

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
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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

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School of Religion

Sunday9:15 to 10:30 am

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NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

August 8, 2021

PLEASE PRAY WITH US FOR:

Amenia	Mon.	Aug. 9	8:00 am	Florence Carroll
"	Tues.	Aug. 10	8:00 am	Peggy Carroll
"	Wed.	Aug. 11	8:00 am	Emile & Evalene Brunese
"	Thurs	Aug. 12	8:00 am	NO MASS
"	Fri.	Aug. 13	8:00 am	Florence Carroll
Pine Plains	"	"	12 noon	Roberta & Anthony Murad
Amenia	Sat.	Aug. 14	8:00 am	NO MASS
"	"	"	4:30 pm	Mary Hardisty
Pine Plains	"	"	6:15 pm	Bennie Fiorino
Pine Plains	Sun.	Aug. 15	8:00 am	People of the Parish
Amenia"	"	"	10:45 am	Lorraine O'Hara

"DEPENDENCE"

Dear Friends:

I am writing this as I have experienced a short electrical "black out" in Amenia. I, like most people, do not like situations of no electricity. In the daytime, it is not so bad, but in the nighttime it is very difficult. Walking around with a flashlight, with no TV or air conditioning, is not a recipe for a fun night.

It is amazing how we are so dependent on electricity. Without electricity we have no lights, no air conditioning, no heat, no hot water, or even running water (for those who have wells). Then when you drive around you realize very quickly that there are no traffic lights and no gasoline because the pumps don't operate without electricity. Everywhere you turn you can't do anything.

There is a great deal of dependence in our country and in our society on electricity. We experience that every time there is a large blackout. I recall last winter there was a huge blackout in Texas. People froze in their homes. There were arguments and attacks on electric companies and the government. And then there is the constant threat of a "hack" or a cyber attack on our power system. We are dependent!

Americans see themselves as independent. Some call it "rugged individualism." There is a feeling in this country that we can make it without help from anyone else. It is true that many times our success is dependent on our own efforts. It is always good to take charge of our own life, to be responsible for our own actions. But, we can never escape the fact that we are dependent.

And, in a real way, we are dependent on God. God provides the earth we live in, the air we breathe, the water we drink, the food we eat. Sure, people bring it to us, and many times we pay for it. But if you really think hard, it all comes from God. We are dependent on God, and the sooner we realize that, the sooner we can be thankful for our existence.

As I said, Americans like to think we are independent and we can do everything on our own. But this is contrary to Christianity. God created us, and without God we would not exist. That is a good reason to be thankful for our lives and the lives of those we love.

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.

"Remember that you are never alone, Christ is with you on your journey every day of your lives!

He has called you and chosen you to live in the freedom of the children of God.

Turn to Him in prayer and in love.

Ask Him to grant you the courage and strength to live in this freedom always.

Walk with Him who is 'the Way, the Truth and the Life.' "

~ St. John Paul II ~

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 Niranjana, Ralph Locantore, Fred Arni, Brandon Rojas, Susan Consentino, Pat Boice, Cecilia Cummings, Mary Wilkinson, Evelyn Tompkins, Marjorie Arni, Teal Burns, Jennifer Boice, Nora Miller, Allen McPecki, Anita Nichols, Kathleen McGuire, Loretta Heller, Douglas Wilson, Stephen Bida, Meghan King, Patricia Macura, Jerard Kain, Kyleigh Cummings, Caroline McEnroe, Patty Cassidy, Baby Gemma Dadone, Joe Gatto, Daniel Briggs, Brett Porter, Alice Phillips, Carl Stahovec, Carol Jayne, Vincent Pinelli, Pat McElduff, Kim Noone, John LaCurto, Genevieve Minischetti, Joan Darby, Joan Murphy, Lawrence Hardisty, Tanya Cafiero, Michael McNamara, Ken Hale, Terez Terdik, Bill Mahar, Father Pat Curley, Alan Jordan, Ritchie Obetz, Michael Gaddis, Mary Simmons and Gemma Maurina

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PLEASE PRAY FOR THE RECENTLY DEPARTED IN OUR PARISH: Robert Thompson, Bruce Ahearn, and Anna Marie O'Neill.

ALTAR ROSARY SOCIETY - The Altar Rosary Society will meet on Monday, August 9th, at 7:00 pm in the Immaculate Conception Church. New members are most welcome.

GROW IN PATIENCE AND TOLERANCE - The past eighteen months of pandemic have tested our patience and good humor. Tempers have become shorter and tolerance limited. Yet, followers of Jesus know that it is critical for our daily treatment of others to demonstrate our love for God. We are asked to show as much patience to others as God has with us.

Fight against your own defects. Certainly it can be frustrating when the faults and mistakes of others disrupt the routine of our lives. In fairness, our own defects disrupt theirs as well. Instead of noting and resenting the weakness of our neighbors, we can focus on improving our own.

Help, don't judge. Developing an honest concern for those around us helps us to become generous in our relationships. Acting with love and understanding means that we aid those in our lives instead of looking for their blunders.

Become a carrier of love. Jesus asks us to be His hands and feet on Earth. As His disciples, we are to carry His love to others. It is through our actions that we bring Jesus to the world.

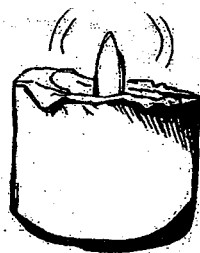
SUNDAY COLLECTION - Last weekend, July 31-August 1, 2021, we collected **\$5,445.00** in our Regular Sunday Collection. I want to extend my sincere thanks for your generosity and steadfast commitment to our Church.

PRAY FOR THOSE SERVING IN THE ARMED FORCES: We ask our Lord to watch over 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, Austin Cummings, Matthew Howard and Dante Abad who are presently serving in the Military. Please also keep their families in your thoughts and prayers.

WHY DO CATHOLICS LIGHT PRAYER CANDLES - Ancient Jews kept a light perpetually burning near the Ark of the Covenant to show reverence for the presence of God. In a similar way, the lit candle symbolizes for us Christ's presence, recalling that He said, "*I am the light of the world*" (John 8:12).

Votive candles in Church also symbolize prayer intentions others have offered to God. Lighting a candle is a way of expressing our desire to remain present to God after we have left the Church.

***The Sanctuary Light which will burn this week
at Immaculate Conception Church
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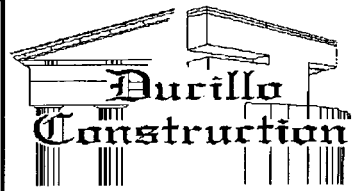


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