



"Blessed are those servants whom the master finds vigilant on his arrival." - Lk 12:37a

Excerpt from the Constitution for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish

Watervliet/Green Island NY

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 11, 2019

Celebration of the Eucharist

Saturday Vigil—4:00PM

Sunday—8:30 AM and 11:00 AM

Weekday Schedule

Communion Service: Monday, 9:00 AM

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

HANDICAPPED ACCESSIBLE

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Call for appointment

Sacrament of Reconciliation
Saturday prior to the 4:00pm Mass

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.

Anointing of the Sick
The Anointing of the Sick will be
administered the first full weekend
of each month, immediately after
each Mass.

ALL
ARE
WELCOME

Recognize God In Your Everyday Moments: Plan Wisely

What would happen if you found out right now that relatives of yours were coming into town tomorrow, and they hoped to stay with you? You can either tell them they can't stay with you, or you immediately begin a process of furiously cleaning, straightening up, and grocery shopping in anticipation of your guests. If you don't have to do anything to prepare because your home is perfect, clean, and fully stocked, perhaps you don't live in your home or you are obsessive compulsive. I suspect most people reading this would go into panic mode!

We spend much time putting off things until later. Then when something unexpected happens, we swing into action to deal with it or prepare for its effects. We would have acted differently if we knew what was coming down the road.

What does your stewardship way of life look like? Are you living as if you have forever, or are you living as if Jesus could return any moment and your life here on earth could end tomorrow? The gift of time is often taken for granted. If we live more mindfully of that gift, we waste less of it and maximize the moments in which we find ourselves. We give of ourselves in ways that are more meaningful and productive. The gift of tomorrow is not promised to you, but the gift of today has already been given. Use this day wisely because who knows what tomorrow may bring.

-Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS - ©LPi

Social Justice: Caring for the Environment

Reading: Hebrews - Chapter 11: - "Faith is the realization of what is hoped for and evidence of things not seen."

Pope Francis, Laudato Si - "faith convictions can offer Christians, and some other believers as well, ample motivation to care for nature and for the most vulnerable of their brothers and sisters."

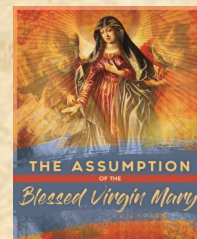
Catholic Social Teachings: - "Global climate change...is about our human stewardship of God's creation and our responsibility"

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Holy Day of Obligation: Mass Schedule:

August 14, 5:30 PM - Vigil

August 15, 9:00 AM



Faith Formation: For All Ages: Sharon C. Kowalski, Coordinator of Faith Formation and Youth Ministry
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Faith Formation

Although we won't see you in Faith Formation classes until September, we plan on seeing you at Mass every Sunday. Mass is where we celebrate and live out all we learn about our faith in Faith Formation. It is where we meet Jesus every week in the Liturgy of the Word and in the Eucharist. Questions about our Faith Formation program? Please contact Sharon at 518-328-0427 or email skowalski@ihm.rcpw.org.

Children's Liturgy of the Word (CLOW)

Please note: CLOW will be on hiatus until September.

Here's What's Coming Up in August

August 15: Assumption; August 14, Vigil Mass, 5:30pm; August 15, 9am

August 17/18: Flea Market and Ice Cream Extravaganza

August 19: Gathering Disciples, 6pm, PLC

August 26: Prayer & Worship, 6pm, PLC

Choir Practice: August 15, 22, 29; 6pm in church



See you in Church!!

PRAYER BLANKET TIE-IN: AUGUST RESULTS ~

Many thanks to my fellow "tiers" –Josephine, Judy, Marge, Sophie and Mary Beth - who helped to complete our new supply of Prayer blankets. Since we started this ministry, over 252 blankets have been made. The Prayer Blanket Ministry at IHM provides blankets for the newly baptized and for those who are sick, in nursing homes or in the hospital. Our ministry is based on the belief in the power of prayer. This belief is evident in our witness to one another. Blankets may be knit, crocheted, quilted or tied fleece blankets.

Questions?? Contact Sharon at skowalski@ihm.rcpw.org or 518-328-0427. Please contact Sharon or the parish office at 518-273-6020 if you would like a prayer blanket for a family member or friend who is ill or in a nursing home. We will make arrangements for you to pick it up.

NEXT WEEKEND!! Aug. 17/18:

Flea Market AND Ice Cream Extravaganza



On Saturday, August 17 from 10am to 6pm and on Sunday, August 18 from 12 to 1pm, IHM will host a Flea Market in the Parish Life Center. There will be all kinds of Treasures to Tchotchke at incredibly reasonable prices in air-conditioned comfort. On that weekend we will also celebrate our annual Ice Cream Extravaganza – "make your own or have a cone". All are welcome. Come join us!!

Any and all are welcome to volunteer to help with set up, which will take place on Tuesday, August 13 to Friday, August 16 from 6 to 7pm. You may also bring your items to be donated at that time. Furniture, household items, jewelry, decorations, dishes, glassware, knickknacks, and toys are just a few of the items we are looking for. Unfortunately, **we CANNOT**

accept any of the following: books, tapes, CDs, DVDs, or clothing. For questions or more information contact Linda Dunbar at 518-209-6446 or Sharon at 518-328-0427.



MARY'S KITCHEN: Mondays, 3 to 5pm ~ Thanks to all our volunteers who are here every week to help prepare the meal, bring dessert, and/or serve our guests. It is truly amazing that despite the weather or other conflicts they manage to faithfully come to Mary's Kitchen. We are so blessed to have them. God bless them as abundantly as they have blessed us.

All members of the community are invited – both parishioners and non-parishioners alike – to enjoy an eat in meal, chat and relax with friends or to pick up a meal to take out. Questions?? Contact Sharon at 328-0427 for more information.


SCRIPTURE SHARING: "Revelations" Revealed ~ Please note: Because of set up for the Flea Market we will not have Scripture on August 15. Join us next Thursday, August 22 in the Parish Life Center at 2pm.

The book of Revelation is a challenging study. Written for the early church, which was experiencing tremendous persecution, it was a message of hope that the faithful would be rewarded. It is filled with imagery, references to books and revelations and prophecy from the Old Testament that Jews and Christians from that era would understand. Over the past few weeks, we have begun to understand that those messages are there for us in the modern world as well. For more information, please contact Sharon at 518-328-0427 or skowalski@ihm.rcpw.org



EVERY TUESDAY MORNING ADORATION: 9:30 TO 12 NOON ~

Following the Tuesday morning 9:00 AM Mass, we will have Adoration from 9:30 AM to 12 noon, closing with Benediction. All are invited to come spend some quiet time with Jesus.

 <h2>In Memoriam ~ 2019</h2>		
In loving memory of William T, Sr, Julia F and Robert A Fahr requested by the Family <small>2/9/20</small>	In loving memory of Bryan T Roberts (son) Raymond & Helen Werner (parents) requested by Judith Pope <small>1/19/20</small>	In loving memory of The Barron & Rys Families requested by the Family <small>1/19/20</small>
In loving memory of Joseph V Germano requested by the Family <small>1/12/20</small>	In loving memory of Albert P Morelli, Donald & Eileen Gallagher Hogan requested by Don & Patti Hogan <small>1/5/20</small>	In loving memory of John T Sherlock requested by his wife and Family <small>12/29/19</small>
In loving memory of J. Vince Cocca requested by his wife and Children <small>11/17/19</small>	In loving memory of the Edward Brooks Family, Foglia Family & Monticup Family requested by Rose Brooks & Family <small>11/10/19</small>	In loving memory of John A O'Brien requested by the Family <small>10/27/19</small>
In loving memory of Adam & Katherine Novak John & Rosalie Novak & Florence Szpot requested by the Family <small>10/20/19</small>	In memory of Justin Berthiaume requested by the Vertone Family <small>9/15/19</small>	In loving memory of Joseph Bagarose req by the Vertone Family <small>9/1/19</small>

RCIA AND SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION for ADULTS AND OLDER CHILDREN ~ We currently have a number of adults who are inquiring about becoming members of the Catholic faith or completing the Sacraments of Initiation. Please keep them in your prayers that the Holy Spirit will guide them through this process.

*Do **you** need to receive sacraments –Baptism, Eucharist or Confirmation; for yourself, an older teen or young adult?* Whatever your needs may be – whether completing the Sacraments of Initiation or questions about becoming members of Catholic faith, we are here to help you make it happen. We will work around your schedule and your individual area of need.

In order to be a **godparent for Baptism** or a **sponsor for Confirmation**, you must have received all three Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation). Need more information?? Contact Sharon at 518 328-0427 or skowalski@ihm.rcpw.org.

IHM PRAYER MINISTRY ~ Anyone who would like to have someone prayed for, please call Brenda at 518 271-6184. if you would be interested in joining the prayer tree ministry, call Brenda.

ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE

Weekly collection (incl. mail-in/E.G

Aug 4-5, 2018.....\$6938.00

Aug 3-4, 2019.....\$6771.00

Special Collection/Mission in Haiti

Aug 3-4, 2019.....\$2097.00

PRAYER CHALICE ~ A chalice is used at every Mass to consecrate the wine into the Precious Blood of Jesus Christ. Each week-end, a different family or person will receive the chalice at Mass and commit themselves to pray daily for vocations.

If you are interested in participating in this program, please make contact through the sign up stubs in the back of the church or call the parish office to be scheduled at 518 273-6020.



"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 out 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 and 11am.

Mass Intentions for the Week of August 11th

Sat., Aug 10

4:00pm—Carol Lansing, req by family
 Margorie Lomot (Lv'g/B'day), req by friend
 Ralph Signoracci, req by Mary Rose MacLasco

Sun., Aug 11

8:30am—Jack & Jane Geary, req by children
 William Alund, req by Tom & Jane Hanley
 Marylou Whitney, req by Fred Gonsowski

11:00am—Nicoletta Romanelli & Brian
 Bloomfield, req by the family
 Margaret/Tom Alund (Anniv), req by Lorraine Alund

Mon., Aug 12 - COMMUNION SERVICE 9AM

Tues., Aug 13

9:00am—William Alund, req by Marge Centanni

Wed., Aug 14

9:00am—Farrell & Synan families, Estate

Wed., Aug 14—Holy Day Vigil

5:30pm—Thomas & Helen Sullivan, Estate

Thurs., Aug 15—The Assumption of BVM

9:00am—Wm Johnson/Malasky family,Estate

Fri., Aug 16—NO COMMUNION SERVICE

Sat., Aug 17

4:00pm—Margaret R Gonsowski, req by nephew David

Mr & Mrs Arthur Connery, req by children
 Living & deceased members of IHM

Sun., Aug 18

8:30am—John Brennan, req by the family
 Patrick Dunbar, req by his wife, Linda
 Daniel Bailey, req by his daughter Corinne

1100am—James W Connors, req by Marge Centanni

William Alund, req by Ann & Phil DiNuzzo