



WATERVLIET/GREEN ISLAND

# 10th Sunday in Ordinary Time June 5, 2016

## Celebration of the Eucharist

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

### Weekday Schedule

Communion Service: Monday & Friday at 9:00 AM

Mass: Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday at 9:00 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.*

### 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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Email: [info@ihm.rcpw.org](mailto:info@ihm.rcpw.org)  
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#### Office Hours:

Mon—Thurs: 8:30am—3:30pm  
Friday—10:30am—3:30pm

#### Administrative Assistant

Judith Pope: [jpope@ihm.rcpw.org](mailto:jpope@ihm.rcpw.org)

#### Secretary

Mary Beth Knapik

#### Archivist

Thomas Hanley: [thanley@ihm.rcpw.org](mailto:thanley@ihm.rcpw.org)

#### FAITH FORMATION & YOUTH MINISTRY CENTER

2425 7th Avenue  
(518) 328-0427

#### Coordinator

Sharon Kowalski  
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Call for appointment

#### Facility Manager

Matthew Carabis

#### Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 3:30 pm—3:45 pm or  
by appointment

#### 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 announced.

#### Anointing of the Sick

If you are hospital bound, homebound or seriously ill and desire to be anointed, contact the Parish Office. Eucharist can be brought to any parishioner by a Eucharistic Minister.

### Deacon Al's Corner

**Bishop's Appeal** – Thanks to all who have completed and returned the pledge cards for the Bishop's Appeal. We are at 39% of our assessment of \$57,921. We still need to get pledges of \$35,553 to reach our assessment. If you have not filled out the pledge card please take one home, complete it and return it to the Office. Thank you

**Back to Church Weekend** – Our "Back to Church" weekend, September 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> will be a "Family reunion." Sometimes in families there are hurt feelings, anger, and discontent. To anyone who has been hurt by Church and school closings, we say "we are sorry. Please forgive us and come back home." All our sisters and brothers who have been away are being invited to reconnect with the Immaculate Heart of Mary family at a celebration of the Eucharist; and a reception to follow. If you know of someone who has been away, and you would like us to contact them please call the office and give us their name and telephone number.

**Vocations** – Everyone who has been baptized was, will be or has been called by God for a special reason. Are you listening to what God is calling you to be? Please pray for vocations.

**Pastoral Care** – All the men and women in the Parish who bring Communion to the sick and shut-ins are asked to attend a special "Pastoral Care" meeting and training on July 19<sup>th</sup> at 10:30a.m. in the Parish Center. Please mark your calendars and plan on attending.

**RCIA and Sacramental Preparation for Adults**—Do you have **questions** about the Catholic faith? Is becoming a Catholic something you've thought about, but never actively pursued the **"How can I do this"**? Have you been Baptized or made your First Communion, but still **need to complete the sacramental process**? Are other family members Catholic and you would like to be able to **share fully with them in worship**?

Whatever your needs may be, we are here to help you make it happen. We are able to work around your schedule and your particular area of need. Want more information? Contact Sharon at 328-0427 or [skowalski@ihm.rcpw.org](mailto:skowalski@ihm.rcpw.org).

**SCRIPTURE STUDY: Gospel of Matthew**—You are invited to join us Thursday, June 9, between 6 to 7:30PM, in the Parish Life Center. We will view a DVD on Chapter 5 of the Gospel of Matthew, the Bar is Raised by the King. For questions or for more information, please contact Sharon at 328-0427 or [skowalski@ihm.rcpw.org](mailto:skowalski@ihm.rcpw.org).

**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. Thank you**

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ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

**Feast of the Immaculate Heart of Mary**—Saturday, June 4 is the Feast of the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Since Mary is the patroness, not only of our parish, but of the diocese and nation as well, we think it deserves a two day celebration!! We'll have a small reception after each of the Masses in the back of the church.



All parishioners are encouraged to take part in the celebration. Our hope is to truly make this a celebration of *parish*. Please stop by the tables in the back after Mass on June 4/5 and share in the feast.

**SOCIAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE: *Human Trafficking*** - There will be an hour long presentation in the Parish Hall on Monday, June 6th at 6:30 pm. Please plan to attend. ***This is a problem that cannot be ignored.***

***Soap & Cleaning Products***—In conjunction with Catholic Charities we will be collecting soap, detergent, dish soap and household cleaning products during the month of June. A box will be placed in the vestibule clearly marked for this purpose. Please be as generous as possible.

***Farmworkers Fair Labor Practices Act***—Members of the committee sent letters to Gov. Andrew Cuomo asking him to support this act. Presently farmers are excluded from the Fair Labor Law. This is not fair. They deserve equality.

Next meeting will be held on **June 15 at 11am** in the Parish Life Center. New members are always welcome. If you have any questions, please contact Linda at 209-6446.

***City Gardens***—The beds have been prepared and planting should be able to be down right after Memorial Day. Two boxes were prepared at the Green Island Community Center so that they could grow vegetables for their needs.

A huge **THANK YOU** to **Bob Lewis** for not only the use of his garage and tools but for also sharing his knowledge and talent. Also thanks to **Mike McGlynn** for all his hard work in getting this project off the ground. If you are interested in planting, please contact the Parish Life Center at 273-6020.

**IHM "SIGNATURE BRICK" WALKWAY**—We have an area alongside the church near the parking lot for commemoration by parishioners of Watervliet and Green Island with "*Signature Bricks*". You can order either a 4x8 or 8x8 size brick to have a commemorative expression of your choice engraved on it. Stop by the area to browse the walkway. If you would like further information as to adding a commemorative brick to the walkway, please contact Tom Hanley at 273-6020 as soon as possible. ***This offer will only be available for the month of June.***



**PRAYER BLANKET MINISTRY**—The Prayer Blanket Ministry at Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish is based on the belief in the power of prayer. This belief is evident in our witness to one another. Prayers for the health and well-being of the person receiving the blanket begin with the purchase of the fabric or yarn and continue through the making and gifting of the Prayer Blanket. Upon completion, our blankets will be blessed at Mass. In addition, intercessory prayers will be said for everyone who has received a Prayer Blanket.

Many volunteers have a part in this ministry. Blankets are sewn, quilted, crocheted, knitted or tied, (as in the case of fleece blankets). The Prayer Blanket Ministry at IHM has blankets available for a family member, friend, or parishioner who is ill, in the hospital, in a nursing home or in need of spiritual healing or prayers.

Is someone close to you sick, in the hospital, or in a nursing home? Blankets may be requested by contacting Sharon at 328-0427 or the parish office at 273-6020. Arrangements may also be made to pick up the blanket by calling either of the two numbers. God bless you for reaching out to others in this Year of Mercy.



### **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 Meeting, June 7, 6:30pm**

There will a Faith Formation meeting in the Faith Formation and Ministry Center on Tuesday, June 7 at 6:30pm. At that time, we will be discussing the upcoming summer events: Prek Day, July 10; Ice Cream Extravaganza and re-membering letters.

#### **June 21: Gathering for Adult Faith Formation Leaders and Teams**

On June 21, at 6:30pm in the Parish Life Center, Immaculate Heart of Mary will host an informal gathering of Adult Faith Formation leaders from around the Diocese. Ideas to be shared include: What interesting things happened this past year in your parish?; What is happening with "targeted" age groups; Strategies, good resources...."

#### **We Said We'd See You Soon...Here's What's Happening in June/July**

Over the next few months, we'll see you for special celebrations, as well as at Mass: As important as Sacraments are, we are not just a "Sacramental Church". Faith Formation begins the journey with Jesus at our Baptism and continues throughout our lives. Attendance at sessions doesn't end with the reception of a Sacrament; it takes a lifetime to develop a relationship with the God who loves us.

June 4/5: Feast of Immaculate Heart of Mary; Receptions after all Masses

June 21: Gathering for Adult FF Leaders and Teams

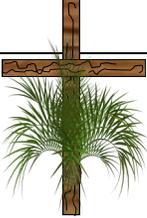
July 10: Pre-k Day

July 25: Beginning of collection of backpacks and school supplies

#### **Faith Formation Sessions & CLOW**

***Faith Formation sessions and Children's Liturgy of the Word will be on hiatus until September.***

## Memorials for 2016

 <p>In loving memory of <b>Joseph V Germano</b> requested by the Family</p> <p style="text-align: right; font-size: small;">4/23/17</p>	<p>In loving memory of the <b>Edward Brooks Family, Foglia Family &amp; Monticup Family</b> requested by Rose Brooks &amp; Family</p> <p style="text-align: right; font-size: small;">10/23/16</p>	<p>In loving memory of <b>John A O'Brien</b> requested by the Family</p> <p style="text-align: right; font-size: small;">10/16/16</p>
<p>In loving memory of <b>Genevieve M Dyer</b> requested by her beloved husband <b>Bill, Children &amp; Grandchildren</b></p> <p style="text-align: right; font-size: small;">8/28/16</p>	<p>In loving memory of <b>William T Fahr, Sr &amp; Julia F Fahr</b> requested by the Family</p> <p style="text-align: right; font-size: small;">7/31/16</p>	<p>In loving memory of <b>Adam &amp; Katherine Novak John G Novak &amp; Florence Szpot</b> requested by the Family</p> <p style="text-align: right; font-size: small;">7/31/16</p>
<p>In loving memory of <b>Bryan T Roberts (son) Raymond &amp; Helen Werner (parents)</b> requested by Judith Pope</p> <p style="text-align: right; font-size: small;">7/3/16</p>	<p>In loving memory of <b>The Barron &amp; Rys Families</b> requested by the Family</p> <p style="text-align: right; font-size: small;">7/3/16</p>	<p>In loving memory of <b>James D Langford</b> requested by <b>Lilia Langford &amp; Christine Callahan</b></p> <p style="text-align: right; font-size: small;">6/12/16</p>

**MARY'S KITCHEN: Mondays: 3:30—5:30pm**—All members of the community are invited – both parishioners and non-parishioners alike – to pick up a take out meal or have an eat in meal in our newly renovated Parish Life Center during those times. Questions about Mary's Kitchen? Contact Sharon at 328-0427 for more information.

**"Father's Day" Listing:** The deadline for submitting names for the annual listing of Father's Day Commemorative is **June 13th**. Please submit the names as soon as possible.

**ROSARY SOCIETY**—There will be no regular meetings in July and August. If interested in joining the Rosary Society, please contact Linda at 209-6446.

**FRIENDLY VISITOR**—Do you have some time you can spare to visit with someone who is sick or shut-in? Please consider joining our team of Friendly Visitors! If you know someone who is in need of a visit, in the hospital or at home, please let us know. For information, please contact Linda at 209-6446.

**IHM PRAYER TREE MINISTRY**—If you know of someone who would like prayers said for them on their behalf, or for yourself, please contact Brenda at 271-6184. If you would like to be a part of the prayer team, just call the above number.

*Congratulations to newly wed couple  
Richard Place & Elizabeth Wallace  
May 21, 2016*

*Let Us Welcome Our Newly Baptized  
Miguel Keefe  
May 21, 2016*

**PLEASE NOTE SUMMER OFFICE HOUR CHANGES:**  
**MONDAY thru THURSDAY—8:30am to 3:30pm.**  
**FRIDAY CLOSED**—commencing June 3rd the office will be closed on Fridays throughout the summer until September 2nd.  
**Due to staff vacation schedule, the office hours for the week of June 6th thru 9th will be: 8:30am to 12:30pm.**

### ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE

**Weekly Collection (including mail-in)**  
Due to early deadline, collection totals for May 28-29, will be in next issue of bulletin.

**Churches in Eastern Europe Collection**  
 May 23-24, 2015.....\$879.00  
 May 21-22, 2016.....\$835.00