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NOVEMBER 12, 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

RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Seeking Wisdom

I think if any of us were asked the question, “Do you love wisdom? Do you seek wisdom?” we would, at first, be a little taken aback. And then we would answer quickly “Of course!” with absolutely no doubt in our minds.

But a different way of asking the question is this: “Are you making wise choices?” That’s a question that would put a fair few of us on the back foot.



The virgins who went out to meet the bridegroom were all the same. They had the exact same intentions. They had the exact same stamina, or lack of it. They had the exact same knowledge of the night being dark and lamps being necessary.

What made five foolish, and five wise?

It was their choices. Only their choices set them apart.

We may rely upon the wisdom of another — the parent who reminds us to go to confession, the friend who demurs when we start speaking gossip, the priest who preaches boldly from the pulpit against an injustice we lack the courage to denounce ourselves. But even if we feel safeguarded by their good influ-

ence, their wisdom won’t save us.

We may possess a little wisdom ourselves — we may know well that a dark night is hard to navigate, and that we need the assistance of a lamp. We may go to Mass once in a while, read the Bible when we have time and serve others when it’s convenient.

But a lamp needs oil to burn in the darkness, just as wisdom requires action to be brought forth into the world.

We may love God just as much as we should — our flesh may pine, our soul may thirst. But a parched field never brought rain on itself just by being dry.

We must make the choice.

“Thus will I bless you while I live; lifting up my hands, I will call upon your name.” — Psalm 63:4

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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: Max Lucado, ‘Help Is Here’

Please note: We will not have Scripture on November 23 (Thanksgiving) or November 30 (Amazing Grace DVD). We will meet again on December 7.

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.

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

November DVD: Thursday, November 30 – Amazing Grace

The inspiring story of how one man’s passion and perseverance changed the world. Based on the true story of William Wilberforce, it follows his courageous quest to end the British slave trade. Along the way, he meets intense opposition from members of Parliament but his minister, John Newton, a reformed slave ship captain (who also wrote the famous hymn “Amazing Grace”), urges him to see the cause through.

Come join us November 30, at 1:30pm in the Parish Life Center. All are welcome. Contact Sharon at skowalski@ihm.rcpw.org for more information.

Mary’s Kitchen: Mondays, 3 to 5pm:

ALL ARE WELCOME!!

Please note: Mary’s Kitchen will be closed on November 27, the Monday after Thanksgiving.

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.

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


Faith Formation: 2023-2024

Please note: we will not have Faith Formation sessions on November 26th, the Sunday after Thanksgiving.

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.

In Memoriam ~ 2023 ~ '24		
 <p>In loving memory of Joseph V Germano requested by the Family <small>12/15/24</small></p>	<p>In loving memory of John T Sherlock requested by his wife and Family <small>6/2/24</small></p>	
<p>In memory of our beloved son Michael D Kowalski requested by Michael and Sharon Kowalski <small>2/18/24</small></p>	<p>In loving memory of William T Sr, Julia F and Robert A Fahr requested by the Family <small>2/18/24</small></p>	<p>In loving memory of Albert P Morelli, Donald & Eileen Gallagher Hogan requested by Don & Patti Hogan <small>2/18/24</small></p>
<p>In loving memory of our Families: The Carlsons, The Mardigans, The Foleys & The Butlers requested by Bob & Carol Carlson <small>2/14/24</small></p>	<p>In loving memory of Bryan T Roberts (son) Raymond & Helen Werner (parents) requested by Judith Pope <small>1/14/24</small></p>	<p>In loving memory of Adam & Katherine Novak John & Rosalie Novak & Florence Szpot requested by the Family <small>12/31/23</small></p>



LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

God knows that, sooner or later, we all face a night that is long and dark. He has given each of us exactly what we need to make it through. If we keep Him with us, the light will not go out. ©LPi

Readings for the week of November 12, 2023

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
Monday: Wis 1:1-7/Ps 139:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8, 9-10/Lk 17:1-6
Tuesday: Wis 2:23-3:9/Ps 34:2-3, 16-17, 18-19/Lk 17:7-10
Wednesday: Wis 6:1-11/Ps 82:3-4, 6-7/Lk 17:11-19
Thursday: Wis 7:22b-8:1/Ps 119:89, 90, 91, 130, 135, 175/Lk 17:20-25
Friday: Wis 13:1-9/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5ab/Lk 17:26-37
Saturday: Wis 18:14-16; 19:6-9/Ps 105:2-3, 36-37, 42-43/Lk 18:1-8
Next Sunday: Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 (see 1a)/1 Thes 5:1-6/Mt 25:14-30 or 25:14-15, 19-21

Food Pantry~ items needed in the month of November:

Coffee
Juice
Macaroni & Cheese
Cereal
Thank you for your support
of our food pantry!
- Mary Beth

Saint Margaret of Scotland – Feast Day November 16

Saint Margaret was born in exile around 1045, in what is now Hungary. She is the daughter of Princess Agatha of Hungary and Edward the Atheling the Anglo-Saxon heir to the throne of England. The family returned to England, but Edward died soon after their arrival, making Margaret's brother Edgar the presumptive heir. However, the Norman Conquest would turn their world upside down. Agatha and her children fled the country. They likely intended to go back to Hungary, but they were shipwrecked off the coast of Scotland.

King Malcolm Canmore III took the exiles under his wing, and he fell in love with the beautiful and gracious Margaret. Although she initially rebuffed his proposals, the couple were married in 1070 at castle of Dunfermline. Margaret and Malcolm had eight children, six sons and two daughters. Margaret brought culture to the Scottish court and used her influence to soften her rough husband. The saint led a life of austerity, aiding Church reform, promoting Easter communion, and founding churches and monasteries. She instituted the Queen's Ferry to the shrine of St. Andrew and founded pilgrimage hostels.

Saint Margaret, Queen of Scotland, died on November 16, 1093, four days after her husband and eldest son were killed in the battle of Alnwick. She was canonized by Pope Innocent IV in 1250 and named patron of Scotland in 1673.



~ MASS INTENTIONS ~

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

Tues., Nov 14
9:00am—Timothy Werner (L/B'day), req by his aunt

Wed., Nov 15
9:00am—Marilyn Barron, req by friends

Thurs., Nov 16
9:00am—Fred J Gonsowski, Sr (28th Anniv), req by son & daughter
William T Fahr (13th Anniv), req by the family

Sat., Nov 18
4:00pm—Bud Halpin, req by the family
Margaret McGowan Murphy (27th Anniv), req by daughter & granddaughter
Joseph Gullo/Anthony Gullo, req by Sandy & Gary Domalewicz

Sun., Nov 19
7:30am—living/deceased members of IHM

11:00am—Theresa Cassidy, req by Tony Cassidy/Marilyn LaParl
Theresa Grasso, req by Linda Dunbar

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

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