

IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY PARISH

Watervliet, NY

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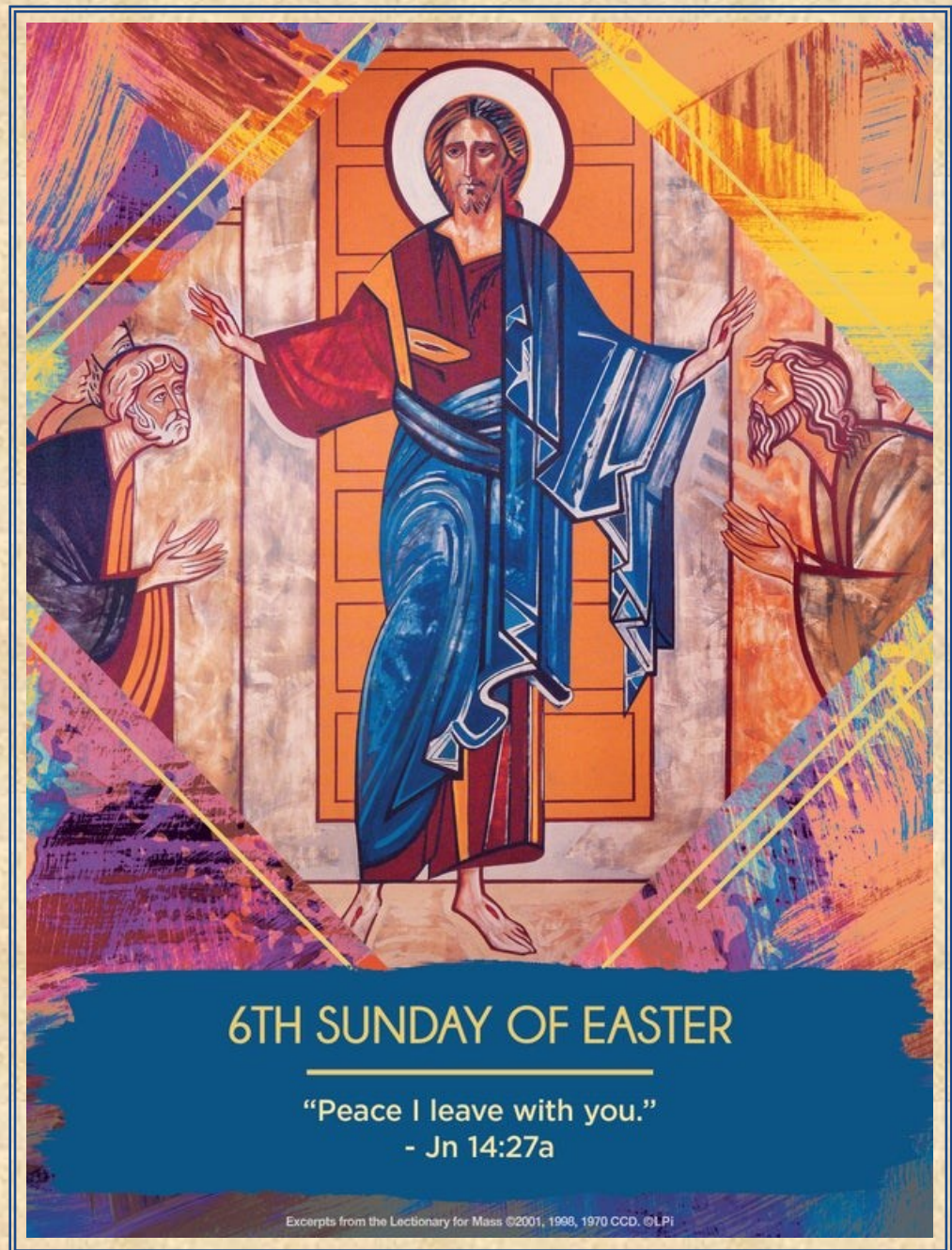
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May 22, 2022

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



WATERVLIED MEMORIAL DAY PARADE

We will be marching in the Memorial Day Parade to show solidarity as a parish.

If you would be interested in walking with us, please add your name to the sign-up sheet in the back of the Church.

Thank you for supporting our parish

community and we look forward to seeing you on Memorial Day!!

May Baby Shower ~ The Rosary Society is once again hosting a May Baby Shower, which runs to the end of the month. A Playpen is set up in the back of the Church for the donations. Baby items include: diapers, pajamas, onesies, nightgowns, bottles, powdered formula, receiving blankets, burping cloths, 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!

PLEASE SHARE YOUR TALENTS - We are in need of Greeters, Ushers, Lectors and Eucharist Ministers for all our Masses. If you feel you can be of assistance, please leave your name, email and telephone number on the sign-up sheets on the table in the back of the Church or call Linda at (518) 209-6446. Any help you can render will be greatly appreciated.

FAITH FORMATION FOR ALL AGES ~ Sharon C. Kowalski, Coordinator of Faith Formation and Youth Ministry skowalski@ihm.rcpw.org

Faith Formation: 2021-2022: Confirmation, June 5

This year, our candidates will celebrate the sacrament of Confirmation at St. Ambrose on June 5. Please keep Christopher Daus, Domenic Erby, Briana LaParl, and Rocco Mazzola in your prayers as they prepare to receive this sacrament.

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.

MARY'S KITCHEN:- ALL ARE WELCOME!! Please note: Mary's Kitchen will be closed on Monday, May 30 in observance of Memorial day.

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!! We would like to welcome Bill Martin to our group of Mary's Kitchen volunteers. He is helping to pick up bread at Freihofer's on Mondays. Many thanks to Bill for sharing his time to help with this effort!!

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

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: skowalski@ihm.rcpw.org, or 518-328-0427.

SCRIPTURE SHARING: The Chosen, Season 1: All Are Invited to Attend - 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 "Indescribable Compassion". This episode highlights the immeasurable source of forgiveness that Jesus offers us. Don't miss it.

Come join us. We will meet on Thursdays from 2 to 3pm. All are invited to see what this amazing series is all about. No homework, no materials to buy. Just spend an hour watching a truly interesting depiction of Our Lord and His disciples and the world and times around them.

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

CATHOLIC LIFE EXPLAINED - Responding to God

Question:

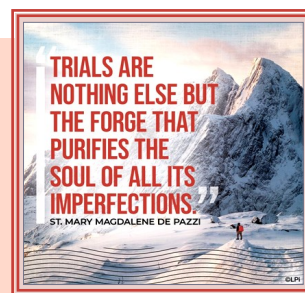
I can't explain it. I feel a nudge from God to something out of the ordinary. How do I respond?


Answer:

You're in good company! Abraham was asked to leave all he knew and loved for a strange land, with only abstract divine assurance that such a sacrifice would be worth it. Plenty of prophets protested against God's call, whether it was claiming they were too young (Jeremiah) or running away entirely, only to end up in a whale's belly (Jonah). St. Joseph was asked to do something very strange. He was asked to believe — on the word of an angelic appearance in a dream — that his betrothed was pregnant not from another man, but by a miraculous intervention of God. Then he was called to marry her.

Author Flannery O'Connor once wrote, "You shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you odd." Sometimes God's invitation might seem strange or challenging. It might require sacrifices we never expected to make. Our life might look different than we had always imagined. But as we all know, life throws its own curveballs, regardless of whether or not we're listening for God's will. Better, one would think, to be open to the promptings of God and to follow along the strange trails that they lead. We have the assurance that, eventually, we will find green pastures.

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In Memoriam ~ 2022		
 <p>In loving memory of Albert P Morelli, Donald & Eileen Gallagher Hogan requested by Don & Patti Hogan <small>2/19/23</small></p>	<p>In loving memory of our Families: The Carlsons, The Mardigans, The Foleys & The Butlers requested by Bob & Carol Carlson <small>2/5/23</small></p>	<p>In memory of Justin Berthiaume and Veronica Gardner requested by The Vertone Family <small>11/13/22</small></p>
<p>In loving memory of John A O'Brien requested by the Family <small>10/23/22</small></p>	<p>In loving memory of John T Sherlock requested by his wife and Family <small>10/9/22</small></p>	<p>In memory of our beloved son Michael D Kowalski requested by Michael and Sharon Kowalski <small>9/18/22</small></p>
<p>In loving memory of Adam & Katherine Novak John & Rosalie Novak & Florence Szpot requested by the Family <small>9/4/22</small></p>	<p>In loving memory of William T Sr, Julia F and Robert A Fahr requested by the Family <small>8/21/22</small></p>	<p>In loving memory of The Barron & Rys Families requested by the Family <small>7/17/22</small></p>
<p>In loving memory of Bryan T Roberts (son) Raymond & Helen Werner (parents) requested by Judith Pope <small>7/17/22</small></p>		

GOSPEL MEDITATION - A DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

Jesus tells his disciples, "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give it to you." The peace that Jesus gives is far different than the kind that comes from the absence of war, conflict, or affliction. The peace that God offers is found alongside suffering and hardship, not necessarily in their absence. St. Teresa of Avila offers us a bit of wisdom regarding peace: "May today there be peace within. May you trust God that you are exactly where you are meant to be. May you not forget the infinite possibilities that are born of faith. May you use those gifts that you have received and pass on the love that has been given to you. May you be content knowing you are a child of God. Let this presence settle into your bones and allow your soul the freedom to sing, dance, praise, and love. It is there for each and every one of us."



In order for us to experience the divine peace that Jesus offers, we have to allow God's presence to settle into our bones! It is only when this happens that we can be truly taught by the Holy Spirit to discern the true path to peace and find ourselves with untroubled hearts. The world and our lives are so unpredictable and changeable. If we look for a source of lasting and real peace only there, our search will never be satisfied. Something will always unsettle and disturb us. The Jewish disciples could really relate to what Jesus was saying about peace (shalom). They already knew that it was more a matter of achieving wholeness and wellbeing than anything else.

Wholeness and wellbeing are precisely what is uncovered when we begin to really see and know the height, depth, and breadth of God's presence and promise. The elegance of God's Divine life flows through our blood and the marrow in our bones. It is that close and deep. As we breathe in and exhale God's life, peace becomes what we know within and what is exhaled out. This remains in the midst of intense conflict, persecution, suffering, rejection, and even death. ©LPi

PRAYER MINISTRY ~ We believe as faith-filled people, prayer matters and offers hope. The Prayer Tree Ministry is made up of a group of people who pray for others. If you would like prayers said for a family member, relative, or friend contact Linda at 518-209-6446.

LEGNARD-CURTIN AUXILIARY 927 - Save your Price Chopper cash register tapes for "Tools of Schools". Please leave them in the box in the main lobby of the Church or at the parish office. Any questions call Brenda Persons at (cell) **518 961-0169**.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat., May 21
4:00pm—Kevin P Munn, req by Judy/Phil Pope
The Beston Family, req by the family
Drake A Forman, req by Pamela J Forman

Sun., May 22
8:30am—Nora Spiak, req by the family
Mary Romano, req by Dorothy & Allen Styno

11:00am—Anna Maloney/Elizabeth Quinan
& Ed Maloney, req by Maureen McMahon
Mary Vogel, req by the Pope family

Tues., May 24
9:00am—Wm Johnson/Malasky Families,
Estate

WED., MAY 25

9:00 am - regular morning Mass

VIGIL MASS - ASCENSION OF THE LORD

5:30 PM for Holy day of Obligation

THURS., MAY 26

9:00 AM - ASCENSION OF THE LORD

Sat., May 28
4:00pm—B Timothy Roberts, req by mother
The Beston Family, req by the family
Beverly Ann Phillips, req by Ginny & Diane Jakubics

Sun., May 29
8:30am—Mary Romano, req by Bob Warren
& Patty Minkler

11:00am—Mary Vogel, req Mary's Kitchen



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Weekly Collection (incl mail-in, E.G.)
May 14-15, '22.....\$4785.00