Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish

52 Spruce Street
Winchendon, Massachusetts 01475

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil Mass:	4:00 PM
Sunday Mass:	8:00 AM
	9:30 AM
Daily Mass: Wed	8:00 AM
Thursday (Broadview)	10:00 AM
Tues & Fri	6:00 PM

Holy Day Masses:

As announced in the bulletin

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BAPTISMS:
Call the Rectory in advance to schedule Baptismal instruction for parents and godparents.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK:
Anyone in need of the Lord's healing and strength from this sacrament should call the rectory.

MARRIAGE:
Arrangements should be made at least one year in advance by the couple. A marriage preparation program is required by the Diocese of Worcester.

RECONCILIATION:
Every Saturday 3:00 PM. & by appointment.

The Epiphany of the Lord *January 8, 2017*

Mass Intentions For The Week

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Sat Jan 7 4:00 George & Josephine Plante by Family

(1 Jn 5:14-21; Sal 149:1-6a, 9b; Jn 2:1-11)

Sun Jan 8 8:00 AM Homer & Pauline Charlonne by Charlonne Family

Sun Jan 8 9:30 Mary Chard Campbell by the Family

(Is60:1-6;Ps72:1-2,7-8,10-13; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12)

Mon Jan 9 No Mass On Monday

(Acts10:34-38; Ps 29:1-4, 3, 9-10; Mt 3:13-17)

Tues Jan 10 6:00 PM Joan Robichaud by the Members of St. Vincent de Paul Society

(Heb 2:5-12; Ps 8:2ab, 5, 6-9; Mk 1:21-28)

Wed Jan 11 8:00 AM Regina Szwarc by Chlebecek Family

(Heb 2:14-18; Ps 105:1-4, 6-9; Mk 1:29-39)

Thurs Jan 12 10:00 Open Intention

(Heb 3:7-14; Ps 95:6-11; Mk 1:40-45)

Fri Jan 13 Bertrand LaChance (20th ann) by Family

(Heb 4:1-5, 11; Ps 78:3, 4bc, 6c-8; Mk 2:1-12

Sat Jan 14 4:00 Thomas Dodier by Friends & Family

(Heb 4:12-16; Ps 19:8-10, 15; Mk 2:13-17)

Sun Jan 15 8:00 AM Open Intention

Sun Jan 15 9:30 AM Anita Lambert by Family

(Is49:3,5-6;Ps40:2,4,7-10;1Cor1:1-3; Jn 1:29-34)

THANK YOU DEACON MARK!

In my own name and that of the entire parish, we cannot thank Deacon Mark enough for his years of ministry here at Immaculate Heart of Mary. Being that last weekend was Deacon Mark's last weekend with us, we were unable to plan a reception, but if you would like to send a congratulatory card to him at St. Anthony's the parish's address is 84 Salem St., Fitchburg, MA 01420. Deacon Mark, you will always be in our thoughts and prayers. We love you and we will miss you!

YOU ARE INVITED!

Fr. Michael is hosting a Rectory Open House for Christmas on Epiphany Sunday, January 8 from 1:00-4:00 PM. Please come by the Rectory for some Christmas Cheer and goodies to celebrate the season!

A NOTICE ABOUT CALVARY CEMETERY

Calvary Cemetery will close for the winter, beginning this weekend until Mid-April. Please note that we do now plow the cemetery during the winter. As the snow begins to accumulate, the main gates will be closed to prevent motor vehicles from entering and getting stuck in the snow and possibly damaging the headstones and cemetery grounds. Thank you for you understanding.

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

January
"Restoration"

January 8
"Catholic University"

January 15
"Fuel Collection"

FLOWERS AT SAINT MARY'S SHRINE

In Memory of:

Regina Szwarc

By:

The Chlebecek Family

BIBLE SHARING

Join us for Bible Sharing every Tuesday evening at 6:30 pm in the Rivier Center. No expertise needed just a hunger for God's Word and how it applies to our everyday lives. For more information or questions call, Gerry Couture at 978-297-1346

WEEKLY FINANCIAL PICTURE

Weekend of 12/24 & 12/25

Regular Collection	**$2878**
Christmas	**$2489**
Mailed in	**$400**

Weekend of 12/31 & 1/1

Regular Collection	**$2863**
Solemnity of Mary	**$412**
Monthly Restoration	**$347**

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Grades Pre-K—8 will meet 8:00 AM -9:15 AM

January 8, 22 & 29

Grades 9—12 will meet 6:00 PM—8:00 PM

January 8 & 22

WINTER WEATHER POLICIES

With winter weather soon to be upon us, it's important to know if the parish is open or closed. If Winchendon schools are closed, all parish activities are cancelled. This means that Holy Mass, religious education classes, adult faith formation sessions, meetings etc., are also cancelled and the parish office is closed. If there is a delay in the opening of school, Holy Mass will still be celebrated, but please use your best judgement in traveling to the parish. This policy applies to snow storms that happen during the week. Weekend Masses are typically not cancelled. In the event of a weekday snowstorm and Mass is cancelled, the intention for that day will be transferred to the next time Holy Mass is celebrated.

A LETTER FROM DEACON MARK

Dear Parish Family,

After taking much time in prayer and discernment, I want to let you know that I have taken another assignment. As of February 1st 2017, I will be officially assigned to St. Anthony of Padua parish in Fitchburg Ma.

On December 8th, I celebrated my 15th anniversary of ordination and it made me stop to look back over the years I have been here at Immaculate Heart of Mary. I realized how many privileged moments God has given me with the families of this parish. Privileged moments.....whether it was administering Sacraments, giving advice from a father/husband/friend perspective, working with the many altar servers & with over 15 years to name a few. As I sit and look out at you my parishioners & my family, all these memories came flooding back to me, and I realized that I have baptized some of your children who are now grown. I was honored to have been asked to Witness your marriage and even some of your children's marriages!!! I have sat with family members and recited the Prayers for the Dying, for loved ones who have been called home. I have had the privilege of serving at wake services and funerals of those whom you have lost. Memories of visiting you in the hospital or nursing home... Privileged moments indeed!

Looking back I remember how it was your prayers that carried me through 4 years of studies and formation for the Diaconate. Life was busy then, as running a business, raising a family, & the up keep of a home with studies along with it. I could never have made it without the support of my wife Joyce and my children Erica, Jake & Chad who made many sacrifices during that time. It was all of your prayers that were offered up for me by family, friends and you my parish family that got me through those 4 years. I really understood what God's grace & blessings were all about. But now it is time for me to move onto the next chapter of my ministry. I want to thank all of you from the bottom of my heart for accepting me here at my home parish where I will always cherish the memories. Though it is with sadness that I leave Immaculate Heart of Mary, it is also with excitement for the challenges ahead.

You're always in my prayers,

Deacon Mark Carrier

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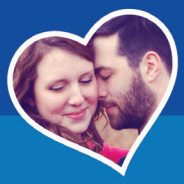

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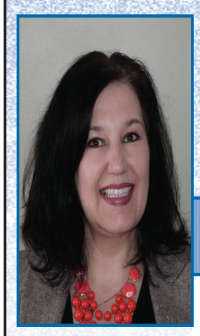

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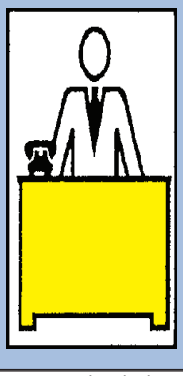

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