

Immaculate Conception Church - October 16 & 17, 2021



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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

Eucharistic Adoration immediately after Mass on
the first Monday of the month

Bishop of Albany Diocese:
Edward B. Scharfenberger

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Virginia Cuddihy, Mike Brewster
Jerry D'Acchille, Rick Ferrannini, Karen Kauf-
man,
and the two Trustees

MUSIC MINISTRY: Richard Cherry

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, at 518-683-6461 or email, jeffreypeck@battenkillcatholic.org. Jeff's telephone and email are also monitored outside of business hours.

Liturgy Schedule:

Saturday, October 16

4:00 pm Mass
John Hyde
(Requested by Art & family)
Valerie Sutton
(Requested by family)
Joseph Kennedy
(Requested by Helen Kennedy)

Sunday, October 17

10:00 am Mass
David Cuddihy
(Requested by Cuddihy family)
Antonio & Rosa Duarte
& family
(Requested by Isabel Custodio)
Lois Jean O’Keefe
(Requested by Arlene Wysocki)

Monday, October 18

9:00 am Mass
Immaculate Conception

Tuesday, October 19

9:00 am Mass
Holy Cross

Wednesday, October 20

9:00 am Mass
St. Patrick’s

Saturday, October 23

4:00 pm Mass
Lois Jean O’Keefe
(Requested by Jim & Patty Shaw)
Peter J. Williams
(Requested by Mary
Kowalski & Bob Medvetz)

Sunday, October 24

10:00 am Mass
Geraldine Foster
(Requested by Arlene Wysocki)



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,

We will be praying for a successful synod in Rome over the next few years. **What exactly is a synod?**

It’s a meeting of bishops from all over the world established by Pope Paul VI, 15 September 1965, in response to the desire of the Fathers of the Second Vatican Council to discuss doctrinal or pastoral matters. Synods offer suggestions to the pope, which may or may not become official teachings at a later time. Literally speaking the word “synod”, derived from two Greek words *syn* meaning “together” and *hodos* meaning “road” or “way”, means a “coming together.”

Pope Francis has approved a new three-stage process for the next gathering of the Synod of Bishops; this process continues his efforts to reform the Catholic Church in accordance with the teachings of the Second Vatican Council. His aim is to involve the whole church at diocesan, national and continental levels through a process of “listening and discernment” on the important theme of synodality: “For a synodal Church: communion, participation, and mission.”

Pope Francis declared that the synod will open in the Vatican and in every diocese throughout the Catholic world in October 2021. It will begin with a “diocesan phase” (October 2021 until April 2022) and then move to a “continental phase” (September 2022 through March 2023) before concluding in “the universal church phase” at the Vatican with the synod of bishops in October 2023.

The purpose of the diocesan phase is “to consult the people of God, so that the synodal process may be carried out by listening to all the baptized,” who, as the Second Vatican Council said, “cannot err in matters of belief.”

What does this mean? Ultimately, the goal is to reach a consensus, which does not always mean the idea that most people support will be embraced by the pope. For example, during the Synod on the Amazon, the majority of bishops voted in support of allowing married men to be ordained priests in order to ameliorate the priest shortage in the region. Pope Francis chose not to go forward with approving the proposal because, as he revealed in a personal note to the Jesuit journal *La Civiltà Cattolica*, he believed the majority decision did not reveal a true consensus reached through prayerful discernment.

What is this synod about? With his plans for a two-year “synodal process” focusing on synodality, Pope Francis seems to have decided that the best way for the church to figure out what synodality means in practice is to try it out.

Will this process completely overhaul the church’s top-down decision-making? It isn’t likely. But by pulling the entire church into this participative process, Pope Francis aims to give Catholics an experience of a church that comes together instead of fragmenting, that discerns together instead of making decrees in isolation and that walks together (how the verbal form of the Greek word for “synod” is used in the New Testament).

That process will likely be messy. It is different from what most Catholics are used to, and by its nature involves disagreement. But it also involves mutual listening, courage, humility and respect—all virtues that today’s church could stand to grow in.

In Christ,

Jeff Peck

• Masks •

Based on government and church regulations, mask wearing is now required during Mass. Masks are available.

*Please note the change in Rectory office hours, effective October 11
Tuesday, Wednesday, & Friday - 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM*

Thank you!

We would like to thank everyone who made basket bingo a big success. The baskets were beautiful as usual. This event would not be a success if it were not for the basket donations, volunteers to work at the event, the GREAT kitchen crew, to all the businesses and people who donated door prizes and to all that helped with the set up and clean up. A special thanks to Ric for doing a marvelous job with the bingo calling and Beth for helping him. Thanks to anyone that I may have forgotten. We made at this event \$5200.00



Thanks to all who worked so very hard to make this year's Basket Bingo such a great success. It is important to both work together and play together. Last Thursday's event was such an opportunity. It was great fun and a great benefit to our community, even though I didn't win anything! Jeff Peck



Weekly Grief Support Group

Wednesdays, 6:30 - 8:30 PM
September 29 - December 29
Hoosick Falls Community Alliance Church
484 Hill Road, Hoosick Falls, NY

Help and encouragement after the death of a spouse, child, family member or friend. Call Gail Smith at 518-686-9888 for more information or to register. You can also register at <https://www.griefshare.org/groups/search>.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

To support married couples during this time of social distancing, Worldwide Marriage Encounter is sponsoring virtual marriage experiences. Some are on weekends and are seven sessions on weekdays from 7:00pm to 9:30pm. Couples will explore their individual personality styles, improve listening and communication skills, understand God's plan for their marriage, and learn how to keep their relationship a priority. Registration is limited and a \$100 application fee is required. For more information or to apply, call Frank & Margie Pearson at 860-337-2447 or visit them at <https://wwmectw.org/>.

"Go your way; your faith has saved you." Deepen your communication, strengthen your relationship, rekindle your romance and renew your sacrament by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience.

"Birthright is grateful to all parishioners who participated in our Respect Life Baby Bottle Boomerang Fundraiser last weekend. Thank you for taking a baby bottle. We now ask you to return your bottle to the designated Birthright boxes; we reuse these bottles each year. Your generous gift enables us to continue assisting pregnant women and families who desperately need help. If you know someone who is pregnant and needs assistance, please have her call Birthright at 518-885-4117. All services are free and confidential."

Work on the church roof is expected to begin during the week of October 25.

The Invitations of Autumn: Reflections and Spiritual Practices for the Season. Fall is a season for balancing light and dark, letting go, and accepting the impermanence of things. Find recommended resources for this time of year on the Battenkill Catholic Lifelong Faith website. (<https://stpatrickslifelongfaith.weebly.com/>)



2021 Diocesan Appeal (July 1, 2020 - June 30, 2022)

During the week of October 11, parishioners should expect a direct mailing from the Diocesan Stewardship Office regarding the 2021 Diocesan Appeal.

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.

Diocesan Marriage Jubilee

The 49th Annual Diocesan Marriage Jubilee Celebration will be held Saturday, October 30th, 2021 at 2:00 PM at The Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Albany. Couples celebrating their 25th, 40th, 50th or other special wedding anniversaries are invited to attend this celebration. To register, email Marriage.Jubilee@rcda.org.

"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. **There will be a brief meeting immediately following Mass on Sunday, October 24.**

Going Off to College

Whether away, virtual, at home, or any other clever mode of education... we'd like to keep in touch... please send our office your Post Office address and e-mail address. Study well, be very safe, and have fun.

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

Eucharistic Adoration - Immaculate Conception

Eucharistic Adoration will take place immediately following the ICC 9 AM Mass on the first Monday of the Month.

Please Note: The Monday morning 9:00 am Mass will be canceled if there is a funeral or other celebration that day.

Immaculate Conception Mass - December 8

9 AM - St. Patrick's, Cambridge
12 PM - Holy Cross, Salem
6 PM - Immaculate Conception, Hoosick Falls

Effective July 1, the Roman Catholic Diocese of Albany has changed the suggested donation for Mass intentions to \$15.00.

Due to expected demands, it is likely that reservations will be required for Christmas Eve Mass. The complete Christmas Mass schedule is forthcoming.

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 October 17

1st Reading: Isaiah 53:10-11

2nd Reading: Hebrews 4:14-16

Gospel: Mark 10:35-45

Readings for October 24

1st Reading: Jeremiah 31:7-9

2nd Reading: Hebrews 5:1-6

Gospel: Mark 10:46-52

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

Go to YouTube and search for the following: **When You're Discouraged**

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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: Linda Bennett & Anita Perry

Next Week: Bob Medvetz & Jerry McAuliffe

YOUR SACRIFICIAL OFFERINGS & ATTENDANCE

For October 9 & 10

Regular Offertory..... \$1,407.00
Total.....\$1,407.00

Saturday, October 9..... 62
Sunday, October 1054
Total.....116

WE ASK FOR YOUR PRAYERS FOR THE FOLLOWING:

Art Hyde, Barbara Bouplon, Beth Keegan, Billy Benkoski, Carolyn C. Bachorz, Dave Hanselman, Donny Hayden, Dr. Marcus Martinez, Edna & Frank Aulisio, Jeff Babson, Jesse Stevens, John McAuliffe, Judy Brownell, Marie Slatery, Mary Brier, Mary Waytkus, Megan Casey, Melissa Cleary, Neil Waytkus, Paulette Sukuskas, Phyllis Sargood, 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.

VOLUNTEER!

- 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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