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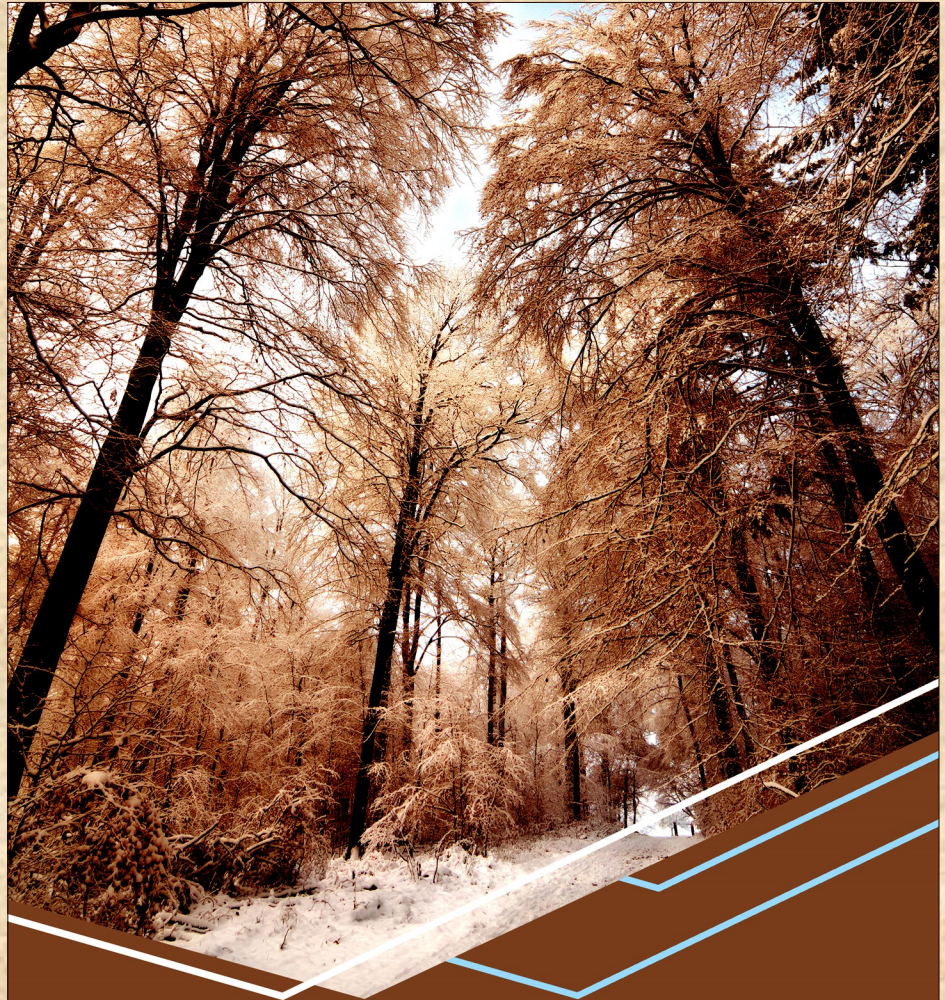
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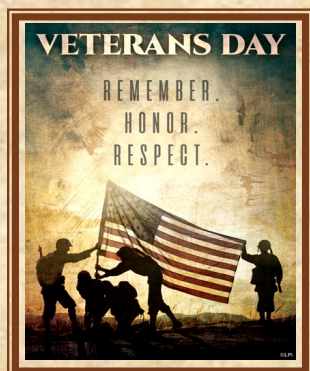


31st SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"As for you, do not be called 'Rabbi.' You have but one teacher, and you are all brothers. Call no one on earth your father; you have but one Father in heaven. Do not be called 'Master'; you have but one master, the Christ. The greatest among you must be your servant." - Mt 23:8-11

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NOVEMBER 5, 2023

Celebration of the Eucharist

Weekend Masses - Saturday Vigil: 4:00 pm

Sunday: 7:30 am and 11:00 am

Weekday Scheduled Masses - 9:00 am

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday

Adoration on Tuesdays - 9:30 to 11:00 am



Veteran's Breakfast - November 12th

The Rosary Society will host a
Veteran's Breakfast

on Sunday, November 12th

immediately after the 11:00 am Mass.

Tickets are \$10.00 each payable at the door.

Veterans Eat Free!

Reservations are necessary by November 8th.

Sign up sheets are on the table in the back of the Church
or call (518) 209-6446. **ALL ARE INVITED!!**



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

Faith Formation: 2023-2024

Faith Formation sessions for 2023-2024 have begun. Sessions are 9:30 to 10:45, followed by 11am Mass.

Sessions are open to children from 3 years through Confirmation. Sacramental programs require a two year preparation at Faith Formation sessions.

If you would like to register your children and have not yet done so, 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.

Scripture Sharing: Max Lucado, 'Help Is Here' -

Please note: Our next session will be November 9.

We have started a new series entitled "Help Is Here". The theme of this series is finding fresh strength and purpose in the power of the Holy Spirit. The next session is entitled: Our Strength and Guide "...I will give you a new heart – I will give you new and right desires and put a new spirit within you. I will take out your stony hearts of sin and give you new hearts of love. And I will put my Spirit within you so that you will obey my laws and do whatever I command." (Ezekiel 36: 26-27)

As believers, we know a lot about God the Father and Our Lord Jesus Christ. Sometimes, our greatest gift – the Holy Spirit, is acknowledged but lesser known.

Come join us and we will all listen and learn a little more. All are invited. We meet 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.

"In you, Lord, I have found my peace." -Ps 131

Mary's Kitchen: Mondays, 3 to 5pm: ALL ARE WELCOME!!

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!!

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.

Pasta Dinner Results and Thank you's

Our Pasta Dinner was a great success. We would like to thank all who attended, who supported us by purchasing raffle tickets, and to all who helped serve, prepare the meal and clean up. Special thanks to Testo's Restaurant who provided us with lasagna, baked ziti, and meatballs – menu items that are much anticipated and thoroughly enjoyed!! Our grades 8 to 10 Faith Formation young people also made meatballs and helped to serve at the dinner. 72 dinners were served; both eat in and takeout.

Winners of the basket raffles are: *Time for tea*: Linda Baker; *Pasta Dinner for 2*: Ann Callahan; *Pickleball*: Carol Messick; *Spa Day*: Brooke Valerino; *Tailgate/Football*: Ellen Allen; and *Family Night*: Caleb Tremblay.



RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

Over the years we have had many great social events in our parish community. We have had socials for New Year's Eve, St. Patrick's Day, Mardi Gras, Our Lady of Guadalupe, Valentine's Day, and so many more. It seems we will use any excuse to have a party and enjoy each other's company. And for more than the last decade, my pastor has been present at most of these events. What always tickles me is to see him in his clerics going around with a tray of entrees or desserts as he seeks to serve his parishioners. We have joked that his clothing does resemble that of a waiter in a fine restaurant. The only difference is no tips! Sorry, Monsignor.

To see a shepherd serve his sheep causes me to reflect on how we are all called to serve one another. We are called to a life of humility and service, giving of ourselves for the greater glory of God. When we seek to serve our brothers and sisters, the Jesus in us meets the Jesus in them.

In our everyday lives we can find ways of serving others if we are mindful of the opportunities all around us. We must never fall into the trap of seeing others in terms of "us and them." In Christ, there is only US. In Christ, there is no Greek or Jew, servant or free. We are one. On this day, who will God place on your path for you to serve? Don't be fooled into thinking that all calls are for something grand. Sometimes, even a little dessert might be all it takes to show others they are loved.

-Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS



In Memoriam ~ 2023 ~ '24

In loving memory of Joseph V Germano requested by the Family 12/15/24	In loving memory of John T Sherlock requested by his wife and Family 6/2/24	In memory of our beloved son Michael D Kowalski requested by Michael and Sharon Kowalski 2/18/24
In loving memory of William T Sr, Julia F and Robert A Fahr requested by the Family 2/18/24	In loving memory of Albert P Morelli, Donald & Eileen Gallagher Hogan requested by Don & Patti Hogan 2/18/24	In loving memory of our Families: The Carlsons, The Mardigans, The Foleys & The Butlers requested by Bob & Carol Carlson 2/4/24
In loving memory of Bryan T Roberts (son) Raymond & Helen Werner (parents) requested by Judith Pope 1/14/24	In loving memory of Adam & Katherine Novak John & Rosalie Novak & Florence Szpot requested by the Family 12/31/23	In loving memory of John A O'Brien requested by the Family 10/29/23

FOOD pantry

~ items needed in the
month of November:

Coffee
Juice
Macaroni & Cheese
Cereal

Thank you for your continuing
support of our food pantry!

- Mary Beth



LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Christ turns the way of the world upside down: the great become the small and the honored ones become humble. Be small, and you will feel his greatness. Be humble, and you will know the honor of Heaven.

Prayer for Humility

Dear Lord,
Help us to see ourselves as You see us.
Help us to see our neighbors as You see them.
Armed with these truths, help us to act in the world as children of Yours, with full humility. Amen.
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Readings for the week of November 5, 2023

Sunday: Mal 1:14b-2:2b, 8-10/Ps 131:1, 2, 3/1 Thes 2:7b-9, 13/Mt 23:1-12
Monday: Rom 11:29-36/Ps 69:30-31, 33-34, 36/Lk 14:12-14
Tuesday: Rom 12:5-16b/Ps 131:1bcde, 2, 3/Lk 14:15-24
Wednesday: Rom 13:8-10/Ps 112:1b-2, 4-5, 9/Lk 14:25-33
Thursday: Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9/1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17/Jn 2:13-22
Friday: Rom 15:14-21/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/Lk 16:1-8
Saturday: Rom 16:3-9, 16, 22-27/Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 10-11/Lk 16:9-15
Next Sunday: Wis 6:12-16/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 (2b)/1 Thes 4:13-18 or 4:13-14/Mt 25:1-13

~ MASS INTENTIONS ~

Sat., Nov 4

4:00pm—Arthur Connery, req by Peggy Fisk
Ted Testo, Jr, req by family
Maureen Geracitano, req by Joseph/Kathleen Di Fabio

Sun., Nov 5

7:30am—living & deceased members of IHM
Carol Sutherland, req by Carol Carlson & family

11:00am—Carole Maloney, req by husband
Marilyn Cavanaugh (90th B'day), req by the family

Tues., Nov 7

9:00am—Karen A Carmel, parish

Wed., Nov 8

9:00am—Gene Hanley, req by Tom & Jane Hanley

Thurs., Nov 9

9:00am—Angeline Grasso, parish

Sat., Nov 11

4:00pm—Bill Jakubics (11th Anniv), req by wife & daughter
Midge Harris, req by Peggy Fisk
Arthur Connery, req by Eleanor Hack

Sun., Nov 12

7:30am—Leonard Zanghi, req by Allen & Dorothy Styno

11:00am—Virginia O'Brien, req by Marilyn LaParl & Tony Cassidy
Living & deceased members of IHM

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Prayer Team Ministry - If you would like prayers said for someone, contact Brenda at 518 961-0169.

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Weekly Collection (incl mail-in, E.G.)
Oct 21-22, '23.....\$3959.00

