

welcome

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24th SUNDAY~IN ORDINARY TIME

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

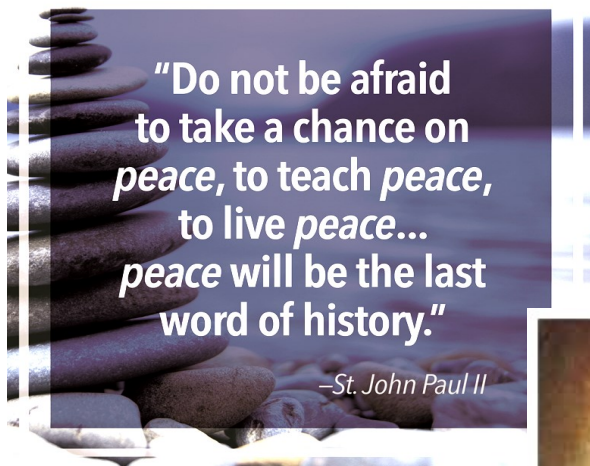
Church and Parish Center - Handicapped Accessible

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.

Thank you all who continually mail their weekly contributions to Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish. The office is open Monday thru Thursday, from 8:30am - 3:30pm; you are also welcome to stop in/or drop your envelope in the mail slot located on the 7th Ave door. And... a reminder to those attending Mass on weekends; (since there are no collection baskets passed among the pews, due to pandemic regulations) there is a wicker basket on a white pillar in the main lobby of the church and one within the worship space near back wall to place your contributions. God bless you for your steadfast commitment as Stewards in supporting your parish.

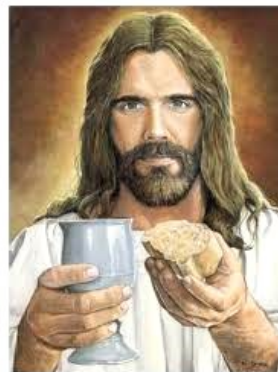
Scripture Sharing: The Wild Goose ~ This has certainly been a year of changes and we thought we might follow that trend and try a different type of format. Our new series is entitled "The Wild Goose", a term the ancient Celts had for the Holy Spirit. Presented by Franciscan Fr. Dave Pivonka, it is a series that begins each week with a DVD, followed by a few discussion questions and then some suggestions for reflection during the week. Even if you can't make it for all 14 sessions, we encourage you to stop in and try it out.

For all those interested, we will meet on Thursdays from 2 to 3pm in the Parish Life Center. For more information, please contact Sharon at 518 328-0427 or skowalski@ihm.rcpw.org.



IHM Prayer Ministry~

If you would like prayers said for a family member, relative, or friend contact Brenda at 518-271-6184.



Faith Formation - For All Ages

Sharon C. Kowalski, Coordinator of Faith Formation and Youth Ministry -

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Faith Formation

Faith Formation sessions are currently on hiatus. 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 and 11am. **See you in church!!**

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

Mary's Kitchen is serving meals again!! For the present time, we can do TAKE OUT meals only. All are welcome. Why cook when we've done it for you?? Stop by between 3 to 5pm on Monday 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.

RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS - Should I Stay or Should I Go?

Life is not always easy on us and it can be hard to figure out the next step to take in our journey. We can even become immobilized by indecisiveness and fear about making the wrong move or choosing the incorrect path. I think of the song, *Should I Stay, or Should I Go*, as a mantra for many times in my life. Should I stay in this house, this job, or this car? Should I go here or there? When those times of decision surface, I usually turn to my wife, my friends, or even my children. Talking it out can help, and their perspectives give me more data to consider. When I lean on others to help me make a decision, it helps me become more confident in my choices.


Discerning the will of God is not easy either. Rarely do we understand God's calling clearly at first. God's calling is always more easily discerned within a community of faithful disciples. Our stewardship way of life can suffer greatly if we refuse to allow others to assist us in the process of discernment. What gifts or talents are needed for the task at hand? Where do I fit best into God's plan? Where is God leading me? No one should have to decide the answers to these questions alone. We need to always lean on the Body of Christ to help us see the path that God has laid before us. Without a little help along the journey, over time we might find ourselves stuck in the same place where we started. - Tracy Earl Welliver

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RCIA & 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

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In Memoriam ~ 2020 ~ 2021		
 <p>In loving memory of Adam & Katherine Novak John & Rosalie Novak & Florence Szpot requested by the Family</p> <p>3/7/21</p>	<p>In loving memory of William T Sr, Julia F and Robert A Fahr requested by the Family</p> <p>2/21/21</p>	<p>In loving memory of John T Sherlock requested by his wife and Family</p> <p>2/21/21</p>
<p>In loving memory of our Families: The Carlsons, The Mardigans, The Foleys & The Butlers requested by Bob & Carol Carlson</p> <p>2/7/21</p>	<p>In loving memory of The Barron & Rys Families requested by the Family</p> <p>1/17/21</p>	<p>In loving memory of Bryan T Roberts (son) Raymond & Helen Werner (parents) requested by Judith Pope</p> <p>1/17/21</p>
<p>In loving memory of Albert P Morelli, Donald & Eileen Gallagher Hogan requested by Don & Patti Hogan</p> <p>1/10/21</p>	<p>In loving memory of Joseph V Germano requested by the Family</p> <p>1/10/21</p>	<p>In loving memory of John A O'Brien requested by the Family</p> <p>10/25/20</p>

Cremation and The Church



Question: *Can Catholics be cremated?*

Answer:

As the practice of cremation becomes more and more common, it's important to know what the Church asks of families who have chosen this for a loved one who has died.

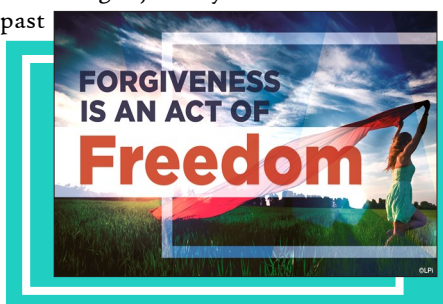
As the US Bishops observe on their website, "Ideally, if a family chooses cremation, the cremation would take place some time after the Funeral Mass, so that there can be an opportunity for the Vigil for the Deceased in the presence of the body." However, if cremation takes place before the Funeral Mass, the cremated remains can be present at the Funeral Mass and the appendix to the *Order of Christian Funerals* provides adaptations for the texts and rituals that are part of the Funeral Mass and the Committal.

The primary concern is that the cremated remains should be treated with the same respect given to any human remains. The *Order of Christian Funerals* instructs, "This includes the use of a worthy vessel to contain the ashes, the manner in which they are carried, and the care and attention to appropriate placement and transport, and the final disposition. The cremated remains should be buried in a grave or entombed in a mausoleum or columbarium. The practice of scattering cremated remains on the sea, from the air, or on the ground, or keeping cremated remains on the home of a relative or friend of the deceased are not the reverent disposition that the Church requires" (no. 417).

It is becoming more and more common for parishes or diocese-sponsored cemeteries to include columbaria to house cremated remains in a way that respects Church teaching, allowing family and friends the opportunity to honor the remains of the one they have lost with dignity, reverence, and care. ©LPi

LIVE THE LITURGY - Inspiration for the Week

Deciding to travel the challenging road of forgiveness is choosing a journey toward greater freedom. Resentment, anger, and clinging to past hurts not only keep open wounds that long for healing but bring us down paths that are eventually self-destructive. Harboring grudges and withholding forgiveness not only shut down relationships with others, but with God and myself as well. To choose to forgive another person, regardless of how grave the wrong, is a choice to be released from bondage to past wounds and scars and to pursue the gift of life and love again. Who among us has not wrong or sinned against another? We certainly would want God to understand, forgive, and show mercy upon us. It is hypocritical of us to not extend that same grace to our neighbor.



MASS INTENTIONS

Sat., Sept 12

4:00pm—Carol Conroy, req by Legnard-Curtin Aux
Madeline Theresa Whaley, req by Dolores Shaw
Thomas James Falzo, req by the family

Sun., Sept 13

8:30am—Andre Colarusso, req by his wife Kay Donato, req by Barbara Crowley/family

11:00am—John Connors, req by Toni Delduce

Michael Kowalski, req by Bob/Kathy Falzo
Michael MacLasco (15th Anniv), req by Mary Rose & family

Tues., Sept., 15

9:00am—Farrell & Synan families, Estate

Wed., Sept., 16

9:00am—Beatrice/Philip Zarlengo, Estate

Thurs., Sept 17

9:00am—Thomas/Helen Sullivan, Estate

Sat., Sept 19

4:00pm—Brandon Sylvester, req by Brenda Persons

Angelynn Moffre, req by Bob/Kathy Falzo
Thomas P Callahan, Sr (2nd Anniv), req by The family

Sun., Sept 20

8:30am—Andre Colarusso, req by his wife Frank Blair, Jr (Anniv), req by sister/nephew Norma Brennan, req by Rosary Society

11:00am—Michael Kowalski, req by Marge Centanni

Nicholas R Panetta, req by Judy/Phil Pope

Please Note: IHM Mass for current Weekend will be televised on Watervliet local station (check for viewing time)

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Weekly Collection (incl Mail-in/E.G.)
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