

IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY PARISH

Watervliet, NY

2nd Sunday OF ADVENT



DECEMBER 5, 2021

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

Welcome

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Fri - Closed

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FAITH FORMATION & YOUTH

MINISTRY CENTER

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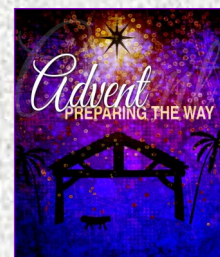
Coordinator

Sharon Kowalski

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Call for information

or appointment



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.



Please do not drop off your unwanted items at the Parish Life Center. We do not plan on having our rummage sale this year and do not have the room to store extra items.
Thank you for your cooperation.

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.

Special thanks to the Mazzola's and LaParl/Cassidy's who delivered all the items to the Hillside residence on November 21!!

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". On December 9, we will watch an episode from Season 1 called "The Shepherd".

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

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!!

As you get ready to purchase bakery items for the holidays, don't forget to stop at Schuyler Bakery. They so generously provide us with rolls for sandwiches every week. Many thanks to them for their part in providing for our Mary's Kitchen guests.

Questions?? Please contact Sharon at skowalski@ihm.rcpw.org or call 518-328-0427 for more information.

"The Eucharist is the heart and the summit of the Church's life".

Faith Formation For All Ages ~ Sharon C. Kowalski, Coordinator of Faith Formation and Youth Ministry

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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 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.



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.

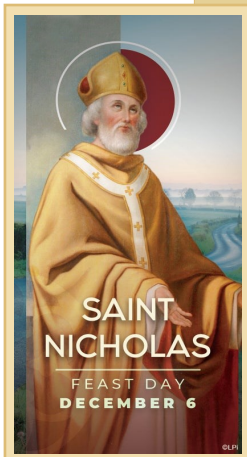
In Memoriam ~ 2022		
 <p>In loving memory of John A O'Brien requested by the Family 10/23/22</p>	<p>In loving memory of John T Sherlock requested by his wife and Family 4/10/22</p>	<p>In memory of our beloved son Michael D Kowalski requested by Michael and Sharon Kowalski 3/20/22</p>
<p>In loving memory of Adam & Katherine Novak John & Rosalie Novak & Florence Szpot requested by the Family 3/6/22</p>	<p>In loving memory of William T Sr, Julia F and Robert A Fahr requested by the Family 2/20/22</p>	<p>In loving memory of our Families: The Carlsons, The Mardigans, The Foleys & The Butlers requested by Bob & Carol Carlson 2/6/22</p>
<p>In loving memory of Albert P Morelli, Donald & Eileen Gallagher Hogan requested by Don & Patti Hogan 1/23/22</p>	<p>In loving memory of The Barron & Rys Families requested by the Family 1/16/22</p>	<p>In loving memory of Bryan T Roberts (son) Raymond & Helen Werner (parents) requested by Judith Pope 1/16/22</p>

St. Nicholas of Bari

St. Nicholas of Bari (March 15, 270 – December 6, 343), the bishop of Myra in the fourth century, is the saint that Santa Claus is modeled after. Known for his kindness and generosity to the poor, the story has it that St. Nicholas once tossed bags of gold through the open window of a poor man's house to help his daughters avoid a life of prostitution.

According to legend, the gold landed in stockings dangling on the corners of the beds, which is why many of us celebrate St. Nicholas Day by hanging stockings and filling them with candy, fruit, and small toys.

Not much else is known about this beloved saint, but regardless, his reputation as a generous man continues today. ©LPi



LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Sometimes, especially when life gets overwhelming and difficult, we can find ourselves feeling a bit downhearted and miserable. Wallowing in this uncomfortable darkness seems to be our norm and it's difficult to see a way out of, or through, this experience. If we listen carefully enough, we will hear God's voice calling out deep within, beckoning us to seek out its source and discover the inner calm and peace that can prevail over the darkness of despair. Faith tells us that God has already begun the creation of a good work in us and is with us, bringing it to completion, until Christ Jesus comes again. It is this light of God's glory for which we are asked to pave the way and straighten the paths of our lives so that it can shine. With all that life can ask of us and bring to us, it is our task to constantly discern what is of value. So that we do not get so weighed down by things that we no longer see, or feel, God's salvation. ©LPi



MASS INTENTIONS

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

Tues., Dec., 7

9:00am—Regina Resta (Living), req by Marilyn Baron

Wed., Dec 8

9:00am—William Johnson & Malaskiy families, Estate

Thurs., Dec 9

9:00am—Living & dec'd members of IHM

Sat., Dec 11

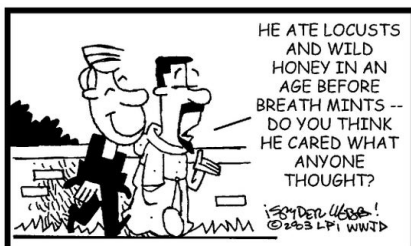
4:00pm—Joseph Zawistowski, req by Bob & Sandy
Beston
The Beston Family, req by family
Living & dec'd members of IHM

Sun., Dec 12

8:30am—Mary Dankulich, req by Fred Margaret
Gonsowski
Joseph Zawistowski, req by Bob & Carol Carlson
Mary McNulty, req by Bob & Carol Carlson

11:00am—Paul Esposito, req by the family
Paul Marziani, Sr (1st Anniv), req by wife Yolanda
Antoinette V. Reisner, req by Lorraine Alund

2nd SUNDAY OF ADVENT



Prayer Ministry ~ If you would like prayers for a family member, relative or friend, contact Brenda Persons at 518-271-6184.

FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION
Weekly Collection (incl mail-in, E.G)
Nov 20-21, 2021 ... \$6161.00