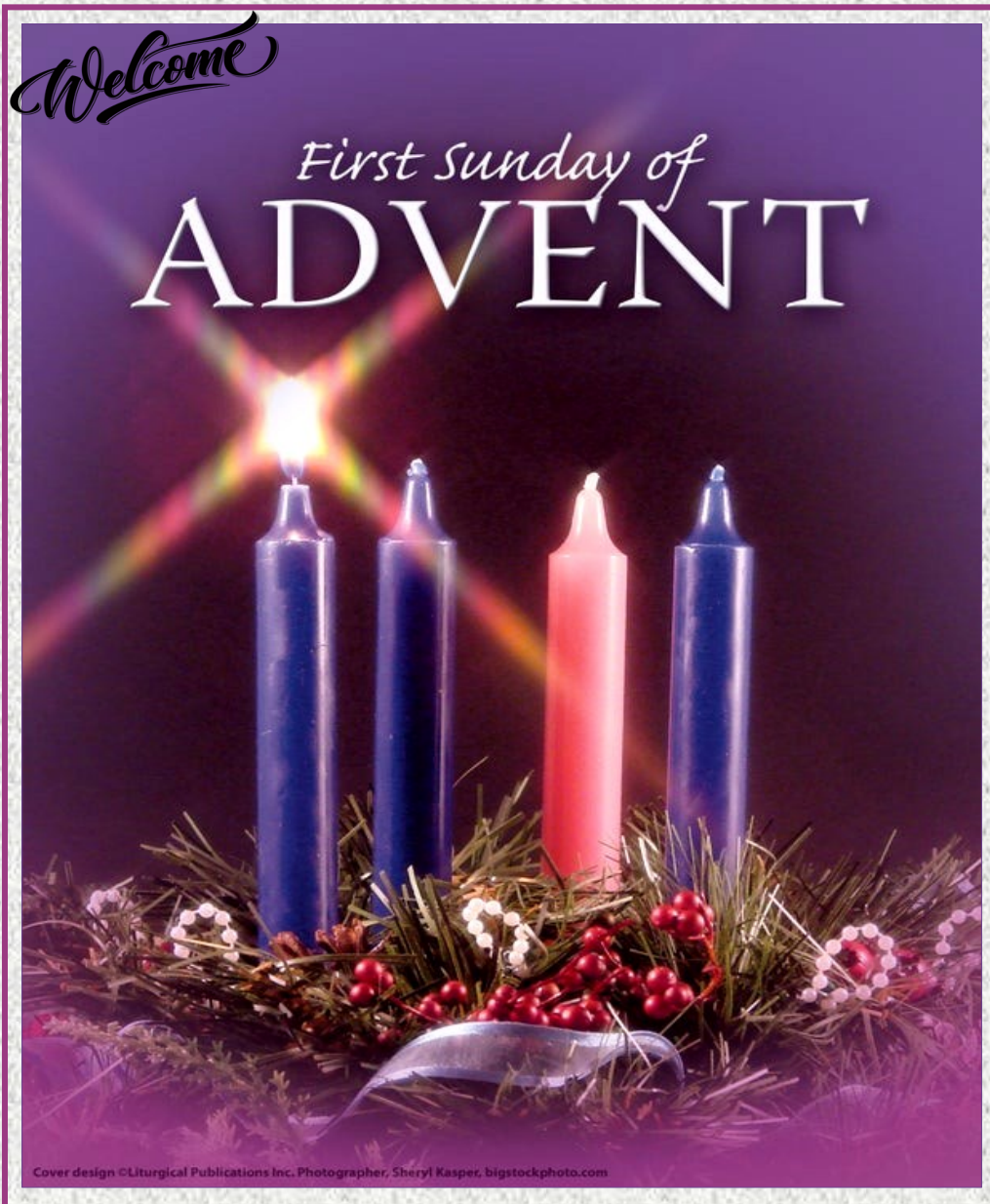


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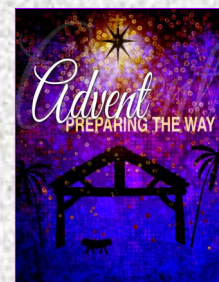
**Celebration of the Eucharist**

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

**Weekday Schedule**

**9:00am Mass - Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday**

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



**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](mailto:skowalski@ihm.rcpw.org).



**Cold Hands Hurt: Collection of Winter Gear for Joseph's House** ~ Thanks so much to all who have so generously donated winter gear for the children and white socks for the men who are at Joseph's House. We are so appreciative of your caring and generosity. Thought you might like to know how we did: Children's jackets, 25; Hats, 97; Gloves/mittens, 84; Scarves, 56; Socks, 210; and miscellaneous adult winterwear, 12. Special thanks to Kathy, Pat and others for the beautiful handmade items. This parish is AMAZING!!

**Veteran's Breakfast** ~ Thank you to Congressman Paul Tonko, Mayor Charles Patricelli and Al Styno for their amazing speeches; to the Black Bear Inn for the great food; to Sharon Kowalski, Adrianna Kowalski, Julia Leibach, Karina Leibach, and Sue Szymczak for serving and to Cindy Murdza for selling raffle tickets. A very special thanks to all who attended and helped make the day special for our Veterans.

**Christmas Giving** ~ Before we know it Christmas will be here! Once again this year we will be requesting donations for our families in need. The donation box will be on the table in the back of the Church beginning November 26th and will remain in place until Sunday, December 19th. Remember, *"In the miracle that is Christmas, the kindness of strangers can turn despair into joy and a renewed sense of hopefulness."* Thank you in advance for your generous support of our Christmas program!



**Scripture Sharing: The Chosen** ~ We are currently watching episodes from Season Two of "The Chosen". The episode for **December 2** is **"Beyond Mountains"**. 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](mailto:skowalski@ihm.rcpw.org)

**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!! We are so grateful to all our volunteers who served our community for many years. We were very worried that we would not be able to continue without them. But, Our Lord who is so generous and gracious, has called a new group to serve our Mary's Kitchen guests. Many thanks to **all** our volunteers who previously provided and our new volunteers who now provide service and hospitality to our guests every week. Questions?? Please contact Sharon at [skowalski@ihm.rcpw.org](mailto: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 [skowalski@ihm.rcpw.org](mailto:skowalski@ihm.rcpw.org)

#### **Faith Formation: 2021-2022**

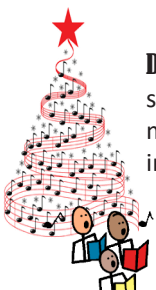
Faith Formation sessions will be in person sessions every other week until January 2022, at which time we hope to again have weekly sessions. The current schedule is: December 5 & 19. All sessions are 9:45 to 10:50am. You may register your child(ren) at any of these sessions if you were unable to previously register them.

We have begun practice for the play on Christmas Eve at the 4:30 Mass. Please remember to email your catechist if your child will be participating in the play. If your child will not be in the play they will come to their regular Faith Formation sessions on December 5 and 19.

Please contact Sharon at [skowalski@ihm.rcpw.org](mailto: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)**

As much as we would like, we can't return to a full schedule yet. We are working on a monthly schedule and will post the dates as soon as they are determined.



**Do You Like to Sing??** Our small funeral choir ministry group sings at the scheduled funeral Masses at Immaculate Heart of Mary. If you think you might like to be a part of this worthwhile ministry, and are available during the weekdays, contact the parish office at 518 273-6020 for details. A representative of the group will notify all members ahead of the scheduled funeral. All hymns are from the Breaking Bread book. Also—Phil, our musician, is looking to start up a choir for the weekend Masses again and for the Christmas season.

**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 ~ 2022		
In loving memory of John A O'Brien requested by the Family 10/23/22	In loving memory of John T Sherlock requested by his wife and Family 4/10/22	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

### Readings for the week of November 28, 2021

Sunday: Jer 33:14-16/1 Thes 3:12—4:2/Ps 25:4-5, 8-9, 10, 14 [1b]/Lk 21:25-28, 34-36

Monday: Is 2:1-5/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4b, 4cd-5, 6-7, 8-9/Mt 8:5-11

Tuesday: Rom 10:9-18/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 [10]/Mt 4:18-22

Wednesday: Is 25:6-10a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 [6cd]/Mt 15:29-37

Thursday: Is 26:1-6/Ps 118:1 and 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a [26a]/Mt 7:21, 24-27

Friday: Is 29:17-24/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 [1a]/Mt 9:27-31

Saturday: Is 30:19-21, 23-26/Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [cf. Is 30:18d]/Mt 9:35—10:1, 5a, 6-8

Next Sunday: Bar 5:1-9/Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 [3]/Phil 1:4-6, 8-11/Lk 3:1-6



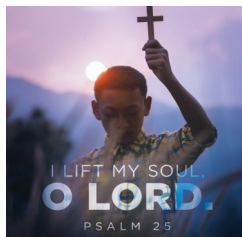
#### 1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT



**MASS INTENTION BOOK** — The Mass intention requests are now available for January, February, March of 2022. Stop in the Parish Office during business hours to reserve a date. If you are homebound please call the office (518 273-6020) and we will be happy to assist you. All Mass requests - first come, first serve basis. Maximum of 3 weekend requests for months available. Weekday Masses (9:00 AM Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday) are open through to the end of 2022.

### LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Any human success requires vigilance. Opportunities and powerful moments of encounter can easily be missed when we are not attentive. It is all too easy today to live distracted and preoccupied lives. There is so much vying for our attention that it can be hard to be selective and really focus. Caught up in this whirlwind of busyness and anxiety, we become tired and almost sleepwalk through life. Advent is a time to selectively focus. These beautiful four short weeks are a time to look backward and forward and be attentive to the human journey and God's revelation. From the beginning of time, God has been seeking our attention. He constantly reminds us of the justice he desires to bring and the promise of his abiding unconditional love. Understanding and growing in these truths requires alertness so that we can be strengthened in our faith and prepared for whatever will come. ©LPi



### MASS INTENTIONS

Sat., Nov 27

4:00pm—Dorothy House, req by Lynn Ryan  
Carlene A Micheli, req by Ken & Tina Shufelt  
Macy & Teresa Enders, req by daughter & granddaughter

Sun., Nov 28

8:30am—Lv'g & dec'd members of IHM

11:00am—Michael Hack, Sr, req by the family  
Theresa Cassidy, req by Marilyn LoParl/Tony Cassidy  
Joseph Zawistowski, req by Mike & Sharon Kowalski

Tues., Nov 30

9:00am—Frank A Kreiger, req by Pete/Marilyn Barron

Wed., Dec 1

9:00am—Thomas & Helen Sullivan, Estate

Thurs., Dec 2

9:00am—DiNuzzo, LoParco/Burnham families, Estate

Sat., Dec 4

4:00pm—Dorothy House, req by Chris Monahan  
Margaret A Farrell, req by Mr/Mrs Brannigan  
The Beston Family, req by the family

Sun., Dec 5

8:30am—David Crowley, req by the family  
Diane Keegan, req by Julie & Andrew Keegan  
Living & dec'd members of Immaculate Heart of Mary

11:00am—David McMahon & Art H Cody, req by  
Maureen

Carole Maloney & son Jeff, req by the family

### LEGNARD CURTIN AUXILIARY 927 ~

We need your cash register tapes. Go to the Customer Service area in Price Chopper and register your Advantage card and pick out a school of your choice. You can drop them off at the parish office or in the white striped box located in the Church Lobby next to the Food Pantry wicker basket. Questions? please call Brenda Persons at 518-271-6184.

**FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION**  
Weekly Collection (incl mail-in, E.G)  
Nov 13-14, 2021 ... \$6279.00