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Watervliet, NY

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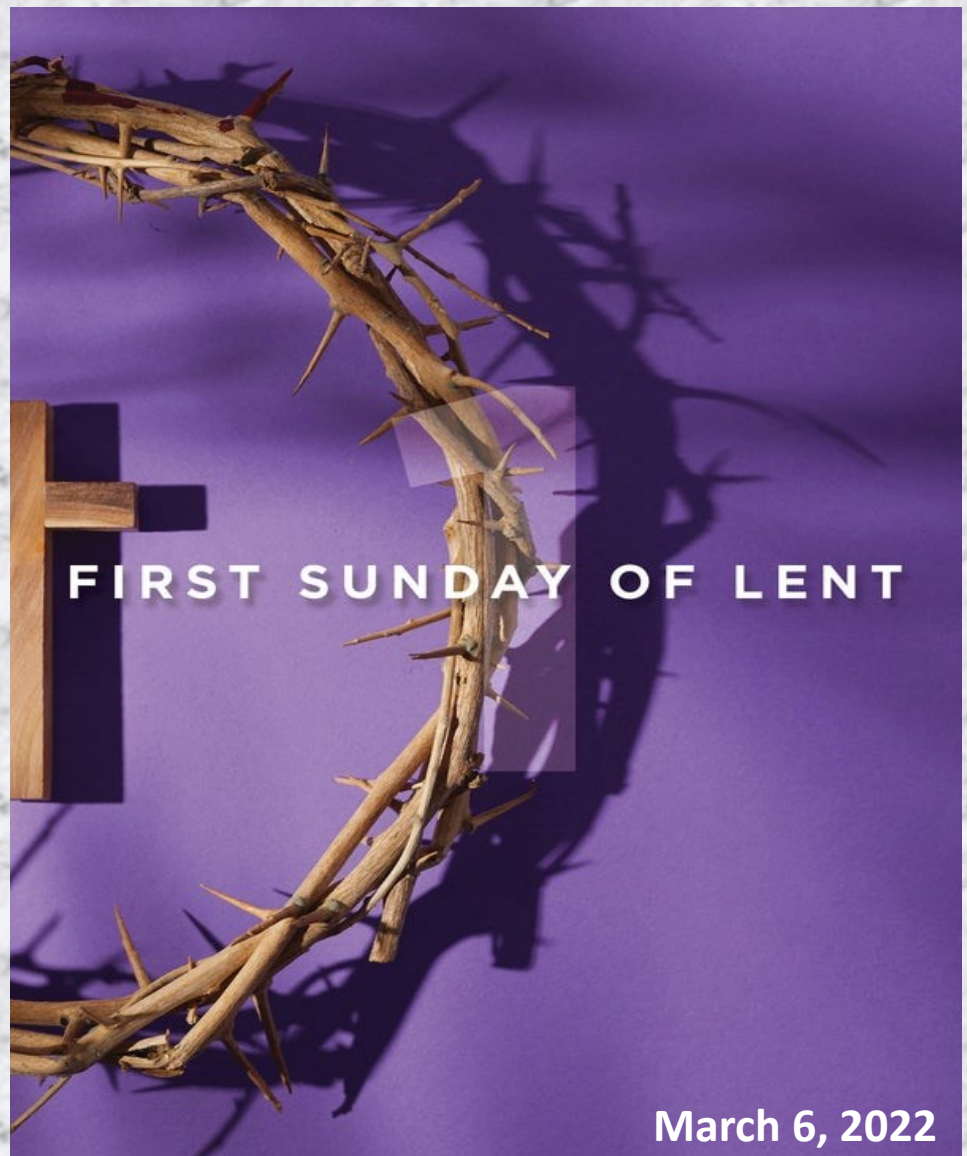
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March 6, 2022

*Take Up
the
Cross
and
Follow
Me*



Celebration of the Eucharist

Saturday Vigil - 4:00pm
Sunday - 8:30 and 11:00am

Weekday Schedule

9:00am Mass - Tuesday Wednesday Thursday
Adoration on Tuesdays - 9:30 to 11:00am

WELCOME

Journeying Through Lent . . .

Stations of the Cross: March 11, 18, 25, April 1, 8

Share a special gift with your families this Lent; take some time out of your busy lives to attend the Stations as a family at ***6PM on Fridays**. Sometimes to really understand the journey, you have to walk in the footsteps of Jesus on His way to the Cross.

March 11: Rosarians: Stations for Seniors

March 18: Bearing the Cross Today

March 25: Everyone's Way of Cross

April 1: Through the Eyes of Mary

April 8: Living Stations

Note: Time 6 PM



PARISH LIFE CENTER: SO MANY THANKS

When the Parish Life Center was renovated 6 years ago, very little storage area was provided. We have tried to manage with folding screens in the interim, which often fell over and didn't really hide anything well. After the Pasta Dinner last year, we asked Father Rutherford if we could take the profits and purchase a sign for the Parish Life Center (through Stripes of Watervliet) and to construct a more permanent wall to provide a much needed storage area. With his permission and with some wonderful volunteers, we are almost there.

Many thanks to Curtis Lumber, Ballston Spa, who generously donated materials used. Thanks also to the Keefer Family (Bill, Andrew and William), who did the framing and sheetrock and to the Kowalski's (Jason and Michael), who did the taping and painting. From the remaining funds, we plan to purchase some shelving which will help to provide a place for the Food Pantry to store the food boxes that are handed out on Tuesday and Thursday. May God bless all who helped to make this happen.

Scripture Sharing: Ascension Press; No Greater Love, A Biblical Walk Through Christ's Passion - On March 10, we will begin a new series, entitled "No Greater Love". This five week series from Ascension Press is a biblical walk through Christ's Passion. Consider joining us as part of your Lenten journey.

Our first session is entitled, "The Prayer of the Agony: Jesus in Gethsemane".

Come join us. We meet on Thursdays from 2 to 3pm. For more information, please contact Sharon at 518-328-0427 or skowalski@ihm.rcpw.org

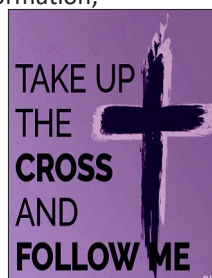
Mary's Kitchen: Mondays 3 to 5pm: ALL ARE WELCOME!! Stop by between 3 to 5pm on Mondays and sit down to enjoy a meal with friends or pick up a meal to take home: Soup, salad, sandwich, entrée and dessert!!

Questions?? Please contact Sharon at skowalski@ihm.rcpw.org or call 518-328-0427 for more information.

Valentine's Day Breakfast and Smile Train: Results Coming Soon

Many thanks to all who attended the breakfast on February 13. The breakfast, provided by the Black Bear Inn (Joe Skumurski), was thoroughly enjoyed by all attending.

Since we were still unable to have a Bake Sale to raise funds for Smile Train, it was decided that our profits from the breakfast would be donated to Smile Train. We recently received information that we will again have an opportunity for 5x matching funds. Next week, we will include the totals for all money raised.



Faith Formation For All Ages ~ Sharon C. Kowalski, Coordinator of Faith Formation and Youth Ministry skowalski@ihm.rcpw.org

Faith Formation: 2021-2022

March Faith Formation sessions will be March 6, 13, and 20. All sessions are 9:45 to 10:50am.


First Reconciliation will be on March 12 at 1:30 in the Church. This is for young people who are in their 2nd year of preparation. Parents and children must attend.

Please contact Sharon at skowalski@ihm.rcpw.org or 518-328-0427 for more information or questions about Faith Formation and/or receiving sacraments at IHM.

Children's Liturgy of the Word (CLOW)

As much as we would like, we can't return to a full schedule yet. We are working on a monthly schedule and will post the dates as soon as they are determined.

RCIA and Sacramental Preparation for Adults and Older Children: ~ If you are interested in becoming a Catholic or completing your Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation) or are curious about the process, contact Sharon at 518-328-0427 or skowalski@ihm.rcpw.org.

In Memoriam ~ 2022		
 <p>In loving memory of Albert P Morelli, Donald & Eileen Gallagher Hogan requested by Don & Patti Hogan 2/19/23</p>	<p>In loving memory of our Families: The Carlsons, The Mardigans, The Foleys & The Butlers requested by Bob & Carol Carlson 2/5/23</p>	<p>In loving memory of John A O'Brien requested by the Family 10/23/22</p>
<p>In loving memory of William T Sr, Julia F and Robert A Fahr requested by the Family 8/21/22</p>	<p>In loving memory of The Barron & Rys Families requested by the Family 7/17/22</p>	<p>In loving memory of Bryan T Roberts (son) Raymond & Helen Werner (parents) requested by Judith Pope 7/17/22</p>
<p>In loving memory of John T Sherlock requested by his wife and Family 4/10/22</p>	<p>In memory of our beloved son Michael D Kowalski requested by Michael and Sharon Kowalski 3/20/22</p>	<p>In loving memory of Adam & Katherine Novak John & Rosalie Novak & Florence Szpot requested by the Family 3/6/22</p>

LIVE THE LITURGY - Inspiration of the week

Human beings did not come to believe in God just because of someone's private testimony about him. Rather, belief in God became real when human beings understood that all of human history is being guided and lead, kept and sustained by a God who is incredibly in love with all that he has made. It is this realization that leads us to thanksgiving and gratitude for the one who gives us "this land flowing with milk and honey." It also leads us to adoration and worship as we continue to see the creative power of God's presence in all of the events of our lives. The Church stands as a living

witness to all of these things and calls us this Lent to reflect and remember. There is a great temptation for human beings to leave the truth of who they are, where they came from and who created them. Falling into this temptation we cease giving thanks to and worshipping our Creator as we pursue our own self-sufficiency, power, and prestige. While having more may seem better, the only thing we really need more of is love.

This fortifies us and keeps us from falling. ©LPi



Readings for the week of March 6, 2022

Sunday: Dt 26:4-10/Ps 91:1-2, 10-11, 12-13, 14-15 [cf. 15b]/Rom 10:8-13/Lk 4:1-13
Monday: Lv 19:1-2, 11-18/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/Mt 25:31-46
Tuesday: Is 55:10-11/Ps 34:4-5, 6-7, 16-17, 18-19/Mt 6:7-15
Wednesday: Jon 3:1-10/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19/Lk 11:29-32
Thursday: Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8/Mt 7:7-12
Friday: Ez 18:21-28/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-7a, 7bc-8/Mt 5:20-26
Saturday: Dt 26:16-19/Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8/Mt 5:43-48
Next Sunday: Gn 15:5-12, 17-18/Ps 27:1, 7-8, 8-9, 13-14/Phil 3:17—4:1 or 3:20—4:1/Lk 9:28b-36

PRAYER TREE MINISTRY

Almost everyone believes in the power of prayer. At some point in our lives, we all need prayers. It simply means taking a few minutes out of your day to pray for others. Please consider becoming a member of our Prayer Tree Ministry. Interested? Contact Linda at 518-209-6446.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat., Mar 5

4:00pm—Rebecca Glogowski, req by her children

Joseph & Dorothy Slupski, req by son Keith
Chuck Adams, Fred Sajler, req by the Stark family

Ed & Bettianne Smulsky, on occasion of their 60th Wedding Anniversary.

Sun., Mar 6

8:30am—Erin Hayes, req by daughter Ellen
Lila Such, req by Bob & Carol Carlson

Living & deceased members of IHM

11:00am—Carole Maloney & son Jeff, req by husband Don

Charles Centanni, req by Marge
Sean O'Brien, req by Marilyn LaParl & Tony Cassidy

Tues., Mar 8

9:00am—living & deceased members of IHM

Wed., Mar 9

9:00am—Theresa L Fahr (6th Anniv), req by family

Thurs., Mar 10

9:00am—Sara Crudo (100th B'day), req by the Crudo family

Fri., Mar 11—STATIONS OF CROSS: 6:00PM

Sat., Mar 12

4:00pm—Bob Lewis, Sr/Evelyn Prescott, req by Lewis, Stark, D'Attilio families
Winifred M McDonald, req by Marla Martini

Sun., Mar 13

8:30am—Margaret Rose Gonsowski (5th Anniv), req by son & daughter
Gail M Caswell, req by Marla Martini

11:00am—Kaye Conroy, req by Toni Delduce

Lila Such, req by Mary Ellen & Bill Sage
Raymond Skiba, req by Joyce Novak

Next Sunday: March 13

2nd Sunday of Lent;

Daylight Saving Time begins!



Question for the Week:

"Reflect - Respond"

First Reading: Moses taught the Israelites the importance of remembering and thanking God for how God saved them from Egyptian slavery. *What has the Lord done for you that warrants your gratitude and thanksgiving?*

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