

Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish

Watervliet/Green Island NY

September 29, 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.

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Gospel Meditation ~

If you saw someone dead come to life tomorrow, what would you change about your life? Would you say “nothing”? That’s what Jesus seems to hope. After all, we already know what to do. In this Sunday’s Gospel, a rich man and a poor man pass away, the former to damnation and the latter to peaceful rest alongside the Jewish patriarchs. The rich man asks if the poor man can appear to his brothers and advise them to live a more virtuous life. The parable offers a strong rebuke: “*They have Moses and the prophets. Let them listen to them.*” In other words, they should already know what to do.

We, too, know what to do. More than Moses, Jesus Christ himself has spoken, and continues to speak through his Church. The rich man did not heed the wise words, despite knowing them. If we are convicted against certain Christian teachings in our heart, how much good will miraculous “proofs” do? We know more than the law and the prophets — we know the prophetic law of love proclaimed by Jesus Christ. Are we living like we believe it?

Where in our lives are we like the rich man? Do we know how to treat the poor but still we ignore them in our excess? Do we know the third commandment, but the Sunday liturgy feels “optional” when other weekend commitments arise? Have we heard Christ’s teachings on sexuality, but consider them out of reach for us? We have received a great many truths as Christian people. We are blessed by God with the sacraments and the abundance of His graces. We have what we need — in Him — to begin to live a virtuous life *now*. ©LPi



Reading: Luke Chapter 16

Jesus said to the Pharisees, “There was a rich man who dressed in purple garments and fine linen and dined sumptuously each day.”

Laudato Si:

“A person who could afford to spend and consume more but regularly uses less heating and wears warmer clothes, shows the kind of conviction and attitude which helps to protect the environment.”

Catholic Social Teaching:

“We human beings are not only the beneficiaries but also the stewards of other creatures.”

Season of Creation:

“we discover how animals are part of the family of God’s Eden, how animals are created with greater glory than that of Solomon and how they will join in praise around the throne of the Lamb.”

BLESSING OF ANIMALS: October 5 ~

On October 5th we will celebrate the end of Our Month of Prayer for the Environment and gather on the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi to bless our beloved animals and pets. We will gather at the parking lot side entrance at 12:00 noon. There will be decorations, cards for each pet and a special blessing. Please bring your cat, dog, gerbil, parrot, whatever, for the special blessing.



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

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Don't Miss the Fall Kickoff: Sunday, September 29

Before we begin our sessions, we like to have a party!! We will have games, activities, free hot dogs and chips for all our young people. Bring a friend or a neighbor!! See you Sunday, September 29, 12 to 2pm!!

2019-2020 Faith Formation Sessions Begin: October 6

Faith Formation sessions will begin on October 6. The AM session (Prek-3yr old – gr.7) is 9:45 to 10:45am and the PM session (gr.8 – 12) is 12 noon to 1:15pm.

If you were unable to attend the registration meeting, please contact Sharon at 518-328-0427 or email skowalski@ihm.rcpw.org and we will set up an individual registration appointment for you.

October 6 – 27: Collection of Winter Gear for Joseph's House

Faith Formation will again be collecting **new** jackets, gloves, hats and scarves for **children** and **new** white socks for **adult** clients of Joseph's House. We will begin collecting on the first day of sessions (October 6) and will end with the delivery of these items on October 27 (World Youth Day). Looking forward to your support!! Questions?? Contact Sharon at 518-328-0427 or skowalski@ihm.rcpw.org.

Jammin' with Jesus

Once a month, Angela will join our PM session for a look and a listen to Contemporary Christian music. All in the parish are invited to attend. Contact Angela or Sharon for more details.

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 29.

Here's What's Coming Up in September/October

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

September 30: Prayer & Worship, 6pm PLC

October 5: Blessing of animals

October 6: Faith Formation begins

October 12: Rosary Rally

October 6-27: Collection of winter gear for Joseph's House

October 19: Men's Spirituality and Enrichment, 9am in PLC
October 21: Gathering Disciples, 6pm in PLC
October 28: Prayer & Worship, 6pm in PLC
October 25: Pasta Dinner, 4 to 6:30pm, PLC
October 27: World Youth Day, 30th Sunday in Ordinary time
Choir Practice: October 3, 10, 17, 24; 6pm in church

COATS FOR THE COMMUNITY -SEPTEMBER 22nd thru OCTOBER 20th –

Looking for new or gently used, clean adult coats and boots - With Fall almost upon us, we are reminded that there are many among us for whom securing a good winter coat will be difficult. Please go through your closets to locate new or gently used coats and boots that are clean. We can use both men and women sizes. Ladies of Charity, a Catholic Women's organization, will be distributing them on October 25th and 26th to people from Cohoes, Green Island, Waterford and Watervliet. You may leave your items at the Parish Life Center or please contact Linda at (518) 209-6446 if you are able to donate but need your items picked up. Thank you for your generosity!!!!!!




SCRIPTURE SHARING: "Revelations" Revealed ~ All are welcome to join us at 2pm Thursday, October 3 in the Parish Life Center. We are coming to the end of our 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

PRAYER AND WORSHIP: September 30 ~ Prayer and Worship Ministry will meet on Monday at 6:00pm in the Parish Life Center. All are invited to attend.

MARY'S KITCHEN: Mondays, 3 to 5pm ~ We would like to thank the vendors – Freihofer's and Schuyler Bakery – that provide bread and baked goods, not only for Mary's Kitchen, but for the Food Pantry as well. May God bless them for their sharing and generosity!!

Come join us at Mary's Kitchen. 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.

In Memoriam ~ 2019		
 <p>block is available call Parish office for details 518 273-6020</p>	<p>block is available call Parish office for details 518 273-6020</p>	<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>

FALL KICK-OFF & CHICKEN BBQ: IT'S THIS SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 29, 12 to

2pm ~ Welcome back to Faith Formation and the Chicken BBQ!! Our presale tickets are sold out. We have a handful of tickets still available at the door. The BBQ is prepared by the Black Bear Inn. One of the owners is our own Joe Skumurski. Hope you enjoy the afternoon!!



In addition to the BBQ, we have games, basket raffles and other activities. As always, we have hot dogs and chips – free of charge – for our young people. For questions or more information call Sharon at 518-328-0427 or Linda at 518-209-6446.

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 skowski@ihm.rcpw.org.

Evening of Interfaith Prayer and Discussion: *Uniting the religious and environmental communities for the common good.*

Wednesday, October 2 at 7PM, the Chapel/Cultural Center, at RPI (2125 Burette Avenue, Troy) will host an evening of interfaith prayers and environmental action addressing the need for care of creation & environment. Representatives of local faith communities will offer prayers from their faith traditions. Speaker, John F. Sheehan, Director of Communications for the Adirondack Council. Sponsors of the event: Catholic Charities Commission on Peace and Justice; The Capital Region Interfaith Creation Care Coalition & Commission for Ecumenical and Interreligious Affairs of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Albany.

***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.*

Mass Intentions for the Week

Sat., Sept 28

4:00pm—Edward P Dillon, req by Peg Dessinger

Doris Gronau (3rd Anniv), req by family

Sun., Sept 29

8:30am—Roy Wright, req by Bob/Carol Carlson
Kathleen Ann Collins, req by Helen Shufon

11:00am—Living & deceased members of IHM
Tessie Bennett, req by Toni Delduce

Mon., Sept 30—COMMUNION SERVICE

Tues., Oct 1

9:00am—Edward Dillon, req by Barbara/Joe Butler

Wed., Oct 2

9:00am—Ruth Manny, req by Testo family

Thurs., Oct 3

9:00am—Elizabeth DelToro, req by Testo family

Fri., Oct 4—COMMUNION SERVICE

Sat., Oct 5

4:00pm—Philip J Lacivita, req by mother
Edward P Dillon, req by MaryAnn Grace
Living & deceased members of IHM

Sun., Oct 6

8:30am—Robert W Passonno, req by family

11:00am—Don Winterbourne, req by children
Sr Mavis Jewell, req by Wm Novak & family

ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE

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

Sept 22-23, 2018.....\$4969.00

Sept 21-22, 2019.....\$3699.00

Catholic University Collection

Sept 22-23, 2018.....\$349.00

Sept 21-22, 2019.....\$411.00