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30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

LOVE "Teacher, which commandment

in the law is the greatest?" He said to him, "You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind." - Mt 22:36-37

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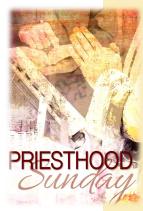
Celebration of the Eucharist Saturday Vigil - 4:00pm & Sunday - 8:30 & 11:00am

Weekday Schedule Tuesday - Wednesday - Thursday at 9:00am Adoration on Tuesday - 9:30 to 11:00am



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 or <u>skowalski@ihm.rcpw.org</u>.

LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK



Do we really understand how important our relationships with our brothers and sisters throughout the world truly are? Many give God's commandment to love your neighbor and yourself a congenial glance of approval and agreement without really thinking about the implications. Sometimes it is easier to kneel in reverence before the tabernacle in a church than to kneel in reverence before the tabernacle of another person's soul. Witnessing and being consumed by the Divine Power alive in the heart of every living being transforms not only how we see our brothers and sisters but how we see God Himself. The cries of the poor and those who are hurting must echo in our hearts. We can no longer be deaf to the world's pain. It is no longer acceptable to judge others, unduly criticize, or marginalize, neglect, abuse, manipulate, or participate in the exploitation of anyone! We are asked to become hypersensitive to not only what we are doing, but why we are doing it. This holds true not

only with regard to the daily conduct of our lives but our economic and corporate relationships and policies as well. ©LPi

Through Nov.15: Collection of New 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 continue collecting items through November 15.

Many thanks to Kathy Matthews and her sister who gave us 2 bags of absolutely beautiful handmade hats and scarves. Many thanks also to two anonymous donors who made cash donations which we will use to purchase winter jackets for the children.

Items may be left at the Faith Formation Center or in the parish office. Looking forward to your support!!

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

Scripture Sharing: "The Wild Goose"

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. This week's theme is *The Fruits of the Holy Spirit*. Even if you can't make it for all 14 of the 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 <u>skow-</u>alski@ihm.rcpw.org

"I know without a doubt, that abortion is a violent act of murder and exploitation. And I know that our responsibility is to work and **Pray Without Ceasing....** for its end."

~ Denver Archbishop Samual J Aquila 1-22-13

QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK -First Reading:

Today's reading is an excerpt from the many laws Moses received at Mount Sinai. We learn that God expects empathy and compassion for the most vulnerable in society. How do you show care for those in need?

Second Reading:

Paul saw the believers in the city of Thessalonica as models for the faith in the surrounding regions of Macedonia and Achaia. Who would you hold up today as a model Christian?

Gospel:

Jesus teaches the religious leaders in Jerusalem that love of God and love of neighbor and self are the greatest commandments. Which of these two commandments do you find more challenging? ©LPi



Faith

Formation - For All Ages

Sharon C. Kowalski, Coordinator of Faith Formation and Youth Ministry skowlski@ihm.rcpw.org

Faith Formation: 2020-2021

Our opening date for Faith Formation this year will be November 8. We will have our annual collection of winter gear for Joseph's House through mid-November.

A registration letter detailing different formats was mailed to families who were registered last year. **Parents must respond by email us as soon as possible so that materials may be ordered.** We cannot order hard copy and/or digital materials until we hear from you. Please return your registration form - with the information on the bottom completely filled out – and the family fee ASAP. If you have difficulty paying the family fee, please contact Sharon at <u>skowalski@ihm.rcpw.org</u> and we will make arrangements for you to pay in installments. Questions, please contact Sharon at 518-328-0427 or email <u>skowalski@ihm.rcpw.org</u>

Children's Liturgy of the Word (CLOW): <u>Currently on hiatus.</u>

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 <u>skowalski@ihm.rcpw.org</u> or call 518-328 -0427 for more information.

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In memory of our beloved son Michael D Kowalski requested by Michael and Sharon Kowalski 321/21	In loving memory of Adam & Katherine Novak John & Rosalie Novak & Florence Szpot requested by the Family 37721	In loving memory of William T Sr, Julia F and Robert A Fahr requested by the Family
In loving memory of John T Sherlock requested by his wife and Family 221121	In loving memory of our Families: The Carlsons, The Mardigans, The Foleys & The Butlers requested by Bob & Carol Carlson 27721	In loving memory of The Barron & Rys Families requested by the Family 111721
In loving memory of Bryan T Roberts (son) Raymond & Helen Werner (parents) requested by Judith Pope	In loving memory of Albert P Morelli, Donald & Eileen Gallagher Hogan requested by Don & Patti Hogan 11021	In loving memory of Joseph V Germano requested by the Family
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THE GIVING TREE ~ Each year our Parish has a Giving Tree program which helps many families provide a Christmas for their children. Your response to this program has always been overwhelming. COVID19 is once again affecting our lives. We will not be able to have our Giving Tree this year. However, from now through December 13th, we will be collecting



monetary donations to purchase gift certificates for the families with children who participate in our Food Pantry Program. There is a brown wooden box on the table in the back of the church for your contributions. Although this is unusual (and hopefully only for this year), I know your generosity will surpass all expectations.

IHM 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.



"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.

Sunday, 8:30am and 11am.

We have **3 Mass options every weekend:** Saturday, 4pm; m. See you in church!!

Parish Registration and/or Upda	Ife: In an effort to keep our records up to date, we	
are asking all parishioners to kindly fill out the form below with your current address,		
phone number and email and include it in your tithing envelope or a regular white		
envelope and drop in collection bas	ket when you come to Church.	
(If you are not presently registered	with the parish, we invite you to fill out tear-off to	
start the process.)	Thank you for your assistance.	
Name		
Adress	Phone	
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John A O'Brien requested by the Family

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat., Oct., 24

4:00pm—Philip A Lacivita, req by his wife Stephen Haner (3rd Anniv), req by Mom & Bran

Santa/Henry DelBrocco, req by dgtrs Jo-Ann, Natalie

Sun., Oct., 25

8:30am—Norma Brennan, req by Kathy White

Angelynne Moffre, req by Bob/Carol Carlson Living & deceased members of IHM

11:00am—Joyce Belokopitsky, req by Betty Simonik Joan Duffey, req by Marlene O'Brien

Nick Cristiano, req by Bob/Carol Carlson Tues., Oct., 27

9:00am—Nick Cristiano, req by Ron & Pat Boisvert

Wed., Oct., 28 9:00am—Frank/Vincenza DiNuzzo, Estate

Thurs., Oct., 29 9:00am—Living & deceased members of the Werner family

Sat., Oct., 31

4:00pm—Thomas Raleigh, req by Raleigh family

Michael Cusack, req by Raleigh family Alden Powers Thorpe, req by Germano family

Sun., Nov., 1

8:30am—Rosemary LaMarre, req by Mary Crowley

Norma Brennan, req by Tom/Jane Hanley Jack Bateman, req by Bob/Carol Carlson

11:00am—Lv'g & dec'd members of IHM Joan Duffey, req by Judy, MaryBeth, Matt Betty Burns McHale, req by Bob & Carol Carlson

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