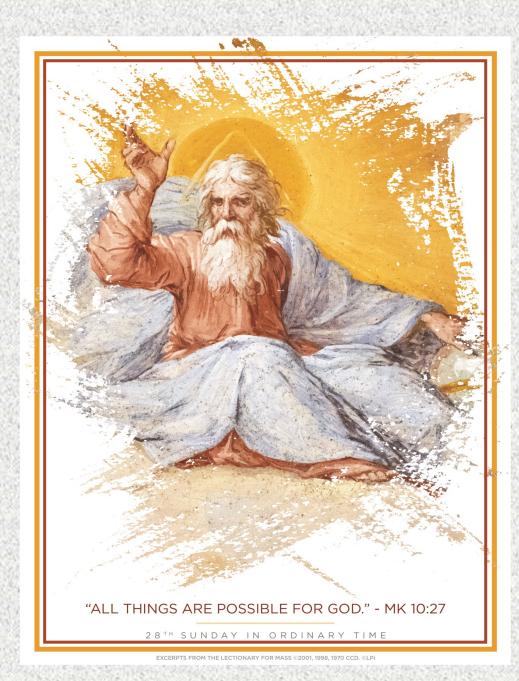
# **IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY PARISH**

Watervliet, NY



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# October 10, 2021

Celebration of the Eucharist Saturday Vigil - 4:00pm - Sunday - 8:30 and 11:00am Weekday Schedule 9:00am Mass - Tuesday . Wednesday . Thursday



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 a number of Basket Raffles. Tickets for the Basket Raffles will be sold after all the Masses on the weekend of October 9/10 and at the Pasta Dinner. Winners will be drawn at the Pasta Dinner. Questions?? Contact Sharon at 518-328-0427 or skowalski@ihm.rcpw.org.

# 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 <a href="mailto:skow-alski@ihm.rcpw.org">skow-alski@ihm.rcpw.org</a> or call 518-328-0427 for more information.

## Cold Hands Hurt Collection for Joseph's House: Ongoing through October 24 $\sim$

This year, we are again collecting winter gear for residents at Joseph's House through October 24. NEW hats, gloves, scarves, winter coats or men's white socks may be dropped off at church on the weekends or the parish or Faith Formation office during the week. These items are needed more than ever this year and we so appreciate your generosity.

**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.

**Scripture Sharing:** The Chosen— We are currently watching sessions from **Season Two of "The Chosen"**.

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 <a href="mailto:skwalski@ihm.rcpw.org">skowalski@ihm.rcpw.org</a>

#### Faith Formation For All Ages

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

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## Faith Formation: 2021-2022 –Sessions start October 10

Faith Formation sessions for 2021-2022 will begin on October 10, 2021. Registration has been available the last two Sundays after the 11am Mass in the Parish Life Center. If you were unable to register at those times, you may register your children at the first session on October 10.

Registration forms were 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 <u>skowalski@ihm.rcpw.org</u> 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.

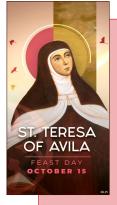


#### NSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Presumption can be a great sin. We can easily convince ourselves that as long as we do the bare minimum or master the basics, it is sufficient. Love doesn't operate this way. If we are truly in love with God, then the basics are not going to be enough. That love is going to want to get expressed in going above and beyond, in leaving the comfortable and familiar, in stretching and growing and in following a voice other than our own. This is what those who are truly in pursuit of wisdom come to realize. Just like any human relationship worth achieving reveals, we never reach a plateau in following the Gospel or growing in wisdom and holiness. Wisdom is the rudder that guides us through all of life's attractions and options. It alone determines what is worth pursuing and what must be left behind. That is why those who are only concerned about checking the boxes and doing the least amount possible often walk away sad when offered God's gift of life eternal. They are not truly in love.

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



# St. Teresa of Ávila ~ Feast Day - October 15

St. Teresa of Ávila (1515-1582) was a Spanish Carmelite nun who lived in the 16<sup>th</sup> century. She was a mystic and author of spiritual writings and poems. The originator of the Carmelite Reform, she founded numerous convents throughout Spain and restored a contemplative life to the order. She became well known for the mystical experiences, many of which she described in her autobiography. The first of only four women to be named a Doctor of the Church, St. Teresa's ascetic doctrine and Carmelite reforms shaped Roman Catholic contemplative life, and her writings on the Christian soul's journey to God are considered works of art.

Her writings, especially the "Way of Perfection" and "The Interior Castle," have helped generations of believers.

St. Teresa of Avila died on Oct. 15, 1582. She was canonized on March 22, 1622, along with three of her greatest contemporaries: St. Ignatius Loyola, St. Francis Xavier, and St. Philip Neri.

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## **QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION DURING THE WEEK**

#### First Reading:

Today's reading presents wisdom and prudence as life's most precious gifts. Why do you think these virtues were held in such high regard by ancient Israel?

### **Second Reading:**

Hebrews connects the power of the word of God with divine judgement — one day we must all "render an account" of our lives before the Lord. How often do you think about your own judgement day?

#### Gospel:

Jesus teaches the rich man and the disciples that while wealth can often hinder one from entering the kingdom of God, self-sacrifice and discipleship can earn eternal life. How well do you balance these realities in your life?

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**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.

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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

Tues., Oct 12

9:00am—MaryAnn Messier, req by Peter/Marilyn Barron

Wed., Oct 13

9:00am—Bernadette Drabik, req by Pete/Marilyn Barron

Thurs., Oct 14

9:00am—Carol Talarico, req by Margaret & Fred Gonsowski

Sat., Oct 16

4:00pm—Lv'g & dec'd members of IHM Joseph Germano, req by the family The Beston family, req by the family

Sun., Oct 17

8:30am—Dcn Mark Leonard, req by Sheila Colbert Judy DeConno, req by Mary/Barbara Crowley Robert Lewis (89th B'day), req by wife & family

11:00am—Jim & Pat Connors, req by Norma Connie Repko, req by 'Baby' sister Cindy Sr Mavis Jewell, req by Joyce Novak



October 11th the Parish Office will be closed in observance of the holiday.

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