

# Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish

Watervliet/Green Island NY

## The Body & Blood of Christ June 3, 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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### SUMMER OFFICE HOURS:

Mon—Thurs: 8:30am—3:30pm  
Friday—CLOSED (until Sept 7th)

### Administrative Assistant

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Mary Beth Knapik

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### FAITH FORMATION & YOUTH MINISTRY CENTER

2425 7th Avenue  
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### Coordinator

Sharon Kowalski  
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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 an-  
nounced.

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 ~

**Corpus Christi – The Body of Christ** – Today we celebrate the Feast of Corpus Christi. We receive the Body of Christ at Mass each week. And like many things in life that we do on a routine basis receiving the Eucharist may become mechanical. That's not because we are bad people, but because we may not focus on the reality before us. Today is a good day to reflect on what we are actually receiving, the Body of Christ. We are receiving Jesus Christ, who was Incarnate at Christmas, lived and preached the Good News we hear in the Gospels, was crucified, died and rose from the dead. God is coming to us in the form of simple bread to nourish us. If we truly reflected on this miracle of faith we could be overcome with emotion! We should be amazed at the love of God for us as we take in the Body of Christ, and we become what we eat!

**Thanks to Eucharistic and Pastoral Care Ministers** - Each weekend we have twelve to fourteen Ministers of the Eucharistic who help distribute the Eucharist at the three Masses. We also have six or more people who bring the Eucharist to our sick and homebound sisters and brothers. Thank you for your service and God bless you abundantly for all you do to share the Body of Christ.

**Immaculate Heart of Mary** – next weekend we will celebrate the Feast of the Immaculate Heart of Mary. We know that Mary kept many things “in her heart” that she reflected on. How would she become the “Mother of God?” Why was she chosen, among all women, for this momentous event? As I reflected on this I realized that over the years I have been blessed to have known many wonderful women, religious and lay women. The love that they have for their family and friends, for strangers and neighbors, for students and children, for the poor and the rich, the sick and the healthy, for everyone -- has amazed me. Yes, I try to love as Jesus taught us, but these women are doing it so well. And Mary was chosen from among all of them. Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you. Her Immaculate Heart was full of grace and love! We are blessed to have her as our patron. Amen

**Vocations Ministry**—We all search for meaning. In the Eucharist Jesus gives us, not bread and wine, but his physical presence, his life, and his Spirit. How does this happen? As Catholics we believe it happens through the intent, words and actions of ordained priests.



Is the Holy Spirit moving you to become a priest? To bring Jesus's physical presence to the world today is an honor given to a chosen few. Are you one of these honored men?

Do ask God to guide you to choose the right direction for your life. God needs priests!

We, the sacramental community, need priests!

Pray that priests will rise from our parish community! Sign up to take our vocation “chalice” home for a week...pray for religious vocations for the Church of Albany.



## Feast of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, June 9/10

On the weekend of June 9/10, we will celebrate the patroness of our parish after all of the Masses with goodies in the back of the church. We will need volunteers after each Mass to prepare and serve food items on this very special weekend. Please sign up on the sheets in the back of church if you are able to help.

Make sure to join us in the back of the church on June 9/10 to celebrate our patroness and the community of IHM. Thanks for sharing your gifts with all of us!!

**Mary's Kitchen: 3pm to 5pm**—Many thanks to Sophie Germano, who picks up the rolls from Schuyler Bakery every Saturday that we use in Mary's Kitchen on Mondays. Thanks also to the owners of Schuyler Bakery who have continued the Halayko's tradition of donating the rolls. We are very grateful for their generosity.

All members of the community are invited to join us in Mary's Kitchen— 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.

Questions?? Contact Sharon at 518 328-0427 for more information.

**Scripture Sharing: Thursdays, 3 to 4: A Life Worthy of Your Calling**—This Thursday, June 7, we will continue Session 5 with a DVD on *A Life Worthy of Your Calling*. All are welcome. Hope you will join us!! For more information, please contact Sharon at 518 328-0427 or [skowalski@ihm.rcpw.org](mailto:skowalski@ihm.rcpw.org)

### **Social Justice: Presentation by Sr Doreen Glynn, June 11**

*"I was Hungry and You Gave Me to Eat"*, an Adult Faith Formation presentation by Sister Doreen Glynn, will take place on Monday June 11th at 6:30pm in the Parish Life Center. Our faith moves us to do our part to end hunger in the world. God's vision is a world where all people will hunger no more (Rev 7:16).

### **Social Justice: Caring for the Environment**

**Mark 14:23** — "Then he took a cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and they all drank from it."

**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."

### **An Invitation from:**

**St. Peter Armenian Church—Armenian Festival**  
100 Troy-Schenectady Rd., Watervliet (2.5 miles east of Latham Circle)

Saturday JUNE 2—Noon ~ 8:00 PM

Sunday JUNE 3—Noon ~ 4:00 PM

LIVE MUSIC all weekend PLUS choice of Kebab Meals, Pastries, Armenian Beer and Wine, Kid's Activities & Entertainment, Cash Raffles, Crafters & Vendors, Attic treasures Room.

For more information call 518 274-3673 or [office@stpeterarmenianchurch.org](mailto:office@stpeterarmenianchurch.org)  
**FREE PARKING & FREE ADMISSION!**



### **Faith Formation - For All Ages**

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

#### Faith Formation Information

**Please call the Faith Formation office at 518 328-0427 or contact Sharon at [skowalski@ihm.rcpw.org](mailto:skowalski@ihm.rcpw.org) for information or questions about our Faith Formation Program.**

#### Children's Liturgy of the Word (CLOW)

*Please note: CLOW will be on hiatus until September.*

#### Here's What's Coming Up in June

June 5: Faith Formation meeting: 6pm in FFMC

June 9/10: Feast of IHM

June 11: Sr. Doreen

June 12: Holy Hour, 6 to 7pm

June 13: Rosary, 6pm in PLC

June 18: Gathering Disciples, 6pm in PLC

June 25: 8:30am Communion service, followed by Adoration

June 25: Prayer & Worship, 6pm in PLC



### **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 at 518 328-0427 or [skowalski@ihm.rcpw.org](mailto:skowalski@ihm.rcpw.org).

**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 .

## In Memoriam ~ 2018



In loving memory of John T Sherlock requested by his wife and Family <span style="float: right; font-size: small;">5/12/19</span>	In loving memory of Joseph V Germano requested by the Family <span style="float: right; font-size: small;">12/23/18</span>	In loving memory of the Edward Brooks Family, Foglia Family & Monticup Family requested by Rose Brooks & Family <span style="float: right; font-size: small;">10/21/18</span>
In loving memory of J. Vince Cocca requested by his wife and Children <span style="float: right; font-size: small;">10/21/18</span>	In loving memory of John A O'Brien requested by the Family <span style="float: right; font-size: small;">10/14/18</span>	In loving memory of Adam & Katherine Novak John G Novak & Florence Szpot requested by the Family <span style="float: right; font-size: small;">10/7/18</span>
In loving memory of William T, Sr, Julia F and Robert A Fahr requested by the Family <span style="float: right; font-size: small;">7/29/18</span>	In loving memory of Bryan T Roberts (son) Raymond & Helen Werner (parents) requested by Judith Pope <span style="float: right; font-size: small;">7/8/18</span>	In loving memory of The Barron & Rys Families requested by the Family <span style="float: right; font-size: small;">7/8/18</span>

**SUMMER SCHEDULE FOR PARISH OFFICE HOURS:**  
 Monday thru Thursday—8:30AM—3:30PM  
 Friday's—CLOSED until September 7th.

In loving memory of Francis X Lacosse, Sr requested by wife Lucille, Toni & Frank, Jr <span style="float: right; font-size: small;">5/27/18</span>
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**Rosary Society News**—The next meeting of Rosarians will be held on Wednesday, June 13th at 6:00pm in the Parish Life Center.

**WHEN DOING YOUR ESTATE  
REMEMBER YOUR PARISH**

*“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.*

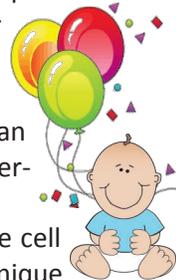
**See you in church!!**

**Happy Birthday Adopted Baby**—Your spiritually adopted baby was born this month—nine months after his mother conceived him.

The only change at birth is a change in the external life support system of the baby. He is no different now than he was before birth except that he breathes and eats differently.

He is truly a miracle. He began as a 46 chromosome cell and has developed over the past nine months into this unique human baby. Never before in history, nor ever again, will anyone exist who is just like your spiritually adopted baby.

You may never meet the mother and baby but your prayers saved his life.



### *Mass Intentions for the Week*

- Sat., June 2  
 4:00pm—Living & deceased members of IHM  
 Isabelle Amato, req by the Rosary Society  
 James Campbell, req by Marlene O'Brien
- Sun., June 3  
 8:30am—Patricia Colbert, req by Pauline/Nicole  
 & Kelly Colbert  
 Elizabeth Agopovich, req by Joseph Early  
 George Charles Calstry Smith, req by Allen/  
 Dorothy Styno  
 11:00am—Paul Corey, req by the family  
 Jack McBain, req by Bettianne/Ed Smulsky  
 Patricia Krikorian, req by Madeline Fogarty
- Mon., June 4—COMMUNION SERVICE 9:00AM
- Tues., June 5  
 9:00am—Patricia Colbert, req by Marge Centanni  
 Mary Holton, req by Marge Centanni  
 Helen Talbot Canfield, req by Pete/Marilyn Barron
- Wed., June 6  
 9:00am—Thomas Fisk, req by the family  
 Wm & Margaret Knapp, req by the family  
 Frank Lacosse (90th B'day), req by wife
- Thurs., June 7  
 9:00am—Matthew Manzella, req by Alba  
 Giordano  
 Matthew Manzella, req by Jerry & Lois Smith
- Fri., June 8—COMMUNION SERVICE 9:00AM
- Sat., June 9  
 4:00pm—Isabelle Amato, req by Paul Fahr/family  
 The Deck Family, req by Karl & Joan  
 Carol Lansing, req by the family
- Sun., June 10  
 8:30am—Living & deceased members of IHM  
 Patricia Colbert, req by Margaret/Fred Gonsowski  
 Matthew Manzella, req by Mantello family  
 11:00am—Jack McBain, req by the Rosary Society  
 Katherine Novak (B'day), req by the family  
 Paul Esposito, Sr, req by the family

**ADMINISTRATION & FINANCE**

*Due to early deadline, Collection totals will be in next issue of bulletin.*

**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.**

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

HOME PHONE \_\_\_\_\_