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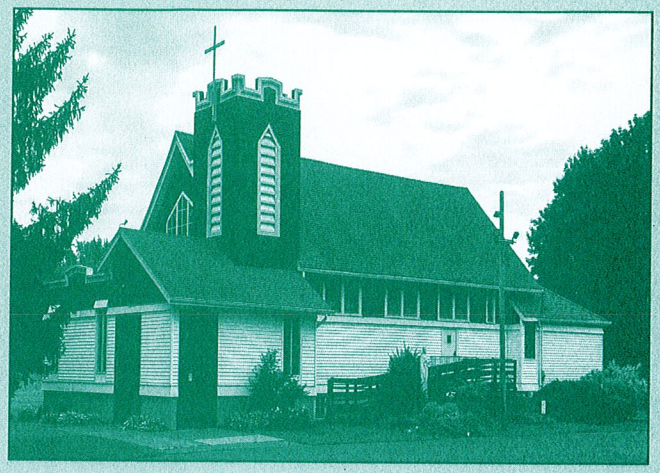

Saint Anthony's Church
68 Poplar Avenue
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Parish Staff †

Rev. R. Kent Wilson ..... *Pastor*
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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
Sunday ..... 9:15 to 10:30 am
Website ..... http://icsaamenia.org/
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THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER
April 18 , 2021

PLEASE PRAY WITH US FOR:

Amenia	Mon.	April 19	8:00 am	Leah Euvrard
"	Tues.	April 20	8:00 am	James T. Metz, Jr.
"	Wed.	April 21	8:00 am	William P. Murphy
"	Thurs	April 22	8:00 am	NO MASS
"	Fri.	April 23	8:00 am	Dick Dahlin
Pine Plains	"	"	12 noon	Fr. Carl Johnson
Amenia	Sat.	April 24	8:00 am	NO MASS
"	"	"	4:30 pm	Ralph Vinchiarello
Pine Plains	"	"	6:15 pm	Maria Barucci
Pine Plains	Sun	April 25	8:00 am	People of the Parish
Amenia"	"	"	10:45 am	Leah Euvrard

"SIGN OUTSIDE A CHURCH"

Dear Friends:

We aren't Dairy Queen but our Sundays are great!

I would hope that sign would fit in well outside our Church. I would like it if people really felt that the above quote is "true advertising." But what makes a "great Church"?

I think a Church that offers the great fullness of the Catholic faith in appealing ways is a real blessing. No matter what may happen in the community or in the surrounding culture, the faith is presented and taught. In good times or bad, the teachings of Jesus Christ are to be taught and explained. If that happens, it is a "great Church."

One definite hallmark of a "great Church" would be a commitment to service. That includes service to the members of the Church, looking after their needs and trying to be aware of any problems. It also includes service to the larger outside community. These days there are so many needs in the world, and the Church must respond to these needs, even with limited resources. A Church must try to respond to human needs: that's what Jesus would do.

I think a "great Church" would no doubt be friendly and welcoming. No one entering Church should feel out of place or ignored. It sounds corny, but there should be a lot of smiles (although with masks on it is very hard to see smiles).

It may be a surprise, but a "great Church" should be humble. One of the keys to a good life in Christ is humility. This means the Church doesn't try to be "showy" or "self-important" in its worship and life. Church life is not to show other people how great I am, but to help me be great in serving other people. To be humble is to be honest, and honesty should be at the heart of living life in Christ. To be honest is to be humble: to be a humble Church is a Church that doesn't think less of itelf, but thinks less about itself.

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.

"Confessing our sins may be difficult for us,
but it brings us peace...
...we are sinners, and we need God's forgiveness."
~ 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 Niranjan, 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, Stephen Bida, Meghan King, Patricia Macura, Jerard Kain, Kyleigh Cummings, Caroline McEnroe, Patty Cassidy, Baby Gemma Dadone, Joe Gatto, Michael Tozzi, 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, Sam Louey, Cassandra Lopane, Tanya Cafiero, Michael McNamara, Thomas Potocki, Ken Halel, Terez Terdik, and Florence Carroll.

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PLEASE PRAY FOR THE RECENTLY DEPARTED IN OUR PARISH: Agnes Hogaboom, Michael Silvernale, Rose Conklin, George K. Conklin, Margaret Murphy, Maria Heaney and Judy Vleming.

CAST LOOKS TOWARD HEAVEN THROUGHOUT THE DAY - St. Therese of Lisieux confided that, "For me prayer is a surge of the heart, it is a simple look towards Heaven, it is a cry of recognition and of love, embracing both trial and joy." Adding short, heartfelt prayers to our daily activities can help us glance toward Heaven throughout the day:

The Jesus Prayer - "Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on me, a sinner." Try repeating it 25 times a day.

"Teach me, O Lord, to do your will, for you are my God." Say this when beginning a chore, task, or project.

"May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace." A prayer for the souls in Purgatory.

"Jesus, meek and humble of heart, make my heart like yours." Pray this for humility and love,

"Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God, that we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ." She is always willing to help.

"Thy will be done." It's what Jesus said.

PINE PLAINS COUNCIL OF CHURCHES - The Pine Plains Council of Churches will award a scholarship to a 2021 graduating Senior who is actively affiliated with one of the Council Churches (i.e. Episcopal Church of the Regeneration, PP United Methodist Church, First United Presbyterian Church of PP or St. Anthony's Roman Catholic Church). Applications are available from each Pastor and must be returned to the Pastor by May 10th, 2021.

2021 CARDINAL'S ANNUAL STEWARDSHIP APPEAL - As of April 9, 2021, our parish has received **$22,085.00** in pledges/gifts from **76** families toward our goal of $40,000.00 I want to thank you for responding so generously to the Cardinal's Appeal.

SUNDAY COLLECTION - Last weekend, April 10-11, 2021, we collected **$4,684.00** in our Regular Sunday Collection. I thank you once again for your generosity and steadfast commitment to our Church. I pray that God will continue to bless you and your families with good health.

MOTHER'S DAY CARDS - Mother's Day cards for the living and deceased are available at the entrance of the Church. You may leave your donation in the collection basket or at the parish office.

PRAY FOR THOSE SERVING IN THE ARMED FORCES: . 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, Garrrett Cummings and Austin Cummings. Please keep our servicemen and their families in your prayers.

ONE MINUTE MEDITATION - **Struggle and Prayer** - During hard times, we can bring our true emotions, concerns and fears into prayer. Lay it all at the feet of Jesus. Let His wisdom and love provide confidence and hope, even when our own emotions are in disarray. Struggle is normal and helpful to growing in faith. Standing before God in truth is a sign that we are in a right relationship with Him.

The Sanctuary Light which will burn this week
at Immaculate Conception Church
was donated by Susan Vinchiarello
In Loving Memory of Ralph Vinchiarello

Parish Outreach Ministry Up-Date

Want to be part of the team?
Contact Sr. Jean Flannelly at 845-773-9109 or contacts listed below

The recently formed Parish Outreach Ministry met on Palm Sunday via Zoom. A ***master list*** of parishioners unable to participate in mass is being prepared. If you or someone you know is not able to come to church, please let us know.

Our next step is to create an ever-evolving list of names and ways to connect with those members of our parish family.

Contacts

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Suggestions

- Mail Weekly Bulletin to those on the list
- Send holiday cards in the name of the parish
- Send cards to families who recently lost a loved one
- Communion and other sacramental pastoral visits

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