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Then Jesus approached and said to them, "All power in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit." - Mt 28:18-19

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

May 30, 2021

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

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Recognize God In Your Ordinary Moments ~ God Doesn't Take a Break

An acquaintance who works in church ministry once told me a story about one of the students she had in Faith Formation. This student informed my friend that his family doesn't come to Mass in summer. "God takes a break in summer, and so do we," he said.

There's a lot to unpack here. First, it's tragic to think of anyone voluntarily missing out on the Eucharist for so long. It's also a real problem in the church today that a lot of our folks don't understand the beauty of the Sunday obligation. But if I had to dissect this situation and pinpoint the thing I find most troubling, it's the idea of God taking a break.

I hope it's starting to look like summer where you are. We've still got a few weeks left before it's official, but the

school year should be winding up for most kids, the birds should be chirping a little louder, and hopefully your lawn is starting to green up nicely. You're probably daydreaming about the annual cabin getaway weekend or waterskiing on the Fourth of July.

All in all, summer is going to be a nice break, even if - like typical Americans - our break is full of productive work.

Thank God — literally — that He doesn't take a break, even if we do. Can we try to remember that, even in the midst of our many wonderful distractions? Let's enjoy this summer. Let's live it to the full. But let's see it for the gift that it is — and remember the thanks we owe the Giver. — *Tracy Earl Welliver*, MTS ©LPi

"And behold, I am with you always, until the end of the age. "(Mt 28:16)

For those who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God.

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Romans 8:14

Faith Formation For All Ages ~ Sharon C. Kowalski, Coordinator of Faith Formation and Youth Ministry

Faith Formation 2020-2021: JUNE

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.

First Eucharist June 6: Cortlyn Hoefer, William Keefer, Kennedy Skumurski

First Eucharist June 13: Erin Irvine, Addison Parmatier, Caleb Strock, Anthony VanPatten Please contact Sharon at <u>skowalski@ihm.rcpw.org</u> or 518-328-0427 for more information or questions.

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

Mary's Kitchen: Mondays, 3 to 5pm: ALL ARE WELCOME!! Please note: Mary's Kitchen will be closed on Monday, May 31, in observance of Memorial Day.

Mary's Kitchen is serving meals again!! 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!!

For the present time, we do TAKE OUT meals only. We are looking into the possibility of having eat in meals again. We will need more volunteers for this to happen. Volunteers to work the service counter, as well as putting together the meals for take out. Tables must be sanitized in between guests. We will also need volunteers for clean up at 4:30 to 5pm. Anyone interested please contact Sharon at <u>skowalski@ihm.rcpw.org</u> or call 518-328-0427 for more information. Scripture Sharing: Jesus: the Way, the Truth and the Life ~ This series is produced by Ascension Press, presented by Jeff Cavins, Marcellino D'Ambrosio, and Edward Sri. This week's session is entitled "The Road to Glory, the Path of Suffering". Jesus shares with his disciples that the road to glory is the path of suffering. Yes, the disciples are meant to accompany him to glory, but their road has to be the same as his. Discipleship means sharing all things with the Master, even his cross.

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 <u>skowalski@ihm.rcpw.org</u>

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 <u>skowalski@ihm.rcpw.org</u>.

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 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.

| In Memoríam ~ 2021 | | |
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| In loving memory of our Families: The Carlsons, The Mardigans, The Foleys & The Butlers requested by Bob & Carol Carlson 2022 | In loving memory of Albert P Morelli, Donald & Eileen Gallagher Hogan requested by Don & Patti Hogan 123/22 | In loving memory of John A O'Brien requested by the Family 10/24/21 |
| In loving memory of John T Sherlock requested by his wife and Family 92021 | In memory of our beloved son Michael D Kowalski requested by Michael and Sharon Kowalski | In loving memory of Adam & Katherine Novak John & Rosalie Novak & Florence Szpot requested by the Family 9521 |
| In loving memory of William T Sr, Julia F and Robert A Fahr requested by the Family | In loving memory of Bryan T Roberts (son) Raymond & Helen Werner (parents) requested by Judith Pope | In loving memory of The Barron & Rys Families requested by the Family 7/18/21 |
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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 Brenda Persons at 518-271-6184.

Do You Like to Sing?

Our small funeral choir ministry group sings at the scheduled funerals at Immaculate Heart of Mary. If you think you might like to be a part of this worthwhile ministry, and are available during week days, contact the parish office at 518 273-6020 for details. A representative of group would notify you ahead of the scheduled funeral and all songs are in the Breaking Bread book. OUR HEARTS WERE MADE FOR YOU, O LORD, AND THEY ARE RESTLESS UNTIL THEY REST IN YOU.

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QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION \sim

First Reading:

In the closing remarks of the speech delivered to the Israelites in the desert, Moses reflects on God's fidelity and love for them. In return for God's favor, the Israelites are instructed to keep God's statutes and commandments.

Why do you think so many people are resistant to this divine expectation?

Second Reading:

Paul sees the Holy Spirit as integral to our identity as "children of God" and "joint heirs with Christ."

How do you sense our Triune God at work in your life?

Gospel:

We hear today the closing words in the Gospel of Matthew — Jesus' final commissioning of the disciples to evangelize and baptize in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

What insights to the nature of God does this divine relationship offer? ©LPi In loving memory of Joseph V Germano requested by the Family

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat., May 29

4:00pm—Betty Perkins, req by Raleigh family Charles Rutherford, req by Linda Graca Frank J lannone, 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, Bar-

bara & Dana & family Elizabeth O'Hare, req by Bob/Carol Carlson

11:00am—Lv'g & dec'd mem of IHM

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

Tues., June 1 9:00am—James Connors, req by Theresa Bunk & Frank & Danielle Simmons

Wed., June 2 9:00am—Tammy Jean Morgan, req by Ellen & Kathy Carlson

Thurs., June 3 9:00am—DiNuzzo, LoParco & Burnham families, Estate

Sat., June 5

4:00pm—Charles Rutherford, req by Susan Goard

John Ebenhoch, req by the Raleigh family Carol Lansing, req by the family

Sun., June 6

8:30am—Charles Rutherford, req by Linda Dunbar Gerald Beston, req by Mary & Barb Crowley

Living & dec'd members of IHM

11:00am—John K Connors, Sr, req by Kay & family

Paul Esposito, req by the family Living & dec'd members of Class of '52 of St. Patrick's school

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