

The Roman Catholic Parish

ST. JOSEPH-IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

15 North Avenue, P.O. Box 439 • Millbrook, New York 12545

Serving the people of Millbrook, Clinton Corners and Bangall



Rev. Msgr. Gerardo J. Colacicco, Pastor
Deacon Richard Aglietti

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MASSES

Saturday5:00 PM Vigil Mass of Sunday
Sunday 8:00 and 10:15 AM, 12:00 Noon
Holydays See bulletin for schedule
Daily Mass.....7:30 AM, Wednesday.....5:00pm only

CONFESSIONS

Saturday4:00-4:45 PM or anytime by request

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT: Begins at 12:00
Noon every 1st Friday and continues throughout the afternoon, ending
with Benediction at 5:00 PM.

DECEMBER 20, 2015 - FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

BAPTISMS: Sundays at 1:00 PM. Please contact the rectory. Sponsor certificates for the Sacrament of Baptism (godparents) or the Sacrament of Confirmation can be obtained by seeing the Pastor after one of the weekend Masses.

WEDDINGS: Arrangements should be made at least six months in advance. A Marriage Preparation Program is required.

NEW PARISHIONERS: Please register in the parish by calling the Rectory.

St. Joseph Cemetery, Millbrook and St. Mary's Cemetery, Bangall: Call the Rectory for information.

Rectory Phone: 845-677-3422 • Rectory Fax: 845-677-3423

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Rectory Office Open 9:00 AM-3:00 PM

CCD Office: 845-677-3273

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Christmas Schedule 2015



CONFESSIONS

Reconciliation Monday, Dec. 14

3:00-5:00pm and 7:00pm

Sat. Dec. 19

4:00-4:45pm

MASSES

Christmas Eve, Thurs. Dec. 24

4:00pm, 5:30pm, Midnight

Christmas Day, Fri. Dec. 25

9:00am, 12:00 Noon

MASSES

New Year's Eve, Thurs. Dec. 31

5:00pm

New Year's Day, Fri. Jan 1

9:00am, 12:00 Noon

Polish Wigilia (Oplatek)

The Christmas Eve Wigilia Supper forms the focal point of the Polish Yuletide customs. Wigilia, which means vigil, commemorates the birth of Jesus. For Polish families, the meal starts when the eastern star appears through the parlor window to serve as a guide to the Birth of Jesus in the same manner as the star of Bethlehem was a guide to the Magi! The meal begins with the ancient tradition of breaking oplatek, a thin wafer, or bread of love. It is passed to the various members of the family who put it to their lips and wish each other Blessings for the upcoming year. These wafers are now available in the Rectory.

**BIRTHRIGHT COLLECTION
NEXT WEEKEND. PLEASE
LEAVE ITEMS IN REAR OF
CHURCH.**



Please note: NO morning Mass on Dec. 24.

**The Rectory will be CLOSED Christmas Day,
Thursday, Dec. 25th and Friday, Dec. 26th.**



Saturday, December 19th -

7:30am Intentions of Ronn Wilt

5:00pm Charles Wilt

Sunday, December 20th -

Fourth Sunday of Advent

8:00am Fred and Mary Paolucci

10:15am JoAnn Colomello

12:00pm Grace Walsh

Monday, December 21st - St. Peter Canisius

7:30am Ethel and Albert Morrison

Tuesday, December 22nd -

7:30am Jean Digras

Wednesday, December 23rd - St. John of Kanty

5:00pm Steven Kearins

Thursday, December 24th -

4:00pm Angelo Colacicco

5:30pm The Alderman Family

Midnight People of the Parish

Friday, December 25th - The Nativity of the Lord

9:00am Connie, Judith, Andrea
and Rod Ciferri

12:00pm George Zerafa and Jo DeSomma

Saturday, December 26th - St. Stephen

7:30am Jack Walsh

5:00pm Felice and Felicia Manzi

Sunday, December 27th -

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

8:00am Jerome Aiena

10:15am Carmine Bruno

12:00pm Intentions of the Conley Family

Year Of Mercy

St. Therese of the Child Jesus wrote: "A God who became so small could only be mercy and love."

As we prepare for the feast of His birth, may you encounter His merciful love and share the joy of His love and mercy with others.

New Year's Eve in Millbrook

Please visit the Rotary Club website for their scheduled evening of entertainment on Dec. 31, 2015 from 4:00-8:00pm in the village of Millbrook.

www.millbrookrotary.org



The Legend of the Poinsettia

The Poinsettia, with its brilliant red leaves, is a very common decoration at this time of year. Its association with Christmas began many years ago when the story developed of Pepita, a poor Mexican girl who had no gift for the Christ Child at Christmas. Her cousin Pedro told her that even the most humble gift given in love is a welcomed present. So, Pepita gathered a handful of weeds into a small bouquet. As she laid it at the foot of the creche, it burst into blooms of red. From that day on, the Poinsettia has also been known as the *Flor de Nochebuena*, or Flower of the Holy Night (Christmas Eve).

PARISH LIBRARY

Come and browse Catholic books, CDs, DVDs and videos in the lobby of the school building. Open on Sunday mornings, 8:45-10:00am and Monday evenings, 7:00-8:15pm. Closed on holiday weekends. For more information call Daisy Abruzzo at 677-3273.



CHRISTMAS SHOP IS OPEN!

Uncle Al's **Christmas Shop** is open every day, Mon.– Fri. from 10am–4pm and on Saturdays from 10am–1pm through 12/23. This year the shop is operating at Uncle Al's Thrift Shop on Front St. in Millbrook. A fine selection of Christmas decorations, gift items, clothing and accessories is available at very reasonable prices. Much of the merchandise is new, some gently used, but all suitable for decorating the home or giving as gifts. Uncle Al's Christmas shop benefits St. Joseph Church. Call 677-5002 during shop hours

PARISH INFORMATION

**Immaculate Conception,
Amenia**
Food Pantry 373-8193

**Religious Education (CCD)
And Youth Group**
Daisy Abruzzo 677-3273

Uncle Al's Thrift Shop 677-5002

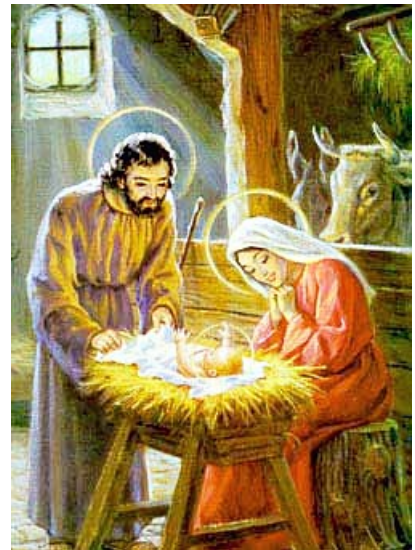
St. Joseph's Women's Guild
Pamela Woodward 677-5897

Knights of Columbus
Greg Butta 677-0182

CYO Basketball
Kirsten Rappleyea 677-6581

Choir
Gene Canevari 399-0403

Men's Group
Mike Appolonia 594-7804



Mariapolis Luminosa Nativity Display

200 Cardinal Rd., Hyde Park, NY 12538

December 1—30, 2015

Saturday— Sunday from 1pm to 5pm

Monday— Friday from 2pm to 5pm

Suggested donation \$5

For more info call 845-229-0230 ext. 127

Or luminosa.office@gmail.com

**200 plus Nativity scenes from every
continent of the world on display!**