

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time - February 6 & 7, 2021



“for the beauty of the Earth .. Lord of all to you we raise our song of grateful praise”

BISHOP OF ALBANY DIOCESE:

Edward B. Scharfenberger

BISHOP EMERITUS: Howard Hubbard

PASTOR: Fr. Tom Zelker

tomzelker@gmail.com

OFFICE MANAGER: Sue Hyde

+OUR PARISH OFFICE & MAILING ADDRESS

67 Main Street

Hoosick Falls, NY 12090

PHONE: 518-686-5064

E-MAIL: immconcept@roadrunner.com

OFFICE HOURS: Monday—Friday 9:00 AM - 3:30PM

WEBSITE: www.icchoosickfalls.com

Facebook page: Immaculate Conception Hoosick Falls

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION MASS SCHEDULE:

CELEBRATED IN IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH
HALL

SATURDAY, 4 PM & SUNDAY, 9 AM

TRUSTEES: Christina Angell & Ellen Scott

FINANCE COUNCIL:

Krissy Fauler, Dave Stagnitti, Mike Sanders & Linda Billert

PASTORAL COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Virginia Cuddihy, Mike Brewster

Jerry D'Acchille, Rick Ferrannini, Karen Kaufman,
and the two Trustees

MUSIC MINISTRY: Richard Cherry

WORSHIP AND ENVIRONMENT: Lynne Mango

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time - February 6 & 7, 2021

Liturgy Schedule:

**Saturday, February 6,
4PM Mass**

Stephen Colvin

(Requested by friends)

Downey & Finnen family

(Requested by family)

**Sunday, February 7,
9AM Mass**

Manuel Custodio

(Requested by Isabel Custodio)

Anne Marie Donovan

(Requested by Arlene Wysocki)

**Saturday, February 13,
4PM Mass**

Fr. Richard Broderick

(Requested by friends)

For Healing, Well-being & Wisdom:

Debra Frye

April Bentley

Kristine Zleba

Sandra Pizani

Terry Saunders-Boucher

**Sunday, February 14,
9AM Mass**

Esther Gates & Dallas Millett

(Requested by Comfort & Hope Group)

A Winter's Evening Prayer

I bow before you this night, Beloved One, my heart overflowing with gratitude for all that this winter day has held for me. May the thanksgiving of my heart give glory to you and enrich these moments of quiet prayer. One with the far distant stars and planets of the winter night, one with all the Earth and her children, I now enter into soul silence.

Holy is this night, holy is the Earth and the Heavens. Holy are your people everywhere for all Creation is filled with your Spirit. May my prayer glisten with this night's brilliance as I proclaim my love for you.

As I prepare for sleep, may I join the seeds of plants that sleep, of animals that are still as they await the sunrise of spring. May I let go of this day with faith, in the conviction that with unconditional love you watch over all that you have created. Your Spirit dwells within all, even in our slumber. May I enter into sleep in a lover's surrender to your will, mindful that you embrace all beings and things with a mother's love.

I lift up to you O God, the One who never sleeps, the needs of my family and friends: _____. May those whose passover is this night, awaken to the Light of your presence .

May the hunger in my heart for goodness, peace, freedom, and love remind me that your restless Spirit stirs within me even as I sleep. May my rest this night bless me to work vigorously for your holy dream for all tomorrow. But now, let me fall asleep by falling into you. O God of all the cosmos, embrace me in your tenderness tonight. Amen



Ash Wednesday 2021

February 17, 2021

Lent begins our conversion journey anew. This year, Ash Wednesday, itself, will be a bit different. We will still have several services on Ash Wednesday centered on the Word of God from Scripture. The imposition of ashes has been modified throughout the whole Catholic Church. After the Scripture is proclaimed, the priest will lead the prayer of blessing for the ashes and peoples' conversion once. Ashes will be distributed to the people by sprinkling the ashes on the head of each person in silence. The prayer continues with the Prayer of the Faithful, Lord's Prayer, and conclusion as usual. Ashes will no longer be imposed on a person's forehead.

Prayer Services with Ashes are: Wednesday, February 17

9am - St. Patrick's Cambridge

12 noon - Holy Cross, Salem

12 noon - Immaculate Conception

6pm - Immaculate Conception

Comfort & Hope Group

Monday, March 1 at 6:30 pm in the Church Hall kitchen area. A faith-filled support group for anyone who has experienced the death of a loved one. We are not alone in our grief, our shared stories bless us with Christ among us. Masks are required.

• Render Unto Caesar •
If you need tax contribution information

If you would like to receive ICC emails, please call the parish office at 518-686-5064 or email to: immconcept@roadrunner.com



Lent: Service and Prayer

Please consider donating food to our Pantry. People are hungry here in Hoosick Falls. Any food items may be left at Church or the Pantry.

"Little Black Books"

Meditations on the Gospels of Lent

Rice Bowls

The people of our Church help the poor and hungry throughout our world.

Stations of the Cross

Fridays of Lent 3pm in Church

Contemporary Meditations on Jesus' Cross and people of faith today.

Scripture Insights

Today's Bible readings might be understood as invitations to reflect on the mystery of suffering in the holy mystery of our lives. Job, a blameless and upright man, was rich in family, land, and animals until his life was turned upside down. He reflects on our human condition. He recognized his many blessings but then dwells on his experience of misery, doubt, and darkness. Has this ever happened to you? What happens when things seem to fall apart? Our Psalm moves us to remember, "Praise the Lord, who heals the brokenhearted"...if we let him. St. Paul reminds us that we together share in the Gospel...the Cross...the Resurrection...in love's solidarity with each other...with Christ. Mark's Gospel continues the story of Jesus' healing...first in a synagogue on a sabbath, then into Simon's home, and then at the doorway. Jesus reaches out with the compassionate healing of God and helps up any who are fallen or hurting. Jesus then took time to pray in communion and to then be invigorated to move on to wherever he can preach, heal, and love. In our woundedness, we can be healed and offer this gift to all we encounter.

Faith Formation News

As part of our Family based focus these are **This weeks and Next weeks** readings so you and your family can think about those lessons.

Readings for Sunday February 7

1st Reading: Job 7:1-4, 6-7

2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 9:16-19, 22-23

Gospel: Mark 1:29-39

Readings for Sunday February 14

1st Reading: Leviticus 13:1-2; 44-46

2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 10:31-11:1

Gospel: Mark 1:40-45

Here is this weeks YouTube video that you can share and discuss with your family. Go to YouTube and search for the following:

How to Keep Your Faith Alive and Growing

Church of Immaculate Conception

67 Main St.
Hoosick Falls, NY 12090
Phone: (518) 686-5064
E-Mail: immconcept@roadrunner.com
Website: www.icchoosickfalls.com

Electronic Withdrawal Form

I would like to enroll in the Immaculate Conception Church Withdrawal Program. I understand that my total contribution amount will be transferred directly from my checking or savings account as stated below. A record of my gifts will appear on my bank statement and my transfers will begin on the date stated below. I understand that I can increase, decrease or suspend my giving by written authorization given to Immaculate Conception Church. Any questions regarding the Electronic Withdrawal should be directed to the Office Manager at (518) 686-5064.

I would like my offertory contributions deducted weekly in the amount of \$ _____.

I would like my offertory contributions deducted monthly in the amount of \$ _____.

Please begin my withdrawal(s) on: _____

(Date, No Earlier Than September 26)

Note: Weekly contribution amounts will be debited every Monday. Monthly contribution amounts will be debited on the 1st Monday of each month.

I would also like to give to the following special collections during the year:

Collection	Amount	Month
<input type="checkbox"/> Faith Formation	_____	Second Monday of Every Month
<input type="checkbox"/> Evangelist	_____	Third Monday of April and September
<input type="checkbox"/> Fuel	_____	Third Monday of March and November
<input type="checkbox"/> Solemnity of Mary	_____	January
<input type="checkbox"/> Easter Sunday	_____	March or April
<input type="checkbox"/> Ascension Thursday	_____	May or June
<input type="checkbox"/> Assumption of Mary	_____	August
<input type="checkbox"/> All Saints Day	_____	November
<input type="checkbox"/> Immaculate Conception	_____	December
<input type="checkbox"/> Christmas Gift	_____	December

Note: The special collection amount indicated above will be debited the Monday following the Holy Day.

Name(s): _____

Street Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Telephone: _____ Email: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Please return your completed form with a copy of your voided check to:
Immaculate Conception Church, 67 Main Street, Hoosick Falls, NY 12090

**Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
February 6 & 7, 2021**

**YOUR SACRIFICIAL OFFERINGS
& ATTENDANCE
For January 30 & 31**

• Unavailable at time of publication •

WE ASK FOR YOUR PRAYERS FOR THE FOLLOWING:

Barbara Bouplon, Cheryl McLaughlin, Dave Hanselman, Dawn Myers, Dorothy Roy, Dr. Marcus Martinez, Felicia Martelle, Fr. Joe Manerowski, Gary Grogan, Jeff Babson, Jesse Stevens, Judy Brownell, Judy Quackenbush, Marie Slattery, Matt Waytkus, Melissa Cleary, Nancy Hathaway Mahoney, Neil Waytkus, Paulette Sukuskas, Ronda Sharpe, Sally Williams, Stacy Rogers, and all those who are ill or hurting. Those who have been on the prayer list for quite some time will still be prayed for, but will not appear in the bulletin. If you are in need of prayer for yourself or someone else, please call Margaret O'Malley at 686-7835.



HACA Food Pantry will be open normal hours, however, they will give out pre-packaged bags at the door to one family at a time. All normal items will be included. **Additional Items Needed:** Ramen noodles, oatmeal, canned dinners (spaghetti, chili, stew), pancake mix, rice/pasta boxed mixes (Rice a Roni), shampoo, toothpaste and brushes, and feminine hygiene items.



Food Pantry Volunteers...We are looking for volunteers to help. For information and training, contact Dianne Hosterman at 686-5310.



- ♦ Wednesday mornings at 10 AM: Bulletin proofreaders. **Call the office.**
- ♦ Sunday morning: Collection Counters. **Call the office.**
- ♦ Lectors (readers) at Mass: **See Gloria Shufon, or call the office, 686-5064.**

ELECTRONIC GIVING

Our automatic withdrawal system is working well. This may be an easy way for you to support our parish. Please contact our office for more information.