

## SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER MAY 21, 2017

CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST  
 Saturday Vigil—4:00PM Sunday—8:30 AM and 11:00 AM  
 Weekday Schedule  
 Communion Service: Monday and Friday at 9:00 AM  
 Mass: Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday at 9:00 AM

*All Are Welcome*

### HANDICAPPED ACCESSIBLE

#### PASTORAL STAFF

Fr Don Rutherford, Sacramental Minister  
 Deacon Al Manzella, Parish Life Director  
 Deacon Mark Leonard

#### PARISH LIFE CENTER

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#### OFFICE HOURS:

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 Friday—10:30am—3:30pm

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#### FAITH FORMATION & YOUTH MINISTRY CENTER

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 Call for appointment

#### Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday prior to the 4:00pm Mass

#### Sacrament of Baptism

Please contact the Parish Office to make arrangements. Baptisms are generally on the 2nd weekend of the month.

#### Sacrament of Matrimony

Couples should make arrangements as soon as the engagement is announced.

#### Anointing of the Sick

The Anointing of the Sick will be administered the first full weekend of each month, immediately after each Mass.

### Deacon Al's Corner

**If you love me** – Jesus said to His disciples “If you love me, you will keep my commandments.” As a parent I can relate to that. If my children love me they will keep my commandments. Well, first of all, as adults I can't really command them to do anything. And I do believe my children love me; and are good people. But *if I could command them, I would command them to go to Mass every week.* The Third Commandment given by God to Moses clearly stated, "Remember to keep holy Sabbath day." We have been commanded, haven't we? Jesus is present to us in many ways, but never more directly than in the Eucharist. *The Eucharist is our greatest source of spiritual nourishment.* Once a week hardly seems enough, yet some only come at Christmas and Easter?! Jesus said to His disciples “If you love me, you will keep my commandments.”

**The Bazaar** – We will be in the middle of the two days of our Bazaar when you read this. I pray that we have good weather, and that all who attend enjoy themselves. Many people worked hard to plan and make the Bazaar a reality. Thanks to all who worked so hard to make the Bazaar a success. Special thanks to Peggy Germano and Bill Fahr who chaired the Bazaar Committee and were responsible for the planning and conduct of the Bazaar.

**Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers** – Anyone interested in serving the Parish as a Eucharistic Minister and/or as a Lector is invited to attend an orientation session on Tuesday May 23<sup>rd</sup> at 6:30pm in the Parish Life Center. We are asking all current Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers to please attend also. Thank you.

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction** - We will have two services a month on the fourth Monday after the Communion Service, and on the second Tuesday from 6:00pm to 7:00pm starting Monday May 22<sup>nd</sup> and Tuesday June 13<sup>th</sup>.

**SPECIAL COLLECTION—May 27-28 Church in Central/Eastern Europe**—Next week we will take up the Collection of the Church in Central and Eastern Europe. This Collection supports organizations that provide affordable shelter, important services to the poor and training for seminarians in a region that still struggles with the effects of generations of Soviet rule. By providing pastoral care, support for families, faith formation and a place for prayer, gathering and learning your donations help to restore the Church and build the future in the region. Please give generously to this Special Collection next week.

**VOCATIONS MINISTRY**—Loving and Generous God, it is You who call us by name and ask us to follow You. Help us to grow in the Love and Service of our Church as we experience it today. Give us the energy and courage of Your Spirit to shape its future. Grant us faith-filled leaders who will embrace Christ's Mission of love and justice. Bless the Church by raising up dedicated and generous leaders from our families and friends who will serve Your people as Sisters, Priests, Brothers, Deacons and Lay Ministers. Inspire us to know You better and open our hearts to hear Your call. We ask this through our Lord.

Please join your prayers for vocations with Janet and Frank Gilchrist who have the Traveling Chalice for the coming week.



**Pastoral Care**—May is Mental Health Awareness Month - We need to make room in our lives for the people who are "different". We need to promote their dignity and allow them to talk about their mental disorders. A smile, a kind word or an invitation and be the beginning of healing. We need to treat those with mental health issues with love, respect and dignity. Please make an effort. You may be the one who makes a change in someone's life.

**Social Justice**—*"Personal Care Closet Drive"*- During the month of June we will conduct a Personal Care Closet Drive to assist Catholic Charities. Donations may include: **Laundry detergent, dish soap, toothpaste, toothbrushes, deodorant, soap, hairbrushes, combs, paper towels, shampoo, conditioner,** etc. - no donation is too small.

**Climate/Recycling/Environment**—Please **RECYCLE**. Please take care of the environment and our Earth. "There is a great need for the introduction of new values in our society, where bigger is not necessarily better, where slower can be faster and where less can be more" (Gaylord Nelson)



**Meeting** - The next meeting of the Social Justice Committee will be June 21st at 11:00 am in the Parish Center.

### Faith Formation For All Ages

Sharon C. Kowalski, Coordinator of Faith Formation and Youth Ministry

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#### Children's Church Envelopes

Many thanks to all the families that used the church envelopes for their children. Not only does it reinforce the concept of sharing our gifts with others, it helps to the children to realize the gift they are to their families, the church and to the world. Some thoughts from our children: *"prayers for world peace; cooking dinner for their family; helping Mom put clothes away; babysitting their cousin; going to church; praying; doing chores; sharing with a sister and – for the pure joy of it – dancing, singing and playing the saxophone."*

*Please remember if you need more envelopes, you may contact the Faith Formation Center at 328-0427 or they will be located in church in the wall box right above the bulletins.*

#### Faith Formation

Please call the Faith Formation office at 328-0427 or contact Sharon at [skowalski@ihm.rcpw.org](mailto:skowalski@ihm.rcpw.org) for information or questions about our Faith Formation Program.

#### Children's Liturgy of the Word (CLOW)

Please note: Beginning May 13, CLOW will be on hiatus until September.

#### Here's What's Coming Up in May/June

May 19/20: Bazaar

June 4: Pentecost

June 6: Bread for the World; Parish Life Center, 6:30pm

June 10/11: Bread for the World, letter writing campaign

June 24/25: Feast of Immaculate Heart of Mary

**Mary's Kitchen: Mondays: 3 to 5pm**—Many thanks to all those who have dropped off canned goods for the soup kitchen. It will really help us remain within our budget and still serve healthy meals. All members of the community are invited – both parishioners and non-parishioners alike, to pick up a take-out meal or to enjoy an eat in meal to chat and relax with friends. Questions?? Contact Sharon at 328-0427 for more information.

### "SCOOP" ALERT!!! AT MAC'S SAVE THE DATES!!



Fr Ed will be "scooping" again this summer at Mac's....and you know what that means?! .....IHM gets 10% of the proceeds on those days. The dates are **May 30th and June 28th.....5PM to 8PM**. Come and get some delicious ice cream and contribute to the Parish at the same time.

**Rosary Society:** The May Crowning took place on May 13th just prior to the 4:00 pm Mass. Liam Gilchrist carried the pillow and crown and Myia Brannigan, who made her First Holy Communion on May 7th, crowned the Blessed Virgin.



**Breakfast**—The Rosary Society is sponsoring a breakfast on **June 11th**. Cost \$10.00 per person - children under 12 eat free. Tickets will be on sale in the back of the church after all the Masses. **All Are Welcome!!!!**

**Baby Shower**—Please donate to the Annual Baby Shower. Unwrapped gifts may be placed in the crib at the back of the Church. **Donations will be given to Community Maternity Services or Mary's Corner. Cash or checks are also accepted and should be made payable to either of these organizations.** Thank you in advance for your generosity.

**Meeting**—The next meeting of the Rosary Society will be held on Wednesday, **June 21st** at 6:00 pm in the Parish Center. *Questions - please contact Linda at 209-6446.*

#### IHM "Signature Brick" Walkway—

We have an area alongside the church near the parking lot for commemoration by parishioners of Watervliet and Green Island with "Signature Bricks". You can order either a 4x8 or 8x8 size brick to have a commemorative expression of your choice engraved on it. If you're interested in adding a commemorative brick to the walkway, and would like **further details, contact Tom Hanley at 273-6020** as soon as possible. Stop by the area to view the signature bricks of the walkway. **Get your order in soon. This offer will only be available until mid June for 2017. After that time, orders will then be processed and bricks will be laid in early Fall.**



In Memoriam ~ 2017		
 <p>In loving memory of Albert P Morelli, Donald &amp; Eileen Gallagher Hogan requested by Don &amp; Patti Hogan</p> <p style="text-align: right;">12/17/17</p>	<p>In loving memory of Joseph V Germano requested by the Family</p> <p style="text-align: right;">11/12/17</p>	<p>In loving memory of the Edward Brooks Family, Foglia Family &amp; Monticup Family requested by Rose Brooks &amp; Family</p> <p style="text-align: right;">10/22/17</p>
<p>In loving memory of John A O'Brien requested by the Family</p> <p style="text-align: right;">10/15/17</p>	<p>In loving memory of J. Vince Cocca requested by his wife and Children</p> <p style="text-align: right;">10/8/17</p>	<p>In loving memory of John T Sherlock requested by his wife and Family</p> <p style="text-align: right;">9/10/17</p>
<p>In loving memory of Adam &amp; Katherine Novak John G Novak &amp; Florence Szpot requested by the Family</p> <p style="text-align: right;">8/20/17</p>	<p>In loving memory of William T, Sr, Julia F and Robert A Fahr requested by the Family</p> <p style="text-align: right;">7/30/17</p>	<p>In loving memory of James D Langford requested by Lilia Langford</p> <p style="text-align: right;">7/23/17</p>
<p><b>IHM Prayer Ministry</b>—if you would like the prayer team to pray for you or a loved one who is ill or undergoing surgery, contact Brenda Persons at 271-6184 .</p>	<p>In loving memory of Bryan T Roberts (son) Raymond &amp; Helen Werner (parents) requested by Judith Pope</p> <p style="text-align: right;">7/2/17</p>	<p>In loving memory of The Barron &amp; Rys Families requested by the Family</p> <p style="text-align: right;">7/2/17</p>

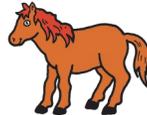


**PARISH BAZAAR**  
**SATURDAY, 5PM TO 10PM!!**  
**DON'T MISS THE FUN!!**

FOOD
GAMES
PONY RIDES

**FAMILY ENTERTAINMENT**

**ALL ARE WELCOME!**



**MASS INTENTIONS**

- Sat., May 20  
4:00pm—David Quackenbush, req by Trudy/Walt Ellis  
Margaret Rose Gonsowski, req by Debbie/Dennis Kilcullen  
Dennis Earl Tracey, req by his sister & brother
- Sun., May 21  
8:30am—Bertha Bariteau, req by family  
John B Ebenhoch, req by Kathleen Raleigh  
Margaret Rose Gonsowski, req by John Fraser  
11:00am—Living & deceased members of IHM
- Mon., May 22  
9:00am—COMMUNION SERVICE
- Tues., May 23  
9:00am—John Kenney, req by Bob/Carol Carlson
- Wed., May 24  
9:00am—Sarah Beth & Bryan Roberts, req by grandmother
- Thurs., May 25  
9:00am—Jean Aviza, req by Bob/Carol Carlson
- Fri., May 26  
9:00am—COMMUNION SERVICE
- Sat., May 27  
4:00pm—Living & deceased members of IHM
- Sun., May 28  
8:30am—Anne Mara, req by Dolores Wickware & Anthony Hanczarky  
Dolores Thanopoulos, req by Bob/Carol Carlson  
Margaret Rose Gonsowski, req by Linda Dunbar  
11:00am—Margaret Foley, req by Peg Cote  
Joann Somich (B'day), req by Helen Somich  
Michael Bulmer, req by Jim Tracey

**RCIA and Sacramental Preparation for Adults**—Need to receive sacraments –Baptism, Eucharist or Confirmation; for yourself, an older teen or young adult? **Something to consider - Do you know that in order to be a godparent for Baptism or a sponsor for Confirmation, you must have received all three Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation)?**

Whatever your needs may be, we are here to help you make it happen. We are able to work around your schedule and your individual area of need. Want more information?? Contact Sharon at 328-0427 or [skowalski@ihm.rcpw.org](mailto:skowalski@ihm.rcpw.org).

**Scripture Study: Gospel of Matthew**—Please note: There will be no Scripture on May 25.

Sessions will resume on June 1 from 6pm to 7pm in the Faith Formation and Ministry Center for questions and a discussion on Chapters 24 -25 of the Gospel of Matthew, **Jesus Predicts the End of an Era**. For more information, please contact Sharon at 328-0427 or [skowalski@ihm.rcpw.org](mailto:skowalski@ihm.rcpw.org)

**ADMINISTRATION & FINANCE**  
**Weekly Collection (including mail-in)**  
May 14-15, 2016.....\$6304.00  
May 13-14, 2017.....\$6509.00