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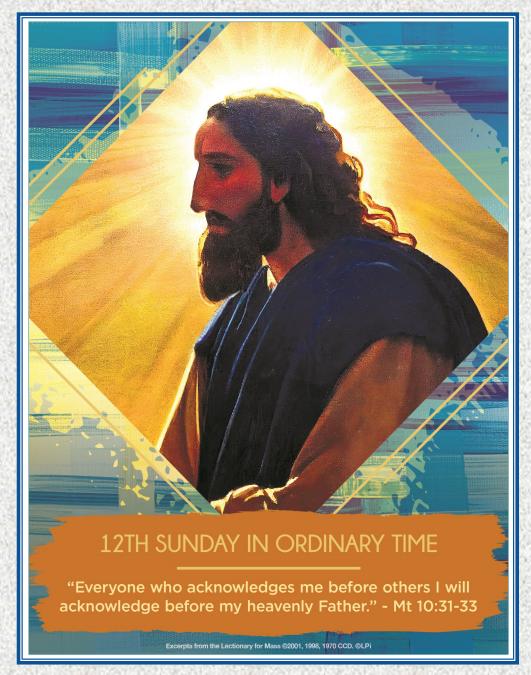
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JUNE 25, 2023

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

Church and Parish Life Center Handicapped accessible

Family Dinner with Father Sam

Parents and their children, and young adults are invited to join Father Sam for food, fellowship and faith sharing.
Pizza and beverage will be provided.
Please bring a salad or dessert to share.

UPCOMING DATES

July 7th August 4th



These events will be held outdoors at different locations. Scan the QR code for further info.

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 skowalski@ihm.rcpw.org or call 518-328-0427 for more information.

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

Faith Formation: 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.

"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!!

Scripture Sharing: The Chosen ~ Season Three

This week's episode is entitled "Sustenance." Thousands arrive to first argue with and then listen to Jesus as He preaches. Shmuel and Atticus become aware of what has happened and journey towards the Decapolis* to possibly catch Jesus in the act of fomenting a revolt. In the midst of all this, as the preaching extends to the next day, the disciples realize they have a problem: the crowds are hungry and there is no food. (*The Decapolis was a group of 10 ancient



Greek cities on the eastern frontier of the Roman Empire, formed after the Roman conquest of Palestine in 63 BC. It was one of the few regions where Jesus traveled in which Gentiles were in the majority).

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

RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS - by Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

The Necklace

I have a necklace that originally belonged to my great-grandmother. I don't really know much about the man who gave it to her, most of those details have been lost to time. But I know that he wanted to marry her, and that she refused, and it had something to do with religion — ultimately, he did not share her faith. And while I've certainly seen many interfaith couples have loving and successful marriages, in this particular case, my great-grandmother discerned that this would not be one of those marriages.

Like I said, I don't have many details about this man, but I know that she felt she couldn't marry him because it might jeopardize the souls of her children, and therefore the souls of their children, and their children after them - me. She turned him down because of me.



My great-grandmother never sold that necklace, not even when the Great Depression further reduced her financial circumstances. She kept it, and she gave it to her daughter, who gave it to her daughter, who gave it to me. The necklace is always given with a warning: there is something worse than being poor, worse than being scared, worse even than being desperate. Worse than all of these things is separation from God.

When I wear this necklace, I think about my grandmother and this man she possibly loved a hundred years ago. I think of the many decisions we make every day — large and small, good and bad — that reverberate down through the generations in ways we cannot, at the time, imagine. I think of the God who knows every hair on my head.

"And do not be afraid of those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather, be afraid of the one who can destroy both soul and body in Gehenna." — Matthew 10:28

In Memoriam ~ 2023		
In loving memory of John T Sherlock requested by his wife and Family	In loving memory of Albert P Morelli, Donald & Eileen Gallagher Hogan requested by Don & Patti Hogan	In loving memory of our Families: The Carlsons, The Mardigans, The Foleys & The Butlers requested by Bob & Carol Carlson
In loving memory of Joseph V Germano requested by the Family	In loving memory of John A O'Brien requested by the Family	In memory of our beloved son Michael D Kowalski requested by Michael and Sharon Kowalski 947723
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

IHM Memorial Brick Walkway ~ 2023

The **2023** Brick Campaign is underway and will run from **June 15 through July 15, 2023**. The requested bricks will be engraved sometime in August and placed in the "Walkway" in the Fall.

The Brick Campaign application sheets give full detail and can be found on the table at the back of the church or at the office during business hours.

The 4X8 size brick is available for engraving.

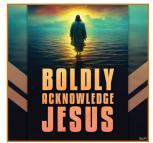
If you need additional information please call **Linda Dunbar at (518) 209-6446** or the parish office at (518) 273-6020.

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.

"Prayer is the key that unlocks all doors"

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



Readings for the week of June 25, 2023

Sunday: Jer 20:10-13/Ps 69:8-10, 14, 17, 33-35 (14c)/Rom 5:12-15/Mt 10:26-33

Monday: Gn 12:1-9/Ps 33:12-13, 18-19, 20 and 22/Mt 7:1-5 Tuesday: Gn 13:2, 5-18/Ps 15:2-3a, 3bc-4ab, 5/Mt 7:6, 12-14

Wednesday: Gn 15:1-12, 17-18/105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9/Mt 7:15

Thursday: Acts 12:1-11/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18/Mt 16:13-19 Friday: Gn 17:1, 9-10, 15-22/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5/Mt 8:1-4

Saturday: Gn 18:1-15/Lk 1:46-47, 48-49, 50 and 53, 54-55/Mt 8:5-17

Next Sunday: 2 Kgs 4:8-11, 14-16a/Ps 89:2-3, 16-17, 18-19 (2a)/Rom 6:3-4, 8-11/Mt

10:37-42

LIVE THE LITURGY -

Christ promises to acknowledge us before his Father if we will acknowledge him. In what ways are we called to acknowledge Christ today? In what ways are we tempted to deny him, to distance ourselves from him? ©LPi



MASS INTENTIONS

Sat., June 24

4:00pm—Nicholas Crudo (B'day), req by family Mrs Frances DiBell, re q by Martha/Ronald Soucy

Living & deceased members of IHM

Sun., June 25

7:30am—Charles Rutherford, req by brother Marian A Baciewicz, req by Baciewicz family Gene Hanley, req by Lorraine Alund

11:00am—Marilyn/Peter Barron, req by Mary's Kitchen

Mary Ellen Legnard, req by Patrick & Sherry Brannigan

Jaimison (Jaimo) Hall, req by Marilyn LaParl & Tony Cassidy

Tues., June 27

9:00am - Helen Lettko, req by parish

Wed., June 28

9:00am - Mary Romano, req by parish

Thurs., June 29

9:00am - Beverly Phillips, req by parish

Sat., July 1

4:00pm—Bob Carlson, req by Peggy Germano Marilyn Barron, req by Martha/Chuck Fandl Mr Cornelius Culkin, req by Martha & Ronald Soucy

Sun., July 2

7:30am-living & deceased members of IHM

11:00am—Carole Maloney, req by husband Richard & Elizabeth Hilly, req by their daughter

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Weekly Collection (incl mail-in, E.G.)
June 10-11 '23......\$6799.00

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