

## Third Sunday of Easter - April 17 & 18, 2021



### Easter - Our Resurrection in Christ

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**IMMACULATE CONCEPTION MASS SCHEDULE:**

CELEBRATED IN IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH HALL

SATURDAY, 4 PM & SUNDAY, 9 AM

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## Liturgy Schedule:

### Saturday, April 17

**4:00 pm Mass**

Patti Turi

(Requested by Gail & Rich Turi)

Keith Buck

(Requested by Nina & Ed Leffler)

### Sunday, April 18

**9:00 am Mass**

Edward Kaukas

(Requested by Nina & Ed Leffler)

Ron Jones

(Requested by friends and teams)

### Saturday, April 24

**4:00 pm Mass**

Sandy Eddy Carelli &

Walton Eddy

(Requested by Linda Hutchins)

Peggy Rice

(Requested by Bobby Benkoski &

Mary Ellen Sanders)

### Sunday, April 25

**9:00 am Mass**

Barry Arnold

(Requested by Nina & Ed Leffler)



**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.**

## 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.

### Immaculate Conception Earth 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.



Quinn Plows the Garden!

### "When I was in prison you visited me" Parish Prison Ministry

Simply write a general 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, May 3 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. Masks are required.

### Food for the Kids

Any festive Easter food or other fun snacks may be shared with the kids at ISA, International Sports Academy (old St. Mary's Academy). Drop off food at the school or church. There are 50 international high school kids in residence there. And you know how kids can eat!



## Discipleship on the Move

Thank you for your faithful dedication these past years. May our church thrive even more. I'll be moving to Delanson (Our Lady of Fatima) and Middleburgh (Our Lady of the Valley). My new ministry begins there May 1.

### Unity House

In collaboration with the Hoosick Falls Police Department  
2nd Floor - Armory, 80 Church Street, Hoosick Falls  
(518) 272-5917

Services offered (all services are voluntary, free and confidential):

- ◆ Case management
- ◆ Counseling
- ◆ Advocacy with DSS, CPS, Police, Court, Housing & more
- ◆ Legal Representation & Consultation
- ◆ Education & Employment Assistance
- ◆ Sexual Assault Services
- ◆ Youth Services
- ◆ Referrals and Connections to other Programs/Services
- ◆ Emergency Shelter

Hotlines: Call: (518) 272-2370 or Text: (518) 720-6161  
Web chat: rc.chat/uhdvs

### Hiking for our Food Pantry

Garrett Wright ... Hoosick Falls Central graduate, farmer, and now a hardworking California business person...is hiking the Sierra Mountains in preparation for an expedition to Africa's Mt. Kilimanjaro this summer. He is doing this to raise awareness and money for our HACA Food Pantry. Any donations may be given to the pantry or dropped off at our parish office. Excelsior, Garrett!

### • 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 April 18

1st Reading: Acts of the Apostles 3:13-15, 17-19

2nd Reading: 1 John 2:1-5a

Gospel: Luke 24:35-48

Readings for Sunday April 25

1st Reading: Acts of the Apostles 4:8-12

2nd Reading: 1 John 3:1-2

Gospel: John 10:11-18

Here is this weeks' and next weeks' readings so you and your family can think about those lessons:

**Why Love Is More Than a Feeling**

### **EASTER: 50 DAYS THAT MAKE A DIFFERENCE**

In the liturgies of the Triduum and Easter, the Church remembers the Passion, Death, and Resurrection of the Lord. But although these liturgies are full of drama and a powerful sense of history, liturgical remembering is not about the past; it is about the present. When the Church remembers, something happens in the here and now. **“Recalling thus the mysteries of redemption, the Church opens to the faithful the riches of the Lord’s powers and merits, so that these are in some way made present in every age in order that the faithful may lay hold on them and be filled with saving grace.”** The Triduum is, in a word, *sacramental*; for the Resurrection is not just remembered, as great events in history are remembered; the Resurrection *happens*. We celebrate Easter for 50 days this year until May 23...Pentecost...be caught up in the Spirit!

*God’s Dream ... Our Work*

*Each person makes a difference!*

*Our Eucharist sends us forth to embody Christ’s love, Christ’s Justice, Christ’s Healing, and Christ’s Reign in every aspect of our life and the life of our world community. Never say “you don’t matter” because you do! You make all the difference in the world.*

*Here are some activities that may interest you in order to help another person, stand up for what is right, or care for our Earth. Remember, our Catholic faith is not self-centered, but selfless...going out of ourselves to witness to God’s sacred presence every day, everywhere.*

*May the restless Spirit of Resurrection within you never settle for less, the uninspired, the tired, or the untrue...but may you always seek to live the ideal, the truly beautiful, the most unsettling, the deepest life giving love for all people!*

*The stone has been rolled away ... Let us journey forth ... together!*

#### **RESPECT LIFE**

- ⇒ Stand up for anyone who is being abused by domestic violence. Call Catholic Charities (free and confidential) at 453-6650. Get help for yourself or someone else who is abused by hitting, humiliation, guilt, bullying, or forced sex.
- ⇒ Contribute to the National Adoption Foundation, 100 Mill Plain Road, Danbury, CT 06811 (National Adoption Foundation.org) helping families adopt children.
- ⇒ Speak out against racism, prejudice, sexual harassment.
- ⇒ Invite a troubled drinker to AA - local meeting are Monday evenings at 8pm at the Hoosick Baptist Church.
- ⇒ Help Amnesty International USA, 322 8th Ave., New York, NY 10001; [www.amnestyuse.org](http://www.amnestyuse.org) - in demanding that all forms of torture cease, political prisoners receive fair trials, and death squads be eliminated.
- ⇒ The Roarke Center, Troy (273-8351) helps women with legal issues and when leaving incarceration.
- ⇒ Learn and do something about the worldwide crime of human trafficking (modern slavery). More than 29 million people are held in bondage for forced labor or sexual exploitation. Contact the “Project to End Human Trafficking.”
- ⇒ Come to our parish Comfort & Hope support group.

#### **RESPECT THE EARTH**

- ⇒ Support “Trees for Life” 3006 West St. Louis, Wichita, KS 67203. This group supplies native, fruit and shade trees to devastated areas throughout the world. Help reforest Mount Kilimanjaro with 3 million trees with Interfaith Power & Light on the net (or 415-561-4891).
- ⇒ Buy produce at local farm stands; at the store, make sure produce is grown in America. Support local farmers.
- ⇒ Hike the Taconic Crest Trail.
- ⇒ Contribute to the Nature Conservancy, P. O. Box 65, Keene Valley, NY 12943 in preserving rare mountain habitats.
- ⇒ Recycle everything that you can.
- ⇒ Pick up litter on the Hoosic River Trail.
- ⇒ Plant an extra row of vegetables to share at our Food Pantry.
- ⇒ Use less fertilizer on your lawn and garden. Runoff pollutes our waters.
- ⇒ Learn about Global Warming and what you can do to help future generations.
- ⇒ Plant a tree, feed the birds, put up a bat house.

#### **FAMILY, COMMUNITY AND CHURCH**

- ⇒ Be enthusiastic at Mass.
- ⇒ Volunteer to read at Mass, help sanitize after Mass.
- ⇒ Assist with our Food Pantry Garden.
- ⇒ Think about becoming a priest.
- ⇒ Laugh and enjoy life ... smile ... celebrate friendship.
- ⇒ Change a negative in your life and do something positive. Exercise!
- ⇒ Help a neighbor, ride a bike, share some flowers, kayak down a river.

#### **POLITICAL ARENA**

- ⇒ Check out “Faithful Citizenship: A Catholic Call to Political Responsibility”
- ⇒ See [www.usccb.org/faithfulcitizenship](http://www.usccb.org/faithfulcitizenship) or call 1-800-235-8722 at the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops.
- ⇒ Vote in all elections.

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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

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**Counters:** This Week: Linda Bennett & Anita Perry  
Next Week: Bob Medvetz & Jerry McAuliffe

### YOUR SACRIFICIAL OFFERINGS & ATTENDANCE For April 10 & 11

**Regular Offertory.....\$2,511.00**  
**Monthly E-Transfer Offertory.....\$2,486.00**  
**Monthly E-Transfer Easter Offering....\$585.00**  
**Monthly E-Transfer Faith Formation.....\$25.00**

**Total .....\$5,607.00**

#### Attendance:

**Saturday, April 10.....75**  
**Sunday, April 11.....28**  
**Total.....178**

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

Barbara Bouplon, Billy Benkoski, Cheryl McLaughlin, Dave Hanselman, Dawn Myers, Donny Hayden, Dorothy Roy, Dr. Marcus Martinez, Felicia Martelle, Fr. Joe Manerowski, Gary Grogan, Harley Conte, Jeff Babson, Jesse Stevens, Judy Brownell, Judy Quackenbush, Karen Thomas, Linda Kane, Marie Slattery, Matt Waytkus, Melissa Cleary, Mike Stone, Nancy Hathaway Mahoney, Neil Waytkus, Paulette Sukuskas, Peter Kane, Sally Williams, Stacy Rogers, 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 will be open normal hours, however, they will give out pre-packaged bags at the door to one family at a time. All normal items will be included. Additional Items Needed: Ramen noodles, oatmeal, canned dinners (spaghetti, chili, stew), pancake mix, rice/pasta boxed mixes (Rice a Roni), shampoo, toothpaste and brushes, and feminine hygiene items.**

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



- Any food donations may be brought to church, our office, or directly to the Food Pantry.

### **VOLUNTEER!** **VOLUNTEER!** **WE NEED YOUR HELP**

- ◆ Wednesday mornings at 10 AM: Bulletin proofreaders. **Call the office.**
- ◆ Sunday morning: Collection Counters. **Call the office.**
- ◆ Lectors (readers) at Mass: **See Gloria Shufon,**

**“Better to light one candle  
than to curse the darkness”**

Three day votive candles are in our lower church. The donation is 25cents. 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:**

***Immconcept@roadrunner.com***

#### **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.