

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME August 26, 2018

PLEASE PRAY WITH US FOR:

Amenia	Mon.	Aug. 27	8:00 am	Rudolph Eschbach
"	Tues.	Aug. 28	8:00 am	Juliana Amanchukwu
"	Wed.	Aug. 29	8:00 am	Gregory Rost
"	Thurs	Aug. 30	8:00 am	NO MASS
"	Fri.	Aug. 31	8:00 am	Lawrence C. Hardisty, Jr.
Pine Plains	"	"	12 noon	James V & Elizabeth A. Moriarty
Amenia	Sat.	Sept. 1	8:00 am	Gregory Rost
"	"	"	4:30 pm	Charles Renner
Pine Plains	Sun	Sept. 2	8:00 am	Ann Marie & Anthony Capaccio
Amenia	"	"	10:45 am	People of the Parish

"IMMACULATE CONCEPTION-ST. ANTHONY PARISH"

On January 7th, 1881 the first assistant priest, Fr. D.J. Cealy arrived in Amenia. Then on the 28th of March 1881 deeds were received turning over about 2 acres of land, a house and barn on the corner of South and New Streets. The house was improved to accommodate the two priests, though the cost of this work would not be paid off until the 20th of December 1885. The barn was improved with fences and a terrace added to make a one room school house. The school opened here in September 1882.

For the new church, approximately four acres were acquired from J.W. Hughes for \$5,000, including a house (which later became a rectory) and a barn. On April 5, 1887, the ground was broken and a cornerstone laid by Michael H. Corrigan, Archbishop of New York. Archbishop Corrigan and his party arrived by train from New York to lay the cornerstone which contained the newspaper and coins of the day. The church was completed by the end of the year, at a cost of \$12,775.00. After many delays, the church was dedicated on Sunday the 12th of February 1888 by Archbishop Corrigan. Fr. Corkery began teaching classes in the basement of the church on the 3rd of September 1888 and thus, the school began as soon as possible after the opening of the new church.

Only a small "nest egg" from the fire insurance was recovered from the old church, but Fr. Corkery managed to pay \$3000 of the church debt through fund raising before he left in 1888.

On January 13th, 1888, Fr. Molloy replaced Fr. Corkery as pastor and moved into the new church which had been accepted by Fr. Corkery that very day. In 1889 Fr. Molloy gained permission to make parishes of Millbrook and Dover Plains, thus lightening the load of the mission work. On the 12th of May 1890 Fr. Anthony Molloy and the trustees voted to turn over church and land of St. Joseph's to the people of Millbrook for one dollar. Fr. Molloy resided, as pastor, from 1888 until 1894 when Fr. James McEntyre became the pastor from the 12th of July 1894 to 1898. During 1894 and 1895 both churches were repainted. Then in January 1896 the interior of St. Patrick's was totally renovated.

Fr.. McEntyre proudly wrote about "parish mission" operating in Amenia in 1896 preached by Rev. James Dougherty and a similar one opening in 1898. "On the first Sunday of October 1896 a mission opened at Amenia by the Rev. James Dougherty. About 403 confessions were heard. This was followed by a three day mission at Millerton. One hundred confessions were heard."

*To be continued,
Fr. Wilson*

CONFESSION - Confession is available every Saturday afternoon from 3:45 pm to 4:15 pm at Immaculate Conception in Amenia. Reconciliation is a sacrament of healing by which we receive God's merciful forgiveness for our personal sins and experience the powerful love of God.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH : Gerhard Herron, Margaret Wilcox, Janet Stiles, Evan Ciovacco, Lydia Casey, Evelyn Bouffard, Mark Hamm, Grover Williams, Stephanie Merenda, Carol Wilson, Dawn Hazel Burrows, Jordana Bell, Lori DeLucca, Amanda Carneski, Linda Sartori, Mary Murphy Adamitis, Winifred Capowski, Arthur Nadeau, Jeff Moissonnier, LuAnn Ballantine, Frank D'Agostino, Michael Kain, Susan Moody, Danny Hagerty, Sonja Kelly, Mike Butts, Mary Ann Mullen, Alan Carroll, Erin D'Elia, Richard Piccoli, Dominic Nannetti, Santino Delfino, Luz Pelkey, Averie Burke, Ricky McGhee, John Daubman, Kathryn Garzetta, Joseph Licurse, Delora Brooks, June Heckelman, Teresa Pelkey, Renee & Al Cobuzzi, Joanne Balek, Michael Engel, Theresa Thompson, Helen Murphy Riley, Linda Mary Dick, Leela Niranjana, Lisa Missailidis, Lori Downing, Ralph & Kathy Locantore, Fred Arni, Brandon Rojas, Jennifer McRoberts, Leah Rost, Genevieve Minischetti and Susan Consentino

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM - The first day of our 2018-2019 Religious Ed Program will begin on Sunday, September 9th, at 9:15 am. A letter with more details will be forthcoming. The formation of faith and conscience is a lifelong process and by working together we can help our children develop a loving lasting relationship with God.

START SEPTEMBER WITH GOD - Come join us for coffee and snacks followed by Morning Prayer and Guided Meditation at St. Anthony's in Pine Plains at 10 am on Saturday, September 1st. Guided Meditation is a way of deepening your relationship with Jesus by imaginatively entering into a Biblical scene yourself. It's like a Biblical version of the "We Were There..." book series.

LOVE CAN MAKE US SAINTS - It is very Catholic to admire the saints and imagine that they had characteristics of holiness that we don't. Yet many people who became saints didn't perform great deeds but had great love of God and neighbor. If they can do it, we can, too

Saint Augustine was a playboy. He was into partying, paganism, and an immoral lifestyle. Through the prayers of his mother and the guidance of St. Ambrose, Augustine came to adore the God he discovered in Scripture. His love for God made him a new man.

St. Ignatius of Loyola dreamed of courtly love and knightly deeds. Injured during a battle with the French, he was forced to convalesce to heal his shattered leg. While recuperating, he read the only books available – biographies of Jesus and the saints. Captivated by their holiness, Ignatius became attracted to a life of holy love. He later founded the Society of Jesus (Jesuits), a religious order that thrives today.

SAVE THE DATE – Please save the date of Sunday, September 23rd, 2018, to celebrate the 150th Anniversary of our Church. We will begin with the 10:45 am Mass. As we gather together to give thanks to God for our Church, Cardinal Dolan has agreed to celebrate Mass with us on this very special occasion. A barbecue will follow in the gym. I hope you can join us.

DID YOU KNOW? Did you know that the Stained Glass Windows in the Church have the names of the priests who were assigned to our parish when the current Church was constructed? Their names are Rev. Daniel J. Corkery (St. John) and Rev. David J. Leahy (Mary). If anyone has any information at all regarding the names of the persons on the other windows, please contact the office at (845) 373-8193 or email at icspamen@optonline.net. Here is a list of the names: (side windows) Rev. ML Penny, Rev. TFM Laughlin, M. Manning, Mrs. JA S??vin. (Angels) E. Oliver.

SUNDAY COLLECTION - Last weekend, August 18-19, 2018, we collected \$3,819.01 in our Regular Sunday Collection and \$1,038.90 in the Assumption Collection. I thank you for your presence, your generosity and steadfast commitment to our Church. I pray that God will continue to bless you and your families.

PRAY FOR THOSE SERVING IN THE ARMED FORCES: . Timothy Walsh, Joshua O'Hara, Connor Washburn, Sam Kent, Jordan Paraszti, Gavin Carroll, Richard C. Belliveau, Jimmy Darnell, Mike Mazza, Nathan Tong, Mark Hall and Tyler Jasmin. Please keep our servicemen and their families in your prayers

*The Sanctuary Light which will burn this week
at Immaculate Conception Church
was donated by Larry & Laurie Hardisty
In Loving Memory of Lawrence C. Hardisty, Jr.*

WHAT IT MEANS TO BE POOR - One day a father of a very wealthy family took his son on a trip to the country with the firm purpose of showing his son how poor people can be. They spent a couple of days and nights on the farm of what would be considered a very poor family. On their return from their trip, the father asked his son, "How was the trip?" "It was great, Dad." "Did you see how poor people can be?" the father asked. "Oh yeah", said the son. "So what did you learn from the trip?" asked the father. The son answered, "I saw that we have one dog and they had four. We have a pool that reaches to the middle of our garden and they have a creek that has no end. We have imported lanterns in our garden and they have the stars at night. Our patio reaches to the front yard and they have the whole horizon. We have a small piece of land to live on and they have fields that go beyond our sight. We have servants who serve us, but they serve others. We buy our food, but they grow theirs. We have walls around our property to protect us; they have friends to protect them." With this the boy's father was speechless. Then his son added, "Thanks, Dad, for showing me how poor we are".

Give thanks for all the bounty we have..