



22nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Do not recline at table in the place of honor. A more distinguished guest than you may have been invited." - Lk 14:8bc

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Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish

Watervliet/Green Island NY

September 1, 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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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.

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Gospel Meditation ~

Can you imagine if Jesus threw a party? From the wedding feast at Cana, we know he wouldn't let the wine run out. From this Sunday's Gospel, we know there would be quite a lively array of guests! We also knew who the most important people would be - everyone. Jesus advises throwing a party that turns everything upside down. Everyone should assume they're the least important attendee, and the guest list shouldn't include the neighborhood "who's who." Rather, we should go looking for "the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind" and hope they RSVP. Jesus describes a particular posture towards our own hospitality.

Parties are about the other people. "Do not recline at table in the place of honor." How often can small talk become a one-upmanship of job promotions, home renovations, and our children's achievements? We've all been to parties where being the most interesting guest is the highest achievement. Yet so often, we know the best party guests are the ones who listen well to our stories. Whether we are guests or hosts, we have the opportunity to look on others with humility and awe.

Parties are opportunities to serve. Jesus advises us to be careful who we invite "in case they might invite you back and you have repayment." Does Jesus literally mean we shouldn't invite our friends over? Of course not! But he does invite us to special consideration when we offer hospitality. When we invite people over to our home, what motivates us? Who we want to spend time with? Who we'd like to impress? These ultimately have only ourselves in mind. How about asking: Who could use some extra care right now? Who could benefit from a fun evening out? In other words, who can I serve?

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Reading: Luke Chapter 14

"For every one who exalts himself will be humbled, but the one who humbles himself will be exalted".

Pope Francis-Laudato Si:

"If we are truly concerned to develop an ecology capable of remedying the damage we have done, no branch of the sciences and no form of wisdom can be left out, and that includes religion and the language particular to it".

Catholic Social Teaching:

"Science is too often used as a weapon, not as a source of wisdom."

Season of Creation:

We celebrate the ocean as the source of our waters, the precious waters of life that make this planet unique.

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.



LABOR DAY

THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED MONDAY IN OBSERVANCE OF LABOR DAY AND ALL DAY FRIDAY DUE TO SCHEDULED VACATION OF STAFF MEMBER.

TUES., WED., THURS., OPEN UNTIL 12 NOON ONLY

HAVE A RELAXING AND SAFE HOLIDAY!!

GRANDPARENT'S DAY: September 8 ~

Grandparents are invited to attend the 11am Mass on September 8 with their children and grandchildren. They will receive a special blessing at the Mass. Immediately following the Mass they are invited over to the Parish Life Center for coffee, juice, bagels and danish. There will also be an opportunity for families to register their children for Faith Formation at this time. All are welcome to attend.

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.

CARE FOR CREATION ~ September 1 is the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation. This season of prayer for our environment begins on September 1 and will last until the Feast of St Francis of Assisi on October 4, 2019.

At Immaculate Heart of Mary we will celebrate this season with Prayers of Intercession at all Masses during the month and it will culminate with our celebration of the Blessing of Animals on October 5th.

MARY'S KITCHEN: Mondays, 3 to 5pm ~ *Please note: Mary's Kitchen will be closed September 2 in observance of Labor Day.*

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 518 328-0427 for more information.

SCRIPTURE SHARING: "Revelations" Revealed All are welcome to join us at 2pm Thursday, September 12 in the Parish Life Center. We are enjoying a new Scripture study on the book of Revelation. Far from being a road map for the "last days", we are discovering ties to liturgy and messages of hope, not just for the early church but for the church today. For more information, please contact Sharon at 518-328-0427 or skowalski@ihm.rcpw.org



FALL KICK-OFF AND CHICKEN BBQ: SEPTEMBER 29

The Kickoff will look a little different this year. In addition to our games and other activities, we will have a Chicken BBQ from 12noon until 2pm. Tickets for the BBQ will be on sale after all the Masses. The presale price will be \$10. Tickets sold at the door will be \$12. The dinner will consist of half a chicken, baked beans, potato, roll and a cookie. For questions or more information about the BBQ, call Sharon at 518-328-0427 or Linda at 518-209-6446.



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

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Faith Formation Registration 2019-2020: September 8

A registration mailing has gone out to families who were registered for Faith Formation at Immaculate Heart of Mary last year. You can register your young people and celebrate Grandparent's Day after the 11am Mass in the Parish Life Center on September 8. If that date does not work for you, please contact Sharon at 518-328-0427 or email skowalski@ihm.rcpw.org and we will set up an individual appointment for you.

Faith Formation: The Mass is the Class

We anticipate 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 September

September 8: Grandparent's Day

September 8: Registration for Faith Formation, PLC after 11am Mass

September 10: Faith Formation meeting, 6pm FPMC

September 21: Men's Spirituality & Enrichment, 9am PLC

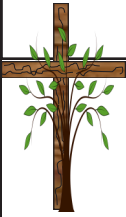
September 23: Gathering Disciples, 6pm PLC

September 29: Fall Kickoff and Chicken BBQ, 12 to 2pm PLC

September 30: Prayer & Worship, 6pm PLC

Choir Practice: Sept. 12, 19, 26; 6pm in church



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

PRAYER CHALICE ~ A chalice is used at every Mass to consecrate the wine into the Precious Blood of Jesus Christ. Each weekend, 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.

In loving memory of
Veronica Gardner
requested by the Vertone Family

9/1/19

ROSARY/ALTAR SOCIETY ~ The next meeting for the Rosarians will be held on September 11th at 6:00pm in the Parish Life Center. All women over the age of 18 are invited to attend. Come find out what we are all about. For more information, call Linda Dunbar at 518 209-6446.



CHOIR PRACTICE ~ New members always welcome!! (*NO practice on Sept. 5) Practice is open to ALL who would like to be a part of this ministry and praise the Lord in song.

Choir rehearsal is held regularly on Thursday evenings at 6:00pm. This is also a great opportunity to learn the songs that will be sung at the weekend Masses and to help you feel more comfortable singing out with the congregation. Speak to Angela, our Leader of Song before or after Mass on Sunday if you are interested to find out what it is all about.

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 the phone number above.

ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE
Weekly collection (incl. mail-in/E.G)
Aug 25-26, 2018.....\$7046.00
Aug 24-25, 2019.....\$4554.00
Catholic Home Missions Collection
Aug 25-26, 2018.....\$985.00
Aug 24-25, 2019.....\$749.00

Mass Intentions for the Week

Sat., Aug 31
4:00pm—Carrie & Angelo (Anniv), req by family
C Donald Alston (50th Anniv), req by family
Frank Blair, Sr (B'day), req by dgtr & grandson
Sun., Sept 1
8:30am—Living & deceased members of IHM
11:00am—Frank A Baciewicz, req by the family
Justin E Sawyer, req by Carabis family
Mon., Sept 2—NO COMMUNION SERVICE/HOLIDAY
Tues., Sept 3
9:00am—Martin Schmidt, req by Pete/Marilyn Barron
Wed., Sept 4
9:00am—Farrell & Synan families, Estate

Thurs., Sept 5
9:00am—Frank & Vincenza DiNuzzo, Estate
Fri., Sept 6—NO COMMUNION SERVICE
Sat., Sept 7
4:00pm—Living & dec'd members of IHM
Robert/Lorraine Burns, req by Karl & Joan
Michael Kerin, req by Michael/Kathy Carroll
Sun., Sept 8
8:30am—Susan Hacker (Lv'g/B'day), req by her sister
Mary Jeffs Macpherson (49th Anniv), req by dgtr Kathy
11:00am—William Alund } req by Ed/Bettianne Smulsky
Edward Ruping }
Sr Mavis Jewell, req by Marilyn LaParl

