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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.

**15TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME
JULY 12, 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

“Jesus summoned the Twelve

and began to send them out two by two...”

WITH THE WORLD POPULATION TODAY at nearly seven billion, how many disciples would it take to send them out two by two? If we narrowed it down to the United States population at 300 million, it would still take ALL of us to carry out the mission of Jesus.

There are some today who minister two by two. Treasure the lay couple serving the Church and the people. Or the nuns and brothers in community...do they still go out in pairs? Many of us serve the mission of Jesus in the single life, as priests, single, widowed, or as Parish Life Directors. However you need not have the title of Priest, Sister or Brother, or Parish Life Director to be a disciple. Just as the disciples were called by Jesus, and Amos was sent by God, we are all called forth to continue the mission of Jesus with whatever unique gifts have been given to us.

For some, it might be the gift of giving of themselves by visiting the sick, homebound, or imprisoned: the gift of presence, the gift of listening. For others, it might be serving in soup kitchens, bringing food and clothing to the poor, or driving the elderly to a doctor's appointment. For those with the gift of teaching or preaching, it might be the ordained life, or leading a Bible study course, or facilitating a prayer group. For some who are incapacitated by health problems, it might be praying for others from home. One size does not fit all.

Jesus gives us (His disciples) authority. This is not the authority measured by power and wealth. This is the authority to respond to those in need (and even the wealthy have needs) with love and kindness and mercy and forgiveness and all the ways that Jesus modeled for us. As the kids of today say, "You got attitude!" We have all been given "attitude," but we have the choice of which direction the attitude takes. Is it an attitude of giving and caring? Or is it an attitude of ego, power over others, or prejudice?

What are your gifts? Acknowledge them, but don't stop there! With the gifts you have been given, how will you serve?

Blessings, Kathie

CALLING ALL NURSES NOTE CHANGE OF DATE—The Seton Health Director of the Parish Nurses Program, Angela Sheehan, will be at Immaculate Heart of Mary on **July 22, (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 22, 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 _____

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!! An invitation was mailed last week to families registered in the parish or whose children were baptized here. Didn't get an invitation?? Not yet a member?? Come anyway and see what it is all about!!

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: Pre-k 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!!**

EVANGELIZATION MEETING: July 20—An Evangelization meeting will be held in the Faith Formation and Ministry Center at 6:30pm on Monday, July 20th.

WELCOME AND HOSPITALITY MINISTRIES AT IHM...Interested??—Members of the parish who have previously participated as Welcomers, Greeters, Ushers or Welcome Bakers,(as well as any other parishioners that may be interested in being involved in these ministries at a Mass they normally attend), are invited to a gathering on July 14 at 6:30pm in the church. The purpose and function of each ministry and how they complement each other **will be discussed**.

For more information about the Welcome Ministry, please contact Sharon at 328-0427.

IHM PRAYER TREE MINISTRY—If you know of a friend, or a loved one in need of prayers, contact Brenda Persons at 271-6184.

SCRIPTURE STUDY: The Acts of the Apostles—This week, we will begin with a look at Chapters 22-25 in the Acts of the Apostles. Paul finds himself facing near death at the hands of a crowd but, instead of failure, it provides him with the opportunity to speak five times before audiences of increasing importance.

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 August 5.

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**?

Questions about the RCIA process?? Contact Kathie at 273-6020 or Sharon at 328-0427.

MARY'S GARDEN AND MARY'S KITCHEN: The four winners of the "4th of July" drawing are: Eve, Vinny, John and Shirley. Each won a \$15 gift certificate to Mac's Drive In Watervliet. What a perfect prize for a hot summer's day!!

Mary's Garden has already yielded three harvests of fresh green beans and snap peas. Each time, not one serving was left. Thanks, Barb and Mike!!

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.



SANCTUARY CANDLE: JULY 12—18
For special intention, donated by
Lilia Langford

HANNAFORD GIFT CARDS: Available during the week at the Parish Office. Stop in to purchase gift cards for your weekly shopping.

Mass Intentions for July 13—19

Mon., July 13

9:00am—**COMMUNION SERVICE**

Tues., July 14 (MASS)

9:00am—**Thomas Fisk**, req by the family
M/M Omer Adams, req by M/M Charles Adams

Wed., July 15 (MASS)

9:00am—**Anthony, Angeline, Francis Moffre**, req by the daughter
Augustus DeCarlo Family, req by the granddaughter

Thurs., July 16 (MASS)

9:00am—**Michael Capitula, Sr**, req by M/M Michael Carroll

Fri., July 17

9:00am—**COMMUNION SERVICE**

Sat., July 18

4:00pm—**Patricia Sibincich**, req by Mary's Kitchen
William LoFink, Jr, req by M/M Robert Connery
Norman Persons, Sr, req by Ginny, Diane Jakubics

Sun., July 19

8:30am—**Thomas S Amato**, req by wife Isabelle
Rev Alfred J Ashline, req by his sister Isabelle
Michael Mastin, req by Philip & Judith Pope

11:00am—**Olga Somich (B'day)**, req by Helen Somich
Patrick Connors & Daniel Keating, req by the family

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ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE

Weekly Collection (including mail-in)

June 28-29, 2014.....\$5900.00

June 27-28, 2015.....\$4863.00

July 5-6, 2014.....\$6337.00

July 4-5, 2015.....\$4305.00

Memorials for 2015		
 <p>In loving memory of Joseph V Germano requested by the Family</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><small>4/17/16</small></p>	<p>In loving memory of James D Langford requested by Lilia Langford & Christine Callahan</p>	<p>In loving memory of Adam & Katherine Novak John g Novak & Florence Szpot requested by the Family</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><small>9/27/15</small></p>
<p>BLOCK AVAILABLE</p>	<p>In loving memory of Norman & Marion Persons requested by Dgtr, Brenda & Sons, Edgar & Norman M</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><small>11/8/15</small></p>	<p>In loving memory of Genevieve M Dyer requested by her beloved husband Bill, Children & Grandchildren</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><small>8/30/15</small></p>
<p>In loving memory of Bryan T Roberts (son) Raymond & Helen Werner (parents) requested by Judith Pope</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><small>1/30/15</small></p>	<p>In loving memory of the Edward Brooks Family, Foglia Family & Monticup Family requested by Rose Brooks & Family</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><small>10/25/15</small></p>	<p>In loving memory of Dr. Richard P Crinigan, Jr requested by his wife, Patricia and Children</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><small>8/16/15</small></p>
<p>In loving memory of The Barron & Rys Families requested by the Family</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><small>1/3/16</small></p>	<p>In loving memory of John A O'Brien requested by the Family</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><small>10/18/15</small></p>	<p>In loving memory of William T Fahr, Sr & Julia F Fahr requested by the Family</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><small>8/2/15</small></p>