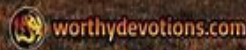


IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY PARISH

But he that received seed into the good ground is he that heareth the word, and understandeth it; which also beareth fruit, and bringeth forth, some an hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty.

Matthew 13:23



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Liturgical Schedule

Weekend Masses

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 PM

Sunday: 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, July 11: *Vigil 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

4:00 PM **Kenneth Girouard**
Requested by: Philip & Alice Tousignant

Sunday, July 12: *15th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

9:30 AM **Kathleen & Raymond Brow**
Requested by: Their Family

Monday, July 13: *Ordinary Weekday*

9:00 AM **No Mass Intention**

Tuesday, July 14: *St. Kateri Tekakwitha*

6:30 PM **Edward Gray**
Requested by: Wife, Ana

Wednesday, July 15: *Ordinary Weekday*

6:30 PM **Martin Kallio**
Requested by: Deacon & Mrs. Jim Couture

Thursday, July 16: *Ordinary Weekday*

9:00 AM **No Mass Intention**

Friday, July 17: *Ordinary Weekday*

No Mass on Friday

Saturday, July 18: *Vigil 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

4:00 PM **Alice DeFeo**
Requested by: DeFeo Family

Sunday, July 19: *16th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

9:30 AM **Yvonne & Napoleon Simoneau**
Requested by: Alan & Laurie 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 work through the church.

**Weekends of 6/27 & 6/28
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Online Donations	\$635
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Total	\$6215

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Collection Reminder: Just a reminder that the ushers are not allowed to do the collection at Masses during this pandemic. The collection baskets are at the back of the church and you may drop your donation/envelopes into the basket on your way out of church. We thank you for your generosity during these tough times. We also have online giving on our webpage, www.heartofmary.net, and you may set up weekly or monthly giving. This can be cancelled at anytime.

SUMMER SCRATCH TICKET RAFFLE

Our first fundraiser is underway! You'll have a chance to win a complete book of \$30 scratch tickets for just \$20 per chance! That's \$20 for \$1500 worth of scratch tickets! Chances will be sold after Mass, in the rectory and by several parishioners. Please call Renee in the rectory if you have any questions! The winner will be drawn on Saturday, August 1. Good Luck!

Fundraising Meeting: Monday, August 3 at 7 PM, we will be meeting in the church hall to discuss some ideas for fundraising. Please, bring your ideas to help us raise much needed funds for our oil bill this winter. We are asking for your help in actively taking these ideas from paper to reality.

In process now is the Scratch Ticket Raffle, drawing August 1. At the end of July, each parishioner, active and inactive, will be receiving Money Raffle Tickets, drawing September 5. Please, bring your ideas to help us raise much needed funds for our oil bill this winter.

DEAR PARISHIONERS AND FRIENDS

The first reading is taken from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah 55:10-11. The word of God which came to the Chosen People through the prophets, and given by God to the writers by inspiration is focused on God's loving interest in His people whom He wanted to prepare themselves for the inheritance of the real "promised land," that, when the messianic age (the "fullness of time") came, would be theirs, provided their lives on earth were lived as they should.

The second reading is from the Letter of St. Paul to the Romans 8:18-23. It is about present suffering and the glory of God. Suffering is an essential part of the Christian life and one who truly believes will have his or her share of hardships and trials. Yet, these are not ends in themselves, as there is hope that they will terminate with the full revelation of the glory of God.

The Gospel is from St. Matthew 13:1-23. This reading is about the seed, Jesus presents the parable of the sower and the seed. He speaks of the four types of ground on which the seed falls. The growth of the seed in three cases does not produce a rich harvest because of the environment in which the seeds fall. It is only the seed which falls in the rich, prepared soil which produces an abundant harvest.

The Word of God is given to various individuals, but not all are able to produce the growth which the Word has within it, because not all are fully open and prepared to allow the Word to grow and expand within them.

As we continue celebrating our Parish First Communions on Saturdays we congratulate, Vincent Casiello who received First Communion on July 4th and Steven Schwertz who receive First Communion on July 11. Blessings. Fr. Henry Ramirez

HEALTHY EATING ACTIVE LIVING (HEAL)

WINCHENDON: HEAL Winchendon is now starting to use our kitchen to prepare fresh fruits and vegetable to be distributed to families in and around Winchendon. They are recreating a local food system that works for everyone in Winchendon, from residents to farmers to retailers to anchor institutions like hospitals and colleges. If you are looking to help, they meet Tuesday mornings in our kitchen at 10:00 AM to prep and package the food. Come on down, all are welcome! For more information, go to www.growingplaces.org

Masks Are Required: Just a reminder that masks are required at all Masses. Also, if you have your own hand sanitizer, you are encouraged to please bring that with you as well. The church has some, but it will help us cut some of our costs if you have some of your own to bring. Thank you!

Back Pack Program Needs Your Help!

The Back Pack Program has been moved back to our parish for the summer until school resumes in the Fall. This program provides food to our children of our community here in Winchendon. We are looking for sponsors for this program. The cost per bag is \$5. If you would like to contribute, checks can be made out to Immaculate Heart of Mary and in memo Back-pack Program and dropped in collection basket. Any questions can be directed Deirdre Holt @978-297-2885. Thank you for your help as we strive to make sure that no child goes hungry.

THIS WEEK AT THE PARISH...

Tuesday, July 14

HEAL Winchendon, 10 AM (Hall)

Thursday, July 16

Our Neighbor's Kitchen, 5 PM (Hall)

Saturday, July 18

First Communion, 4 PM, (Church)

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