

14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME JULY 9, 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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 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 — Of Vocations and Vacations:

Shortage of Priests and Religious – The reason you do not have a Priest Pastor, and I am the Parish Life Director, is because of the Priest shortage. Thank God for Fr. Rutherford. Without him we wouldn't have the celebration of the Mass. There is also a shortage of women going into the Religious orders. The Sisters taught at our Catholic schools for little or no pay. And the Catholic schools are suffering financially because of the shortage of Sisters. What can you do about it? PRAY!

Vocations Prayer Chalice – We have changed the name of the Traveling Chalice Program to the Vocations Prayer Chalice. The Chalice belonged to Bishop John Gavin Nolan. It was given to him by his parents on June 11, 1949, when he was ordained. Bishop Nolan was born in Mechanicville, N.Y., and trained at several seminaries and theological colleges and at Catholic University of America before he was ordained a priest for the Diocese of Albany in 1949. The Chalice is inscribed with *Majorem Hac Dilectionem Nemo Habet* which is Latin for "No one has greater love than this" the end of the sentence is "than to lay down one's life for one's friend." **John 15:13** The Chalice is also inscribed with *Duc in Altum* which translate "Put out into the deep."

Luke 5:4

God asked Bishop Nolan to "Put out into the deep" to follow God's call. By his response he showed great love.

We are asking you to respond in love. Do something special. Take the Chalice home and pray with it. There is a prayer in the box with the Chalice that can be said each of the seven days that you have the Chalice in your home. What an honor it is to be able to have the Chalice, which contained the Blood of Christ, in your home. Please consider signing up for the Vocations Prayer Chalice Program on the sheets of paper by the statue of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. It truly is an easy way to help encourage vocations through prayer.

Parking Lot – Please pay attention to the new striping in the parking lot. It may take a few weeks to get used to it; but it should make getting in and out of the parking lot easier for everyone.

Offertory – As people take time off for vacation, and are away from Church our offertory collection goes down. Please do what you can to support the Parish while you are on vacation. Go to the Parish Web site and sign up for electronic giving with We Share!



Prayer to Know My Vocation

Lord, my God and my loving Father, You have made me to know You, to love You, to serve You, and thereby to find and to fulfill my deepest longings. I know that You are in all things, and that every path can lead me to You.

But of them all, there is one especially by which You want me to come to You. Since I seek to do what You want of me, I pray You send Your Holy Spirit to me: into my mind, to show me what You want of me; into my heart, to give me the determination to do it, and to do it with all my love, with all my mind, and with all my strength right to the end.

Jesus, I trust in You. Amen.

IHM Prayer Ministry—if you would like the prayer team to pray for you or a loved one, call Brenda Persons at 271-6184 .

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.

Rosary Society - The next meeting of the Rosary Society will be held on July 12th at 6:00 pm in the Parish Life Center. For information regarding the Rosary Society, please call Linda at 209-6446.

Faith Formation—For All Ages

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

Prek Day: July 16

We will be having a special Pre-k Day on Sunday, July 16th immediately following the 11am Mass in the Parish Life Center. All pre-k children are invited - and they can even bring their parents and siblings!! There will be snacks, crafts, games and ideas to help keep God in their lives. Don't forget to invite family, neighbors and friends who have Pre-K-ers!! For additional information contact Sharon Kowalski at 328-0427

Faith Formation Information

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

Children's Liturgy of the Word (CLOW)

Please note: CLOW will be on hiatus until September.

Here's What's Coming Up in July

July 11: Holy Hour, 6 to 7pm
July 15/16: Missionary Cooperative
July 16: Pre-k Day, after the 11am Mass
July 19: Social Justice, 11am in the Parish Life Center

Scripture Study: Gospel of Matthew—Join us July 9 from 6pm to 7pm in the Parish Life Center for a dvd on Chapter 27 of the Gospel of Matthew, *The Passion of the King*. For more information, please contact Sharon at 328-0427 or skowalski@ihm.rcpw.org

SOCIAL JUSTICE CORNER

(June) "Personal Care Closet" Drive: Once again your generosity is overwhelming - Thank You!!

Climate/Recycling/Environment—RECYCLE. Climate change and hunger continue to be a real problem. Please help in any way that you can!

Community Garden—The city has permitted the use of park land for individuals to garden in raised beds and elevated beds. Call **Mike McGlynn, 272-8255** or **parish office** and leave a message.

Romans 8:— "Whoever does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to Him."

Laudato Si, Pope Francis: "It is good for humanity and the world at large when we believers better recognize our convictions."

Catholic Climate Covenant (CCC):

"The crisis facing us make apparent that we live in an interrelated and interdependent world."

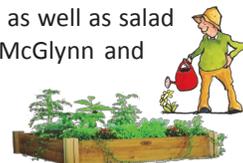
Mary's Kitchen, Mary's Garden and Food Pantry:

Thank you!! —Many thanks to those who responded to the Ministry sign up on June 24/25. If anyone else is interested in helping with pick ups and deliveries for the Food Pantry or Mary's Kitchen or in helping to maintain Mary's Garden, please contact the parish office at 273-6020 or Sharon at 328-0427 and we will put you in touch with the right folks. Once again, many thanks!!

Mary's Kitchen/Mary's Garden: Mondays: 3 to 5pm—

The garden is beginning to respond to the season!! We had thirteen heads of broccoli and a large bag of Swiss chard, as well as salad lettuce in recent weeks. Many thanks to Mike McGlynn and Barb Voland who help to make this possible.

Every Monday, all members of the community are invited to Mary's Kitchen - 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. Don't feel like cooking? Come join us!! Questions?? Contact Sharon at 328-0427 for more information.



National NFP (Natural Family Planning) Awareness Week—July 23-July 29, 2017 2017 theme:

It's Time! - Say "Yes" to God's Plan for Married Love. "Celebrate and reverence God's vision of human sexuality."

Resources: **USCCB:** <http://www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/marriage-and-family/natural-family-planning/awareness-week/index.cfm>

Roman Catholic diocese of Albany: http://www.rcda.org/Offices/ministry_formation/nfp.html

Capital District Senior Issues Forum—"Age-ing To Sage-ing:

Cycles of Life and Being An Elder. Date: July 19th; 8:30am to 12:00pm. A continental breakfast will be provided. Location: St Sophia Greek Orthodox Church, 440 Whitehall Rd, Albany, NY. There is no charge to attend, **registration** is on "first-come basis and is **required by July 12th**. You may register one of three ways: (1) email Albany Guardian Society at ags@albanyguardiansociety.org. Please note "July 19th Forum" in subject line. (2) Call Albany Guardian Society at 269-3976 (3) online at www.albanyguardiansociety.org. The morning will include a panel discussion among elders about the ways in which they continue to live full, meaningful lives and how they pass on the wisdom

In Memoriam ~ 2017

 <p style="text-align: center;">In loving memory of Albert P Morelli, Donald & Eileen Gallagher Hogan requested by Don & Patti Hogan</p> <p style="text-align: right; font-size: small;">12/17/17</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">In loving memory of Joseph V Germano requested by the Family</p> <p style="text-align: right; font-size: small;">11/17/17</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">In loving memory of the Edward Brooks Family, Foglia Family & Monticup Family requested by Rose Brooks & Family</p> <p style="text-align: right; font-size: small;">10/22/17</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">In loving memory of John A O'Brien requested by the Family</p> <p style="text-align: right; font-size: small;">10/15/17</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">In loving memory of J. Vince Cocca requested by his wife and Children</p> <p style="text-align: right; font-size: small;">10/8/17</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">In loving memory of John T Sherlock requested by his wife and Family</p> <p style="text-align: right; font-size: small;">9/10/17</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">In loving memory of Adam & Katherine Novak John G Novak & Florence Szpot requested by the Family</p> <p style="text-align: right; font-size: small;">8/20/17</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">In loving memory of William T, Sr, Julia F and Robert A Fahr requested by the Family</p> <p style="text-align: right; font-size: small;">7/30/17</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">In loving memory of James D Langford requested by Lilia Langford</p> <p style="text-align: right; font-size: small;">7/23/17</p>
 <p style="font-size: large; font-weight: bold; color: black; text-align: center;">Bring a Friend to Church</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">In loving memory of Bryan T Roberts (son) Raymond & Helen Werner (parents) requested by Judith Pope</p> <p style="text-align: right; font-size: small;">7/2/17</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">In loving memory of The Barron & Rys Families requested by the Family</p> <p style="text-align: right; font-size: small;">7/2/17</p>

Mass Intentions for Week

- Sat., July 8**
4:00pm—Living & Deceased mem of IHM
- Sun., July 9**
8:30am—John Kenney, req by Brennan fam.
Robert W Passonno (Anniv), req by family
Madeline T Whaley, req by Lynn & Frank Lockwood
- 11:00am—Catherine Novak, req by daughter Jack Cronin & Tom Healey, req by family
Dec'd members of Klocek, Hoinski & Guskie families, req by Donna Hoinski
- Mon., July 10**
9:00am—COMMUNION SERVICE
- Tues., July 11**
9:00am—Josephine Trela, req by Toni & Steve Halayko
- Wed., July 12**
9:00am—Anne J Carabis, req by Mary Rose MacLasco
- Thurs., July 13**
9:00am—Dorothy Devine, req by Louis & Rachel Perfetti
- Fri., July 14**
9:00am—COMMUNION SERVICE
- Sat., July 15**
4:00pm—The Deck Family, req by Karl & Joan
Jerry Valenti, req by wife & family
Ruth & Leo Raymond, req by their daughters
- Sun., July 16**
8:30am—Living & Deceased mem of IHM
- 11:00am—Debra Bariteau, req by Larry Bariteau
Raffaella Centofanti, req by Peggy Germano
Margaret Foley, req by Peg Cote

ADMINISTRATION & FINANCE

Collection totals will be in next issue of bulletin due to early deadline.

Charismatic Mass and Healing Service at Christ Our Light Church, 1 Maria Dr., Loudonville. Presider: Bishop Edward B. Scharfenberger, D.D. Wed., July 12th - Praise and Prayer 7:00 pm; Mass 7:30 pm. Healing service to follow. **Come experience the power of the Holy Spirit!**

All Are Invited. For Info call Jack 518-334-6503

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time— "Come to me, all you who labor and are



burdened, and I will give you rest." Is there anyone to whom this doesn't apply? Don't we all have to labor at something, whether it be work, school, relationships, household affairs, or personal, emotional, or mental battles? Aren't we all burdened in some way at some time?

Jesus offers us powerful words of consolation in today's Gospel. He promises us rest. He calls all of us to himself, along with the baggage and burdens that we carry, and assures us that we will find relief. Thank God! What a gift for our tired, weary souls.

The strange part about the passage, however, is when Jesus suggests that in order to find this wonderful rest, we have to take a "yoke" upon our shoulders. This of course is a reference to the animal harness of old that would join two oxen together to share the weight of the load they carried. He tells us, "Take my yoke upon you and learn from me... For my yoke is easy, and my burden light." Somehow, joining Jesus in his work is supposed to bring us rest! Contrary to the standard belief that not working is the source of relief, Jesus urges us to join him in his mission in order to find peace. But what is this mission? To be "meek and humble of heart." Jesus' work is to do whatever God the Father wants him to do. As he says elsewhere, "My food is to do the will of the one who sent me and to finish his work" (Jn 4:34). So, it seems that if we also humbly submit to doing God's work—with Jesus right alongside us as our partner in the task—we will "find rest" for ourselves. So as we labor through the trials of the day, may we bear this in mind, and pray that we may handle them according to the will of God.

Defensive Driving Classes—SAVE on your insurance and take a class at the Beltrone Living Center! The next class will be offered on Wednesday, July 12 from 9:30am to 4:00pm. Cost per person is \$25 and registration is REQUIRED, for more information and to register, call 459-2857 ext 303.