

## Immaculate Conception Parish

#### IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH ST. MARY'S ACADEMY ST. MARY'S CEMETERY

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IMMACULATE CONCEPTION MASS SCHEDULE SATURDAY at 4 PM & SUNDAY AT 9 AM RECONCILIATION: SATURDAY AT 3 PM

TRUSTEES: Elizabeth Ferrannini & Ed Gorman
FINANCE COUNCIL: Krissy Fauler
PASTORAL COUNCIL MEMBERS
Virginia Cuddihy, Mike Brewster,
Jerry D'Acchille, Rick Ferrannini,
Karen Kaufman, JoAnn Shea and the two Trustees
MUSIC MINISTRY: Richard Cherry
WORSHIP & ENVIRONMENT: Marie Slattery

#### We Pray

As we enter more fully into this Autumn Season and approach the end of our Church liturgical year, our faith celebrates the harvest, rich not only in the Fruits of the Earth but in the Fruits of the Spirit. Our response to the Hebrew Scriptures is the Beatitude Canticle: "Rejoice and be glad, blessed are you, holy are you, yours is the Kingdom of God." Our "Alleluia" leads us to Christ the King: "Alleluia! Opening our hearts to him. Singing Alleluia! Jesus is our King." We come to the Lord's Table, echoing St. Paul's acclamation of faith: "When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup we proclaim your death, O Lord, until you come again." Our Eucharist empowers us to embrace the Cross of our world, confront the powers of death in union with the Risen Christ and transform our lives into Sacred Love for the sake of God, for the sake of all people.

#### 31st Sunday in ordinary time

#### Saturday, October 29 4 PM Mass

Frank & Tom Nugent Guy & Carmela Brandi Jennifer Bakaitis

#### Sunday, October 30 9 AM Mass

"For All Our People"

#### Monday, October 31 12 Noon Mass

Margaret Hoffman

#### <u>Tuesday, November 1</u> 10 AM Mass

Hoosick Falls Health Center

#### 12 Noon Mass

At Immaculate Conception Church
6 PM Mass

At St. Patrick's Church
"For All The Good People
In Our Lives"

## Wednesday, November 2 12 Noon Mass

At Immaculate Conception Church "For All Who Have Blest Us With Their Lives"

#### **6 PM Prayer Service**

At Immaculate Conception Church "All Souls Day Evening Prayer of Remembrance"

#### Friday, November 4

10 AM Mass

Danforth

12 Noon Mass

Manuel Custodio

#### <u>Saturday, November 5</u> 4 PM Mass

Tink Foster Stephen & Margaret Remancus

## Sunday, November 6 9 AM Mass

Richard Cuddihy Ruby Grobuski

# SANCTUARY LAMP 10/30/16-11/5/16 In honor of the Risen Christ we remember: Donald Morin

#### YOU COUNT

Every October our Diocese keeps record of active participation at Eucharist for every Mass in every church in our Albany Diocese. Everyone counts...you are needed to be engaged ever more fully in song, prayer, joyful expressions, and fervent faith. In Christ you make a difference.

#### **Immaculate Conception Prayer**

All praise to you Creating God for the gift of your Word who resounds deep within us all. At the very beginning, you spoke and chaos gave birth to all that lives and breathes. In the fullness of time, your Word became flesh in the womb of Mary, the image of your church. Your Word called the first disciples of Jesus to holiness of heart, unity in service, and selflessness in love. We thank you for all the women and men, enthused with faith, who built a home for us in Hoosick Falls. And now, we ask you for Holy Wisdom as we seek to rebuild our community on the foundation of Christ. With Mary, and all the Saints, we are a sacrament of hope. May we be so for ages to come. Amen.

#### **HOLY DOORS**

Our Church is open 24 hours a day for prayer, meditation, adoration, and walking. When we enter the Holy Doors of our church, we remember our own holiness as we come into this sacred space. When we leave we become an even more loving, merciful, and beautiful blessing for our world.



Please bring any type of oatmeal to our donation box in church.

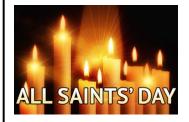
There is always a need for old bags to be reused.

FOOD PANTRY VOLUNTEERS ...

We are looking for volunteers at the Food Pantry to help. If you are interested, please call Dianne Hosterman at 686-5310.

#### **FOOD PANTRY DELIVERIES**

We need your help bringing food donations from our Church to the Food Pantry on Monday's at 9:45 AM, Wednesday's at 6:15 PM, and Friday's at 9:45 AM. If you can help out on any of those days, please call our office.



Tuesday, November 1st

"Rejoice and be glad; blessed are you, holy are you."

Mass 12 noon at Immaculate Conception Church

and 6 PM at St. Patrick's, Cambridge.



Wednesday, November 2nd

Mass at 12 noon; Evening Prayer at 6 PM

During which we remember and honor our faithful departed. Invitations are being mailed to the families of those loved ones who died this year. If you would like to remember someone else who passed away this last year, please call our office. All Souls offerings will be used to help the living through the American Cancer Society, the Nature Conservancy, Bennington Homeless Shelter, and St. Mary's Academy. We pray that the Love of Jesus, Crucified and Risen, bless us all.

#### ST. MARY'S ACADEMY

4 PARSONS AVENUE, HOOSICK FALLS, NY PHONE: (518) 686-4314, FAX: (518) 686-5957

Mr. Michael Piatek, Principal, Mrs. Amanda Goyer, Assistant Principal, Mrs. Mary Beth Smith, Secretary

St. Mary's Academy is the parish school of the Immaculate Conception Faith Community. Founded in 1891, St. Mary's Academy provides education for students beginning in Pre-Kindergarten and continuing through Grade 8.



#### **ANNUAL PANCAKE BREAKFAST**

Free to all!

Wednesday, November 23, 2016 8:30 AM in SMA's Gym

Please RSVP to Mrs. Mary Beth Smith

at 686-4314

by Friday, November 18th for Reservations. Come and enjoy a hot meal, good conversation, and enjoyable skits put on by the children.



#### **VETERAN'S DAY**

Friday, November 11th

9 AM Mass

"Remembering our Veterans

and praying for peace"

At 11 AM, we gather with our townsfolk in Wood Park to honor our local Veterans. Fr. Tom Zelker is beginning this service in prayer.

#### **HALLOWEEN PARADE**

If you wish to enjoy the Village parade at 6 PM on Sunday, October 30th, please feel free to come to the "reviewing stand" on the rectory porch.

#### **CONSIDER JOINING OUR CHURCH**

Anyone who would be interested in joining and committing to our Catholic faith, please call Fr. Tom Zelker. 686-5064

#### **REMEMBER YOUR PARISH**

After taking care of family and friends and other noble causes, please remember our church in your bequest, will, legacy, or trust fund.



#### **STONE SOUP**

As the weather cools, we are again beginning our ministry of Stone Soup. Anyone can make a pot of soup (we supply the containers), and deliver them (we can help, too) to the Food Pantry and Wood Bridges/ Wood Park Apts. Call our office for information and to help. 686-5064



#### **NEXT CLASS NOVEMBER 6, 2016**

All Classes Grades K - 9th meet at St. Mary's Academy on Sunday mornings from 10:15 - 11:30 AM.

Grades 10 and up meet in the St. Joseph's Room downstairs in the church from 10:15 - 11:25 AM. If you have any questions, please contact Deb Kapron Grades K-6 @205-5014 or Deb Mahar Grades 7-12 @686-1692.

#### **SISTER BARBARA**

My sister Barbara has had a year long problem with her voice. Doctors at Albany Medical Center have diagnosed this condition as being caused by a poorly working vocal chord. Rather than more invasive surgery, we have decided on Barbara receiving an injection in her throat that should help improve her speaking voice. The injection is meant to push and strengthen the weak vocal chord. Her "operation" is scheduled for Tuesday, November 8th at AMC. Please keep Barbara in your prayers. Fr. Tom Zelker



## THE EVANGELIST

#### **ALL THE NEWS**

If you wish to receive our Catholic Newspaper "The Evangelist", please call our parish office. 686-5064





#### PRAYER BLANKETS/QUILTS

The Prayer Blanket Ministry has just replenished the Blankets/Quilts available in our church office. If you know of a family member or a friend in time of need, please feel free to stop by during office hours for those who would benefit. The Prayer Blanket is a tangible symbol of the faith community's prayers.

### New Horizons of Faith: Beatitudes of Christian Living

VOTE!

Read about the fullness of Catholic Wisdom regarding social issues:

"Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship" at <a href="www.usccb.org/faithfulcitizenship">www.usccb.org/faithfulcitizenship</a> or Guidelines for Political Activity at <a href="www.nyscatholic.org">www.nyscatholic.org</a> what a privilege to vote; what a responsibility; what a freedom.



Tuesday, November 8, 2016 remember



#### **A TASTE OF ITALY**

in Hoosick Falls



Eggplant Parmesan Cooking Class with Jerry D'Achille, wine tasting,

and

A Pasta e Fagioli dinner (using an old Polish Recipe)

Monday, November 7th - 6:00 PM in our Church Hall

Bring an eggplant and peeler.

Sign up at our office asap!

#### **THANKSGIVING MASS**

Thursday, November 24th 9 AM at ICC



#### TURKEY BOWL VOLLEYBALL TOURNMENT

Wednesday, November 23rd 7PM - 9PM at SMA

Adult tax payers

VS

College punks

vs

High School Know-it-alls.

#### WE PRAY TO THE LORD

A new prayer intention book is now in Our Lady's Chapel (on the north side of our church entrance). As St. Paul reminds us, "never stop praying for each other" uplifting all in God's Spirit of Love.



#### SCRIPTURE INSIGHTS

For several weeks the Sunday Gospels have reminded us of what it means to be disciples. The passages from Luke recounted the teachings, parables, and examples of Jesus' ministry that shape and direct our efforts at being faithful disciples. As we near the end of Ordinary Time the readings shift the focus from our behavior to the action of God in the world and in our lives.

The author of Wisdom speaks of God as the Lord of the cosmos. God looks upon the world as the harvester regards the single grain that falls from the balance, the scale that measures the harvest. For the harvester every grain is important, and the author of Wisdom says that God looks upon the whole world with the same attention and care. The second analogy portrays the same attentiveness; God sees the world as though it were a single drop of dew. This is a God of immeasurable care and compassion.

In Luke's story of Zacchaeus, Jesus fulfills that very role; he "has come to seek and to save what was lost." There is something amusing and even ridiculous about the plight of Zacchaeus. He is no ordinary tax collector (a group despised by the citizens), he is the *chief* tax collector. He must have been slightly embarrassed—a person of his position having to climb a tree to see Jesus. But he sets aside any personal inhibitions and climbs up.

Then an amazing thing happens. Jesus announces that he is coming to stay at his house. Jesus becomes both guest and host at the table of a sinner.

When we gather for liturgy we believe that we encounter the Lord in the Word, in the wine and bread of the sacrament, and in each other, all of us gathered at the Table. At the Eucharistic liturgy the Lord is both guest and host. Christ becomes the meal and the host at our Eucharistic table, and in that event of communion we are transformed.

#### WE ASK FOR YOUR PRAYERS FOR THE FOLLOWING:

Luke Hoag, Butch LaFlamme, Bea Peterson, Patricia Cherry, Amy Kalb, Leonard Austin, Marcy Camanzo, Margaret Sinacore, Shirley Fayed, Jennie Hogan, Kim Houghton, Adelia St. Hilaire, Edward Maleady, Neill Waytkus, Cathy Diehl, Linda Hindman, Patsy Sheffer, Jackie Eastwick, Cheryl Kresky, Deanna Aldrich, Briann Dimaggio, Penny Quiles, Holly Rosenberg, Barbara Zelker McDonald, George Kaukus, Frannie Davendonis, Ruby Carver, Danny Merrill, and Gayle Magisano. Those who have been on the 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 you know, please call: Margaret O'Malley at 686-7835.

#### **IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH** OCTOBER 29 & 30, 2016

This Week: October 29 & 30, 2016

Lay Ministers: Team 2

Counters: Bob Medvetz & Mary Merriam Next Week: November 5 & 6, 2016

Lay Ministers: Team 1

Counters: Bob Medvetz, Mike Shea & Andrea White

(It is your responsibility to find a substitute if you are unable to

serve.)

#### YOUR SACRIFICIAL OFFERINGS & ATTENDANCE

YOUR SACRIFICIAL OFFERINGS October 22 & 23:

Offertory.....\$2,803.00

Propagation of the Faith.....\$175.00

Candles.....\$55.00

Total: \$ 3,033.00

ATTENDANCE October 22 & 23:

4 PM.....134 9 AM.....179

Total: 299

#### Lions Club

The Lions Club is collecting donations for used prescription eye-glasses and hearing aids. There is a box in the back left side of the church. All donations are appreciated.

#### **DIVINE MERCY**

Every Friday at 3:00 PM in our church we gather to pray the Divine Mercy Novena. All are welcome.

#### **BULLETIN SUBMISSION GUIDELINES ...**

The Bulletin deadline for new submissions is noon on Tuesday. Send submissions to: immconcept@roadrunner.com along with your name and phone number.

#### **LOW GLUTEN HOSTS**

We have low gluten hosts for anyone affected by Celiac disease. Call our office for your hosts. 686-5064.

Holy Communion...Please be sure to let one of the greeters know if you are unable to approach the altar. The usher will then make arrangements for Communion to be brought to your pew.

#### ADVERTISER OF THE WEEK ...

We would like to thank

#### **Bennington Subaru**

802-442-3400

www.benningtonsubaru.com 527 N. Bennington Rd.



THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEET EVERY 2ND & 4TH WEDNESDAY AT 7PM IN THE ST. JOSEPH'S ROOM IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH HALL. ANY MAN IS WELCOME TO JOIN!