

14TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME JULY 5, 2015

Celebration of the Eucharist

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

Weekday Schedule

Communion Service: Monday and Friday at 9:00 AM

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



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Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday: 3:00 pm—3:30 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. (Preferably at least
6 months in advance)

Anointing of the Sick

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

*“A prophet is not without honor
except in his native place...”*

REMEMBER THE OLD SONG, “You always hurt the one you love...”. I wonder if that’s how Jesus felt when He tried to teach and preach in His hometown. It seems that He was still “the carpenter,” and they didn’t accept Him as a prophet.

It wasn’t because Jesus has less wisdom, less power, or less authority in His hometown, but it was the lack of faith of the community. They resisted Jesus and what He brought to them. They couldn’t seem to see beyond the familiarity of the “hometown boy” to realize the gifts that He brought: the gifts of healing and wisdom.

Do we expect God to appear in astonishing ways, or do we see and hear God in the ordinary circumstances of our native places, our hearts? Do we reject the familiarity of Jesus’ healing or do we embrace the familiarity as a gift?

It seems harsh to say, “would Jesus work miracles in someone who doesn’t believe in Him?” I would like to believe that Jesus continues to work miracles in the unbelievers, however without their decision to believe, the miracle goes unfulfilled. Continuing the circle, if they made the decision to believe, they would no longer be unbelievers.

Why do we accept an idea from one person and reject the same idea from another. I believe it depends on the relationship we have with them. The closer we are to them, the more we are apt to have expectations of their outcome. The less we care about the relationship, the less credence we give it. Again, “we always hurt the one we love,” mainly because we care.

How much do we care about our relationship with Jesus? How strong is our faith? If Jesus were in our midst today, would we embrace or reject His teachings? And why?

Blessings, Kathie

CALLING ALL NURSES

The Seton Health Director of the Parish Nurses Program, Angela Sheehan, will be at Immaculate Heart of Mary on July 15, (Wednesday) to give an informational session on Parish Nursing. We invite all nurses to come and learn about this important program and how it will enhance our parish.

Wednesday, July 15, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. in the Faith Formation and Ministry Center, 2425 7th Avenue (across the street from the Church)

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

NAME _____ PHONE _____

ADDRESS _____

HANNAFORD GIFT CARDS: WILL BE AVAILABLE THIS WEEKEND AFTER ALL THE MASSES IN THE BACK OF THE CHURCH. JUST IN TIME FOR YOUR 4TH OF JULY BBQ CELEBRATION (JULY 4 & 5).

SOCIAL JUSTICE:

City Gardens—Approval has been received from the Zoning Board. Work should commence shortly.

Human Trafficking—This is a major problem throughout the Capital District. There will be a workshop on October 12th at the Academy of Holy Names regarding this important issue.

Seeking Donations and Volunteers - "Her Treasure Box" generates revenue by offering sewing, craft and art supplies at low prices. It works similar to other thrift shops; but only accepts cloth, yarn, craft paper, frames, buttons, lace, scissors, craft related books, quilting supplies, paint brushes, artificial flowers, stamps, etc.

Funds accrued by the selling of donated items will be held in escrow for the future use of providing protected housing to those who have been victims of human trafficking.

To learn more, please email: dunbarld@aol.com or debbie.fowler@outlook.com

FAITH FORMATION—For All Ages

Sharon C. Kowalski, Coordinator of Faith Formation and Youth Ministry, skowalski@ihm.rcpw.org

July 26: PreK Day

We will be having a special program on July 26, after the 11am Mass. All children born in 2010 and 2011 are invited – and they can even bring their parents!! More details will follow in the next few weeks...keep an eye out for information in the bulletin.

We Said We'd See You Soon...Here's What's Coming Up in July/August

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.

July 26: Prek Day

August 2, 9: NCYC Raffle and Bake Sale

August 16: Ice Cream Extravaganza

August 25: Registration for 2015-2016 Faith Formation

Faith Formation Sessions & CLOW: See You in September!!

Faith Formation sessions and Children's Liturgy of the Word will be on hiatus until September. If you would like information on registration meetings or our programs at IHM, please call Sharon at 328-0427.

"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, 8:30 and 11am. **See you in Church!!**

NEW PARISHIONERS and the WELCOME MINISTRY at IHM—Are you new to the parish or thinking about becoming a member? The process of joining the parish is begun by filling out the tear off in the bulletin. Once that is received in the parish office, a welcome letter and a membership form will be mailed to you. We ask that you fill that out and drop it off in the collection basket, the parish office or mail it. Your information will then be entered into the parish data base and we will contact you. For more information about the Welcome Ministry, please contact Sharon at 328-0427.

SCRIPTURE STUDY: The Acts of the Apostles—This week, we will continue with a DVD on Chapters 20-21 in the Acts of the Apostles. Paul returns to Ephesus and spends 2 to 3 years establishing a base from which the Gospel will spread throughout Asia. Eventually, this ancient center for the magical arts becomes a stronghold of Christianity and the site of one of the Church's great ecumenical councils.

You are invited to join us, between 6 to 8PM, at the Faith Formation and Ministry Center (2425-7th Avenue). For questions or for more information, please contact Sharon at 328-0427 or skowalski@ihm.rcpw.org.

RCIA: Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults—Our weekly sessions of RCIA are on hiatus until September. We will continue to meet once a month throughout the summer. Our next session will be July 8.

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**?

Please join us in the Faith Formation and Ministry Center on Wednesday, July 8 at 7pm. **Questions about the RCIA process?? Contact Kathie at 273-6020 or Sharon at 328-0427.**

MARY'S GARDEN AND MARY'S KITCHEN:

Monday, 3:30pm to 5:30pm—We had a special pre-4th of July drawing for our guests last week. Because of the early bulletin, we will be announcing our winners next week. As always, many thanks to our anonymous donor for making this possible.

Mary's Kitchen is open Mondays from 3:30 to 5:30pm. All members of the community are invited—both parishioners and non-parishioners alike—to pick up a take-out meal during those times.

Questions about Mary's Kitchen? Please contact Sharon at 328-0427 for more information.



*When Doing Your
Estate Remember
Your Parish*

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JULY 5TH

Sunday: Ez 2:2-5/2 Cor 12:7-10/Mk 6:1-6a
 Monday: Gn 28:10-22a/Mt 9:18-26
 Tuesday: Gn 32:23-33/Mt 9:32-38
 Wednesday: Gn 41:55-57; 42:5-7a, 17-24a/Mt 10:1-7
 Thursday: Gn 44:18-21, 23b-29; 45:1-5/Mt 10:7-15
 Friday: Gn 46:1-7, 28-30/Mt 10:16-23
 Saturday: Gn 49:29-32; 50:15-26a/Mt 10:24-33
 Next Sunday: Am 7:12-15/Eph 1:3-14 or 1:3-10/
 Mk 6:7-13

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PLEASE NOTE: SUMMER BUSINESS HOURS:—

MONDAY through THURSDAY, 8:30 AM to 3:30 PM
FRIDAY—CLOSED

Mass Intentions for July 6—12

Mon., July 6
 9:00am—**COMMUNION SERVICE**

Tues., July 7 (MASS)
 9:00am—**Living & deceased members of IHM**

Wed., July 8 (MASS)
 9:00am—**Ray Delisle**, req by Peg Fisk

Thurs., July 9 (MASS)
 9:00am—**Mary Louise DeCotis**

Fri., July 10
 9:00am—**COMMUNION SERVICE**

Sat., July 11
 4:00pm—**Jerry P Valenti**, req by wife & family
Helen Vartigian (B'day), req by her sister
Patricia Sibincich, req by Dolores Edwards

Sun., July 12
 8:30am—**Fran Snay**, req by Holly Rock
Rev Donald Kelly, req by Norma Brennan & family
Michael Capitula, req by Marian Winterbourne

11:00am—**Richard Giroux**, req by wife & family
Paul Esposito, Sr, } req by the Esposito
William & Margaret Knapp } family

SANCTUARY LAMP FOR WEEK OF JULY 5TH

*For a special intention,
 donated by Lilia Langford*

ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE

Weekly Collection (including mail-in)

Due to early deadline, the collection totals will be in next week's issue of bulletin.

 <h2 style="text-align: center;">Memorials for 2015</h2>		
In loving memory of Joseph V Germano requested by the Family <small>4/17/16</small>	In loving memory of the Edward Brooks Family, Foglia Family & Monticup Family requested by Rose Brooks & Family <small>10/25/15</small>	In loving memory of Dr. Richard P Crinigan, Jr requested by his wife, Patricia and Children <small>8/16/15</small>
BLOCK AVAILABLE	In loving memory of John A O'Brien requested by the Family <small>10/18/15</small>	In loving memory of William T Fahr, Sr & Julia F Fahr requested by the Family <small>8/2/15</small>
In loving memory of James D Langford requested by Lilia Langford & Christine Callahan <small>11/8/15</small>	In loving memory of Adam & Katherine Novak John g Novak & Florence Szpot requested by the Family <small>9/27/15</small>	In loving memory of Bryan T Roberts (son) Raymond & Helen Werner (parents) requested by Judith Pope <small>7/5/15</small>
In loving memory of Norman & Marion Persons requested by Dgtr, Brenda & Sons, Edgar & Norman M <small>11/8/15</small>	In loving memory of Genevieve M Dyer requested by her beloved husband Bill, Children & Grandchildren <small>8/30/15</small>	In loving memory of The Barron & Rys Families requested by the Family <small>7/5/15</small>