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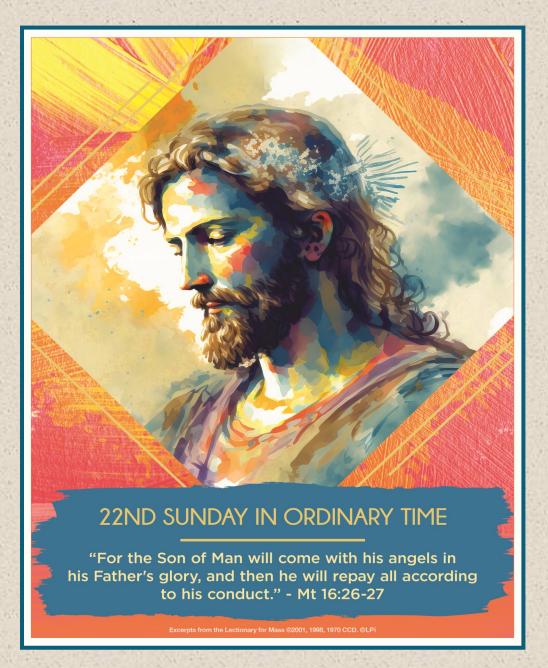
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SEPTEMBER 3, 2023

Celebration of the Eucharist

Weekend Masses - Saturday Vigil: 4:00 pm Sunday: 7:30 am and 11:00 am

Weekday Scheduled Masses - 9:00 am Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday Adoration on Tuesdays - 9:30 to 11:00 am



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Faith Formation: 2023-2024

Faith Formation sessions for 2023-2024 will begin on October 8, 2022. Registration will take place on September 1 and October 8 in the Faith Formation Center. Registration forms will be mailed to families who have previously attended sessions or have been baptized at IHM. Sessions are open to children from 3 years through Confirmation. Sacramental programs require a two year preparation in the Faith Formation sessions.

Please contact Sharon at skowalski@ihm.rcpw.org or 518-328-0427 for more information or questions about Faith Formation and/por receiving sacraments at IHM.

Questions of the Week ~ Reflect and respond First Reading:

The prophet Jeremiah speaks of the loneliness and ridicule he endures for answering his prophetic call. Who do you turn to in times of personal sadness and distress?

Second Reading:

Paul challenges us not to be conformed to the present world "but be transformed by the renewal of your mind." What can you do this week to grow in your thinking as someone who believes in Jesus?

ROSARY SOCIETY "MUM" SALE!! 8 INCH POTS - \$15. EACH

Orders *MUST* be received no later than Tuesday, September 5th. "MUMS" will be available for pick-up September 16th. **Make checks** payable to: Immaculate Heart of Mary Rosary Society.

Please place form and money in an envelope marked Rosary Society "Mums" and put in collection basket. Envelopes are available at table in back of church.

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MARY'S KITCHEN: MONDAY'S 3 to 5PM ALL ARE WELCOME!!

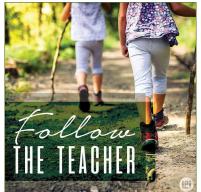
Is the heat getting to you? Don't heat up YOUR kitchen. Stop by between 3 to 5pm on Mondays and sit down to enjoy a meal with friends or pick up a meal to take home: Soup, salad, sandwich, entrée and dessert!!

Questions?? Please contact Sharon at skowalski@ihm.rcpw.org or call 518-328-0427 for more information.

SCRIPTURE SHARING: "The Chosen" Season Three

We are revisiting *The Chosen*, Season 3. So much happens in each episode, to keep track of characters and events, can be difficult to absorb it all in one viewing. This week's episode is entitled "Ears to Hear." Andrew and Philip return from their trip with desperate news; they need Jesus' help to solve a huge crisis in the Decapolis. Jesus leads them to the dangerous region where they face opposition from all sides. Meanwhile, John is assigned to bring an angry Simon to Jesus.

Come join us. All are invited. We meet most Thursdays from 2 to 3pm in the Parish Life Center. For more information, please contact Sharon at 518-328-0427 or skow-alski@ihm.rcpw.org



RCIA and Sacramental Preparation for Adults and Older Children - If you are interested in becoming a Catholic or completing your Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation) or are curious about the process, contact Sharon at 518-328-0427 or skowalski@ihm.rcpw.org.

Gospel Meditation \sim a Deeper Understanding of Scripture 22 $^{\rm nd}$ Sunday in Ordinary Time

Isn't it easy to relate to Peter? One moment Jesus announces Peter's deep communion with God the Father. The very next, when he rejects the logic of Jesus' suffering and death, Jesus calls Peter Satan. We Christians shouldn't be too shocked when we experience both spiritual highs and lows, when we perceive breathtaking contradictions in our hearts.

Like the great apostle, you and I are recipients of unfathomable graces. God dwells in us, calls his beloved children, and takes care of our every need. And we also continually fail to embrace

our sufferings with trust in Jesus. We know the truth of the creed, but we easily scorn the weight of the cross.

The good news is that, like Peter, we are never abandoned by the Lord even at our worst moments. Peter will eventually learn the beauty of the cross when he is willingly crucified. But it took time for him to get there. And it takes time for us, too. This

week let's not be too shocked at these divisions in our hearts but accept them and patiently seek to be more obedient to Jesus' cross-

shaped plan for us.— Father John Muir ©LPi

In Memoriam ~ 2023 ~ '24		
In loving memory of John T Sherlock requested by his wife and Family	In loving memory of William T Sr, Julia F and Robert A Fahr requested by the Family	In loving memory of Albert P Morelli, Donald & Eileen Gallagher Hogan requested by Don & Patti Hogan
In loving memory of our Families: The Carlsons, The Mardigans, The Foleys & The Butlers requested by Bob & Carol Carlson	In loving memory of Bryan T Roberts (son) Raymond & Helen Werner (parents) requested by Judith Pope	In loving memory of Adam & Katherine Novak John & Rosalie Novak & Florence Szpot requested by the Family
In loving memory of Joseph V Germano requested by the Family	In loving memory of John A O'Brien requested by the Family	In memory of our beloved son Michael D Kowalski requested by Michael and Sharon Kowalski

The Food Pantry Cupboard Items Needed This Month:

The items needed at this time are: Applesauce, Crackers and Cookies. Thank you so much!

- Mary Beth



Prayer Ministry - Almost everyone believes in the power of prayer. At some point in our lives, we all need prayers. It simply means taking a few minutes out of your day to pray for others. Please consider becoming a member of our Prayer Tree Ministry. Contact Brenda at 518-961-0169



DIOCESAN MARRIAGE JUBILEE: ~

The 51st Annual Diocesan Marriage Jubilee Celebration will be held **Saturday**, **September 23rd**, **2023 at 4:00 PM** at The Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Albany. Couples celebrating their 25th, 40th, 50th or other special wedding anniversaries are invited to attend this celebration. Bishop Edward B. Scharfenberger will celebrate the Mass at 4:00 PM and greet couples and their guests at a reception in the gathering area at the Cathedral immediately following Mass. Please register by email to: Marriage.Jubilee@rcda.org.

Readings for the week of September 3, 2023

Sunday: Jer 20:7-9/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 (2b)/Rom 12:1-2/Mt 16:21-27 Monday: 1 Thes 4:13-18/Ps 96:1 and 3, 4-5, 11-12, 13/Lk 4:16-30

Tuesday: 1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/Lk 4:31-37

Wednesday: Col 1:1-8/Ps 52:10, 11/Lk 4:38-44

Thursday: Col 1:9-14/Ps 98:2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6/Lk 5:1-11

Friday: Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30/Ps 13:6ab, 6c/Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 or 1:18-23

Saturday: Col 1:21-23/Ps 54:3-4, 6 and 8/Lk 6:1-5

Next Sunday: Ez 33:7-9/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 (8)/Rom 13:8-10/Mt 18:15-20

220 SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME









~ MASS INTENTIONS ~

Sat,. Sept 2

4:00pm—Living & deceased members of IHM Albert Hanley, req by Michael Avery & family Francis Cocca, req by Gene & Cindy

Sun,. Sept 3

7:30am—Helen & Bob Degnan, req by T & K Wendt

11:00am—Carole Maloney ,req by husband, Don

JoAnne Kowalski, req by Judy/Phil Pope Frank A Baciewicz, req by Baciewicz family

9:00am—Elizabeth A Crispo, parish

Wed., Sept 6
9:00am—Daniel J Maher, parish

Thurs., Sept 7

9:00am—Julia F Fahr (B'day)

Susan Werner (Lv, B'day), req by her sisters

Sat., Sept 9

4:00pm—Albert Hanley, req by Rose Avery Maureen McMahon, req by Bob & Sandy

Robert & Lorraine Burns, reg by Karl & Joan

Sun,. Sept 10

7:30am—Mary Rutherford, req by her son David Anderson, req by Carol Carlson & family

11:00am—Living & deceased members of IHM Charles Edward Moore, req by the Ricciardone family

Joseph Allan Nicolella, req by a friend

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