

TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
October 21, 2018

PLEASE PRAY WITH US FOR:

Amenia	Mon.	Oct. 22	8:00 am	Rudy Eschbach
"	Tues.	Oct. 23	8:00 am	Janet Mahar
"	Wed.	Oct. 24	8:00 am	Mary Hardisty
"	Thurs	Oct. 25	8:00 am	NO MASS
"	Fri.	Oct. 26	8:00 am	Mary Hardisty
Pine Plains	"	"	12 noon	Gordon Weinstein
Amenia	Sat.	Oct. 27	8:00 am	Mary Hardisty
"	"	"	4:30 pm	John Edwards
Pine Plains	Sun	Oct. 28	8:00 am	Angelo & Rita Cutone
Amenia	"	"	10:45 am	People of the Parish

"ST. TERESA OF AVILA"

Dear Friends:

We celebrate the feast day of St. Teresa of Avila on October 15th. Sometimes she is confused with St. Therese (the Little Flower), but St. Teresa is quite a different saint.

St. Teresa was born in 1515 in Avila, Spain. A very religious young lady, she entered a Carmelite monastery in 1535. She soon found the monastery very unfaithful to its religious structure. Teresa was very upset with the constant interruptions in the monastery, caused by visitors and disorganization.

She wanted to begin a new Carmelite convent, with deeper fidelity to the Carmelite rule. The new monastery was founded in 1562. The monastery was well-known for its strict faithfulness to the rule of poverty.

The reformed convent of the Carmelite nuns inspired the beginning of a reformed Carmelite order of men. This was aided by the help of St. John of the Cross. They founded the first monastery of Discalced Carmelite Brothers in 1568.

Eventually, St. Teresa founded 16 convents of the reformed Carmelites, as well as many new men's monasteries.

St. Teresa died in 1582 on her feast day of October 15th. She was canonized in 1622 and honored as a Doctor of the Church in 1970. She is called the "Doctor of Prayer."

St. Teresa's writings stand among the most remarkable in the mystical literature of our Catholic Church:

1. *The Autobiography of 1567*
2. *The Way of Perfection of 1567*
3. *The Interior Castle, written in 1577*

It is said that the writing of St. Teresa is among the best of Spanish writers.

It should be remembered that the reformation, the Protestant revolt against the Catholic Church, was thought to begin around 1515. That is the year St. Teresa was born. It is sure to me that St. Teresa was sent by God to eventually reform religious life, and thus strengthen the Church in a time of crisis.

Fr. Wilson

ALL SOULS DAY - All Souls Day envelopes are available in the back of both Churches. You can place them in the collection basket or drop them off at the parish office.

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, Danny Hagerty, Sonja Kelly, Mike Butts, Mary Ann Mullen, 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 Niranjani, Ralph & Kathy Locantore, Fred Arni, Brandon Rojas, Leah Rost, Genevieve Minischetti Susan Consentino, Pat Boice and Deborah McGovern

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.

GIVE US THIS DAY - I invite you to pick up a complimentary copy of a wonderful monthly prayer publication called *Give Us This Day*. Copies will be available on October 20th in the vestibule of the Church. I love this publication and can tell you from personal experience that whether you have only a few minutes, or a half hour, *Give Us This Day* will support your desire to pray. (Sr. Jean Flannelly, SC)

MEMORIAL MASS FOR ALL DECEASED CHILDREN - The Annual Memorial Mass for all deceased children will be held on Friday, November 2, 2018 @ 7:30 pm at St. Columba Church, 835 Route 82, Hopewell Junction, NY. We welcome all parents, grandparents, relatives and friends who have experienced this loss. Please join with us as we draw strength from the Eucharist, the World of God and our mutual support. Any questions, please call Deacon Alvarado, 227-8380.

THREE WAYS TO WALK JESUS' PATH - The magnificence of Heaven is simply beyond our comprehension. Our limited minds can't imagine how amazing it is. Jesus came to tell us about it and show us how to get there. He hoped we'd follow in His footsteps and do what He did.

Service others with love. Jesus asked us to love one another as He did. Some of the ways He showed love were to treat strangers kindly, tend to the material needs of the needy, lend an attentive ear, help people make good and virtuous decisions that bring them closer to God. Try to show love in these ways daily.

Lighten your load. Not only did Jesus have few material goods, He sent His disciples out to preach with almost nothing. He didn't want them –or us- to be distracted. Jesus knew that the more we have, the more we'd think about our stuff and the less we'd think about God. Consider shedding what you don't need, and buying only items that replace what is worn out or broken. Give the money you save to charity.

Quiet down. Jesus frequently went off to be alone with God. Take some quiet time each day just to keep company with God. Even spending as few as 15 minutes a day with God in silence will bring you peace.

TO ALL WOMEN OF THE PARISH - The Sisters of Life invite you to a ***Feminine Genius Brunch*** on Saturday, November 3rd at 10:00 am at Dutchess Manor in Beacon, New York. This brunch borrows its name after those amazing God-given attributes endowed to you as women – receptivity, sensitivity, generosity, and maternity – all of which make up the ***feminine genius***!! In addition to a lovely brunch on the edge of the Hudson River, Sr. Virginia Joy, the director of the Respect Life Office of the Archdiocese will give a talk on the beauty of the feminine heart and these distinct attributes as women. RSVP by October 28, at adnyfemininegeniusbrun. Any questions, please contact sr.virginia.joy@archny.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES COMMUNITY SERVICES - Catholic Charities Communities will be giving free immigration legal consultation on Friday, November 16th from 10 am- 3 pm at St. Mary's School which is located at 231 Church Street, Poughkeepsie, NY. DACA will be offered on-site as well. Event is by appointment only – walk-ins are not guaranteed a consultation. To make an appointment, please call/text 347-921-0631 or email cccscmmclinics@gmail.com. Bi-lingual volunteers needed! If you want to volunteer, please email above address with subject line "Volunteer."

SUNDAY COLLECTION - Last weekend, October 13-14, 2018, we collected \$3,376.00 in our Regular Sunday Collection and \$1,219.29 for Utility and Energy. 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.