

# *Immaculate Conception Parish*

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



**TOGETHER WE ARE CHALLENGED, COMFORTED, AND CONVERTED BY GOD'S WORD.**

**TOGETHER WE GIVE THANKS AND ARE SENT OUT INTO OUR WORLD AS CHRIST'S LOVING PEOPLE.**



## ***WE PRAY AUTUMN ORDINARY TIME***

We gather to rejoice in the mystery of God revealed in Jesus of Nazareth. This time of harvest beckons us to remember the Risen Christ in our midst, the first fruits of the New Creation. Our lives, too, bring a rich harvest of justice, peace, and good will to be shared. Our response to the Hebrew Scriptures is the Cantic from Matthew's Beatitudes: "Rejoice and be glad! Blessed are you, holy are you! Rejoice and be glad! Yours is the Kingdom of God!" This calls to mind our celebration of All Saints Day...dare we live as holy saints today, living as a blessing for all we encounter. Our bold "Alleluia" proclaims Jesus as our King; we approach the end of our church year confident in God's presence among us. As we gather at the Lord's Table in Thanksgiving, we, with new found faith go to the heart of the Cross and become life, hope, and people of Christ for each other and the whole world.



Please bring any type of the following items: tuna fish, canned fruit, canned goods, cookie/cake mixes or toiletry items 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.

**Fresh vegetables may be brought to the new "veggie bin" at the Food Pantry on John Street, anytime.**

A harvest from our garden fruits of the Earth...abundance shared at our Food Pantry. May our lives bring a harvest rich in justice, peace, and goodwill to be shared with the whole world!

**LITURGY SCHEDULE**

**Saturday, October 21**

**4:00 PM Mass**  
John Hyde  
Donna Parker  
Jerry Harrington

**Sunday, October 22**

**9:00 AM Mass**  
Catherine Monahan  
Ruby Carver  
Marie & Raymond Roberts

**Monday, October 23**

**12 Noon Mass**  
"For Wildlife Conservationist"

**Tuesday, October 24**

**10:00 AM**  
Mass at the Danforth

**Wednesday, October 25**

**8:30 AM Mass**  
St. Patrick's Church

**Friday, October 27**

**12 Noon Mass**  
"For Refugees and Immigrants"

**Saturday, October 28**

**4:00 PM Mass**  
Tom Nugent  
Eva Fleming  
Donna Parker

**Sunday, October 29**

**9:00 AM Mass**  
Colleen Fitzpatrick  
Jennifer Bakaitis

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

*"The search for peace is an open-ended task, a responsibility that never ends and that demands the commitment of everyone."* – Pope Francis 10/9/17

**Bad News:** On an average day 93 Americans are killed with guns, including 7 children, and over 200 are injured. The US has the 2nd-highest rate of suicides with firearms in the world, just slightly behind the tiny nation of Montenegro.

**Good News:** The number of firearm-related violent crimes in New York State has decreased each year since 2012. NY ranks 3rd-lowest among all states for firearm mortality, behind Massachusetts and Hawaii with less than half the mortality rate of Vermont.

**STONE SOUP GROUP**

With colder days and longer nights upon us, let us not forget our homebound and elderly neighbors. A shared bowl of soup warms the heart and soul. Hearty, (no spicy or cream soups) soups can be made (we have the containers at the rectory) and brought to the Food Pantry, Wood Bridge, or Wood Park Apts. (even the rectory office if you prefer us to deliver). Rather than "no soup for you!" May we bring care and a smile to all.

**THANK YOU FOR REMEMBERING**

Our parish recently received a bequest of \$10,000.00 from the Estate of Paul Graney. This gift is most appreciated. If you are able, please remember our parish in your will. As always, take care of your family first. Any gift continues to help your parish family.



**Wednesday, November 1, 2017**

**Mass:**

**8:30 AM St. Patrick's**

**12 Noon Immaculate Conception**



**Thursday, November 2, 2017**

**12:00 Noon - Prayer of Sacred Memory at St. Mary's Cemetery**

**6:00 PM - Solemn Vespers: Evening Prayer of Remembrance at Immaculate Conception Church**

We pray with our people who have died this year. To remember anyone who has died this year outside of our parish or town, please call our office. All are welcome and needed to join in faithful support of our families. All Souls contributions support the American Cancer Society, The Nature Conservancy, and The Bennington Homeless Shelter.

**SANCTUARY LAMP**

**10/22/17 - 10/28/17**

**In honor of the Risen Christ we remember:**  
Kathryn Lanoue

**ST. MARY'S ACADEMY**  
4 PARSONS AVENUE, HOOSICK FALLS, NY  
PHONE: (518) 686-4314, FAX: (518) 686-5957

**Principal, Mrs. Amanda Goyer**  
**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.*



Dear Friends of SMA,

We made over \$12,000 on our Cow Plop and Car Show fundraiser! Thank you again for your support!

Did you know that October's fruit of the spirit at SMA is Kindness? Throughout morning prayers, our students have celebrated ways to show kindness to others. *"Thus says the LORD of hosts, Render true judgments, show kindness and mercy to one another."* -Zechariah 7:9

Did you forget to order your Yankee Candles this week? No worries! You can still order from our fundraiser online until January 10<sup>th</sup>. To place an order online, go to [www.yankeecandlefundraising.com](http://www.yankeecandlefundraising.com) and enter our Group Number 990006721 in the "Start Shopping" box. Online orders will be shipped directly to your home!

SMA is partnering with Colonie Center and their Coats for Kids campaign. From October 16<sup>th</sup> to November 3<sup>rd</sup>, SMA will be collecting **new or gently used** child or adult (S, M, L) sized coats in the lobby. **Coats should be laundered before being brought to school.** Each coat donated will give SMA 500 bonus points towards our School Bucks account! I will bring all donations to Colonie Center on Saturday, November 4<sup>th</sup>.

As always, I encourage you to stop by and visit your parish school.

With many blessings,

-Mrs. Amanda Goyer-



Fr. Tom & Congregation,

Thank you so much for giving our church & it's members such a beautiful cross. It now hangs in it's own special place.

Also, thank you for allowing us at St. Mark's to open our doors to you and your congregation during your recent tragic events. Celebrating Mass with all of you has been wonderful.

Thank you again. God Bless you.

Fr. Baker & St. Mark's Congregation



**Our first class is this Sunday, October 22nd**  
immediately after our 9AM Mass.  
All classes are at St. Mary's Academy.  
Registration forms are now available after Mass.

**Our next class is October 29th**

Class assistants are needed. Yes, you can help make a difference in a child's life....contact Deb Kapron, Deb Mahar, or our parish office today.

St. Heart St. Francis and Immaculate Conception will be hosting a retreat on November 5th from 3PM to 8PM for our Confirmation Class.

Culture Project International missionaries will be our keynote speakers.

The Culture Project is an initiative of young people set out to restore culture through the experience of virtue. We proclaim the dignity of the human person and the richness of living sexual integrity, inviting our culture to become fully alive.



**Saturday, October 28, 2017**

**10 AM to 2 PM**

**VILLAGE OF HOOSICK FALLS**

**Police Department**

**24 Main Street**

**Hoosick Falls, NY**

**DO NOT** bring the following:

hazardous wastes, sharps such as used needles, or illegal drugs.



### PARISH REGISTRATION - CENSUS UPDATE

Please fill out and return the yellow registration form as soon as possible. This is for all parishioners - long time and new - so we can keep our office ministry up to date. We've been doing this all summer...the July flood hampered our efforts...and phone calls were made to help this process. Thanks for your cooperation.

### THE CAMPAIGN FOR CATHOLIC CHARITIES

This year marks the 100th Anniversary of Catholic Charities in our Diocese. Catholic Charities is the social service arm of our church, always there to be an active witness to the Biblical values of mercy and justice. Offering envelopes are available in the pews. This campaign seeks to strengthen our service to society's most vulnerable including: affordable housing; emergency assistance; "No Wrong Door" - linking clients to all available assistance programs; enhance outreach locations; and increase number of volunteers. Donations may be given at Mass next weekend, October 21-22 in the regular collection. Thank you for your generosity in caring for the poor in our Diocese.



### "AROUND THE WORLD" WINE TASTING

**Monday, November 13th**

**An evening at the Rectory at 6:30 PM**

**We celebrate St. Frances Xavier Cabrini**

**Patron Saint of American Immigrants**

**With tasty wines and snacks from around the world**

**Mother Cabrini was from Italy;**

**let us remember our diverse and wonderful heritage.**



### YOU COUNT!

Every October, our Diocese records Mass attendance in all of our parishes. Your active participation at liturgy is vital today and into our future.

### THE CHURCH'S ONE FOUNDATION

### IS JESUS CHRIST

### 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.

As we reflect on our traditions, live fully this moment, and peer into our tomorrows...may we always be mindful of Christ among us, what it means to be disciples, and how we are church. Prayer keeps our conversations honest, respectful, and holy.

### PARISH TOWN HALL GATHERING

**Saturday, November 11 at 5PM**

**Sunday, November 12 at 10 AM**

Please come to Mass and afterwards, right in church, share your insights, dreams, and hopes for our parish. Folks from our Diocese will discuss our buildings, finances, and pastoral planning. Mass attendance, population trends, flood damage, roof, window, fuel tank repairs, and the need for active ministries will be openly discussed. Your prayerful wisdom is sought and needed for us to continue and flourish as the Catholic Church in Hoosick Falls. There are no foregone conclusions; no backroom decisions have been made; no secret deals have been reached. Your faithful ideas need to be voiced so we can continue the ministry of Jesus Christ, serve our neighbors, and worship as engaged disciples. Facts and faith will come together in us in our holy pilgrimage. Please plan to come to church and share how we can become evermore the Church of the Crucified Risen Savior. More information will come next weekend.

**IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH**  
**OCTOBER 21 & OCTOBER 22, 2017**

**This Week: October 21 & October 22, 2017**

Lay Ministers: Team #3

Counters: Judy Flynn, Peg Bakaitis & Jerry McAuliffe

**Next Week: October 28 & October 29, 2017**

Lay Ministers: Team #4

Counters: Bob Medvetz & Mary Merriam

**(It is your responsibility to find a substitute if you are unable to serve.)**

**YOUR SACRIFICIAL OFFERINGS & ATTENDANCE**

YOUR SACRIFICIAL OFFERINGS October 14 & 15:

Offertory.....\$3,636.17

Faith Formation.....\$50.00

Candles.....\$33.12

Campaign For Catholic Charities...\$32.00

Total: \$3,751.29

ATTENDANCE October 14 & 15:

4 PM.....161    9 AM.....145    Total: 306

**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.

**LOW GLUTEN HOSTS**

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

**BULLETIN SUBMISSION GUIDELINES ...**

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

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

Linda Bump, Bill McAuliffe, Bob Smith, Alexandra Lettre, Ken Burns, Marcus Martinez, Helen Restino, Bud Barber, Felicia Martelle, Baby Rousseau, Frank Novak, Bill Green, Phyllis Bushner, Nicholas Waytkus, Matthew Brewster, Pat Finzer, Mary McCaffery, Chick Thurber, Luka Vincent Raziano, Armand Rousseau, Robert Sargood, Scott Williams, Marie Godfrey, Sandy McCart, Allen Lyle, Mary Carter, Janet Smith, and Diane Grogan. 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.

**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.

**ADVERTISER OF THE WEEK ...**

**IKE'S SERVICE CENTER**

1 River Street/Hoosick Falls

**518-686-4309**