

Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish

Watervliet, NY



THE EPIPHANY *of the Lord*

*"Since from you shall come a ruler,
who is to shepherd my people Israel." - Mt 2:6b*

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January 2, 2022

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

Church and Parish Life Center Handicapped Accessible

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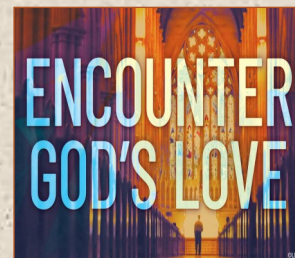
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Faith Formation For All Ages ~ Sharon C. Kowalski, Coordinator of Faith Formation and Youth Ministry skowalski@ihm.rcpw.org

Faith Formation: 2021-2022:

Merry Christmas and Best Wishes for a Healthy and Happy New Year!! Hope your Christmas was the best one ever and we look forward with you to a new year of exciting possibilities!!

Our January Faith Formation schedule is January 16, 23, and 30.

All sessions are 9:45 to 10:50am.

Please contact Sharon at 518-328-0427 or email: skowalski@ihm.rcpw.org 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.

"They were overjoyed at seeing the star, and on entering the house they saw the child with Mary his mother."

Questions of the Week

First Reading:

The prophet Isaiah foresaw a time of great joy for Israel when nations and kings would come to Israel praising the Lord. *How do you show gratitude to the Lord for the great joys of your life?*

Second Reading:

It was revealed to Paul that God intended to save all people (Jews and Gentiles) through his Son, Jesus Christ. Paul tried to convey the significance of this revelation to the Ephesians by using the language of "coheirs" and "copartners." *What does this language signal to you?*

Gospel:

The visit of the magi is one of the most well-known stories from the Gospel infancy narratives. It was an event that manifested God's revelation of His newborn Son to the world. It also foreshadowed the threat that some would experience because of Jesus. *How does Jesus challenge the status quo even today?* ©LPi

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.

Mass Intention Book ~ The Mass intention requests are available from mid January to April of '22. Stop in the Parish Office during business hours to reserve a date. First come, first serve basis. Not able to get to the office? Call (518 273-6020) and we will gladly assist you. Maximum 3 weekend requests of months offered. Intention - \$15. Weekday Masses thru end December '22.

Hearing Assistance available ~ Hearing assist earphones available for use during Mass time. Hearing aid links to same frequency as sound system and works only within the Church building. Please feel free to use one during Mass, they are located on stand or table at rear of the church. Return earphone where you picked it up.



**Make 2022
YOUR YEAR!**

THANK YOU ~ to all who donated to our Giving Tree Program!! Through your generosity, we were able to assist many families, and also send gifts to friends in nursing homes.

Thank you again!

**Scripture Sharing: Ascension Press;
A Biblical Walk with the Blessed Mother**
Please note: We will resume meeting for Scripture on January 6.

While we wait for season three of "The Chosen" to become available, we are going to experience 8 episodes of "A Biblical Walk with the Blessed Mother". Edward Sri will take us on an extraordinary pilgrimage to the Holy Land that reveals Mary's unique role in God's kingdom and in our lives.

All are invited. We meet on Thursdays from 2 to 3pm in the Parish Life Center. For more information, please contact Sharon at 518-328-0427 or

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Rosary Society News ~ The Rosary Society will be having a meeting in the Parish Life Center (approx. 11:45am) on January 16th, following the 11:00am Mass. All women over the age of 18 years are welcome. Come, join us.


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

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

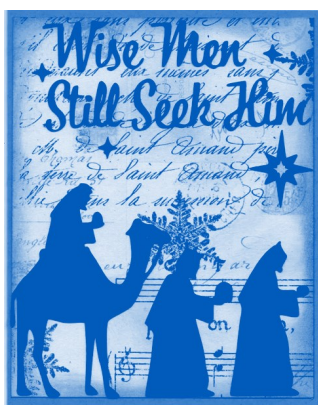
Stop by between 3 to 5pm on Mondays and sit down to enjoy a meal with friends or pick up a meal to take home: Soup, salad, sandwich, entrée and dessert!!

As we start the new year, we want to thank Freihofer's and Schuyler Bakery for continuing 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.

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

RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS ~ *The Light of the Moon*



If you own a television that has been turned on at any point in the last month or so, chances are you've caught at least a scene or two of the 1946 classic film "It's a Wonderful Life."

If you're not familiar with the movie, it follows the life of George Bailey from childhood through adulthood. A dreamer by nature, George has big plans for himself that involve world exploration and adventure — but family and community obligations keep him tethered to the same spot on the map, leading an altogether ordinary life.

One of the most memorable scenes from that movie is of George dancing with his sweetheart Mary while they sing "Buffalo Gals — Won't you come out tonight/And dance by the light of the moon?"

That lyric always catches my ear. Of course, the moon doesn't have any light of its own. All the moon has is the ability to reflect the light that shines upon it.

The same holds for us, doesn't it? Our stewardship is purely a reflection of the grace granted to us by another. "Upon you the LORD shines," writes Isaiah, "and over you appears his glory." Every good action we will ever take begins in the mind of God. The fact that we have the honor of carrying it out on His behalf is a beautiful gift. It is God that makes our ordinary lives extraordinary.

In the end of the movie, George Bailey realizes that he had a far greater life because, instead of being the hero of his own story, he allowed himself to reflect goodness onto others.

Remember — the magi didn't chart their own course. They merely followed the star. — Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LPi

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat., Jan 1, 2022

4:00pm—Jerry Mastan, req by Bob & Sandy Beston

Sun., Jan 2

8:30am—Charles O Adams, req by Brennan family
Janet DeLollo, req by neice, Anna

11:00am—Carol Maloney, & son Jeff, req by husband Don
Helen Cody & Genevieve Neary, req by Maureen McMahon

Tues., Jan 4

9:00am—Patrick Rielly, req by Testo family
John & Louise Kelly, req by Mick/Anne Dembrosky

Wed., Jan 5

9:00am—Charles Adams, req by Marge Centanni

Thurs., Jan 6

9:00am—Beatrice DeLucia, req by her son Patrick
Raymond J Werner (Anniv), req by his daughter

Sat., Jan 8

4:00pm—Charles O Adams, req by Margaret/Fred Gonsowski
Earl Van Buskirk & Kathy Fisk, req by the family
Living & deceased members of IHM

Sun., Jan 9

8:30am—Rick Shevy, req by the family
Henry Mangene, req by the family
For the gift of life, req by parishioner

11:00am—Anna Maloney & Elizabeth Quinan, req by Maureen McMahon
Gonsowski Family, req by the son and daughter

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 at 518-271-6184.

Observances for the Week

Sunday: The Epiphany of the Lord; Sts.

Basil the Great & Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops & Doctors of the Church

Monday: The Most Holy Name of Jesus

Tuesday: St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, Religious

Wednesday: St. John Neumann, Bishop

Thursday: St. André Bessette, Religious

Friday: St. Raymond of Penyafort, Priest

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