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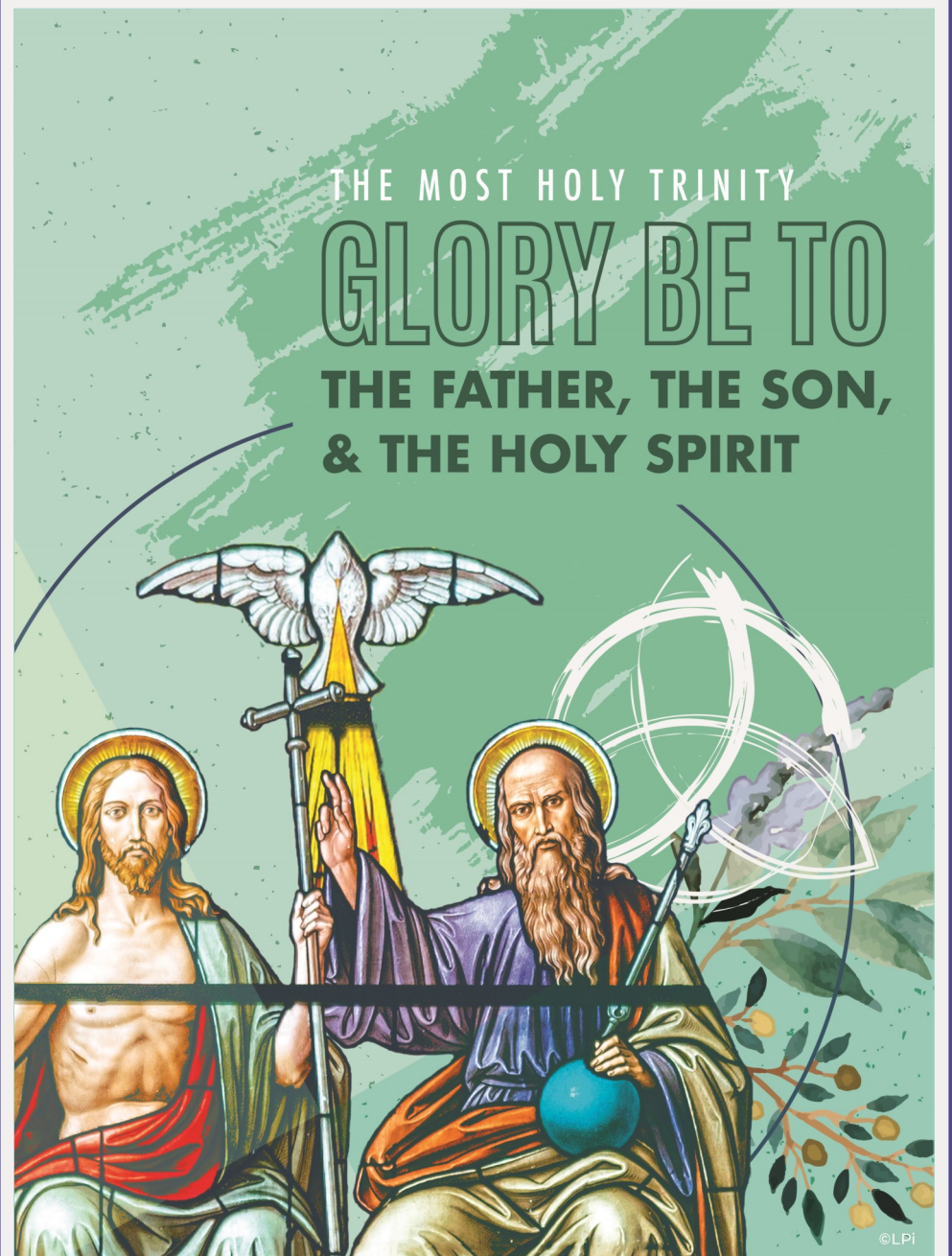
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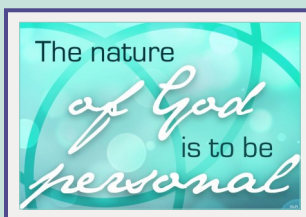
Celebration of the Eucharist

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 pm - Sunday: 7:30 am and 11:00 am

Weekday Schedule

9:00 am Mass - Tuesday Wednesday Thursday

Adoration on Tuesdays - 9:30 to 11:00 am



Recognize God In Your Ordinary Moments - *Uncovering The Layers*

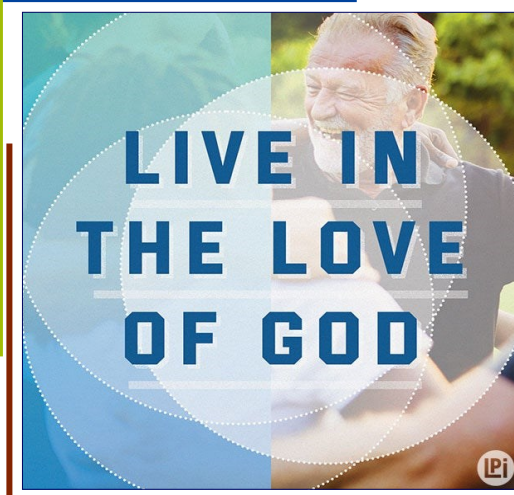
After years working for the Church, I can honestly say that even though I feel closer to God, I still cannot fully grasp all that is God. The complexity of God has been the source of many volumes by many writers and theologians. The crazy reality of growing in a relationship with God is that the more you get to know God, the more complex God becomes.

But I think that is true of human relationships as well. I feel like I can really peg a person one way or another after only meeting him or her a few times, but my wife and children continue to perplex me. Getting to know someone means you begin to uncover the layers of personality, feeling, and emotion that make up each human being. For those who see God as only a force or a light, God is simply defined. But for those who seek to be disciples of Jesus Christ, the God we find in relationship has many layers as well.

But that which we do know for certain about God comes to us primarily from the person of Jesus. He called us to a way of life by not only teaching us about how to live, but by showing us the example of his life. Our God is defined by generosity, sacrifice, compassion, and, of course, love. The more we incorporate these characteristics into our own life, the more we bear witness to the true nature of God. Then others can see a God that is a little less complex because they understand him through you and me. Our life will speak more than all the volumes written by all the theologians.

—Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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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.

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

Faith Formation: 2022-2023:

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: Mondays, 3 to 5pm -

All Welcome!!

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!!

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

IHM Memorial Brick Walkway ~ Ever notice the inscribed red bricks running parallel to the parking lot side of the church building? The blank red bricks in that area will be available again for inscribing this year. The 2023 'Memorial Brick' campaign will be underway soon. Watch for full details in upcoming issues of our weekend bulletin.

Scripture Sharing: The Chosen ~ Season Three

This week's episode is entitled "Intensity in Tent City." Andrew and Simon (Peter) discover their previous mission resulted in devastation that will require a return. Simon the Zealot is forced to confront his past. Meanwhile, two disciples of John the Baptist come to Capernaum with an important question for Jesus. Lots happening!!

Come join us. All are invited. We meet on Thursdays from 2 to 3pm. For more information, please contact Sharon at 518-328-0427 or skowalski@ihm.rcpw.org



Readings for the week of June 4, 2023

Sun: Ex 34:4b-6, 8-9/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56 (52b)/2 Cor 13:11-13/Jn 3:16-18

Mon: Tb 1:3; 2:1b-8/Ps 112:1b-2, 3b-4, 5-6/Mk 12:1-12

Tues: Tb 2:9-14/Ps 112:1-2, 7-8, 9/Mk 12:13-17

Wed: Tb 3:1-11a, 16-17a/Ps 25:2-3, 4-5ab, 6 & 7bc, 8-9/Mk 12:18-27

Thurs: Tb 6:10-11; 7:1bcde, 9-17; 8:4-9a/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5/Mk 12:28-34


Fri: Tb 11:5-17/Ps 146:1b-2, 6c-7, 8-9a, 9bc-10/Mk 12:35-37

Sat: Tb 12:1, 5-15, 20/Tb 13:2, 6efgh, 7, 8/Mk 12:38-44

Next Sun: Dt 8:2-3, 14b-16a/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20 (12)/1 Cor 10:16-17/Jn 6:51-58

"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, 7:30am and 11am. *See you in church!!*

 In Memoriam ~ 2023		
In loving memory of Albert P Morelli, Donald & Eileen Gallagher Hogan requested by Don & Patti Hogan <small>2/18/24</small>	In loving memory of our Families: The Carlsons, The Mardigans, The Foleys & The Butlers requested by Bob & Carol Carlson <small>2/4/24</small>	In loving memory of Joseph V Germano requested by the Family <small>12/17/23</small>
In loving memory of John A O'Brien requested by the Family <small>10/29/23</small>	In memory of our beloved son Michael D Kowalski requested by Michael and Sharon Kowalski <small>9/17/23</small>	In loving memory of William T Sr, Julia F and Robert A Fahr requested by the Family <small>8/20/23</small>
In loving memory of The Barron & Rys Families requested by the Family <small>7/16/23</small>	In loving memory of Bryan T Roberts (son) Raymond & Helen Werner (parents) requested by Judith Pope <small>7/16/23</small>	In loving memory of Adam & Katherine Novak John & Rosalie Novak & Florence Szpot requested by the Family <small>6/11/23</small>

Flea Market: Re-scheduled to September 23 ~ Please continue to collect your items and we will post the dates and times for drop off of items for the Flea Market as soon as we have them.
 Questions?? Please contact Linda Dunbar at 518-209-6446 or Sharon Kowalski at skowalski@ihm.rcpw.org.

Prayer Ministry - If you would like prayers said for a family member, relative, or friend contact **Brenda at 518-961-0169**.

WHY DO WE DO THAT? - CATHOLIC LIFE EXPLAINED

Role of Catholics in Society

Question:

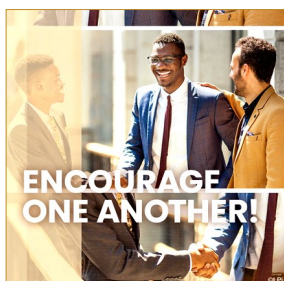
We live in a country that upholds the separation of Church and state. What is the role of Catholics in society?

Answer:

The role of the Church in the world has taken different forms over time, but the theme is the same. Be disciples in it! As the lay faithful — that is, not vowed priest or religious — we are called to live and love in the circumstances of our daily lives. St. John Paul II wrote a document about the laity. In it he wrote, “In their situation in the world God manifests His plan and communicates to them their particular vocation of seeking the Kingdom of God by engaging in temporal affairs and by ordering them according to the plan of God” (On the Lay Members of Christ’s Faithful, 15).

God wants us in the hospitals, the board rooms, the law offices, the food pantries, and the little league games! We are to engage in the affairs of the world. But when we’re there, we should live the plan of God. We need to respect those around us, engage in just business and legal practices, and love our children. We should care for the earth, use our money wisely, and get to know our neighbors. We must advocate for social policies that respect human dignity and human freedom. No matter our state in life, we are invited to build the kingdom of God!

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Question of the Week - Reflect and Respond

Today's Second Reading:

In the closing remarks of his second letter to the Corinthians, Paul encouraged the believers in Corinth to live in peace and love with one another, modeled after the grace, love, and fellowship of our Triune God.

Where do you think you most need to show peace and love with others this week?

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat., June 3

4:00pm - Barbara O'Neill, req by Norleen Druckenmiller
 Thomas Fisk, req by the family
 Helen Connery, req by Eleanor Hack

Sun., June 4

7:30am - lv'g & dec'd members of IHM
 Kathleen Raleigh, req by Ginny/Diane Jakubics
 11:00am - Carole Maloney, req by husband
 Paul Esposito, Sr, req by the family
 Matthew Billetts, Marilyn LaParl/Tony Cassidy

Tues., June 6

9:00am - Katherine Conroy, req by parish

Wed., June 7

9:00am - Doris M Smith, req by Fred/Margaret Gonsowski

Thurs., June 8

9:00am - Harriet T Buck, req by parish

Sat., June 10

4:00pm - Carol Lansing, req by the family
 Marilyn/Pete Barron, req by Sophie G/Henry M
 Living & dec'd members of IHM

Sun., June 11

7:30am - Patricia P Snyder } req by Carol
 Marilyn Barron } Carlson & family

11:00am - Kathleen Raleigh, req by Mary Dolan
 Katherine Novak, req by Joyce Novak
 Wm & Margaret Knapp, req by the family

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Weekly Collection (incl E.G.)
May 20-21 '23.....\$4586.00

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