

# IMMACULATE CONCEPTION & SAINT ANTHONY'S PARISH



***Immaculate Conception Church***

*4 Lavelle Road, P.O. Box 109  
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***Saint Anthony's Church***

*68 Poplar Avenue  
Pine Plains, New York 12567*

## ***Parish Staff †***

Rev. R. Kent Wilson.....*Pastor*  
Mr. David Weinstein.....*Deacon*  
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Mrs. Denise A. Conway .....*Parish Secretary*  
Mr. Ken Pomeisl .....*Religious Ed. Coordinator*  
Mrs. Regina Syversen..... *Organist and Choir Director*

## ***Eucharistic Celebrations †***

Saturday, Immaculate Conception..... 4:30 pm  
Sunday, Immaculate Conception.....10:45 am  
Sunday, St. Anthony's, Pine Plains ..... 8:00 am

## ***Daily Mass***

Everyday in Amenia except Thursday..... 8:00 am  
Friday only in Pine Plains ..... 12 noon

## ***Confession***

Saturday..... 3:45 to 4:15 pm

## ***Registration***

We are so happy you have come to our parish. Please register in our parish if you have not done so. If you are new, please introduce yourself to the Pastor.

## ***Sacraments***

Sacraments are the center of our Catholic Life. Those seeking baptism must contact the Pastor. Those seeking marriage should contact the Pastor 6 months before the wedding date.

## ***Religious Education***

The parish provides a School of Religion, grades 1 through 9, staffed by a certified coordinator and catechists. Please contact the parish to make sure your children receive the Religious Education they need. Adults wishing to become Catholic, please contact the Pastor.

## ***Sacrament of the Sick***

Please let us know if a loved one is ill, so we can visit them, and pray for them.

## ***Parish Information***

### **Office Hours**

Monday - Thursday ..... 8:30 am - 3:00 pm

**Office Telephone** ..... 845-373-8193

**Fax** ..... 845-373-8194

### **School of Religion**

Sunday ..... 9:15 to 10:30 am

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# FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

## January 31, 2021

### PLEASE PRAY WITH US FOR:

Amenia	Mon.	Feb. 1	8:00 am	Thomas Hussey
"	Tues.	Feb. 2	8:00 am	Mark Hamm
"	Wed.	Feb. 3	8:00 am	David Matthews
"	Thurs.	Feb. 4	8:00 am	NO MASS
"	Fri.	Feb. 5	8:00 am	Mark Hamm
Pine Plains	"	"	12 noon	Charles Landeck
Amenia	Sat.	Feb. 6	8:00 am	NO MASS
"	"	"	4:30 pm	Lawrence McEnroe
Pine Plains	"	"	6:15 pm	Elizabeth Brizzie

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Pine Plains	Sun	Feb. 7	8:00 am	People of the Parish
Amenia	"	"	10:45 am	Ignatian Legacy Fellows

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### **"BLESSED ARE THE PEACEMAKERS FOR THEY WILL BE CALLED CHILDREN OF GOD"**

Dear Friends:

*There is no doubt to me that our world could use more peace. There is conflict all around us. Not only do we see this conflict between nations but we see this conflict in our own nation. We are polarized now, and too often anger and hate are everywhere. If you add in the stress of a raging pandemic to this conflict, you have a very explosive and unhealthy situation.*

*We need peace. We need peace in our families, in our Church, in our communities, in our nation. But how can we make that happen? How can we become the peacemakers of the Sermon on the Mount by Jesus Christ?*

*The first thing to realize is that peace is not just the absence of conflict. Making peace is an active, lifelong commitment. And it takes all of us: you and me.*

*What can we do? The first thing is to live peaceably in your own life. That means to treat everyone as more important than yourself. That means to strive to meet the basic needs of others (often the first step of peace is to provide needed help to those who are less fortunate). That means to meet people where they are coming from (mourn with those who mourn, rejoice with those who rejoice).*

*One very important first step in peace making should be obvious. It is to live the commandment of love. As I have said the last few weeks, love is the key to everything. Remember the two greatest commandments: "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment. The second great commandment is "You shall love your neighbor as yourself."*

*If we really, really love our neighbor (and that includes our family or our political opponents), peace will follow. Do you want peace? Then bring peace to others. Do you want to be loved and respected? Then bring love and respect to all you meet.*

Fr. Wilson

**CONFESSION** - Confession is available every Saturday afternoon from 3:45 pm to 4:15 pm at Immaculate Conception in Amenias. 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.

***"Do not be afraid of Confession! One who is in line to confess himself feels all these things – even shame – but then, when he finishes confessing, he leaves free, great, beautiful, forgiven, [...] happy. And this is the beauty of Confession... Jesus is there,...and He receives you with so much love."***

~ Pope Francis ~

**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, Joseph Licurse, Joanne Balek, Michael Engel, Linda Mary Dick, Leela Niranjani, Ralph Locantore, Fred Arni, Brandon Rojas, Leah Rost, Susan Consentino, Pat Boice, Arietta Carroll, Cecilia Cummings, Mary Wilkinson, Evelyn Tompkins, Marjorie Arni, Teal Burns, 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, Kyleigh Cummings, Caroline McEnroe, Patty Cassidy, Baby Gemma Dadone, Joe Gatto, Joan Moriarty, Michael Tozzi, Daniel Briggs, Brett Porter, Alice Phillips, Carl Stahovec, Carol Jayne, Vincent Pinelli, Pat McElduff, Kim Noone, Joe Kain, John LaCurto, Jack Darnell, Genevieve Minischetti and Joan Darby

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE RECENTLY DEPARTED IN OUR PARISH:** Jane Bly, James T. Metz. Jr., Thomas James Dahoney III, Gary Boyles and Charlotte Fenn

**MEN'S GROUP** - The Men's Group will meet on Monday, February 1<sup>st</sup>, at 6:45 pm in the Church of Immaculate Conception in Amenia. New members are most welcome.

**BLESSING OF THE THROATS** - As Wednesday, February 3<sup>rd</sup>, is the feast day of St. Blaise, we will have Blessing of the Throats at the 8:00 am Mass in Amenia.

**VINE & BRANCHES** - On Saturday, January 16<sup>th</sup>, despite the inclement weather, we provided food for 11 families / 47 people at our food closet. I want to extend a special thank you to everyone who donated food last month, especially St. Joseph's in Millbrook, Sunday in the Country who donated turkeys and potatoes and the North East Community Center for delivering Milk, Eggs and Eggnog. Your generosity enabled us to help those in our community experiencing difficulty providing food for their families.

**RESPECT LIFE** - More human beings died in abortions than any other cause of death in 2020, a new report indicates. A heartbreaking reminder about the prevalence of abortion, statistics compiled by Worldometers indicate that there were over 42.6 million abortions world-wide in 2020. <http://www.worldometers.info/>

***"Abortion is legal because babies can't vote."***

~ Joseph Bonkowski ~

**SCRIPTURE STUDY** - Sr. Jean Flannelly will be offering two Scripture Study Opportunities on Zoom. "The Psalms" will be presented on Saturdays at 1:00 pm on February 13<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup>, March 6<sup>th</sup>, and March 13<sup>th</sup>. "Seven Weeks with Mark" will be presented on Mondays at 4:00 pm on February 1<sup>st</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup> and March 1<sup>st</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup>. If you are interested in the Scripture Study, please contact Sr. Jean Flannelly at [flannellysc@aol.com](mailto:flannellysc@aol.com) for your invitation or questions.

**WHAT TO DO WHEN GOD FEELS DISTANT** - There are times when God seems so close that we are filled with a glorious feeling of love. At other times He can seem distant.

Look for a cause. Sometimes we cause distance to crop up between us without even realizing it. We may have become overly-confident of our spiritual strength and yielded to temptation. Or, we neglected prayer or Sunday Mass.

Pray your way back. Distance can lead to discouragement, but don't let that keep you from prayer. Reaching out to God is the surest way to find your way back. Enlist the help of the saints or the Blessed Mother.

Meditate on what you know. Regularly repeat God's promise of salvation, Jesus' pledge of eternal love, memories of God's past blessings, anything that reminds you of His love. Focus on these beautiful thoughts over and over.

Seek Reconciliation. A common cause for distance is unconfessed sin. Are you weighed down by a fault or sin you are avoiding facing? Consider making a full Confession and seek the Sacrament regularly. Perform an act of penance, such as fasting, to take the focus off yourself. Then you will find He has been beside you all along.

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS** - If you need a copy of your 2020 Financial Statement with respect to your contributions to Immaculate Conception-St. Anthony's Church, please call the office.

**SUNDAY COLLECTION** - Last weekend, January 23-24, 2021, we collected \$3,064.69 in our Regular Sunday Collection. I thank you once again for your generosity your steadfast commitment to our Church. I pray that God will continue to bless you and your families with good health.

*The Sanctuary Light which will burn this week  
at Immaculate Conception Church  
was donated by Denise Conway  
In Memory of James T. Metz, Jr.*

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