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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.

18TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME AUGUST 2, 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

“What can we do to accomplish the works of God?”

IN LAST WEEK’S GOSPEL the people were fed to their satisfaction. Then Jesus and the disciples left them.

Fearful that they wouldn’t get their needs fulfilled, the crowd went looking for Jesus and the disciples. When they found them in Capernaum, the crowd asked for “more.”

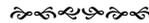
Jesus challenged their definition of “more.” To the crowd, “more” meant filling their immediate needs. To Jesus the challenge was to go beyond the earthly and recognize the real need, the need to believe in Jesus.

Similarly the first reading also tells us how the Israelites were given bread from heaven, but only for the day. Their challenge was to believe that God would provide food for them the next day. When they followed instructions, they had plenty. For us the bread that comes from heaven is Jesus, the Bread of Life.

Our challenge then, if we are to accomplish the works of God, is to believe that Jesus *is* the Bread of Life and that God will always provide for our earthly needs. Our job is to believe in the One He sent. We need Jesus and when we recognize our need, we will seek Him. When we seek Him, we will believe. When we believe, we will be accomplishing the works of God.

What are you doing to accomplish the works of God?

Blessings, Kathie



SUPPORT THE CHILDHOOD NUTRITION ACT—The Child Nutrition Act expires on September 30 and is up for re-authorization. The CNR protects children from hunger and malnutrition through programs such as the National School Lunch Program, the School Breakfast Program and WIC. These programs safeguard children’s access to nutritious food. Rollbacks on regulations could eliminate much of the progress that’s been made in the past 5 years. Your help is needed to tell your representatives that current regulations governing school food are working. In the United States today, nearly 16 million children face hunger. Speak up! Contact your members of Congress and tell them to pass a strong child nutrition bill that invests in and improves child nutrition programs so that our nation’s children have the fuel they need to grow up healthy and succeed. The Parish Social Justice Committee has prepared letters and envelopes for you to use. Please consider signing one and leaving it with us to mail. Thanks!

HELP A HERO—We want to help our troops stay healthy and clean when they’re on the go by sending unopened travel-size hand sanitizers, lip balms, toothbrushes, toothpaste and eye drops. These will be included in care packages being shipped to troops stationed in remote areas. Please bring your donations and place them in the box in the back of the church. Thank you!



BAPTISM PREP CLASS—There will be **NO** Baptism Prep class on Thursday, August 6. Parent/adult who wishes to have a child baptized before September and has not attended a class, should call the parish office (273-6020) and leave a message for Deacon Mark Leonard.

NCYC: Raffle August 1-2; Raffle and Bake Sale August 8-9—We will be selling raffle tickets for our Backpack Raf-



file on the weekends of August 1-2 and August 8-9. On August 8-9, we will also have a Bake Sale. Proceeds from these two fundraisers will be used to help defray the costs of sending our young people (Emily Carabis, Grace Bryce) to NCYC in November.

The National Catholic Youth Conference is an event that takes place in the central part of the USA, once every two years. It is an incredible faith filled experience for the 20,000+ young Catholics that attend. This year, the cost for the bus, hotel and conference will be approximately \$825 per person. We have a little over half of the cost saved already from fundraisers of previous years. We hope we can count on your support to help us get closer to our goal.

It's Coming Soon...August 16 The Ice Cream Extravaganza!!!—Have you seen the forecast on the Weather Channel???? **Hot, Hot, Hot!!!! Even the air conditioning doesn't do it after awhile!!! Is there any relief in sight????? It's coming soon...** 

On August 16, immediately after the 11AM Mass, we will gather as a community for the Ice Cream Extravaganza...to celebrate all that is sweet, cool and delicious. Make your own sundae, have your ice cream in a cone or dish...just make sure you are there to celebrate one of the true joys of summer!!

In addition, we will have a backpack raffle. Seven backpacks will be raffled off; filled with basic items for back-to-school. The ice cream is free; tickets for the backpack raffle are \$1.00 each. Money raised from the backpack raffle will be used for the NCYC trip in November.

MARY'S KITCHEN—3:30 to 5:30pm—It is sooo hot and humid, you just don't feel like heating up the kitchen preparing dinner. Why not stop by the soup kitchen and get a meal to go??

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.

MARY'S KITCHEN GARDEN: A Labor of Love—Many times when I have been working in the Faith Formation and Ministry

Center, I look out the window and see Mike and/or Barb toiling away in the garden. Someone asked me recently what kind of soil or fertilizer they use that produces the amazing yield that this little strip of land provides to Mary's Kitchen over the growing season. I think the answer is just this: unfailing dedication to a ministry that blesses every guest that shares a meal in Mary's Kitchen. God bless Mike and Barb for the many hours they devote to this ministry that is totally for the benefit of others!!

Over the past few years, Mary's Kitchen has received a steady supply of fresh vegetables to serve our guests. Maintaining a garden takes a watchful eye and tender care. If you would like to help out with this wonderful ministry, contact the Parish Office (273-6020) and we'll let Mike and Barb know of your generous offer.

HANNAFORD GIFT CARDS THIS WEEKEND—Hannaford gift cards may be purchased this weekend in the back of the church after all the Masses. Also note they are available during the week at the parish office. Stop by to purchase a few gift cards to keep on hand for fast shopping.

FAITH FORMATION—For All Ages

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

July 26: Pre-K Day – Success!!

We welcomed seven preschoolers and their families for our first Pre-K day. They had lunch, played a few games and left with balloons and a few treats. Hope to see them all soon!!

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

- 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!!

SCRIPTURE STUDY: *The Acts of the Apostles*—This week, we read Chapters 25:13-28:31 in the Acts of the Apostles. Paul has found himself in “protective custody” and brought before the Roman governor, Felix. Felix thought Paul was innocent, but left ruling on the case to his successor, Festus. Once again, Paul maintains his innocence and, because of his Roman birth, appeals to Caesar

You are invited to join us on Thursday, 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.

What is the RCIA process?? It is the process through which Catholics can complete the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Eucharist, Confirmation) or a non-Catholic can become a member of the Church.

Is this something you've thought about, been meaning to do or would like more information?

Contact Kathie at 273-6020 or Sharon at 328-0427 and we'll guide you through the process.

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

THANK YOU—from Legnard-Curtin Auxiliary for all your donations of coupons, Campbell labels, box tops for education. Please keep them coming.

PLEASE NOTE: The Sanctuary Candle is not available for requested intentions. However, several requests made prior to February 1, 2015 remain in the Mass book and those will be posted in the bulletin at the appropriate time.

Mass Intentions for Aug 3—9

Mon., Aug 3

9:00am—COMMUNION SERVICE

Tues., Aug 4 (MASS)

9:00am—Living & deceased members of IHM

Wed., Aug 5 (MASS)

9:00am—Mary Dorrance, req by her daughter

Thurs., Aug 6 (MASS)

9:00am—Johnson & Malasky families

Fri., Aug 7

9:00am—COMMUNION SERVICE

Sat., Aug 8

4:00pm—Carol Lansing, req by the family
Donald Connelly, req by Marie & family
Charles & Marion Finning, Sr, req by Diane

Sun., Aug 9

8:30am—Donna Duda, req by Gloria Colarusso
Barbara A Hennessy, req by Ginny & Sue Ellis
Jane Skinner, req by Bob & Carol Carlson

11:00am—Johanna Baniak, req by Barbara Volland
Patricia Sibincich, req by St Patrick Craft Guild

ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE

Weekly Collection (including mail-in)

July 26-27, 2014.....\$6123.00

July 25-26, 2015.....\$5351.00

Peter's Pence Collection

July 26-27, 2014.....\$924.00

July 25-26, 2015.....\$836.00

Mission Co-op Collection

July 5-6, 2014.....\$2078.00

July 25-26, 2015.....\$2112.00

Memorials for 2015		
 <p>In loving memory of Joseph V Germano requested by the Family</p> <p style="text-align: right;">4/17/16</p>	<p>In loving memory of The Barron & Rys Families requested by the Family</p> <p style="text-align: right;">1/3/16</p>	<p>In loving memory of John A O'Brien requested by the Family</p> <p style="text-align: right;">10/18/15</p>
<p>In loving memory of Genevieve M Dyer requested by her beloved husband Bill, Children & Grandchildren</p> <p style="text-align: right;">2/28/16</p>	<p>In loving memory of James D Langford requested by Lilia Langford & Christine Callahan</p> <p style="text-align: right;">11/8/15</p>	<p>In loving memory of Adam & Katherine Novak John G Novak & Florence Szpot requested by the Family</p> <p style="text-align: right;">9/27/15</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;">11/8/15</p>	<p>In loving memory of Dr. Richard P Crinigan, Jr requested by his wife, Patricia and Children</p> <p style="text-align: right;">8/16/15</p>
<p>In loving memory of Bryan T Roberts (son) Raymond & Helen Werner (parents) requested by Judith Pope</p> <p style="text-align: right;">1/3/16</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;">10/25/15</p>	<p>In loving memory of William T Fahr, Sr & Julia F Fahr requested by the Family</p> <p style="text-align: right;">8/2/15</p>