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IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY PARISH



Pentecost

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Liturgical Schedule

Weekend Masses

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 PM

Sunday: 8:00 AM & 9:30 AM

Daily Mass

Monday: 9:00 AM

Tuesday: 6:30 PM

Wednesday: 6:30 PM / (*At Broadview*): 10:00 AM

Thursday: 9:00 AM

Holy Day Masses: *As Announced in the Bulletin*

Welcome!

If you are new to the area, we hope that you would consider making us your spiritual home. If you would like to register, please introduce yourself to the pastor after Mass.

Sacrament of Baptism:

Call the Parish Office in advance to schedule.

Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick:

Those who are preparing for surgery, homebound, diagnosed with an illness, or advancing in years, are asked to contact the Parish Office for this Sacrament of God's healing, mercy, and grace.

Sacrament of Matrimony:

As part of Diocesan requirement, preparations should be made at least six (6) months in advance. Please contact the Parish Office for more details.

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Each Saturday at 3:00 PM, & by appointment.

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, May 30: Vigil of Pentecost

4 PM **Gaspar & Mildred DeSantis & Herbert Squires**
Requested by: David Squires & Family

Sunday, May 31: Pentecost Sunday

9:30 AM **Anna Carpenter**
Requested by: Judy Philbrook

Monday, June 1: The Blessed Virgin Mary

9:00 AM No Intention

Tuesday, June 2: Weekday

6:30 PM No Intention

Wednesday, June 3: Weekday

6:30 PM **Felix Betourney**
Requested by Family

Thursday, June 4: Weekday

9:00 AM No Intention

Friday, June 5: St. Boniface

No Mass on Friday

Saturday, June 6: Vigil of Most Holy Trinity

4 PM **William Connor**
Requested by: Family

Sunday, June 7: Most Holy Trinity

9:30 AM **Charlie & Lila Hallquist**
Requested by: Laurie & Alan Hallquist

Special Thanks to all who have mailed in, dropped off or donated online, weekly stewardship offerings. We ask and pray that all our members continue to be good stewards and keep up with their commitment to God's

Weekend of 5/23 & 5/24
Thank you for your continued generosity

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| Sunday Offering (mailed in) | \$1838 |
| Online Donations | \$205 |
| Fuel, Monthly, Ascension | \$150 |
| Total | \$2193 |

IHM FUNDRAISER

For the benefit of our choir loft, stained glass window, and doors

Goal: \$50,000

Raised to date: \$34,161

Every dollar counts!!

Thank you so much for your generous support

"IMPORTANT NEWS"

Our facilities manager Rick Carrier will be retiring at the end of this coming summer. "Our parish is grateful to Rick for the great work he has been doing in keeping the maintenance of our Church, parking lot, and cemetery so well kept."

Since Rick is only going to be with us until Labor Day, September 7, our parish is looking to hire a new facilities manager fairly soon, to train with Rick for the summer.

People interested in the job can mail a resume to 52 Spruce St., Winchendon or make an appointment by email to renee@heartofmary.net or pastor@heartofmary.net or call during Parish Office Hours at 978-297-0280.

Strawberry Festival News: Unfortunately, this year, we've decided to cancel the Strawberry Festival. With the restrictions that are in place, and the amount of money it would cost to even start the festival up, we think it's best to cancel. That being said, we will be having various fundraisers throughout the year to help compensate. As most of you know, the Strawberry Festival is our biggest festival and is what helps us pay our heating bill for the year. If anyone has any fundraising ideas, please feel free to email Renee at renee@heartofmary.net. Thank you!

Dear Parishioners and Friends

As we prepare ourselves to return to this weekends Masses, it is important to emphasize the safety directions we were given by the Diocese of Worcester to keep in mind coming back to Church.

Any public celebration of the Liturgy or public devotions should be limited to forty percent of the capacity of the Church. Continuing Suspension of the Sunday Obligation to older adults and those with underlying health conditions as they are advised to avoid public assemblies. The suspension of the obligation to attend Mass on Sundays will remain in force until December 31, 2020.

Masks and Social Distancing: All members of the congregation should be masked and required to observe a minimum of a six foot social distance, there will be pews marked to be seated. At the time of Distribution of Holy Communion, the faithful leave their pews one row at a time while observing the requisite social distancing. Each person leaves their pew, removes the mask to receive communion and a usher will also give the person a squirt of hand sanitizer or alcohol to sanitize hands before receiving Holy Communion.

For Church Collection: Instead of passing collection baskets, parishioners can place their donations in conveniently located standing baskets, from which gloved ushers may transfer the money to drop-safe. Parishioners may also continue sending their envelopes by mail, by online giving or by dropping the envelope to the parish office. Thank you very much to all of you for your continuing support and welcome back.

With prayers. Fr. Henry Ramirez

Online Giving: We have set up online giving on our website. To donate online, please go to www.heartofmary.net, click ONLINE DONATIONS and a secure form will appear. Your Member # is your envelope number. You do not need to fill out that field if you are unsure of your number, we will still be able to credit your account by name. This form allows you to make an offertory donation to Immaculate Heart directly. You may make a one-time donation or establish recurring giving on a monthly basis, which would be greatly appreciated. Thank you

Ministry to the Sick: Please call the rectory when someone is moving to a nursing home, confined to home, going to be hospitalized, or in need of prayers. Arrangements can be made to visit or take communion to. We continue to pray for all those who are sick and unable to attend Mass.

Month of May is Devoted to Our Mother Mary
Prayer to Mary During COVID 19 Pandemic

O Mary, you shine continuously on our journey as a sign of salvation and hope.

We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick.

At the foot of the Cross you participated in Jesus' pain, with steadfast faith.

You, Salvation of the Roman People, know what we need.

We are certain that you will provide, so that, as you did at Cana of Galilee, joy and feasting might return after this moment of trial.

Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform ourselves to the Father's will and to do what Jesus tells us:

He who took our sufferings upon Himself, and bore our sorrows to bring us, through the Cross, to the joy of the Resurrection. Amen.

We seek refuge under your protection, O Holy Mother of God.

Do not despise our pleas - we who are put to the test - and deliver us from every danger, O glorious and blessed Virgin.