

## TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME September 13, 2020

### PLEASE PRAY WITH US FOR:

<b>Amenia</b>	Mon.	Sept. 14	8:00 am	Mary Hardisty
"	Tues.	Sept. 15	8:00 am	Grace H. McGowan
"	Wed.	Sept. 16	8:00 am	Mae Kain
"	Thurs.	Sept. 17	8:00 am	NO MASS
"	Fri.	Sept. 18	8:00 am	Murial Brassfield
<b>Pine Plains</b>	"	"	12 noon	Brett Porter <b>(Living)</b>
<b>Amenia</b>	Sat.	Sept. 19	8:00 am	NO MASS
"	"	"	4:30 pm	Antonia & John Sferratore and Mary, Sam and Marjorie Crodelle
<b>Pine Plains</b>	"	"	6:15 pm	Elizabeth Brizzie
<b>Pine Plains</b>	Sun	Sept. 20	8:00 am	People of the Parish
<b>Amenia</b>	"	"	10:45 am	George & Marcella Butts

### "MUSIC OF THE PAST"

Dear Friends:

*Please excuse my ramblings today in my discussion. I have been watching on the Turner Classic Channel a series of different films and documentaries covering the music of the late 1960's and 1970's. To many of our younger people, you might not relate to this time of music and culture. But I lived through it.*

*I really got into it. I was in an amateur rock band for a few years and I went to many concerts. I had records and eight tracks. It was a part of my life. I still think it was one of the biggest experiences of musical talent in modern history.*

*It caused a lot of turmoil. My parents didn't like the music coming out of our bedrooms. My Dad saw a picture of Jimi Hendrix and was shocked and angry. It took my Mom twenty years to understand what it all meant.*

*I had a subscription to "Rolling Stone." I had an eight track player in the car and we would go for trips during high school breaks just to listen. Music meant a great deal to me. It still does.*

*Right now the channel is showing the documentary of "Woodstock." Woodstock was a huge concert here in New York State in 1969. I didn't go, since I was 15 at the time. For some, it seemed like a great cultural event that changed the world. It really, in my mind, wasn't that big a change. The promise of Woodstock and countercultural change didn't really come about. But it was good music, at least most of it.*

*Three tragedies occurred at the end of the 60's. The deaths of Janis Joplin, Jim Morrison and Jimi Hendrix, all at a young age, were a shock. Drug use, growing in the 60's and 70's was taking its toll. Drugs were, in many ways, the tragic flaw of those years. Drug use today is still a very urgent problem in these United States.*

*Many people praised the peacefulness of the multitudes at Woodstock. But I have personally experienced peaceful celebrations of young people – hundreds of thousands in Denver, Madrid and Sydney. They were the very Catholic celebrations of World Youth Days. I thank God I was there.*

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.

**MISSION APPEAL** - On the weekend of September 19-20, we will be having a special collection for the "Missionary Co-op Appeal." A Maryknoll Sister, Sister Alice Vandoeover will be coming to speak to us at the Masses. The Maryknoll Sisters have worked in many parts of the world, as nurses, doctors, teachers, social and pastoral workers. I ask that you be as generous as you can to help them in their work.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH :** Gerhard Herron, Evan Ciovacco, Lydia Casey, Grover Williams, Stephanie Merenda, Carol Wilson, Dawn Hazel Burrows, Jordana Bell, Lori DeLucca, Amanda Carneski, Winifred Capowski, Arthur Nadeau, LuAnn Ballantine, Frank D'Agostino, Sonja Kelly, Mike Butts, Erin D'Elia, Richard Piccoli, Dominic Nannetti, Santino Delfino, Ricky McGhee, John Daubman, Joseph Licurse, Joanne Balek, Michael Engel, Linda Mary Dick, Leela Niranjana, Ralph Locantore, Fred Arni, Brandon Rojas, Leah Rost, Susan Consentino, Pat Boice, Arietta Carroll, Cecilia Cummings, Mary Wilkinson, Evelyn Tompkins, Marjorie Arni, Teal Burns, Jane Bly, Jennifer Boice, Nora Miller, Allen McPecki, Anita Nichols, Kathleen McGuire, Loretta Heller, Douglas Wilson, Donna Whalen, Stephen Bida, Leah Eurvard, Meghan King, Patricia Macura, Jerard Kain, Margaret and Roger Gregoire, Kyleigh Cummings, Caroline McEnroe, Patty Cassidy, Kathleen Herron, Michael Gaddis, Baby Gemma Dadone, Joe Gatto, Raymond Proper, Jr., Joan Moriarty, Michael Tozzi, Daniel Briggs, Brett Porter, Alice Phillips, Carl Stahovic and Domenic Mottola.

As the sick list is getting quite lengthy, please call the office if the person you requested to be added to our prayer list has recovered from their medical emergency. If their condition changes, they can always be put back on the list.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE RECENTLY DEPARTED IN OUR PARISH:** Thomas Carberry, Theresa Thompson, Christine Lombardi, Richard DiCarmine, Mark Hamm

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**ALTAR ROSARY SOCIETY** - The Altar Rosary Society will meet on Monday, September 14<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 pm in the Church of Immaculate Conception. New members are most welcome.

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION for 2020-2021** - In order to comply with the restrictions to safely open our Religious Ed Program during this coronavirus pandemic, classes are tentatively scheduled to begin on Sunday, October 18, 2020. Updates will follow.

**DO WHAT JESUS DID** - It is hard to imagine how wonderful Heaven is or the joy that awaits us there. Jesus' mission of salvation while on Earth made Heaven possible for us, if we live a life of holiness and grace as He did. Jesus hoped we would do what He did...

Service - While on Earth, Jesus' purpose was to serve God and others. He even performed servant tasks such as serving food and washing feet. He asked that we model His servant's heart.

Love - When He walked among us, Jesus reached out to those who felt unloved, comforted those who were suffering, and helped people draw closer to His Father. Try to show love in these ways every day.

Detach - Jesus sent His disciples out to preach with almost nothing. He didn't want them (or us) distracted. He knew that the more stuff we have to think about, the less we'll think about God. Give away whatever you don't need.

Pray - Jesus drew strength from time alone with God. Spending quiet time with God each day will help keep you on the path to Heaven.

Sacrifice. - The most perfect sacrifice offered to God was Jesus' death on the Cross. Yet, when we give up time, effort, or something we value out of love for God and others, we imitate Jesus' generosity.

**SUNDAY COLLECTION** - Last weekend, September 5-6, 2020, we collected \$5,287.00 in our Regular Sunday Collection and \$1,156.00 for Utility & Energy. I am so very thankful to all of you for our steadfast commitment to our Church during these difficult financial times. I pray that God will continue to bless you and your families with good health.

**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, Tyler Jasmin, Garrett Cummings and Austin Cummings. Please keep our servicemen and their families in your prayer.

**ONE MINUTE MEDITATION** - How do we handle inconveniences like an irritating coworker, a last-minute schedule change, or occasional miscommunication? God allows us trials so we can grow in virtue, to encourage us to trust Him and open ourselves to His grace. The next trial you face, thank God for His "blessings" and pray for His patience, humility and grace..

*The Sanctuary Light which will burn this week  
at Immaculate Conception Church  
was donated by Patty Barron  
In Memory of Mark Hamm*