

**TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
**October 6, 2019**

**PLEASE PRAY WITH US FOR:**

<b>Amenia</b>	Mon.	Oct. 7	8:00 am	Katherine Blinn
"	Tues.	Oct. 8	8:00 am	Margaret Sicord
"	Wed.	Oct. 9	8:00 am	Barbara & Ray McEnroe
"	Thurs.	Oct. 10	8:00 am	NO MASS
"	Fri.	Oct. 11	8:00 am	Eugene Ketchum
<b>Pine Plains</b>	"	"	12 noon	Patrick Bryceland, Sr.
<b>Amenia</b>	Sat.	Oct. 12	8:00 am	Bill Bates
"	"	"	4:30 pm	Ray Proper

<b>Pine Plains</b>	Sun.	Oct. 13	8:00 am	Angelo Cutone & Rita Cutone
<b>Amenia</b>	"	"	10:45 am	People of the Parish

**"A MEETING AT THE SEMINARY"**

*Dear Friends,*

*All the priests of the Archdiocese of New York were invited to a meeting at the Seminary in Yonkers, New York. This meeting was to update us on the efforts of the Archdiocese to deal with the abuse scandal in the Church.*

*Since 2002, the Archdiocese, and the rest of the Churches in the United States, have seriously approached the abuse problem. Every diocese in the country has developed strong new programs to correct the failures of the past.*

*All of the leaders of the Archdiocese were there, including the Cardinal and lawyers and others. The Cardinal introduced a special guest, the respected Judge Barbara Jones.*

*Judge Jones has been working in a special way with the Archdiocese in the past year, reviewing the procedures of victim assistance, as well as researching the personnel files of all the priests that have served in the Archdiocese.*

*The Judge told us that she has made absolutely sure that no priest who has been "credibly accused" is working in the ministry. In other words, every priest who has had a carefully researched accusation, that is believed to be true, is no longer allowed to work in the priestly ministry anywhere in the diocese.*

*Judge Jones recommended that the personnel records be completely transformed to a computer system. She also strongly recommends that training for priests and teachers and volunteers be strengthened in order to build up real safe environments.*

*One thing that has happened is that the legislature in New York State has begun an expanded window into past accusations so that the victims may file lawsuits against the diocese beyond the normal statute of limitations. This is very challenging for the Archdiocese as the lawyers present related to us.*

*It has been a very difficult time for priests in our country. Many of our brother priests have been removed from ministry. Cardinal Dolan told us that Jesus is always there to help us as the Cardinal expressed his love for us today and always.*

*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.

**MEN'S CLUB** - The next Men's Club meeting will be held on Monday, October 7<sup>th</sup>, at 6:45 pm in the Chapel of Immaculate Conception Church in Amenia. New members are most welcome.

**BLESS, DON'T CURSE** - When you are angry at someone else, don't judge or criticize. Instead offer a prayer, a Rosary, or a Mass for his or her intention and ask God to bless you both. It's so much more effective.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH :** Gerhard Herron, Evan Ciovacco, Lydia Casey, Mark Hamm, Grover Williams, Stephanie Merenda, Carol Wilson, Dawn Hazel Burrows, Jordana Bell, Lori DeLuca, Amanda Carneski, Linda Sartori, Winifred Capowski, Arthur Nadeau, LuAnn Ballantine, Frank D'Agostino, Danny Hagerty, Sonja Kelly, Mike Butts, Erin D'Elia, Richard Piccoli, Dominic Nannetti, Santino Delfino, Averie Burke, Ricky McGhee, John Daubman, Joseph Licurse, Joanne Balek, Michael Engel, Theresa Thompson, Linda Mary Dick, Leela Niranjani, Ralph Locantore, Fred Arni, Brandon Rojas, Leah Rost, Susan Consentino, Pat Boice, Arietta Carroll, Flo Vinchiarello, Cecilia Cummings, Mary Wilkinson, Evelyn Tompkins, Mary Simmons, Marlena Mittell, Marjorie Arni, John Haggerty, Teal Burns, Jane Bly, Jennifer Boice, Nora Miller, Allen McPeck, Diana LaCurto, Genevieve Minischetti, Anita Nichols, Kathleen McGuire, Loretta Heller, Scott Traver, Douglas Wilson, Donna Whalen and Stephen Bida.

**FALL IN LOVE WITH GOD !** Celebrate autumn in prayer – join us for Morning Prayer and Guided Meditation on Saturday, October 19<sup>th</sup> at 10 am at St. Anthony's in Pine Plains.

**CROP WALK & BAKE SALE** - The Crop Walk & Bake Sale in Pine Plains will be held on Sunday, October 13, 2019, at 1:30 pm till approximately 4:00 pm starting at the Lion's Club Pavilion and continuing around Stissing Lake. Apples, cookies, and water will be available to the walkers. More information will be available in the back of Church.

***God our Creator,  
we give thanks to you,  
who alone have the power to impart the breath of life  
as you form each of us in our mother's womb;  
grant, we pray,  
that we, whom you have made stewards of creation,  
may remain faithful to this sacred trust  
and constant in safeguarding the dignity of every human life.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, for ever and ever.***

**WETHERSFIELD INSTITUTE TO HOST A SOLEMN MASS** - On Saturday, October 19<sup>th</sup>, at 11:00 am at Immaculate Conception in Amenia, the Wethersfield Institute for Catholic Thought will host a Solemn Mass to be sung by the Metropolitan Catholic Chorale featuring a Choral Mass Ordinary by Casciolini and Gregorian Chant Propers. Confession will precede the Mass.

**MORNING OF ENRICHMENT FOR LECTORS AND COMMUNION MINISTERS** – Please join us in the Parish Center on Saturday, October 26<sup>th</sup>, from 9:00 am to noon. This is ongoing education for existing ministers. We will reflect on our experiences and explore how we can deepen our relationship with God and each other.

**PALLIATIVE CARE – THE ANTIDOTE FOR PHYSICIAN-ASSISTED SUICIDE** - Sr. Peter Lillian DiMaria, O.Carm., Director of Gerontology at the Avila Institute in Germantown, will present: Meditations on Suffering – Care for the Dying, on Saturday, October 26<sup>th</sup>, from 10:00 am until 12:30 pm, at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 1278 Route 9G, Hyde Park. Admission is free but you must pre-register to insure adequate materials and accommodations. RSVP to Martha Kennedy 845-505-1834. Event is being sponsored by DutchessNY4Life and the Knights of Columbus-Council #6111.

**AARP 6 HR. DRIVER SAFETY COURSE** - AARP 6 hour Driver Safety Course is being offered on Tuesday, November 5, 2019 from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm (with a one hour lunch break) at Immaculate Conception Parish Center at 11 Lavelle Road in Amenia. The fee is \$20.00 for AARP members and \$25.00 for non-members. Cash or check only. Class size is a maximum of 25 participants. Call Ed between 4 to 8 pm at 845-373-8108 to register. Bring your AARP card.

**SUNDAY COLLECTION** - Last weekend, September 28-29, 2019, we collected \$3,600.50 in our Regular Sunday Collection and \$792.64 for St. Joseph's Seminary. 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.

**THE SANCTUARY LAMP** - The Sanctuary Lamp signifies the Eucharistic presence of the Lord Jesus in the Tabernacle and burns for seven days (from Sunday to Saturday). You may have the Sanctuary Lamp memorialized for a sick person, a deceased family member or friend, or as a special intention. The donation is \$10.00.

*The Sanctuary Light which will burn this week  
at Immaculate Conception Church  
was donated by Denise & Bob Conway  
In Loving Memory of Eugene Ketchum*