Ed Sinclair** by Ed Plicinski  
**Michele Szwed** by the Family  
**12:00PM Anton Leahy**  
by Arthur & Louise Yankowski  
**Cecilia O'Toole** by Mary Ellen Cacioppo  
**Birthday Blessings for Fr. Floyd**  
by Eleanor Platz

**Thursday, September 24**

**8:00AM Ed Sinclair** by Susan Plicinski-Hopper  
**Ryszard Graczyk** by the Family  
**12:00PM Anna Garbowski** by the Family  
**Dr. Alexander Zito** by wife, Jacqueline Zito

**Friday, September 25**

**8:00AM Richard Bayer** by Gisela Sokol & Family  
**Blessings for George Vettom**  
by Laila Vettom  
**Silvia Iregui & Elisa Moreno** by Clara  
**12:00PM George Gera** by the Family  
**Cecilia O'Toole** by Anne Suleski

**Saturday, September 26**

**8:00AM James Kenny** by Bob Cellini  
**Florence Wanamaker** by Friends

**Saturday, September 26**

**5:00PM George Gera** by the Family

**Sunday, September 27**

**The Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**7:30AM Ted Kownacki**  
by wife, Helen & Family  
**9:00AM Zofia & Boguslaw Kaczor**  
by the Family  
**10:30AM Happy 10<sup>th</sup> Birthday Alexandra**  
by Mom & Dad  
**12:00PM Konrad Pol on His 9<sup>th</sup> Birthday**  
by the Family

**Memorial Candles**

**St. Joseph (Sanctuary Candle)**

In memory of **John & Agnes Froland**  
From Virginia Sochulak & Family

**Sacred Heart (Devotional Alcove)**

In memory of **Cynthia**, my loving wife  
From husband, Ed Plicinski

**PRAYERS FOR PARISHIONERS**

**For those who are ill:** Christine Sanese-Brett, Joan Malone, JoAnn Best, Stella Moran, Paul Mayer, Carol Zarcone, Jaclyn Best, Helen Kelly, Jack and Nora Dempsey, Tara Arbia, Peter Rice, Maryann Titko, Theresa White, John LaPlaca, Rob Brembt, James and Barbara Straut, Maureen Hillen, Ruth Stager, Eleanora Swingle, Frances Konior, Irene Calotta, Sophie Thorson, Gabriele DiCarlo, Mary Gisonno, Joseph Szwerc.



**(Names on the sick list will be on five (5) weeks. If you wish to leave them on longer, call the rectory weekdays, 9:00AM-5:00PM.)**

**For the recently deceased:** Josephine Christensen, Michael Dorman, Ronald Brightenback, Danuta Schroeder, Ken de Ferrari, Anna Garbowski, Anne Stricker, Jack Baxter, Darlene Roe, Florence Micik, Anton Leahy, Priscilla Binko, Kathleen Cebulski, Joseph Kotos, Thomas Skerry, Irena Ceglinska, John Kelly, Anna Krupinski, Gilda DiDomenico, Francesco Matarazzo, James Mulgrew, Christina Wyszomirski, Frederico Chacon, Joseph Kuzmik, Rose Leahy, Ed Sinclair, Bozena Niepostyn, Brian Slicker, Eileen Connelly, Anthony Fontana, Florence Wanamaker, Helena Marut, Adele Sereno.



September 20, 2015



## Message from the Pastor:

This week, in addition to the official arrival of autumn on Wed, Sept. 23<sup>rd</sup>, Pope Francis begins his Apostolic Journey to both Cuba and the United States for the first time. Beginning with Sunday, Sept. 20<sup>th</sup> through Sunday, Sept. 27<sup>th</sup>, some of the highlights of his trip include visiting three cities in Cuba; moving on to Washington, DC – first meeting with President Obama, then midday Prayer with U.S. bishops at Saint Matthew’s Cathedral, followed by Fr. Junipero Serra Canonization Mass at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. On his second day there he will address a Joint Session of Congress – the first Pope to ever do so. On to NYC, he will address the United Nations General Assembly on Friday followed by Mass at Madison Square Garden. He will wind up his trip next weekend with two days in Philadelphia at the festivities surrounding the World Meeting of Families. I encourage you to find time to follow some of his itinerary, speeches and homilies – the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops ([www.usccb.org](http://www.usccb.org)) and The World Meeting of Families ([www.worldmeeting2015.org](http://www.worldmeeting2015.org)) websites are great resources to review. We will also be showing some of the events on our large screen in our Church – please see insert in today’s Bulletin.

Moving to today’s Gospel of Mark, when Jesus tried to tell his disciples about how he would soon suffer and die, they were afraid to ask him any questions. They acted as though everything would stay the same. They even argued about who was the greatest among them. So Jesus corrected them by saying “If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all.” Embracing a small child, Jesus told the disciples, “Whoever receives one child such as this in my name, receives me; and whoever receives me, receives not me but the One who sent me.” He wanted them to understand that they were to be willing servants with the childlike qualities of innocence, honesty, and lack of pretension. Jesus identified Himself with the innocent child who is completely dependent on His Father.

I wish to join Archbishop Myers, today, on Catechetical Sunday throughout the United States, in recognizing those who give of themselves so generously in fulfilling the critically important ministry of catechesis for the Church. May God richly bless our Catechetical Leaders and our new Youth Minister along with all our volunteers for all that they do to nurture God’s children in our Parish. Let us also pray that parents and grandparents will share their faith with their children through their examples by the way they live and the choices they make.

Also, this Sunday at the 10:30am Mass, we will welcome and pray for thirty-two Confirmation candidates who will begin their journey together with their new Confirmation Coordinator in preparation to receive this Sacrament.

And, today is Fr. Floyd’s Birthday! Let us keep him in our prayers for best wishes and good health in the days ahead! And... please don’t forget our Parish Centennial Family picnic from 2-6pm today at the Mahwah Elks. Looking forward to seeing you all there!

God Bless You.  
Fr. Jacek



## Recent Collections

Sunday Collection      \$5,033.00  
Second Collection      \$1,921.00

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### September Parish Events Calendar

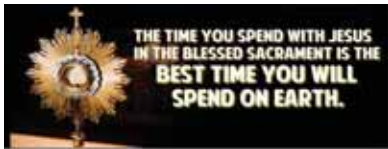
September 20      Catechetical Sunday  
10:30 AM Mass  
Fr. Floyd's Birthday  
**Parish Picnic 2pm-6pm**

September 21      CCD Classes Begin  
Grades 1,2,3 @ 4:30-5:45 PM

September 21      CCD Classes Begin  
Grades 6,7,8 @ 7:00-8:00 PM

September 22      CCD Classes Begin  
Grades 4 & 5 @ 4:30-5:45PM

## **Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament**



**Friday**

12:30PM to 6:00PM  
closing with  
Benediction.

**Centennial**

1915-2015

**Celebration**



100 YEARS  
OF FAITH



WE REMEMBER  
WE BELIEVE  
WE CELEBRATE

***The future starts today, not tomorrow.***

Saint John Paul II

To capture the current faith community, the journal committee will be asking for some membership photos of our parish organizations. Members will be contacted for photo appearances in the upcoming weeks. We look forward to see all your smiling faces as we create history for the next 100 years.



### **September 21 – Feast of St. Matthew**

At the time that Jesus summoned Matthew to follow Him, he was a publican., No one was more shunned by the Jews than a publican, who was a Jew working for the Roman enemy by robbing his own people (as a tax collector) and making a large personal profit. Publicans were not allowed to trade, eat, or even pray with other Jews. He was also regarded by the pharisees as the typical sinner. One day, while seated at his table of books and money, Jesus looked at Matthew and said two words: "Follow me." This was all that was needed to make Matthew rise, leaving his pieces of silver to follow Christ. **St. Matthew, the Evangelist** is the patron of accountants; bankers; bookkeepers; tax collectors;



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## **Lectors Needed**

The proclamation of the Word of God is truly a ministry in the Church. Lectors bring the living Word of God to the liturgical assembly. In and through them God speaks to the gathered faithful. The ministry of the word, therefore, is treated seriously and with great dignity.

Lectors are fully initiated (baptized, confirmed and admitted to first Communion), practicing Catholics whose lives witness to the word which they proclaim.

The ministry of the word requires skill in public reading, knowledge of the principles of liturgy, and an understanding and a love of the Scriptures.

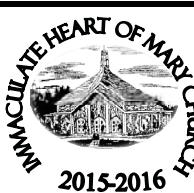
We offer a flexible schedule. A training session will be offered on Saturday, October 24<sup>th</sup>. If you are interested, please see Fr. Jacek.

### **Save the Date:**



**Blessing of the animals**

**October 4, 2015 1:00PM**



**Centennial  
Tidbits**

***A Word of Thanks!***

The beautiful logo designed for our centennial year currently being used by the Centennial Family Spirituality Committee was designed by our own Katy Maguire. A faithful and experienced altar server, Katy shares her interpretation of being "under the patronage of the Immaculate Heart of Mary". **Thank you for your awe-inspiring work.**

***Do you know how many pastors have served the parish of Immaculate Heart of Mary?***

***Can you name them?                      Answers next week.***

**ATTENTION    NONAGENARIANS!!!!**

**You know who you are!**

**And the rest of us want to know too.**

The secret is out that IHM has a select group of persons who has attained the status of **NONAGENARIANS**. Whether you grew up in Mahwah at IHM or came to us from a different locale – **we are glad you are here**. Do not be bashful. Your accomplishment is a cause to celebrate. So please give the office a call and let us know we can list your names in a future bulletin.