

IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY PARISH

Watervliet, NY



27th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

He said to them in reply, "What did Moses command you?" They replied, "Moses permitted a husband to write a bill of divorce and dismiss her." But Jesus told them, "Because of the hardness of your hearts he wrote you this commandment. But from the beginning of creation, God made them male and female." - Mk 10:3-6

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October 3, 2021

Celebration of the Eucharist

Saturday Vigil - 4:00pm - Sunday - 8:30 and 11:00am

Weekday Schedule

9:00am Mass - Tuesday . Wednesday . Thursday

WELCOME

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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.

Pasta Dinner and Basket Raffles: October 15

We will be having a Pasta Dinner on Friday, October 15 from 4 to 6pm. Tickets for the dinner are \$10 each and may be ordered for TAKE OUT or EAT IN.

In addition to the dinner, we will have 3 Basket Raffles. Tickets for the Basket Raffles will be sold after all the Masses on the weekends of October 2/3 and October 9/10. Winners will be drawn at the Pasta Dinner on October 15. Questions?? Contact Sharon at 518-328-0427 or skowalski@ihm.rcpw.org.



Faith Formation For All Ages

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Faith Formation: 2021-2022 – Registration October 3; Sessions start October 10

Faith Formation sessions for 2021-2022 will begin on October 10, 2021. Registration will take place on October 3 after the 11am Mass in the Parish Life Center. Registration forms have been 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.

Children's Liturgy of the Word (CLOW): Currently on hiatus.

Cold Hands Hurt Collection for Joseph's House: Ongoing through October 24 ~ This year, Faith Formation will again organize a collection of cold weather gear for Joseph's House from September 26 to October 24. We are looking for the following **new** items: **Hats, scarves, mittens, gloves, jackets and men's white socks.**

Scripture Sharing: The Chosen

We are currently waiting for Season Two of "The Chosen" to ship. In the meantime, we will re-watch our favorite episodes of Season One and go deeper into the Scriptures they are based on.

We meet on Thursdays from 2 to 3pm. All are welcome. Just come and experience this highly acclaimed series. For more information, please contact Sharon at 518-328-0427 or skowalski@ihm.rcpw.org

QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION DURING THE WEEK

First Reading:

Today's creation account of man and woman is the foundation of our Judeo-Christian understanding of the covenant of marriage. When a male and a female marry, "the two of them become one body." ***What do you see as some modern implications in this understanding of marriage?***

Second Reading:

The author of Hebrews tells us that we are "brothers" with Jesus in our common experience of suffering and death. ***In what way do you find comfort in this idea?***

Gospel:

Both in public with the Pharisees and later in private with the disciples, Jesus takes a strong stand on the sacred and unbreakable bond of marriage. ***How do you imagine the Pharisees and the disciples reacted to Jesus' position?***

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Mary's Kitchen: Mondays, 3 to 5pm:

ALL ARE WELCOME

Why heat up the kitchen when we've done it for you?? 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!! We would like to thank all our volunteers who provide service and hospitality to our guests every week.

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

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.





Respect Life
Sunday

Before birth the LORD called me, from my mother's womb he gave me my name.

ISAIAH 49:1



Prayer Ministry ~ We believe as faith-filled people, prayer matters and offers hope. The Prayer Tree Ministry is made up of a group of people who pray for others. If you would like prayers said for a family member, relative, or friend contact Brenda Persons at 518-271-6184.

 In Memoriam ~ '21-2022		
 In memory of our beloved son Michael D Kowalski requested by Michael and Sharon Kowalski 3/20/22	In loving memory of Adam & Katherine Novak John & Rosalie Novak & Florence Szpot requested by the Family 3/6/22	In loving memory of William T Sr, Julia F and Robert A Fahr requested by the Family 2/20/22
In loving memory of our Families: The Carlsons, The Mardigans, The Foleys & The Butlers requested by Bob & Carol Carlson 2/6/22	In loving memory of Albert P Morelli, Donald & Eileen Gallagher Hogan requested by Don & Patti Hogan 1/23/22	In loving memory of The Barron & Rys Families requested by the Family 1/16/22
In loving memory of Bryan T Roberts (son) Raymond & Helen Werner (parents) requested by Judith Pope 1/16/22	In loving memory of Joseph V Germano requested by the Family 1/9/22	In loving memory of John A O'Brien requested by the Family 10/24/21



Archbishop Fulton Sheen said, "It takes three to make love, not two: you, your spouse, and God." Apart from the incarnation of God in Jesus Christ, nothing speaks better of God's incarnate love than marriage. God designed it this way. We place great value on love and rightly so. What we fail to realize, however, is that love, its very presence and place in

our lives, is not simply part of the human package deal. Love comes from God. It is one of God's greatest gifts to human beings. When we begin to realize that our very ability to love is sacred, it changes up how we see the essence of life, and purpose and sanctity of marriage.

God is love. It stands to reason then that if we follow the path of unconditional, self-emptying love we will then stumble upon God. It is precisely this intimate wedding of God with love that gives such eloquence and honor to the love between husband and wife. As a living sign of Christ's love for the Church and for humanity, husbands and wives speak volumes of God's unconditional incarnate love for all of his children! The Divine power that brings unity and life to marriage is so strong that once joined, it really cannot be separated.

Admittedly, marriage covenants can be extremely difficult to negotiate and, at times, very painful to experience. God's perfect divinity always meets our broken and imperfect humanity. God is okay with this setup as he created it this way. Our loving is never as unconditional as God's and often tainted by our own imperfections, needs, memories, hurts, sinfulness, and weakness. All of this baggage negatively impacts even the most well-intentioned marriages, causing them to be hurtful and empty. We are love works in progress. God can succeed in perfecting our love only if we keep our eyes fixed on him as the source of that love. That's why marriage is always about three and not just two.

The Divine intimacy at the heart of marriage is what can make them celebrations of great union and happiness. Couples who are still madly in love with each other after many years, still looking at each other with that timeless twinkle in their eyes, best tell the story of God's oneness with humanity. Honor, celebrate, and support those who have accepted a vocation to marriage. Living in a world that easily pulls relationships apart, may they find hope and inspiration from their faith companions who are on the same journey! ©LPi

Altar Linens ~ Helping Hands Needed: We are in need of people to do the Altar linens (corporal cloths and purificators) weekly. This involves simply picking up the used linens, washing and ironing them and returning the following weekend. If you are willing to help, please contact Linda at (518) 209-6446.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat., Oct., 2

4:00pm—The Beston Family, req by the family
Madeline Theresa Whaley, req by Dolores Shaw
Dcn Mark Leonard, req by Martha/Ronald Soucy

Sun., Oct 3

8:30am—Lv'g/dec'd members of IHM
Carlene Cavanaugh Micheli, req by Bob/Carol Carlson
Dcn Mark Leonard, req by Fred/Margaret Gonsowski

11:00am—Rosalie Novak, req by Joyce Novak
Carole Maloney & son Jeff, req by the family
Connie Repko, req by 'Baby' sister, Cindy

Tues., Oct 5

9:00am—Patrick/Rose DeSignore, req by daughters

Wed., Oct 6

9:00am—Dorothy Bisceglia, req by Pete/Marilyn Barron

Thurs., Oct 7

9:00am—For 54th Wedding Anniv, req by the family

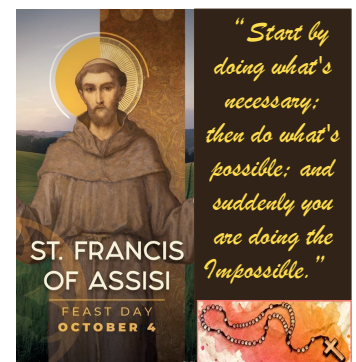
Sat., Oct 9

4:00pm—the Beston family, req by the family
Dcn Mark Leonard, req by Bob/Sandy Beston
Philip J Lacivita, req by mother Carmela

Sun., Oct 10

8:30am—Marge Halpin Testo, req by the family
Bud Halpin, req by the family
Margaret Halpin, req by the family

11:00am—Lv'g & dec'd members of IHM
Connie Repko, req by 'Baby' sister, Cindy



FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION
Weekly Collection (incl mail-in, E.G.)
Sept. 18-19, 2021—\$4426.00