

"Go, prophesy to my people Israel."

[The Book of the Prophet Amos 7:15b]

The **Community will gather for Eucharist** this week at the following times.

Saturday, 7/11	5:00 P.M.	No Mass
Sunday, 7/12	8:30 A.M.	Mary Wilkinson [L]
Monday, 7/13	8:30 A.M.	Frances Conaghan [L]
Tuesday, 7/14	8:30 A.M.	Robert Maurina by Gemma Maurina
Wedns'dy, 7/15		No Mass
Thursday, 7/16	8:30 A.M.	[available]
Friday, 7/17	8:30 A.M.	[available]
Saturday, 7/18	5:00 P.M.	No Mass
Sunday, 7/19	8:30 A.M.	[available]



Ministers of the Liturgy

July 12	<u>5:00 P.M.</u>	<u>8:30 A.M.</u>
Servers/	_____	Aaron McGhee
Acolytes	_____	Ashton Colangelo
	_____	Joy Lynch
Readers	No	Pat Christensen
Eucharistic	Mass	Diana Forte
Ministers	_____	Maria Heaney
Ministers of	_____	_____
Hospitality	_____	Frank Christensen
July 19	<u>5:00 P.M.</u>	<u>8:30 A.M.</u>
Servers/	_____	Jason Stroly
Acolytes	_____	Matthew Michetti
	_____	Sandy Schimmel
Readers	No	_____
Eucharistic	Mass	Diana Forte
Ministers	_____	Elaine Fletcher
Ministers of	_____	_____
Hospitality	_____	_____

Parish Meeting on the 15th

The community of St. Anthony's is invited on July 15th at 7:00 pm in the Parish Hall to discuss the merger of our parish with Immaculate Conception in Amenia. It is up to us as a community to plan for the future of our parish. Please bring your questions, concerns, and ideas to share. If you have ideas but cannot attend please contact Jean Stroly at (845) 702-4240, email jstroly@optimum.net or Christine Henderson at (845) 546-6717, email CMAW19@aol.com. Hope to see you there!

COMMUNITY FOOD LOCKER

Your donations for the distribution this month are very much appreciated. Thank you again!

STEWARDSHIP – Last week's collection totaled **\$1,496.00**. In trying to maintain our budget, our weekly Sunday collection goal is **\$1,825.00**, which would now be **\$78,475.00**. Our total for the fiscal year is **\$57,209.12 – 73%**. The special collection for **Pastoral Solidarity with the Church in Africa** raised **\$55.00**. The children's collection received **0** envelopes. **Thank you for your generosity!**

Counters: 7/12 Eleanor Pulver; 7/19 Steve & Terri Bush; 7/26 Diana Forte

Prepare for the Lord's Day
NEXT SUNDAY: 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 1] The Book of the Prophet Jeremiah 23:1-6
- 2] Psalm 23:1-3, 3-4, 4, 6
- 3] The Letter to the Ephesians 2:13-18
- 4] The Gospel according to Mark 6:30-34

As of Sunday, August 2nd our Sunday Mass will be at 8:00 A.M. [No longer 8:30 A.M.] Weekday Masses will be celebrated only at Immaculate Conception in Amenia.

Memorial Candles

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The Altar Candles burn the month of July in honor/memory of [available] By [available]
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Parking

The east [field] side of the church can be used for parking in good weather, especially summer and fall. Please do NOT park in the rectory driveway.

The Sanctuary Lamp burns this week in memory of **B & C Timpone and C. Infelice** by **Bill & Maryann Zaccaroli**

CATECHETICAL PROGRAM FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

+ Our **Catechetical Program** has concluded for the current season. For inquiries about the program and/or additional information call Jeanne Stroly, our Coordinator at 845-868-1043.

YEAR OF
MARK



July 19th, 2015 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

The prophet Jeremiah lives in a turbulent time of Israel's history. With Assyria falling from power while Babylon rises, the prophet's world is dangerous. The kings of Jerusalem have led their people into sin by allowing the worship of other gods. Jeremiah addresses an oracle of woe to these "shepherds" (v1): "I will take care to punish your evil deeds" (v2), the Lord says. But God also promises to "raise up a righteous shoot to David" – the expected Messiah, who will "reign and govern wisely, ...do what is just and right" (v5).

The author of Ephesians reminds us that "you who were once far off have become near by the blood of Christ" (v13). The original audience of the letter consists of "Gentiles... strangers to the covenants of promise" (see vv 11-12). Christ's death abolishes "the law with its commandments and legal claims" (v15), opening the way to unite Jews and gentiles together, reconciling "both with God, ...through the cross" (v16). God's desire is not our death or destruction but our unity as "members of the household of God" (see v19).

In last week's Gospel, Jesus sent the disciples out to begin their mission. In today's text they return to Jesus and report "all they had done and taught" (v30). Though the Gospel does not give us details, we can presume that they were effective in their ministry. Jesus then invites them to "come away by yourselves to a deserted place and rest a while" (v31). This passage serves as a reminder to us that we too need to take care of ourselves so that we can take care of others. God's example of rest in Genesis and the gift of the Sabbath invite us to minister to ourselves as well as to others.

For Reflection: Do I find opportunities to "rest a while"? Who in our own time voices a prophetic message like that of Jeremiah?

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Vacation Bible School

Sponsored by the Council of Churches and hosted by the Pine Plains First Presbyterian Church, will be held August 10th thru 14th, 2015 from 9:00 A.M. to 12:00 noon

Registration materials are available on the table under the bulletin board. Anyone willing to donate the snacks for one of the days, please call the parish office as soon as possible.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

"I will hear what God proclaims...."

Get away from the busyness of life and allow God to speak to your hearts, so they may beat as one by participating in a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend.

For more information on dates and locations go to: www.wwme.org or call toll free: 877-NYS-WWME ext. 3.

"Our world is a gift given to us by God so that, with him, we can make it our own. God did not will creation for himself, so he could see himself reflected in it. On the contrary: creation is a gift to be shared. It is the space that God gives us to build up with one another, to build a "we". The world, history, all of time – this is the setting in which we build this "we" with God, with others, with the earth. This invitation is always present, more or less consciously in our life; it is always there.

But there is something else which is special. As Genesis recounts, after the word "cultivate", another word immediately follows: "care". Each explains the other. They go hand in hand. Those who do not cultivate do not care; those who do not care do not cultivate."

[Pope Francis' first public comments on his encyclical letter "*On the Care of Creation*" {*Laudato si*} in an address at the Pontifical Catholic University of Ecuador]

The Place of Music in Catholic Worship

Pope-emeritus Benedict XVI was awarded Honorary Doctorates from the Pontifical John Paul II University of Krakow and the Krakow Academy of Music on July 4th. His remarks given for the occasion at Castel Gandolfo follow.

"In the Constitution on the Liturgy of the II Vatican Council, [*Sacrosanctum Concilium*], it is very clearly written: 'The treasure of sacred music is to be preserved and fostered with great care. (114)' On the other hand, the text highlights the *actuosa participatio* [full and conscious participation] of the faithful in the sacred action as a fundamental liturgical category. Those two things, which in the text of the Constitution remain together and at peace with each other, were in the implementation of the Council, often in a relationship of dramatic tension. Significant areas of the Liturgical Movement believed that, in the future, there would be room for the great choral works and even for orchestral Masses only in concert halls, not in the liturgy. [In the liturgy], there could be space only for the singing and common prayer of the faithful. On the other hand, there was shock at the cultural impoverishment of the Church that would necessarily result from this. How to reconcile the two? How to implement the Council in its entirety? These were the questions that were particularly striking to me and to many other believers, to simple people, no less than to persons in possession of a theological education."

The Pope-emeritus went on to say, "At this point, it is perhaps fitting that we ask the deeper question: what is music really? Whence does it come and toward what does it tend?" He posited three *loci* from which music arises: the experience of love; the experience of sorrow, of being touched by death, by pain, and by the abysses of existence; the encounter with the divine, who from the beginning is part of that which defines man. "We do not know what will be the future of sacred music," concluded Pope-emeritus Benedict XVI, "but one thing is clear: wherever the encounter with the Living God, who in Christ comes close to us really occurs, there is born anew and there again grows the answer, the beauty of which arises out of truth itself."

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