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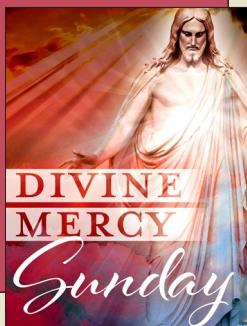
April 24, 2022



2nd SUNDAY OF EASTER

Jesus said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands,
and bring your hand and put it into my side, and do not be
unbelieving, but believe." - Jn 20:27

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.



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



May Baby Shower: The Rosary Society will once again host a **May Baby Shower beginning May 1st.** A Playpen will be set up in the back of the Church for donations. Needs include: diapers, pajamas, onesies, night-gowns, bottles, powdered formula, receiving blankets, burping clothes, baby wipes, clothing. Monetary donations may also be made. Checks should be made payable to: Community Maternity Services. Any assistance you can render will be greatly appreciated!

May Crowning

The May Crowning of the Blessed Virgin will take place on May 1st at 10:30 am.

We will meet in the vestibule of the Church and weather permitting process to the statue of the Blessed Virgin on 25th Street where the crowning will take place. PLEASE JOIN US!!!!

Rosary Society Meeting

There will be a Rosary Society Meeting on Wednesday, May 11th at 6:00 pm in the Parish Life Center. All women ages 18 and over are invited to attend.

ICE CREAM EXTRAVAGANZA: APRIL 24

Immediately after the 11am Mass on April 24, we will get together in the Parish Life Center for ICE CREAM!! Make sure you join us for Make-Your Own Sundaes, or just a bowl or a cone. Looking forward to seeing you there!!

ALL ARE WELCOME

SCRIPTURE SHARING: *The Chosen, Season 1* - While we wait for Season Three of "The Chosen" to be released, we will have a repeat showing of Season 1. If you missed some episodes or all of the first season, now is the time to catch up and/or see what you missed. This week's episode is "Shabbat".

Come join us. We will meet on Thursdays from 2 to 3pm. All are invited to see what this amazing series is all about.

For more information, please contact Sharon - skowalski@ihm.rcpw.org or 518-328-0427.

"The Eucharist is the heart and the summit of the Church's life"

PRAYER 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.

RCIA & 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.

FAITH FORMATION FOR ALL AGES

Sharon C. Kowalski, Coordinator of Faith Formation and Youth Ministry
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Faith Formation: 2021-2022: First Eucharist and May Crowning, May 1

The remaining Faith Formation session for April is April 24. Sessions are 9:45 to 10:50am.

First Eucharist and May Crowning will be at the 11am Mass on May 1.


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



LIVE THE LITURGY Inspiration of the week

Life is about to get very interesting for the disciples. Finding themselves questioning what happened to Jesus and whether he actually was raised from the dead, they are afraid and uncertain. In the midst of this fear, questioning, and uncertainty, Jesus decides to surprise them with a visit! This visit, complete with the gift of peace, fills the disciples with great excitement and joy. But their detailed testimony is not enough to convince their absent friend Thomas. He wants to see for himself. We struggle with belief as well. It is hard for some to give themselves over to the testimony of another. We want to see the resurrected Christ in person. God, through the gift of eyes of faith, gives us the ability to do precisely that: when we witness the healing that comes from forgiveness, the beauty that flows from love, the wonder of creation, the new life that comes after we fall, and the unique soul that lives behind each person's life. Christ is risen. Life will get very interesting for us too, when we stop unbelieving and believe! ©LPI

MARY'S KITCHEN:- 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!! All are welcome; parishioners, neighbors and friends!! Questions?? Please contact Sharon at 518-328-0427 or skowalski@ihm.rcpw.org for more information.

In Memoriam ~ 2022		
 <p>In loving memory of Albert P Morelli, Donald & Eileen Gallagher Hogan requested by Don & Patti Hogan</p> <p>2/19/23</p>	<p>In loving memory of our Families: The Carlsons, The Mardigans, The Foleys & The Butlers requested by Bob & Carol Carlson</p> <p>2/5/23</p>	<p>In loving memory of John A O'Brien requested by the Family</p> <p>10/23/22</p>
<p>In loving memory of John T Sherlock requested by his wife and Family</p> <p>10/9/22</p>	<p>In memory of our beloved son Michael D Kowalski requested by Michael and Sharon Kowalski</p> <p>9/18/22</p>	<p>In loving memory of Adam & Katherine Novak John & Rosalie Novak & Florence Szpot requested by the Family</p> <p>9/4/22</p>
<p>In loving memory of William T Sr, Julia F and Robert A Fahr requested by the Family</p> <p>8/21/22</p>	<p>In loving memory of The Barron & Rys Families requested by the Family</p> <p>7/17/22</p>	<p>In loving memory of Bryan T Roberts (son) Raymond & Helen Werner (parents) requested by Judith Pope</p> <p>7/17/22</p>

Readings for the week of April 24, 2022

Sunday: Acts 5:12-16/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 [1]/Rv 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19/Jn 20:19-31
Monday: 1 Pt 5:5b-14/Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17/Mk 16:15-20
Tuesday: Acts 4:32-37/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5/Jn 3:7b-15
Wednesday: Acts 5:17-26/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Jn 3:16-21
Thursday: Acts 5:27-33/Ps 34:2 and 9, 17-18, 19-20/Jn 3:31-36
Friday: Acts 5:34-42/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/Jn 6:1-15
Saturday: Acts 6:1-7/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19/Jn 6:16-21
Next Sunday: Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41/Ps 30:2, 4, 5 -6, 11-12, 13 [2a]/
Rv 5:11-14/Jn 21:1-19 or 21:1-14

We Remember.
Celebrate.
Believe.



MASS INTENTIONS

Sat., Apr 23
4:00pm—Charles Adams, req by Bob/Sandy Beston
St Brigid's Class of '72 (50th Anniv)
Marge Testo & Thomas Halpin, Sr, req by the family

Sun., Apr 24
8:30am—Tammy Morgan, req by mom/dad
11:00am—Lv'g & dec'd members of IHM Cutulle & Barbaro families, req by Donna Barbaro
Rosalie Novak (B'day), req by Joyce Novak

Tues., Apr 26
9:00am—Ms Mabel Malone, req by Shufon family

Wed., Apr 27
9:00am—George Forslin (L), req by Joe Squillace

Thurs., Apr 28
9:00am—for people in Ukrainia

Sat., Apr 30
4:00pm—Mary Romano, req by Bob Warren & Patty Minkler
Ted Testo, Sr, req by the family
Living & dec'd members of IHM

Sun., May 1
8:30am—Mary Romano, req by Raymond Gabriel
11:00am—Carole Maloney & son Jeff, req by husband Don

RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

The World Is Watching

If you're a parent, you know this to be true: the world is watching. All it takes is one slip-up — one bad word, one selfish action, one uncharitable commentary, and that's the thing your child seems to notice.

When he or she calls you on it, the only thing you can do is come clean. "Yep, I did that," you have to say. "I'm a work in progress, but luckily, God never stops working."

I think it's fair to say that we don't think enough about the wounds of Christ. It's a little understandable, of course. Our human bodies flinch at the sight of such pain and mortification. It's a lot to handle, the physical trauma of a crucifixion. It carries an R rating in a PG world.

But the wounds of Christ are the only thing that could make Thomas believe. Literally nothing else was so powerful, not even the testimony of his most trusted friends. Only by looking at and feeling the torn flesh — by beholding that messy reality — did this Apostle, this actual companion of Christ, come to believe in the Resurrection.

"Christ has no body now but yours," goes the famous quote attributed to St. Teresa of Avila. What she's saying is that we have become the means through which God chooses to accomplish His will in the world. Us, the broken. Us, the weary. Us, the imperfect. Yes, miraculous events and apparitions still occur from time to time, but by and large, if a person is going to come to believe in Jesus Christ in this day and age, it will be because of something we Christians do or say.

Christ has no wounds now but ours. Our brokenness, our weariness, our imperfection — our reality. It all belongs to him, and the world is watching.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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