

IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY PARISH

Watervliet, NY

Welcome

PENTECOST SUNDAY - MAY 23, 2021

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*"Then there appeared to them tongues as of fire,
which parted and came to rest on each one of them."
(Acts 2:3)*

Celebration of the Eucharist

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



Weekday Schedule

9:00 AM Mass: Tuesday - Wednesday - Thursday
Adoration: Tuesdays - 9:30 to 11:00 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.

A Note from Father Rutherford ~

Dear Friends,

Since March of 2020, with the onset of the pandemic, the responsibility of attending weekend liturgies was suspended. Now that the pandemic has dissipated and many have received the COVID vaccine, Bishop Scharfenberger has now removed the dispensation to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days beginning on June 6, 2021, the Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ. Of course, a prudent decision must be made by each person depending on their own circumstances. As always we welcome back everyone as we together celebrate the Eucharist - the Sacrament that binds us together.

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

CONGRATULATIONS, FATHER RUTHERFORD!!!

Congratulations Father Rutherford on the 40th anniversary of your ordination to the priesthood!! We are so privileged to have you as the leader of our parish community. Our thoughts and prayers are with you as we share with you in the celebration of this important milestone.

Faith Formation: 2020-2021; MAY SESSIONS: PLEASE NOTE

Mr. Passonno's class will meet in the Parish Life Center on **May 23rd**.

First Eucharist will take place at the 11am Mass on June 6 and 13. Please keep our young people in prayer as they prepare to receive Our Lord in the Eucharist for the very first time.

Please contact Sharon at skowalski@ihm.rcpw.org or 518-328-0427 for more information or questions. See you at 9:45am on those Sundays!!

Children's Liturgy of the Word (CLOW): Currently on hiatus.

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.

PRAYER MINISTRY ~ If you would like prayers said for a family member, relative or friend, contact Brenda at 271-6184.

Mary's Kitchen: Mondays, 3 to 5pm: *WE'RE BACK!!* - Mary's Kitchen is serving meals again!! For the present time, we can do TAKE OUT meals only. All are welcome. Why cook when we've done it for you?? Stop by between 3 to 5pm on Monday and pick up a meal all ready for you to take home: Soup, salad, sandwich, entrée and dessert!!
Email skowalski@ihm.rcpw.org or call 518-328-0427 for more information.

Readings for the week of May 23, 2021

Sunday: *Vigil*: Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ez 37:1-14 or Jl 3:1-5/
Ps 10:1-2, 24, 35, 27-28, 29, 30 [cf. 30]/Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39
Day: Acts 2:1-11/Ps 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34 [cf. 30]/1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 or Gal 5:16-25/Jn 20:19-23 or Jn 15:26-27; 16:12-15
Monday: Gn 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1:12-14/Ps 87:1-2, 3 and 5, 6-7/Jn 19:25-34
Tuesday: Sir 35:1-12/Ps 50:5-6, 7-8, 14 and 23 [23b]/Mk 10:28-31
Wednesday: Sir 36:1, 4-5a, 10-17/Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13 [Sir 36:1b]/Mk 10:32-45
Thursday: Sir 42:15-25/Ps 33:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [6a]/Mk 10:46-52
Friday: Sir 44:1, 9-13/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b [cf. 4a]/Mk 11:11-26
Saturday: Sir 51:12cd-20/Ps 19:8, 9, 19, 11 [9ab]/Mk 11:27-33
Next Sunday: Dt 4:32-34, 39-40/Ps 33:4-5, 6, 9, 18-19, 20, 22 [12b]/Rom 8:14-17/Mt 28:16-20

Scripture Sharing: Jesus: the Way, the Truth and the Life ~

This series is produced by Ascension Press and presented by Jeff Cavins, Marcellino D'Ambrosio, and Edward Sri. This week's session is entitled "The Truth About Jesus". Jesus poses a question to his disciples: "Who do you say that I am?" Jesus disclosed his identity very clearly to those who understood the Bible and Jewish traditions. Many times, his opponents understood the implications of what he said and did. His disciples, however, often did not understand the truth until after the Resurrection and the descent of the Holy Spirit on Pentecost.

For those interested, we meet on Thursdays from 2 to 3pm in the Parish Life Center. For more information, please contact Sharon at 518-328-0427 or skowalski@ihm.rcpw.org

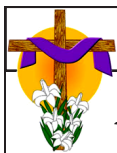
Live the Liturgy ~ 'Filled With the Holy Spirit'

The phrase "being filled with the Holy Spirit" may summon forth images that are a bit too intense for some folks. They may conclude that when one is filled with the Holy Spirit that they immediately begin speaking in tongues, loudly praise God, sing alleluia from roof tops, and do other demonstrative things. In reality, being filled with the Holy Spirit means being filled with the fullness of God's life and in

touch with the power and wonder of God's presence. It is the Holy Spirit that draws us together as a community of faith, inspires us with wisdom and right judgment, and turns us from the darkness of sin to the virtues that bring life. We live in a world where it is hard

to discover truth. The Holy Spirit, through the ministry of the church, guides us to truth and shows us the way to be the graced human beings God made us to be. Come, Holy Spirit, and fill our hearts! ©LPi





In Memoriam ~ 2021

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| <p>In loving memory of our Families: The Carlsons, The Mardigans, The Foleys & The Butlers requested by Bob & Carol Carlson</p> <p>2/6/22</p> | <p>In loving memory of Albert P Morelli, Donald & Eileen Gallagher Hogan requested by Don & Patti Hogan</p> <p>1/23/22</p> | <p>In loving memory of John A O'Brien requested by the Family</p> <p>10/24/21</p> |
| <p>In loving memory of John T Sherlock requested by his wife and Family</p> <p>9/26/21</p> | <p>In memory of our beloved son Michael D Kowalski requested by Michael and Sharon Kowalski</p> <p>9/19/21</p> | <p>In loving memory of Adam & Katherine Novak John & Rosalie Novak & Florence Szpot requested by the Family</p> <p>9/5/21</p> |
| <p>In loving memory of William T Sr, Julia F and Robert A Fahr requested by the Family</p> <p>8/22/21</p> | <p>In loving memory of Bryan T Roberts (son) Raymond & Helen Werner (parents) requested by Judith Pope</p> <p>7/18/21</p> | <p>In loving memory of The Barron & Rys Families requested by the Family</p> <p>7/18/21</p> |
| <p>In loving memory of Joseph V Germano requested by the Family</p> <p>7/11/21</p> | | |

You Don't Have What It Takes — but You Will

Those of us in ministry love this saying: God doesn't call the equipped. He equips the called.

We all know that sort of queasy feeling we get in the pit of our stomachs when it becomes clear what we're supposed to do, in any situation. It's that feeling of: *Oh, no. Not me. Not now. I can't.*

We've all got our list of reasons why not, don't we? We do it for everything, from big life problems to small everyday choices. I'm not going to invite my neighbor to church because I don't want to come across as pushy. I'm not going to make amends with my cousin because she'll just walk all over me again. I'm not going to say a Rosary tonight because I'm tired and it'll just stress me out.

However, even if we all put our lists of "reasons why we can't" together, I don't think any of us have reasons quite as valid as the apostles. Their job was to convert the nations — and here they are, a bunch of fishermen who haven't been out of Judea, who speak only their own languages. Were they supposed to preach the Gospel via a particularly compelling game of charades?

But even that big, giant, stop-you-dead-in-your-tracks Reason Why We Can't was nothing, because God had a plan. He didn't call a bunch of equipped men. He called them, and He equipped them. Cue the tongues of fire!

God doesn't call us to do His will because we have what it takes. He calls us because He's ready to give us what it takes. Being a good steward is to answer the call of Christ knowing he will provide.

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How varied are
your works, LORD!

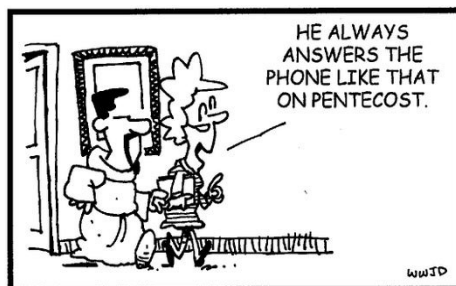
In wisdom you have
made them all;
the earth is full of
your creatures.

PSALM 104:24

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LPI

"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.*

PENTECOST



MASS INTENTIONS

Sat., May 22

4:00pm—Mary/Edward Ashline, req by dgtr
Charles Rutherford, req by Gary/Sandy Domalewicz
Jerry Valenti, req by wife & family
Fr. Donald Rutherford (40th Anniv of Ordination), req by a grateful parish!

Sun., May 23

8:30am—Patricia Connors, req by Linda Dunbar
John B Ebenhoch, req by John/Marie Scully
Lv'g & dec'd members of IHM

11:00am—Thelma/John Paul, req by family
Frank Iannone, req by Pat Fitzgerald & family
Jonathan Kalinowski (1st Anniv), req by Mr & Mrs Frank Debboli

Tues., May 25

9:00am—Jerry Beston, req by Joe/Lou Bagnardi

Wed., May 26

9:00am—Grant Dennin, req by Marge Centanni

Thurs., May 27

9:00am—B. Timothy Roberts, req by his mother

Sat., May 29

4:00pm—Betty Perkins, req by Raleigh family
Charles Rutherford, req by Linda Graca
Frank J Iannone, req by Fran/Rose Primett

Sun., May 30

8:30am—Joan Duffey, req by Sherlock & Dydych families
Nora Spiak (1st Anniv), req by Mom/Jake, Barbara & Dana & family
Elizabeth O'Hare, req by Bob/Carol Carlson

11:00am—Lv'g & dec'd members of IHM

John Ebenhoch } req by
Charles Rutherford } Pat Fitzgerald
& family

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Weekly Collection (incl mail-in/E.G.)
May 8-9, 21—\$6148.00