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14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - JULY 9, 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

Gospel Meditation

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Do you ever feel restless? I certainly do. Daily tasks and challenges, but also the more basic demand of simply existing — sooner or later, this can all feel crushing and tire us out.

Which is why Jesus' words are such stunningly good news: "Come to me all you who labor and are burdened and I will give you rest" (Matthew 11:28). How vastly weird that this man speaks as though he is capable of giving us the deep repose we desire. Is his claim the height of absurd grandiosity? No, because next he immediately proclaims that he is "meek and humble of heart." We here touch a mystery: Jesus is capable of giving us rest because he is the one who forever reposes in the heart of God the Father. He is "yoked" to the Father in his divinity. But he is humbly "yoked" to us, sharing in our humanity.

The good news, my fellow tired-out friends: we don't have to despair in our burdens and exhaustion, no matter how heavy they feel. This week, join me in opening our hearts to hear him say to us, "Come! I will give you rest." We come to him in the Church, Eucharist, the Scriptures, prayer, in the poor. There he will give us rest. — *Father John Muir*

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Scripture Sharing: The Chosen ~ Season Three

Beginning Thursday, July 13, we will revisit Chosen, Season 3. There is so much happening in each episode, keeping track of characters and events, it is difficult to absorb it all in one viewing. This week, we will watch the episode "Homecoming".

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.

A Special Note Concerning the Food Pantry ~ Our food pantry grant from the regional Food Bank was greatly reduced this year due to an increase in need throughout the country.



*Looking forward...*the items we are in need of will be noted monthly in the bulletin. Anything you can do to help us will

be greatly appreciated. Thank you so much! - *Mary Beth*

July DVD: 'Hidden in Silence' Thursday July 20 at 1:30pm, Parish Life Center

"Hidden in Silence" is the true story of a Catholic teenager, Stefania Podgorska, living in Nazi occupied Poland during World War II. Her unwavering resolve and selfless commitment is exhibited in the face of tremendous danger. While others stand silent, Stefania chooses the role of one who risks all for the sake of others. Every day, she risks detection and extreme consequences by smuggling food and water to the 13 Jewish people she has hidden in her attic. Where does such courage come from??

Come join us July 20, at 1:30pm in the Parish Life Center. Maybe we'll discover the answer. All are welcome. Contact Sharon at skowalski@ihm.rcpw.org for more information.

IHM Memorial Brick Walkway 2023:

The 2023 Brick Campaign for this year will be coming to an end soon! The closing date for orders for this season is Monday, July 17th. The next opportunity will be in 2024.

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.



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.

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; skowalski@ihm.rcpw.org. or at 518-328-0427.

Faith Formation for All Ages ~

Sharon Kowalski, Coordinator of Faith Formation & Youth Ministry

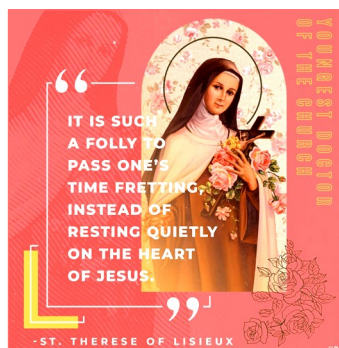
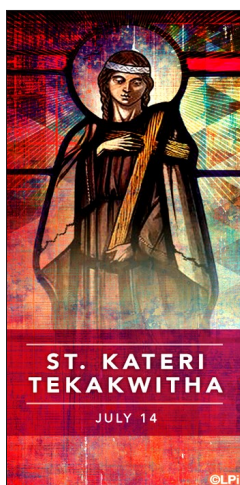
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In Memoriam ~ 2023		
 <p>In loving memory of John T Sherlock requested by his wife and Family</p> <p>6/2/24</p>	<p>In loving memory of Albert P Morelli, Donald & Eileen Gallagher Hogan requested by Don & Patti Hogan</p> <p>2/18/24</p>	<p>In loving memory of our Families: The Carlsons, The Mardigans, The Foleys & The Butlers requested by Bob & Carol Carlson</p> <p>2/4/24</p>
<p>In loving memory of Adam & Katherine Novak John & Rosalie Novak & Florence Szpot requested by the Family</p> <p>12/31/23</p>	<p>In loving memory of Joseph V Germano requested by the Family</p> <p>12/17/23</p>	<p>In loving memory of John A O'Brien requested by the Family</p> <p>10/29/23</p>
<p>In memory of our beloved son Michael D Kowalski requested by Michael and Sharon Kowalski</p> <p>9/17/23</p>	<p>In loving memory of William T Sr, Julia F and Robert A Fahr requested by the Family</p> <p>8/20/23</p>	<p>In loving memory of Bryan T Roberts (son) Raymond & Helen Werner (parents) requested by Judith Pope</p> <p>7/16/23</p>

ST. KATERI TEKAKWITHA

On July 14th, we celebrate the feast of the "Lily of the Mohawks." St. Kateri Tekakwitha is the first Native American woman to be canonized. Orphaned by a smallpox outbreak, Kateri survived with severe scarring and impaired eyesight. Despite tragedy, she was a devout girl at a young age, often building crosses from sticks in the woods. When she was 18, she began secret instruction in the Catholic faith with French missionaries. Her commitment to Christianity and vow of virginity was misunderstood and ridiculed by her fellow villagers. She escaped to a nearby mission, where she attended daily Mass, taught the children, and cared for the sick and the elderly. Sometimes the greatest misunderstandings can come from those closest to us. Like St. Kateri, God invites us to be faithful to our commitments of faith and to always respond in love.



Live the Liturgy:

Inspiration for the Week -

The Christian life does not require wisdom, charisma, or strength — no, quite the opposite. To be Christian, we must embrace our faults, our littleness, our shortcomings — gather them up, and lay them all at the feet of Jesus. There, they will be transformed.

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Question of the Week - Reflect and Respond

In today's second reading - Paul speaks of the power of the Spirit living in those who believe in Jesus. When have you felt or experienced the presence of the Holy Spirit in your life?

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In loving memory of
The Barron & Rys Families
requested by the Family

7/16/23

Prayer Ministry

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

~ MASS INTENTIONS ~

Sat., July 8

4:00pm—Marie Ruping, req by Lorraine Alund
Maurice Clough, req by Bob/Sandy Beston
Marilyn Barron, req by Charles and LuAnn Broderick

Sun., July 9

7:30am—Rose Murphy (5th Anniv), req by the family
Karen Treharne, req by Mike/Diane Smith
Joan & Tony Guzek, req by Mary Naples

11:00am—Alund Family, req by Lorraine Alund
Elizabeth Herrington, req by Marilyn LaParl
Marie Coelho, req by Pat Fitzgerald

Tues., July 11

9:00am - Marge Centanni, req by parish

Wed., July 12

9:00am - Teresa Bunk, req by parish

Thurs., July 13

9:00am - Michael Cronin, req by parish

Sat., July 15

4:00pm—Marilyn Barron, req by Lori/Bob Fowler
Connie Alston (2nd Anniv), req by sister-in-law, Lois
Marie W Ruping, req by Frances Lee

Sun., July 16

7:30am—Living & deceased members of IHM
11:00am—Christine Ragosta, req by Edward & Marietta
Florence Lehner, req by Pat Fitzgerald
Stephen Haner (B'day), req by mom/dad/Brian

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