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24th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“There will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous people who have no need of repentance.” - Lk 15:7b

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SEPTEMBER 11, 2022

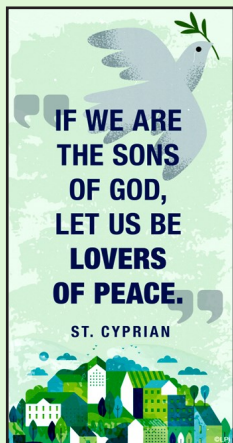
Celebration of the Eucharist

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

Weekday Schedule

9:00am Mass - Tuesday Wednesday Thursday

Adoration - Tuesdays: 9:30 am to 11:00 am



The Miracle of Our Lady of Fatima: September 21

In 1917, *one hundred five years ago*, the Blessed Mother appeared to three shepherd children in Fatima, Portugal. The 6 apparitions took place on May 13, June 13, July 13, August 19, September 13 and lastly on October 13, which was witnessed by 70,000 people who gathered in a torrential rain to listen to the message that Our Blessed Mother had for the world.

What was Mary's message at each apparition?? Who were the children?? What happened to them?? Did anyone believe them??

Many of us have heard the story of Fatima, but not all remember what actually took place. Why not join us on Wednesday, **September 21 at 1:30pm** in the Parish Life Center to hear the messages that Mary shared from her Son.

Questions?? Contact Sharon at 518-328-0427 or skowalski@ihm.rcpw.org.



Mary's Kitchen: Mondays, 3 to 5pm: ALL WELCOME!!

Mary's kitchen will reopen at the regular time on Monday, September 12.

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!! All are

welcome; parishioners, neighbors and friends!! Questions?? Please contact Sharon at skowalski@ihm.rcpw.org or call 518-328-0427 for more information.



Mary's Kitchen Crew

The Chosen: Thursdays, 2 to 3pm, Season 2 of The Chosen

We are watching Season 2 of the Chosen. The eighth and final episode is entitled "Beyond Mountains". While Jesus works on the Sermon on the Mount, conflict erupts among the disciples. Meanwhile, a high ranking member of the Sanhedrin is made aware of the miracles Jesus has performed. Soon thousands will begin to arrive to hear the words of Jesus.

Curious?? Come join us. As always, all are welcome. We meet on most Thursdays from 2 to 3pm. No homework, no materials to buy. For more information, please contact Sharon at 518-328-0427 or skowalski@ihm.rcpw.org

*"Trust always in your God.
He does not lose battles."*

Faith Formation For All Ages—Sharon C. Kowalski, Coordinator of Faith Formation & Youth Ministry - skowalski@ihm.rcpw.org

Faith Formation: 2022-2023

Faith Formation sessions for 2022-2023 will begin on October 2, 2022. Registration will take place on September 25 and October 2. 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/or receiving sacraments at IHM.





Gospel Meditation - A deeper understanding of Scripture

Since God created human beings, we have struggled to keep our focus on God. We wrestle with the question of "who is God" and foolishly believe some of God's job description can be better completed by us. We wander in different directions, lose our way, think that happiness can be found elsewhere and even construct golden calves to worship. Are we simply too independent or just blatantly stubborn? It's a good question to ask. Even with all of our silliness and distractions, God compassionately and patiently waits. He lets us assert our wills and knows that perhaps one day we will actually wake up and realize how lost we are.

"Since happiness is nothing other than the enjoyment of the highest good and since the highest good is above, no one can be made happy unless he rises above himself, not by an ascent of the body but of the heart. But we cannot rise above ourselves unless a higher power lifts us up ...

Divine aid is available to those who seek it from their hearts, humbly and devoutly; and this means to sigh for it in this valley of tears, through fervent prayer (St. Bonaventure)." One of the biggest human struggles is discerning what, exactly, is the highest good. We are ordered to achieve it but if we pursue it with clouded vision, we will never truly find it.

One of the greatest obstacles to God's power and love is a stubborn, closed heart of stone. When we are fiercely determined to set our sights elsewhere for happiness or simply ride the popular currents of the day, we will never satisfy the deep ache and longing within. We know that ache well. It is precisely why we scurry all over the place, attempting to find the next best thing to take away its pain. Nothing in the created world ever can or will. We continue our journey. One day, people may wake up and realize that they are grazing in the wrong pasture and putting themselves in harm's way. When this awakening occurs, it will be a most joyous day as we will see God's wide-open arms waiting to receive us. "Lead me, Lord, in your path, and I will enter in your truth. Let my heart rejoice that it may fear your name (St. Bonaventure)." ©LPi

In Memoriam ~ 2022 ~ 23		
 <p>In loving memory of Joseph V Germano requested by the Family 8/11/23</p>	<p>In loving memory of William T Sr, Julia F and Robert A Fahr requested by the Family 2/19/23</p>	<p>In loving memory of Albert P Morelli, Donald & Eileen Gallagher Hogan requested by Don & Patti Hogan 2/19/23</p>
<p>In loving memory of our Families: The Carlsons, The Mardigans, The Foleys & The Butlers requested by Bob & Carol Carlson 2/5/23</p>	<p>In loving memory of Bryan T Roberts (son) Raymond & Helen Werner (parents) requested by Judith Pope 1/15/23</p>	<p>In loving memory of The Barron & Rys Families requested by the Family 1/15/23</p>
<p>In memory of Justin Berthiaume and Veronica Gardner requested by The Vertone Family 11/13/22</p>	<p>In loving memory of John A O'Brien requested by the Family 10/23/22</p>	<p>In loving memory of John T Sherlock requested by his wife and Family 10/9/22</p>
<p>In memory of our beloved son Michael D Kowalski requested by Michael and Sharon Kowalski 9/18/22</p>	<p>In loving memory of Adam & Katherine Novak John & Rosalie Novak & Florence Szpot requested by the Family 9/4/22</p>	

RCIA & Sacramental Preparation for Adults & Older Children

Anna Clifford and Paul Hilston are preparing to complete their Sacraments of Initiation at IHM. Please keep them in your thoughts and prayers as they journey with us.

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.

Share Your Talents -

Ushers, Greeters, Lectors, and Eucharist Ministers are needed for all our Masses.

If this sounds like something you might consider doing, please call the Parish Office and leave your name, and phone number or contact Linda directly with any questions you might have at (518) 209-6446. These ministries are another way of responding as a steward to your church.

Any assistance will be greatly appreciated.

Readings for week of September 11, 2022

Sunday: Ex 32:7-11, 13-14/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 17, 19/1 Tm 1:12-17/Lk 15:1-32 or 15:11-10
Monday: 1 Cor 11:17-26, 33/Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 17/Lk 7:1-10
Tuesday: 1 Cor 12:12-14, 27-31a/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5/Lk 7:11-17
Wednesday: Nm 21:4b-9/Ps 78:1bc-2, 34-35, 36-37, 38/Phil 2:6-11/Jn 3:13-17
Thursday: 1 Cor 15:1-11/Ps 118:1b-2, 16ab-17, 28/Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35
Friday: 1 Cor 15:12-20/Ps 117:1bcd, 6-7, 8b and 15/Lk 8:1-3
Saturday: 1 Cor 15:35-37, 42-49/Ps 56:10c-12, 13-14/Lk 8:4-15
Next Sunday: Am 8:4-7/Ps 113:1-2, 4-6, 7-8/1 Tm 2:1-8/Lk 16:1-13 or 16:10-13

Prayer Ministry - If you would like prayers said for a family member, relative, or friend contact Linda at 518-209-6446.

Lighter Side

One-Liner



An elderly woman was mailing an old family Bible to her brother in another part of the country. When she put the heavy package on the counter, the postal clerk asked, "Is there anything breakable in here?"

"Just the Ten Commandments," the lady replied.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat., Sept 10

4:00pm—Jerry Beston, req by Lois Ennis
Lv'g/dec'd members of IHM
Helen G. Shufon, req by Eleanor Hack

Sun., Sept 11

7:30am—Kay Conroy, req by the family
11:00am—Adam Novak (Anniv), req by the family
Jerry Connors, Sr/Jerry Connors, Jr, req by the family

Tues., Sept., 13

9:00am—Frank & Vincenza DiNuzzo, Estate

Wed., Sept., 14

9:00am—Wm Johnson/Malasky Families

Thurs., Sept 15

9:00am—The Bulger Family, Estate

Sat., Sept 17

4:00pm—The Beston Family, req by family
Marybeth Leonard, req by Brenda Persons
Ann Collins, req by Legnard Curtin Aux 927

Sun., Sept 18

7:30am—Lv'g & Dec'd mem of IHM
11:00am—Teresa Bunk, req by Gloria Colarusso
Rosalie Novak (4th Anniv) > req by
Rosa MacPherson Joyce Novak

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