

AUGUST 9, 2020



19th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Peter said to him in reply, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." He said, "Come." Peter got out of the boat and began to walk on the water toward Jesus. - Mt 14:28-29

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CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Saturday Vigil - 4:00pm & Sunday - 8:30 & 11:00am

Weekday Schedule

Tuesday - Wednesday - Thursday at 9:00am

Adoration on Tuesday - 9:30 to 11:00am

ASSUMPTION OF BLESSED VIRGIN MARY, HOLY DAY
AUGUST 14—VIGIL: 5:00 PM
AUGUST 15—9:00 AM

Our mission at Immaculate Heart of Mary is to proclaim the good news of Jesus Christ and to praise His name, by being a Christ-centered, welcoming, unified community. Called to holiness, we celebrate the love of God through prayer and worship, the Eucharist and other sacraments, catechesis, evangelization and service to all. Always His people, we strive to be good stewards of our time, talent and treasure.

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RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS - *Being Human is to Doubt*

Humans doubt. It's what we do. We doubt ourselves and we doubt others.

Before any of us say anything about Peter's doubting the words of Jesus that told him he could get out of his boat and walk on water, we need to get real with ourselves: How would I respond in the same situation? I remember when I was a child taking swimming lessons. One day I simply tightened up my muscles and sank. The life-guard pulled me up and asked what happened. I said I did not know. The truth is that I was sinking under the weight of my own doubt. I did not believe I could do what clearly, I was told I could. That was only in five feet of water in a pool! Now that I'm older, I can look back and laugh. But an adult, the swimming pool is life, and I would be lying if I said that there are no longer times I find myself sinking due to new doubts.

Much of our doubt comes about because of a lack of trust in God. We place our trust in material things, wealth, or imperfect people instead of the One who is worthy of our trust 100 percent of the time. Our stewardship is often hampered by our doubt that God will provide all that we need. If I give more, I may not have enough to survive! When we place all our trust in God, not only do we find that we have been given all we need - our doubt that cause us to sink in the pool of life fades away. We don't suddenly become perfect in our trust, and there will be times when we find ourselves with concerns again. However, it is in those moments we find that He is still there, speaking the words we need to hear: "Take courage, it is I; do not be afraid." - Tracy Earl Welliver ©LPi



*Trust
in Him
fully*

Faith Formation - For All Ages

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Faith Formation

Faith Formation sessions are on hiatus for the rest of the 2019-2020 year. As soon as we have information about the 2020-2021 year, we will contact you. Meanwhile, please know that you are in our thoughts and prayers.

Questions, please contact Sharon at 518-328-0427 or email skowalski@ihm.rcpw.org

Children's Liturgy of the Word (CLOW):

Currently on hiatus.



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, 8:30am & 11am.

See you in church!!

RCIA and Sacramental Preparation for Adults and Older Children

We now meet on Thursday afternoons from 2 to 3pm. Ed and Don are preparing to receive their sacraments in just a few weeks. Please keep them in your prayers.

If you are interested in becoming a Catholic or completing your Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation) or are curious about the process, feel free to stop in any Thursday and see what it is all about.

Need more information?? Contact Sharon at 518 328-0427 or skowalski@ihm.rcpw.org.

Mary's Kitchen: Mondays, 3 to 5pm: WE'RE BACK!!

Mary's Kitchen began serving meals again on July 6. For the present time, we can do TAKE OUT meals only. All are welcome. Why cook when the weather is so HOT!! Stop by and pick up a meal all ready for you to take home: Soup, salad, sandwich, entrée and dessert!! Email skowalski@ihm.rcpw.org or call 518-328-0427 for more information.



Scripture Sharing: The Letter of James

For all those interested, we will begin meeting on Wednesdays in August from 2 to 3pm in the Parish Life Center. Our current series is on the Letter of James. For more information, please contact Sharon at 518-328-0427 or skowalski@ihm.rcpw.org



In Memoriam ~ 2020-21

In loving memory of our Families:
The Carlsons, The Mardigans,
The Foleys & The Butlers
requested by Bob & Carol Carlson

2/7/21

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

1/17/21

In loving memory of
Bryan T Roberts (son)
Raymond & Helen Werner (parents)
requested by Judith Pope

1/17/21

In loving memory of
Albert P Morelli,
Donald & Eileen Gallagher Hogan
requested by Don & Patti Hogan

1/10/21

In loving memory of
Joseph V Germano
requested by the Family

1/10/21

In loving memory of
John A O'Brien
requested by the Family

10/25/20

In loving memory of
William T Sr, Julia F
and Robert A Fahr
requested by the Family

8/23/20

Marian Feasts

Question: *Why does Mary have so many feast days and names?*

Answer:

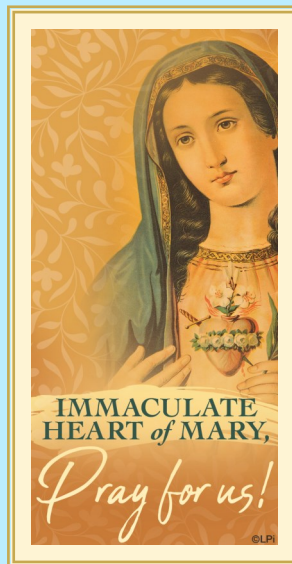
Christians first began celebrating feast days in honor of Mary, the Mother of Jesus, in the fifth century. That celebration (originally called the Feast of the Dormition and now known by Roman Catholics as the Solemnity of the Assumption) was celebrated on August 15. Very soon, however, other special days dedicated to Mary began to appear in Jerusalem, Rome, and other major cities of the Christian world. These days of feasting became important parts of the life of the community. But, more importantly, each of these unique celebrations became an opportunity to focus on a different facet of the Christian faith, as believers focused their attention on specific events or mysteries of the lives of Mary and her Son.

Over the centuries, some of these celebrations became universal (such as the **Assumption on August 15**, the Immaculate Conception on December 8, and the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God on January 1). Other celebrations were more closely tied to certain religious orders (such as the Carmelites celebration of "Our Lady of Mount Carmel" on July 16 or the Servite Friars feast of the "Seven Sorrows of Mary," which is now celebrated as the Memorial of Our Lady of Sorrows on September 15).

In more recent times, Marian apparitions (like Guadalupe, Lourdes, and Fatima) have inspired special liturgical celebrations. Pope Francis has added two new celebrations of Mary to the Church's calendar: The Memorial of Mary, Mother of the Church (on the Monday after Pentecost) and the Commemoration of Our Lady of Loreto (on December 10). The various titles of Mary (like those we find in the Litany of the Blessed Virgin Mary) help us to reflect on different aspects of Mary's faith and the ways that the Holy Spirit is at work in her and through her, especially as the Mother of Jesus.

In the end, whatever the event or mystery being celebrated in a particular liturgy or the title of Mary being used, we are invited to always see Mary in connection with the saving work of her Son. She is, of course, a patroness and protector for every Christian, but she is also a model of discipleship and contemplation: "Having entered deeply into the history of salvation, Mary, in a way, unites in her person and re-echoes the most important doctrines of the faith: and when she is the subject of preaching and worship she prompts the faithful to come to her Son, to his sacrifice and to the love of the Father" (*Lumen Gentium*, 65).

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FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION
Weekly Collection (incl Mail-in/E.G.)
July 25-26, 2020—\$5056.00

Thank you for your support to Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish. God bless you.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat., Aug 8

4:00pm—Carol Lansing, req by husband
*Maryanne Bagnardi, req by son Joe
*Jerry Valenti, req by wife & family
*Robert S Lewis, Sr, req by Mike/Diane Smith

Sun., Aug 9

8:30am—*Jim Mantello, req by sister
*Mary (Mae) Muir (10th Anniv), req by family
Thomas Fuchsluger, req by Janet
Nicolella, Pamela Crispico, Christopher Hilly

11:00am—*Michael Kowalski, req by Food Pantry

Richard Bleau (2nd Anniv), req by Diana Living & deceased members of IHM

Tues., Aug 11

9:00am—Robert Demarco (Lv'g), for special intention, req by Art, Ellen & Connie

Wed., Aug 12

9:00am—Jean Dean, req by Marge Centanni

Thurs., Aug 13

9:00am—living & deceased members of IHM

Fri., Aug 14—**Vigil Mass**

5:00pm—Lv'g & dec'd members of IHM

Sat., Aug 15—**Assumption of BVM**

9:00am—Holy Day, Assumption of BVM

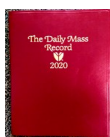
4:00pm—*Catherine Slupski, req by family
*Mary Connery, req by the family
Living & deceased members of IHM

Sun., Aug 16

8:30am—John J Brennan, req by family
Angelynn Moffre, req by Mary/Barbara Crowley
Sr Mary Damien Cushing, CSJ, req by Shufon family

11:00am—Nicoletta Romanelli and Brian Bloomfield, req by the family
Mr/Mrs Arthur Connery, req by the children

*Intentions originally slated for May



MASS INTENTION REQUESTS - We are accepting **NEW** requests for weekday as well as weekend Masses, please stop by the parish office during business hours if you would like to request a Mass intention.

First come first served basis, with maximum of 3 requests at one time.

IHM Prayer Ministry~ We believe as faith-filled people, prayer matters and offers hope. The prayer tree ministry is made up of a group of people who pray for others. If you would like prayers said for a family member, relative, or friend contact Brenda Persons at 518-271-6184.