



# IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY PARISH

Watervliet/Green Island NY

## May 22, 2016

### Celebration of the Eucharist

Saturday Vigil—4:00PM Sunday—8:30AM and 11:00AM

### Weekday Schedule

Communion Service: Monday & Friday at 9:00 AM

Mass: Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday at 9:00 AM

*Our mission at Immaculate Heart of Mary is to proclaim the good news of Jesus Christ and to 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.*

### HANDICAPPED ACCESSIBLE

#### PASTORAL STAFF

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

#### PARISH LIFE CENTER

2416 7th Avenue  
Watervliet, NY 12189  
(518) 273-6020 Fax: (518) 273-3978  
Email: [info@ihm.rcpw.org](mailto:info@ihm.rcpw.org)  
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#### Office Hours:

Mon—Thurs: 8:30am—3:30pm  
Friday—10:30am—3:30pm

#### Administrative Assistant

Judith Pope: [jpope@ihm.rcpw.org](mailto:jpope@ihm.rcpw.org)

#### Secretary

Mary Beth Knapik

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#### FAITH FORMATION & YOUTH MINISTRY CENTER

2425 7th Avenue  
(518) 328-0427

#### Coordinator

Sharon Kowalski  
[skowalski@ihm.rcpw.org](mailto:skowalski@ihm.rcpw.org)  
Call for appointment

#### Facility Manager

Matthew Carabis

#### Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 3:30 pm—3:45 pm or  
by appointment

#### 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

If you are hospital bound, homebound or seriously ill and desire to be anointed, contact the Parish Office. Eucharist can be brought to any parishioner by a Eucharistic Minister.

### Deacon Al's Corner

**Come Holy Spirit**—Congratulations Tim Nolan for completing his last Sacrament of Initiation! And thanks to Fr. Rutherford for Confirming Tim.

Did you remember to wear red for Pentecost? I forgot on Saturday and remembered and was wearing red on Sunday. Wonderful celebrations thanks to many people. Sharon Kowalski, Mary and Matt Carabis and Judy Pope worked on the decorations, the prayer to the Holy Spirit and the Doves with the gifts of the Holy Spirit. Thanks to all the youth who participated also.

**Great Breakfast**—I hope you had a chance to partake of the Knights of Columbus breakfast. It was very enjoyable and tasty! Thanks to Jim Howard, his brother Knights and to those who served the food. A special thanks to Joe Skumurski from The Black Bear Inn who provided and cooked a great breakfast! Thank you one and all.

**Goodbye and God Bless You**—Lilia Langford is moving to Massachusetts to be close to family. Thank you for being a loyal parishioner and friend. We will miss you Lily. May God continue to bless you in your new home and parish.

**Back to Church**—If you have any ideas on how to bring back our missing family and friends who we don't see at Mass please join us for the Back to Church meeting May 23rd at 6:30pm in the Parish Hall Conference Room. For months from now we will celebrate our Back to Church weekend. Maybe we should call it a "Family reunion"—our Catholic family reunion?! Please pray that the Holy Spirit inspire this effort.

**Parking Etiquette**—Please try and make the best use of our parking lot by pulling your car up as far as possible. Leaving empty spaces between cars reduces the number of cars that can use the parking lot. I heard someone say "we are all Christians in Church, but not in the parking lot!"

**ANNUAL BABY SHOWER**—Our Rosary Society is sponsor for the *Annual Baby Shower* during the month of May. A crib is in the back area of the church for your baby gifts. We will be symbolically clothing our "spiritually adopted" babies with this project.

Items needed are: disposable diapers, onesies, outfits, blankets, sweaters, one piece outfits, etc. Sizes are from newborn to 24 months. **SEE MORE INFO ON EASEL IN CHURCH. PLEASE HELP US CLOTHE POOR BABIES. THANK YOU.**

**We invite you to become a member of our parish family. To begin the registration process, please fill out this form and place in the collection basket on Sunday. We will send you a new membership form for registration. Thank you**

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

**RCIA and Sacramental Preparation for Adults**—Do you have **questions** about the Catholic faith? Is becoming a Catholic something you've thought about, but never actively pursued the **"How can I do this"**? Have you been Baptized or made your First Communion, but still **need to complete the sacramental process**? Are other family members Catholic and you would like to be able to **share fully with them in worship**?

Whatever your needs may be, we are here to help you make it happen. We are able to work around your schedule and your particular area of need. Want more information? Contact Sharon at 328-0427 or [skowalski@ihm.rcpw.org](mailto:skowalski@ihm.rcpw.org).

**SCRIPTURE STUDY: Gospel of Matthew**—You are invited to join us Thursday, May 26, between 6 to 7:30PM, in the Parish Life Center. We will view a DVD on Chapter 4 of the Gospel of Matthew, the tempting of the King. For questions or for more information, please contact Sharon at 328-0427 or [skowalski@ihm.rcpw.org](mailto:skowalski@ihm.rcpw.org).

**Feast of the Immaculate Heart of Mary**—Saturday, June 4 is the Feast of the Immaculate Heart of Mary. We would like to have a small reception after *all* the weekend Masses, but we need volunteers to help with food items and serving at the 4pm and 8:30am Masses. If you would like to help with this celebration of the patroness of our parish and regularly attend the 4pm or 8:30 Mass, please contact the parish office at 273-6020 or the faith formation office at 328-0427 and leave your name and phone number.



All parishioners are encouraged to take part in the celebration. Our hope is to truly make this a celebration of *parish*. Please stop by the tables in the back after Mass on June 4/5 and share in the feast.

### Can You Help Us??

The Welcome Back to Church Committee is working on updating our mailing list. If anyone has copies of the Memorial Service All Soul's Day booklets from 2006, 2007, 2008, 2011, 2012, and 2013 we would greatly appreciate the opportunity to borrow them. Thank you!! Thank you!!



### **Welcome Back to Church Weekend:** **September 17/18**

Do you have friends or family that used to worship at one of the former six parishes in Watervliet/Green Island? Would you like to invite them to be part of the Immaculate Heart of Mary parish family?

We are planning just the event to celebrate: a Welcome Back to IHM weekend, September 17/18. If you would like to be part of the committee, join us in the Parish Life Center on Monday, May 23<sup>rd</sup> at 6:30pm. All are welcome.

**"Scoop-a-thon"**...at MAC's on May 26th and June 2nd. Fr Ed will be "scooping" at MAC's from 5-8PM on those two days. **"MAC" will donate 10% of the proceeds** those days (all day long) to Immaculate Heart of Mary. In addition to **great ice cream**, MAC's serves **delicious real food**.

**SEE YOU THERE!!! .... MAC's DRIVE-IN HOURS ARE FROM 11:00AM TO 10:00PM**



### **FAITH FORMATION—For All Ages**

Sharon C. Kowalski, Coordinator of Faith Formation and Youth Ministry, [skowalski@ihm.rcpw.org](mailto:skowalski@ihm.rcpw.org)

#### **Pentecost: Confirmation, Tim Nolan**

Many thanks to all who helped make Pentecost a special celebration. Special thanks to Fr. Rutherford who helped us make Tim's Confirmation a truly memorable moment for him and his family!!

#### **We Said We'd See You Soon...And May is Not Over Yet!!**

Over the next few months, we'll see you for special celebrations, as well as at Mass: As important as Sacraments are, we are not just a "Sacramental Church". Faith Formation begins the journey with Jesus at our Baptism and continues throughout our lives. Attendance at sessions doesn't end with the reception of a Sacrament; it takes a lifetime to develop a relationship with the God who loves us.

**May 22: May Crowning; Rosary brunch**  
**May 30: Memorial Day Parade**

#### **Faith Formation Sessions & CLOW**

***Faith Formation sessions and Children's Liturgy of the Word will be on hiatus until September.***

***"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, 8:30 and 11am. **See you in Church!!**

**PARISH INFORMATION—New Members**—In our weekly bulletin, there is a short tear off that you can use to begin the registration process. Once filled out, it can be put in the collection basket or dropped off at the parish office. The parish secretary will then mail you a membership form and some information about the different ministries available at the parish, along with contact information.

<h1>Memorials for 2016</h1>		
 <p>In loving memory of <b>Joseph V Germano</b> requested by the Family</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><small>4/23/17</small></p>	<p>In loving memory of the <b>Edward Brooks Family, Foglia Family &amp; Monticup Family</b> requested by Rose Brooks &amp; Family</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><small>10/23/16</small></p>	<p>In loving memory of <b>John A O'Brien</b> requested by the Family</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><small>10/16/16</small></p>
<p>In loving memory of <b>Genevieve M Dyer</b> requested by her beloved husband <b>Bill, Children &amp; Grandchildren</b></p> <p style="text-align: right;"><small>8/28/16</small></p>	<p>In loving memory of <b>William T Fahr, Sr &amp; Julia F Fahr</b> requested by the Family</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><small>7/31/16</small></p>	<p>In loving memory of <b>Adam &amp; Katherine Novak John G Novak &amp; Florence Szpot</b> requested by the Family</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><small>7/31/16</small></p>
<p>In loving memory of <b>Bryan T Roberts (son) Raymond &amp; Helen Werner (parents)</b> requested by Judith Pope</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><small>7/3/16</small></p>	<p>In loving memory of <b>The Barron &amp; Rys Families</b> requested by the Family</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><small>7/3/16</small></p>	<p>In loving memory of <b>James D Langford</b> requested by <b>Lilia Langford &amp; Christine Callahan</b></p> <p style="text-align: right;"><small>6/12/16</small></p>

**MARY'S KITCHEN: Mondays: 3:30—5:30pm— Please note: Mary's Kitchen will be closed on May 30<sup>th</sup> because of Memorial Day. We will re-open the following Monday at the regular time.**

All members of the community are invited – both parishioners and non-parishioners alike – to pick up a take out meal or have an eat in meal in our newly renovated Parish Life Center during those times. Questions about Mary's Kitchen? Contact Sharon at 328-0427 for more information.

**SOCIAL JUSTICE: City Gardens—R J Valente Gravel, Inc. of Waterford**

donated six cubic yards of top soil and 6 cubic yards of compost to the Community Garden Project. *'Thank You'* for your most generous gift!

Do you have a green thumb and nowhere to plant. Why not reserve a spot in the City Gardens? For additional information please contact the office at 273-6020.

**FRIENDLY VISITOR**—If you have a family member or know of someone who is sick, in the hospital, alone or homebound, and might need a "pick-me-up" such as a card or visit. Our team of Friendly Visitors can help. Please contact Linda at 209-6446

**IHM PRAYER TREE MINISTRY**—If you know of someone who would like prayers said for them on their behalf, or for yourself, please contact Brenda at 271-6184. If you would like to be a part of the prayer team, just call the above number.

**IHM Website: What's Happening???** Be sure to check it out for the Mass schedule, latest events, pictures, Faith Formation news, contact information for the staff, parish offices, etc. [www.rcpw.weebly.com](http://www.rcpw.weebly.com).

**PRESENTING THE GIFTS AT MASS**—Any parishioner who has a Mass intention at a specific Mass, please notify one of the ushers that you would like to bring up the Eucharistic Gifts for that Mass when you arrive at church. They will be happy to assist you.



## Mass Intentions for May 23—29

**Mon., May 23**

9:00am—COMMUNION SERVICE

**Tues., May 24**

9:00am—NO MASS

**Wed., May 25 MASS**

9:00am—**Eleanor Mae Gambelli**, req by Michele & Charlie Smith

**Marian Winterbourne** req by Rose Brooks & family

**Thurs., May 26**

9:00am—**Farrell & Synan families**

**Fri., May 27**

9:00am—COMMUNION SERVICE

**Sat., May 28**

4:00pm—**Eve Taylor & George Maciejewski**, req by Sophie Germano

**Thomas Halpin, Jr**, req by the family

**Donna Murray**, req by Ginny & Diane Jakubics

**Sun., May 29**

8:30am—**Suk Semoon**, req by Joe & family

**Ella Brannigan**, req by Lynn & Rodney Williams

**Peter McGovern**, req by Bob & Carol Carlson

11:00am—**Gary Gingeresky**, req by Steve & Toni Halayko

**Vincent Lamb**, req by Marlene O'Brien

**Ella Brannigan**, req by St Ambrose Girl Scouts

### ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE

**Weekly Collection (including mail-in)**

May 16-17, 2015.....\$7632.00

May 14-15, 2016.....\$6304.00