



Immaculate Conception Parish Hoosick Falls, NY

**IMMACULATE CONCEPTION MASS SCHEDULE:
CELEBRATED IN IMMACULATE CONCEPTION
CHURCH HALL
SATURDAY, 4 PM & SUNDAY, 10 AM
Reconciliation available 3:00-3:45 PM Saturdays
MONDAY, 9 AM (MONDAY, STARTING 7/12/21)**

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Mango**

Liturgy Schedule:

Saturday, July 10

4:00 pm Mass

Sunday, July 11

10:00 am Mass

Stephanie L'Heureux

(Requested by Nancy & Mike Mahoney)

Wyatt Wysocki

(Requested by Arlene Wysocki)

Monday, July 12

9 am Mass

Immaculate Conception

Tuesday, July 13

9 am Mass

Holy Cross

Wednesday, July 14

9 am Mass

St. Patrick's

Saturday, July 17

4:00 pm Mass

Ruth Kelly Clarke

(Requested by Jane Clarke)

Doris Desmarais

(Requested by Mike and

Mary Ellen Sanders)

Sunday, July 18

10:00 am Mass

For all people



Crafted from the foundation beams of our Church, we continue to build up the reign of God with living stones. Jesus Christ is our true cornerstone.

Dear Friends,

Many centuries ago, the Pope decided that all the Jews had to leave Rome. Naturally, there was an uproar from the Jewish community. So the Pope made a deal. He would have a religious debate with a member of the Jewish community. If the Jews won, they could stay. Problem was that no one wanted to debate the Pope. The only volunteer was an old man named Moishe who opened the door to the synagogue each Friday night. Not being used to words Moishe asked for only one addition to the debate – that neither side be allowed to talk. The Pope agreed.

The day of the great debate came. Moishe and the Pope sat opposite each other. The Pope raised his hand and showed three fingers. Moishe looked back at him and raised one finger. The Pope waved his hand in a circle around his head. Moishe pointed to the ground where he sat. The Pope pulled out a wafer and a glass of wine. Moishe pulled out an apple. The Pope stood up and said, "I give up. This man is too good. The Jews can stay."

Later, the Pope explained what happened: "I held up three fingers to represent the Trinity. He held up one finger to remind me that we believe in the same one God. I waved my hand around my head to show that God was all around us. He pointed to the ground, showing that God was present right here. I pulled out the bread and wine to show that God has given us the Eucharist. He pulled out an apple to remind me of original sin. He had an answer for everything. What could I do?"

Meanwhile, Moishe explained to the Jewish scholars how he won the unwinnable debate. "Well", said Moishe, "First he said that the Jews had three days to get out of Rome. I told him that not one of us was leaving. Then he told me that this whole city would be cleared of Jews. I let him know that we were staying right here." "And then what clinched the debate?" asked the Rabbi. "I don't know," said Moishe. "It was strange. He took out his lunch, and I took out mine!" Life always depends on how we read the signs!

In today's Gospel Jesus tells the twelve apostles that they should embody three signs: simplicity of lifestyle, dependence on others and hospitality. These instructions are such a contrast to what most of us value today, where it is often the rich and powerful, the independent and the inhospitable who are thought to be the best leaders.

For Jesus, the one sent in his name is the one who knows that another's worth comes from who they are, not what they have. It doesn't matter whether we're rich or poor. It's the way we use our money for others which reveals whether our wealth possesses us or not

A strong Christian is the one who rejoices in our dependence on each other and is always grateful for the interconnectedness of life. Making room for others, especially toward those in legitimate need and even when it makes a large claim on us, is a pre-eminent sign of his Kingdom.

The Christian life is about reading the signs of the times. May the bread and wine, change us to be extravagantly hospitable with our time, talent and energy for the sake of the Kingdom day, to enable us to be the best in being simple in lifestyle, happily dependent, of God.

In Christ,

Jeffrey C. Peck

Thank You

Fr. Peter and I wish to express our appreciation for the gifts and kind hospitality we have received since our arrival. We are grateful to everyone for the wonderful welcome we have experienced from the parish. We look forward to ministering together with you.

Jeffrey C. Peck

Contacting Fr. Peter

Please call the office at Immaculate Conception. 518 686 5064. If it is outside of office hours, please leave a message including your name and telephone number. If the need is urgent, please call or text Jeff Peck, 518 683 6461 or email, jeffreypeck@battenkillcatholic.org. Jeff's telephone and email are also monitored outside of business hours.

We will be celebrating Mass during the week.

The schedule is:

Monday, 9 AM Immaculate Conception

Tuesday, 9 AM Holy Cross

Wednesday, 9 AM St. Patrick's

Mission Appeal Talk - MARYKNOLL LAY MISSIONERS

Sheila Matthews

Speaking July 17-18, 2021

From an early age, **Sheila Matthews** knew that she was called to a life of service, accompanying people at the margins of society. A trained hospital nurse, Sheila wanted to work with those who lack access to health care. She considered joining the Peace Corps but ultimately decided against it because “I wanted to be part of a faith-based mission community.” When Sheila joined Maryknoll Lay Missioners as part of the Class of 1980, it was a great fit. As a lay missionary in Guatemala, Sheila worked with an innovative health promoter training program started by Maryknollers for rural villages in the Petén jungle. After moving to El Salvador in 1993, Sheila worked in the soy nutrition program and parish health ministries. During her time in mission, both countries suffered through bloody civil wars. Despite the turmoil, Sheila learned a valuable lesson from the villagers with whom she worked. “They helped me to remember that you can celebrate God’s love in the midst of struggling,” she recalls. In 1996, Sheila was called to a new challenge when she was elected to a leadership position with the Maryknoll Mission Association of the Faithful. For the next seven years, she played a pivotal role in molding the association into the present-day Maryknoll Lay Missioners. After the passing of her mother, Sheila left Maryknoll Lay Missioners in 2007 in order to care for her dad when his health was declining. Today Sheila is a Chaplain and Faith Community Nurse at St. Anne’s Hospital, an acute care Catholic hospital in Fall River, Massachusetts.

Sheila will speak at all masses at Immaculate Conception Church the weekend of July 17-18, 2021 to share her mission experience as part of the Diocese of Albany’s Missionary Cooperation Plan 2021. The second collection will be taken to support Maryknoll Lay Missioners. Your kind welcome and generous support are most appreciated.

Maryknoll Lay Missioners is one of the largest U.S. Catholic organizations sending **laypeople** into global mission. Over the past four and a half decades, we have prepared and sent more than 700 missionaries who have accompanied people experiencing poverty and marginalization around the world.

Your donations will allow Maryknoll Lay Missioners to prepare and sustain laypeople in global mission and to help build a more just, compassionate and sustainable world. This once-a-year opportunity is a wonderful way for all of us to participate in the on-going global mission to bring the Good News of Jesus Christ to the ends of the earth! To learn more please visit www.mklm.org.

Readers Needed!

Parishioners interested in reading at Saturday Mass please call the Parish Office at 518-686-5064.

**“When I was in prison you visited me”
Parish Prison Ministry**

Simply write a letter of encouragement and compassion to a person incarcerated on plain loose leaf or typing paper and drop it off at church or our office. Do not include specific family information but a letter of wisdom and hope. Use regular pens; no crayons. Letters will be mailed in official Church envelopes. Thank you for remembering.

Comfort & Hope Group

Monday, August 2 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.

Immaculate Conception Church Garden



Plowed plots are available for your own personal vegetable garden. The western acreage is our parish garden to grow fruits and vegetables for our Food Pantry. To help or reserve a plot, please call our office.

If you reserve a plot for your own use, please remember you are responsible for maintaining (weeding and harvesting your own area on a regular basis).

Peace to All!

“Peace...Shalom...Salaam”

Our Peace Pole was placed next to our Easter Fire Pit during the Triduum. May the holy love of Christ ignite our hearts on fire to seek justice and peace among all nations. Benches are placed there for your rest.

Help Wanted—Liturgical Coordinator Ministry

Assistance is needed in coordinating our liturgies. 4 volunteers who are available to set up for each mass, ensure ministers are present, etc... on a rotating basis. Must be willing to arrive 30 minutes prior to mass. Additional availability to assist in setting up for funerals is also helpful but not required. Please see Jeff Peck as soon as possible. Thanks for considering this opportunity to serve our community.

Secure Our Destiny

You may recall that the Diocesan Appeal, formerly called The Bishop’s Appeal, had a late kickoff last year in July 2020 due to the pandemic. The Appeal has also move permanently to a full 12-month funding cycle of July to June which means the 2020-21 Appeal will be closing on June 30, 2021! God calls us ALL to philanthropy the Church through weekly support of our parish offertory & annual support of the Diocesan Appeal - you may not be aware of all the ways a strong Diocese impacts us at the parish level, but it does! We all benefit. Be part of it and please don’t just leave it for your neighbor to do. If you were a recent donor between 2017 and 2019, you should have received multiple mailings asking for support - if you have not already responded with a gift made between July 1, 2020 through today, please make your gift using your mailed materials to expedite processing. If you have not received a mailing and want to join in support, make a gift online at donate.thediocesanappeal.org.

Faith Formation News

As part of our Family based focus these are this week's and next week's readings so you and your family can think about those lessons.

Readings for Sunday July 11

1st Reading: Amos 7:12-15

2nd Reading: Ephesians 1:3-14

Gospel: Mark 6:7-13

Readings for Sunday July 18

1st Reading: Jeremiah 23:1-6

2nd Reading: Ephesians 2:13-18

Gospel: Mark 6:30-34

Here is this week's YouTube video that you can share and discuss with your family.

Go to YouTube and search for the following: **Who You Are vs. Who You're Called to Be**

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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

Counters:

This Week: Heather Hassett & Eileen Bakaitis

Next Week: Linda Bennett & Anita Perry

YOUR SACRIFICIAL OFFERINGS & ATTENDANCE

For June 26 & 27

Regular Offertory..... \$2,829.00
Total.....\$2,829.00

Saturday, June 26..... 93
Sunday, June 27.....60
Total.....153

For July 3 & 4

Regular Offertory..... \$1,816.00
Faith Formation.....\$112.00
Total.....\$1,928.00

Saturday, July 3..... 75
Sunday, July 4.....55
Total.....130

WE ASK FOR YOUR PRAYERS FOR THE FOLLOWING:

Art Hyde, Barbara Bouplon, Billy Benkoski, Carolyn C. Bachorz, Dave Hanselman, Donny Hayden, Dr. Marcus Martinez, Jeff Babson., Jesse Stevens, Judy Brownell, Margaret O'Malley, Marie Slattery, Mary Brier, Mary Waytkus, Melissa Cleary, Neil Waytkus, Paulette Sukuskas, William J. Ellis, 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 518-686-7835.



HACA Food Pantry is open regular hours, Mondays and Fridays 10 AM to noon, and Wednesdays from 6:30-8:00 PM. Families may select the items they need or they can take a prepackaged order. Frozen meat, dairy products, produce, and bread will be added at the time of pickup.



Anyone who is unable to get to the pantry or needs assistance can email at hacainc12090@gmail.com or call 518-686-5163 and leave a message.

Additional Items Needed: Ramen noodles, oatmeal, canned dinners (spaghetti, chili, stew), pancake mix, pancake syrup, bread, rice/pasta boxed mixes (Rice-A-Roni), shampoo, toothpaste and brushes, feminine hygiene items, and paper towels.

Food Pantry Volunteers... We are looking for volunteers to help. For information and training, contact Dianne Hosterman at 518-686-5310.



- 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 at 518-686-5064**

“Better to light one candle than to curse the darkness”
Three day votive candles are in our lower church. The donation is 25 cents. Please be considerate of others when lighting a candle.

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