



Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish

Watervliet/Green Island NY

June 9, 2019

Celebration of the Eucharist

Saturday Vigil—4:00PM

Sunday—8:30 AM and 11:00 AM

Weekday Schedule

Communion Service: Monday and Friday at 9:00 AM

Mass: Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday at 9:00 AM

HANDICAPPED ACCESSIBLE

PASTORAL STAFF
Fr Don Rutherford, Pastor
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Shawn Allen, Business Manager

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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 announced.

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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Recognize God in Your Ordinary Moments ~

I am a sports fan, and perhaps you are one, too. I don't follow all sports, but those that I do follow usually involve a team. There is something about a team of individuals coming together for the goal of victory that is compelling. A team is only as good as the sum of all its players. If you have all the right talent at the right positions, great things can happen. What is hard for a fan to watch is a team that has great talent but fails to achieve its goals because some players choose not to give their all to the team. Selfishness, apathy, or immaturity keep some from giving fully of themselves. The hopes and dreams of a team and fan base are dashed even though they had all they needed to be the best.

A parish is a lot like a team. Those in a parish community work together to achieve goals that ultimately lead others to Christ. We come together to give of ourselves to advance the mission of the parish. When we all are committed to fully giving our gifts and talents, fulfilling our position in the Body of Christ, then our hopes and dreams of transforming the world around us can become reality.

However, when we sit out on the sidelines, we hurt our team. When we hold back and choose not to give of ourselves, we diminish what is truly possible for our parish community. I believe God always provides our parishes with what they need to be fruitful and vibrant. His gifts to us exist in each other. If you think your parish could be so much more, than perhaps this week you should call your pastor or other pastoral leader and say, "Put me in coach!"

-Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

Signature Brick(s) 'Memorial Walkway—Just before you enter the church from the parking lot, you might have noticed a brick walkway that runs parallel to the building of Immaculate Heart of Mary Church. Stop by there to view what some of the parishioners have had inscribed on the bricks.

If you would like to request brick(s) to remember a loved one, or family members, contact Tom Hanley at 518 273-6020 ext 4 - he will help you arrange the wording on the brick(s) if you wish. Tom can be reached between 9:00am and 3:00pm on Thursdays and Fridays. Large brick; \$200.00, small brick; \$100.00.



Faith Formation

Although we won't see you in Faith Formation classes until September, we plan on seeing you at Mass every Sunday. Mass is where we celebrate and live out all we learn about our faith in Faith Formation. It is where we meet Jesus every week in the Liturgy of the Word and in the Eucharist. Questions about our Faith Formation program? Please contact Sharon at 518-328-0427 or email skowalski@ihm.rcpw.org.

Children's Liturgy of the Word (CLOW)

Please note: CLOW will be on hiatus until September.

Here's What's Coming Up in May/June

June 9: Feast of Pentecost

June 12: Rosary, 6pm, Parish Life Center

June 16: Father's Day

June 17: Gathering Disciples, 6pm Parish Life Center

June 23: Feast of Corpus Christi

June 24: Prayer & Worship, 6pm Parish Life Center

June 29/30: Feast of IHM

June 30: Breakfast/Brunch, Parish Life Center

RCIA and Sacramental Preparation for Adults and Older Children

We currently have about 5 adults who are inquiring about becoming members of the Catholic faith or completing the Sacraments of Initiation. Please keep them in your prayers that the Holy Spirit will guide them through this process.

Do 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.

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). Need more information?? Contact Sharon at 518 328-0427 or [skow-](mailto:skowalski@ihm.rcpw.org)



FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY, JUNE 30, 2019 - BREAKFAST

We will be hosting a breakfast/brunch on June 30, 2019. There will be two (2) time periods. One from 9:30 am to 10:30 am and one from 11:45 am to 12:45 am. Tickets will be on sale next weekend after all the Masses; **\$10.00 for Adults - Children under 10 eat free.**

Please join us!!!!

Scripture Sharing: "Revelations" Revealed

All are welcome to join us at 2pm Thursday, in the Parish Life Center. We are enjoying a new Scripture study on the book of Revelation. Far from being a road map for the "last days", we are discovering ties to liturgy and messages of hope, not just for the early church but for the church today. For more information, please contact Sharon at 518-328-0427 or skowalski@ihm.rcpw.org

Mary's Kitchen: Mondays, 3 to 5pm


Special thanks to those who are helping with desserts while Lauraine Fitzgerald is recovering. Please remember to keep her in your prayers for a quick and complete recovery.

All members of the community are invited – 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.

FOOD PANTRY—Thank you for remembering our neighbors. Your contributions of dish soap and laundry detergent has helped to replenish our food pantry shelves. Unfortunately these everyday necessities; even toilet tissue, are not covered by food stamps.

It is through your continued support that we as a parish are able to assist those in our community who are in need. God bless you always for your generosity.



| In Memoriam ~ 2019 | | |
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|  <p>In loving memory of Joseph V Germano requested by the Family</p> <p>1/5/20</p> | <p>In loving memory of Albert P Morelli, Donald & Eileen Gallagher Hogan requested by Don & Patti Hogan</p> <p>1/5/20</p> | <p>In loving memory of J. Vince Cocco requested by his wife and Children</p> <p>11/10/19</p> |
| <p>In loving memory of the Edward Brooks Family, Foglia Family & Monticup Family requested by the Rose Brooks & Family</p> <p>11/3/19</p> | <p>In loving memory of John A O'Brien requested by the Family</p> <p>10/20/19</p> | <p>In loving memory of Adam & Katherine Novak John & Rosalie Novak & Florence Szpot requested by the Family</p> <p>10/13/19</p> |
| <p>In memory of Justin Berthiaume requested by the Vertone Family</p> <p>9/8/19</p> | <p>In loving memory of Veronica Gardner requested by the Vertone Family</p> <p>8/25/19</p> | <p>In loving memory of Joseph Bagarose req by the Vertone Family</p> <p>8/25/19</p> |
| <p>In loving memory of William T, Sr, Julia F and Robert A Fahr requested by the Family</p> <p>8/4/19</p> | <p>In loving memory of Bryan T Roberts (son) Raymond & Helen Werner (parents) requested by Judith Pope</p> <p>7/7/19</p> | <p>In loving memory of The Barron & Rys Families requested by the Family</p> <p>7/7/19</p> |

Gospel Meditation

"God is always more." Have you ever heard that? If we truly believe that He is infinite, then this statement is worth exploring. Today, we celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit in power upon the early Church. But Pentecost wasn't the first time the disciples received the Holy Spirit. The Gospel actually occurs chronologically before Pentecost. Soon after the Resurrection, Jesus already "came and stood in their [the disciples'] midst... he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit.'"

God is always more. Sometimes we might think the grace of God as one and done. God might break through in people's lives, but it's a one-time event on a retreat or preceding a dramatic conversion of life. But there's always more to come. Even today's Gospel isn't the first time the breath of God stirred. In Genesis, it's God's breath that stirs life into Adam in the garden. Jesus breathes on the Apostles, giving them the Holy Spirit in the quiet and silence. Later, that breath will stir into a "driving wind", and the Spirit will descend with flame...not unlike Moses on Mount Sinai.

God is always more. He has spoken throughout salvation history, and continues to speak into our lives through His Church and through the Holy Spirit alive in our hearts. This Pentecost Sunday, let us come before Him with expectant hearts! Like the disciples in the Gospel and first reading, let us await what "more" God will do.

Social Justice: Caring for the Environment

Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:7 - "To each individual the manifestation of the Spirit is given for some benefit."

Pope Francis, Laudato Si - "Humanity still has the ability to work together in building our common home."

Catholic Social Teachings: - Pope John Paul mentioned "a new ecological awareness is beginning to emerge which, rather than being downplayed, ought to be encouraged to develop into concrete programs and initiatives."

IHM PRAYER MINISTRY—contact Brenda Persons at 271-6184 if you would like the prayer team to pray for you or a loved one who is ill or undergoing surgery.

Mass Intentions for the Week

Sat., June 8

4:00pm—Carol Lansing, req by the family
George McNeff, req by Marlene O'Brien
Patricia Crinigan, req by Audrey O'Hare

Sun., June 9

8:30am—Living & deceased members of IHM
David McMahon, req by wife, Maureen
Eigleen Germaine, req by Norma & family

11:00am—Katherine Novak (B'day), req by family
William & Margaret Knapp, req by the family
Helen Cole, req by Toni Delduce

Mon., June 10

9:00am—COMMUNION SERVICE

Tues., June 11

9:00am—DiNuzzo, LoParco & Burnham
family, Estate

Wed., June 12

Thurs., June 13 } 9:00 AM-COMMUNION SERVICE

Fri., June 14

9:00am—**NO** COMMUNION SERVICE

Sat., June 15

4:00pm—Living & Dec'd mem of IHM
Bill Meher, req by the Germano family

Sun., June 16

8:30am } *For All Father's*
11:00am } *Living & Deceased*

ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE

Weekly collection (including mail-in)

May 26-17, 2018.....\$6353.00

May 25-26, 2019.....\$7037.00

June 2-3, 2018.....\$5272.00

June 1-2, 2019.....\$5204.00

Ascension of Lord

May 9-10, 2018.....\$879.00

May 29-30, 2019.....\$981.00