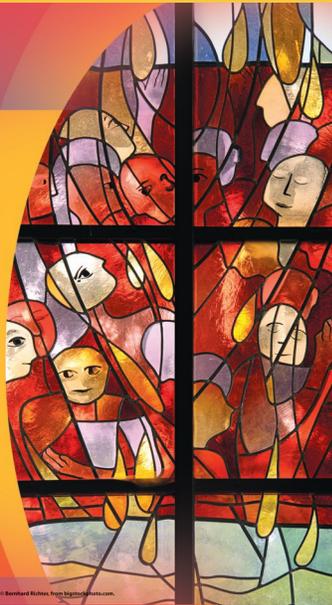


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Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish

Watervliet/Green Island NY

May 20, 2018

Celebration of the Eucharist
Saturday Vigil—4:00PM, Sunday—8:30 AM and 11:00 AM

Weekday Schedules
Communion Service: Monday & Friday, 9:00 AM
Mass: Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday, 9:00 AM

HANDICAPPED ACCESSIBLE

PASTORAL STAFF

Fr Don Rutherford, Sacramental Minister
Deacon Al Manzella, Parish Life Director
Deacon Mark Leonard

PARISH LIFE CENTER

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Watervliet, NY 12189
(518) 273-6020
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PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Mon—Thurs: 8:30am—3:30pm
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2425 7th Avenue
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Coordinator

Sharon Kowalski
skowalski@ihm.rcpw.org
Call for appointment

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday prior to the 4:00pm Mass

Sacrament of Baptism

Please contact the Parish Office to make arrangements. Baptisms are generally on the 2nd weekend of the month.

Sacrament of Matrimony

Couples should make arrangements as soon as the engagement is announced.

Anointing of the Sick

The Anointing of the Sick will be administered the first full weekend of each month, immediately after each Mass.

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Deacon Al's Corner ~

Pentecost & The Holy Spirit – Jesus would not leave His disciples alone after His death and Resurrection. “He breathed on them and said to them, ‘Receive the Holy Spirit.’” And He would never leave us alone. Although we may not think about it, throughout our busy overscheduled days, we are never alone! The Holy Spirit is always with us. Our challenge is to be open to the Spirit at work in our lives.

Let us pray:

Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in us the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit and we shall be created. And You shall renew the face of the earth. O, God, who by the light of the Holy Spirit, did instruct the hearts of the faithful, grant that by the same Holy Spirit that we may be truly wise and ever enjoy His consolations, Through Christ Our Lord, Amen.

God is Love – What does it mean that God is love? What does that say about God? How and what does love create? What does that say about us who have been baptized into His life?

Thank you - Thank you for your love and support. God is with us today and always. Thanks be to God.

Speaking of Thanks – On Monday evening we were treated to a special meatloaf dinner prepared by Bob Beston and friends. It was a wonderful meal. Thank you Bob and friends for a job well done. And thank you to all our loyal ladies who serve meals at Mary's Kitchen every week.



Vocations Ministry—A very exciting save the date!!

Dynamic Catholic's Dr. Allen Hunt is coming to St. Pius X Church to present the program “The Passion & Purpose of Marriage” on **SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2018, 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.** In this nationally acclaimed 4-hour program, Dr. Hunt uses stories, humor, scripture and personal experience to help couples learn the key ingredients to a happy and healthy marriage. “The *Passion & Purpose for Marriage*” is open to not only married couples but also to those dating, engaged, or singles looking to gain insight into relationships. Tickets can be purchased online now at Dynamiccatholic.com, go to “Events”, then “Passion & Purpose of Marriage” and look for “Loudonville”. This is expected to sell out quickly. Tickets are \$25 per person. For questions, contact Tanya LaVallee at (518) 233-9552.



Our mission statement at Immaculate Heart of Mary—“Proclaim the good news of Jesus Christ and praise His name by being a Christ-centered, welcoming, unified community. Called to holiness, we celebrate the love of God through prayer and worship, the Eucharist and other sacraments, catechesis, evangelization and service to all. Always His people, we strive to be good stewards of our time, talent and treasure.”

Pentecost: the Birth of the Church and a Celebration of Ministry—The Feast of Pentecost, May 20 this year, is a celebration of the birth of the Church. *It is second in importance only to Easter.* In our parish, it will be a day to celebrate the gifts people bring to ministry in the Church.



Did you know that there are over 22 ministries active in our parish?? The banners for each ministry are displayed on the wall in the back of the church. Please stop by next week and take a look to see if YOU may be called to participate in one or more of these ministries. *If you have any questions about what a particular ministry does or what it takes to be a part of that ministry, please call the parish office at 518 273-6020 or Sharon at 518 328-0427.*

AND – DON'T FORGET TO WEAR RED FOR PENTECOST!!

Scripture Sharing: Thursdays, 3 to 4 This Thursday, May 24, we will continue with Session 4, watching a DVD on *The Mystery Revealed*. A special welcome to George and Mary Anne Forslin, who recently joined us. It's a great little group. All are welcome. Why not stop in and see what it's all about? Contact Sharon at 518 328-0427 or skowalski@ihm.rcpw.org.

Mary's Kitchen: 3pm to 5pm—An enthusiastic thank you to Bob Beston and Friends who prepared a meal for us at Mary's Kitchen on May 14. Over 102 happy guests enjoyed a terrific meal of meatloaf, mashed potatoes and gravy and green beans almondine.

All members of the community are invited on Mondays from 3 to 5pm – both parishioners and non-parishioners alike – to enjoy an eat in meal, chat and relax with friends or to pick up a meal to take out. It won't always be a "Beston and friends special", but every week we serve soup, hotdogs, an entrée, sandwiches, tossed salad and dessert. Questions?? Contact Sharon at 518 328-0427 for more information.

Social Justice: Caring for the Environment

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John 7: 37— "Jesus stood up and exclaimed—Let anyone who is thirsty come to me and drink."

Pope Francis, Laudato Si— "Fresh drinking water is an issue of primary importance, since it is indispensable for human life and for supporting terrestrial and aquatic ecosystems."

Rosary Society-Annual Baby Shower The annual Baby Shower, sponsored by the Rosary Society will be held during the whole month of May. Bring unwrapped baby items and place them in the crib in the back of the Church. These will support Community Maternity Services and Mary's Corner (Cohoes). We will symbolically be clothing our spiritual adopted babies. See poster in back of Church for more details.

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

Sunday, May 20: Pentecost, the Birthday of the Church.

We invite our families to the Faith Formation and Ministry Center at 10:30AM to get things ready for the Pentecost celebration. We will need families to help with blowing up balloons, greeting parishioners before Mass, a family to bring up the gifts at Mass and families to help with serving the birthday cake and treats in the back of the church after Mass.

Here's What's Coming Up in May

May 20: Pentecost

May 20: Rosary breakfast, after 11am Mass. Tickets must be purchased before the 20th.

May 28: Memorial Day Parade: 8:30 Communion service, then meet at WHS.

"The Eucharist is the heart and the summit of the Church's life." (Catechism of the Catholic Church, 1407). The weekly celebration of the Eucharist on Saturday evening or Sunday morning defines who we are as Catholics – in our parishes, in our households of faith, in our neighborhoods, and in our world.

We have 3 Mass options every weekend: Saturday, 4pm; Sunday, 8:30am and 11am.

See you in church!!

RCIA & Sacramental Preparation for Adults and Older Children—What about you?

Need to receive sacraments – Baptism, Eucharist or Confirmation; for yourself, an older teen or young adult? Whatever your needs may be – whether completing the Sacraments of Initiation or questions about becoming members of Catholic faith, we are here to help you make it happen. We will work around your schedule and your individual area of need.

Something to consider - Do you know that in order to be a godparent for Baptism or a sponsor for Confirmation, you must have received all three Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation)???

Want more information?? Contact Sharon skowalski@ihm.rcpw.org. or at 518 328-0427.

In Memoriam ~ 2018		
 In loving memory of Joseph V Germano requested by the Family <small>12/23/18</small>	In loving memory of the Edward Brooks Family, Foglia Family & Monticup Family requested by Rose Brooks & Family <small>10/21/18</small>	In loving memory of J. Vince Cocca requested by his wife and Children <small>10/21/18</small>
In loving memory of John A O'Brien requested by the Family <small>10/14/18</small>	In loving memory of Adam & Katherine Novak John G Novak & Florence Szpot requested by the Family <small>10/7/18</small>	In loving memory of William T, Sr, Julia F and Robert A Fahr requested by the Family <small>7/29/18</small>
In loving memory of Bryan T Roberts (son) Raymond & Helen Werner (parents) requested by Judith Pope <small>7/8/18</small>	In loving memory of The Barron & Rys Families requested by the Family <small>7/8/18</small>	In loving memory of Francis X Lacosse, Sr requested by wife Lucille, Toni & Frank, Jr <small>5/27/18</small>

Parish Pictorial Directory—Lifetouch: *This will be the last weekend for sign ups* in the back of the church after Mass see Ashley Parmatier in the main lobby.

If you are interested in signing up and wish to do so online, log onto the church website and follow the link.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

On the days of photography (June 8th,9th,19th & 20th), we are looking to recruit some volunteers who can provide approximately 2-3 hours of service to help check in parishioners.

This is a great opportunity for anyone looking to complete community service hours for school as well.

Please see Ashley Parmatier for sign ups.

St Peter's: Cancer Screening-May 24—St. Peter's Hospital Breast Center is once again offering No-cost mammograms for eligible, uninsured women age 40+ on May 24th. Screenings take place 4 pm to 6 pm. For more information and to make an appointment, please call (518) 525-8680.

IHM Prayer Ministry—if you would like the prayer team to pray for you or a loved one, please contact Brenda Persons at 518 271-6184 .

Life Line Screening/the Power of Prevention at Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish—Parish Life Center, Tuesday, May 29, 2018—Take a step toward staying Healthy & Active. Be Smart: Do More For Your Cardiovascular Health. Advanced ultrasound technology looks inside your arteries for signs of plaque of plaque buildup. That's why many doctors support preventive screenings for those with key risk factors. (55+, High Blood Pressure, High Cholesterol, Diabetes, etc.)

Pre-registration is required. Call 1-888-653-6450 to register for your appointment and to receive a special \$10 discount, or visit

www.lifelinescreening.com/community-partners.

**Package 1: Plaque, Vascular Disease & Heart Rhythm
 Package-4 tests for only @139!**

**Package 2: Add an Osteoporosis Screening for only \$10
 more-5 tests for \$149! (a \$181 savings)**



In loving memory of
John T Sherlock
 requested by his wife and Family
5/12/19

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Mass Intentions for the Week

Sat., May 19

4:00PM—Joann Somich (B'day), req by Helen Somich
Jack McBain, req by Cori & Mark Spain
Isabelle Amato, req by the rosary Society

Sun., May 20

8:30am—Living & deceased members of IHM
Patricia Colbert, req by Audrey O'Hare
Bill McNulty, req by the family

11:00am—**Mary & Elmer Long**, req by the family
Carolyn Proctor, req by Theresa Bunk
Bob Henderson, req by Linda Dunbar

**MAY 21—MAY 25
 DAILY COMMUNION SERVICE
 AT 9:00 AM**

May 26

4:00pm—**Edward & Anita Dillon**, req by Mitchell & family
Isabelle Amato, req by the 4:00pm Choir
Daniel Cassidy, req by Theresa Ashline

May 27

8:30am—**Josephine M Razzano**, req by Frederick Hudy
Carolyn Proctor, req by Fred/Margaret Gonsowski
Richard & Joan Foglia, req by the family

11:00am—Living & deceased members of IHM
Jack McBain, req by Ginny & Susan Ellis
Vincenza M Testa, req by Tom & Linda Testa

ADMINISTRATION & FINANCE

Weekly Collection (incl mail-in/E.G.)

May 13-14, 2017.....\$6509.00

May 12-13, 2018.....\$6861.00

Ascension Of The Lord-Holy Day Obligation

May 25, 2017.....\$802.00

May 10, 2018.....\$879.00