

The Roman Catholic Parish

ST.^{of} JOSEPH-IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

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

Serving the people of Millbrook, Clinton Corners and Bangall

Bishop Gerardo J. Colacicco, Pastor
Rev. Richard A. LaMorte

PARISH SECRETARIES
Mary Theresa Soyka
Margaret Hart

COORDINATOR OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
Molly Paglia



MASSES

Saturday 5:00 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

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

DEVOTIONS

ROSARY After the morning Masses on Tuesday,
Thursday, Friday and Saturday

MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA

Every Monday after the morning Mass

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 15, 2019 - THIRD 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

E-mail: stjosephmillbrook@gmail.com

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

CCD Office: 845-677-3273

Website: stjosephmillbrookny.org

Sick calls: Anytime 845-677-3422



Christmas Schedule 2019



CONFESSIONS

Reconciliation Monday, Dec. 16

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

MASSES

Christmas Eve, Tues. Dec. 24

4:00pm, 5:30pm, Midnight

Christmas Day, Wed. Dec. 25

9:00am, 12:00 Noon

MASSES

New Year's Eve, Tues. Dec. 31

5:00pm

New Year's Day, Wed. Jan. 1

9:00am, 12:00 Noon

Please note: Mass on Wednesday, December 18, is at 7:30am instead of 5:00pm.

Mass Readings

Third Sunday of Advent—**Year A**. Today's readings can be found on **page 811** in the hymnal.

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, December 14th - St. John of the Cross

7:30am Nazzareno and Immaculata Manzi Fam.
Victor Misik and the Misik Family

5:00pm John and Sadie Whalen
Patrick and Anne Ciferri

Sunday, December 15th -

Third Sunday of Advent

8:00am People of the Parish

10:15am Emily Panichi
Joan Kearins

12:00pm Mark Andreini
Angelina Landi

Monday, December 16th -

7:30am Nicola and Maria Natrella

Tuesday, December 17th -

7:30am Intentions of Fr. Nicholas Blank

Wednesday, December 18th -

7:30am Charles Wilt

Thursday, December 19th -

7:30am Mark L. Zeyher
Special Intentions

Friday, December 20th -

7:30am Intentions of Deacon Peter McShurley

Saturday, December 21st - St. Peter Canisius

7:30am Intentions of Tim and Yvonne Walsh
Dominic DeSantis

5:00pm Fred and Mary Paolucci
Rodrigo and Josephine Ciferri

Sunday, December 22nd -

Fourth Sunday of Advent

8:00am People of the Parish
Nancy Colkin Tsoubris

10:15am Emily Panichi
Theresa Lyons

12:00pm Andrew, Marguerite and Mary Rotunno

Our Parish Family will gather **TODAY** December 15 at 1:00pm in the School Gymnasium to celebrate the Ordination as a Bishop of our Pastor, as well as bid him farewell as he begins his new ministry January 1st. Please plan to join us.

A Living Nativity at Immaculate Conception Church, Amenia

Immaculate Conception Church (4 Lavelle Road — off Rte. 22 in Amenia) is having a **“Living Nativity”** following the 10:45am Mass on Sunday, December 15th. Please plan on attending Mass as well, as it will be oriented to children. There will be animals, light refreshments, a bake sale, a “cash and carry” table, several craft vendors as well as beautiful baskets to be raffled off. We encourage you to come. All are welcome, so please come join the fun and bring a friend!

Knights of Columbus “Keep Christ in Christmas” Poster Contest

The Knights of Columbus are sponsoring a “Keep Christ in Christmas” Poster Contest.

Rules of the Contest:

Poster must reflect the theme of Keep Christ in Christmas.

Each poster should be the original work (including concept, layout, slogan and any visual images) of a single person.

Poster should be approximately 11X17 inches in size. If pastels, chalk or charcoal are used, the poster must be laminated or covered with clear plastic.

Each poster must be submitted with a Knights of Columbus “Keep Christ in Christmas” Poster Contest entry form — make sure your council number is included. The name and age of the entrant should be printed on the reverse side of the poster in case the poster and entry form get separated.

The contest is open to children ages 5-14. A \$20.00 prize will be awarded to each of three different age groups (5-7, 8-10, 11-14). Children under 5 or over 14 are welcome to participate, but will not be eligible for prizes.

Entry forms are available at the Parish Office or from the Coordinator of Religious Education (Mrs. Molly Paglia).

Posters and entry forms should be submitted to the Parish Office or the Coordinator of Religious Education no later than December 16th.

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 Office.





**OFFICE OF THE CARDINAL
1011 FIRST AVENUE
NEW YORK, NY 10022**

December 2019

Month of the Immaculate Conception

Dear friends in the Lord:

Soon our parishes will collect the offering for the Retirement Fund for Religious, an annual appeal that benefits some 30,000 senior sisters, brothers and religious order priests.

Our elderly religious offer a shining example of what it means to “serve the Lord with gladness” (Psalm 100:2). During their days of active ministry, they worked tirelessly to build Catholic schools and hospitals, promote social justice, and embrace the neediest among us. In retirement, many continue in volunteer ministry, and all pray for the needs of our Church and world. Inspired by love, their service, past and present, is marked by joy and a deep desire to do the will of God.

As you know, many religious communities find it difficult to provide for aging members. Your gift, which will be collected **TODAY, December 15**, will allow for vital funding for medications, nursing care and more. It will also help congregations to plan for the future retirement needs.

We are all asked to support many worthy causes. So, I invite you to give what you can and to pray for God’s continued blessing on all our women and men religious. Remember, they are praying for you.

With gratitude and prayerful best wishes to all for a blessed Advent season, I am,

Faithfully in Christ,

+Timothy Michael Cardinal Dolan

Archbishop of New York

Christmas Food Baskets

The Women’s Guild is sponsoring the food drive to prepare our Christmas baskets. A detailed list of food items is posted on the bulletin board in the Church vestibule. Nonperishable items can be placed in the box provided in the vestibule. **Perishable items** will be received on **Sunday December 22nd, in the Parish Hall from 9am to 12Noon**. Your support is greatly appreciated.

UNCLE AL’S THRIFT SHOP

Saying “thank you” should be easy, right? Sometimes it is, other times the ordinary ways of expressing gratitude seem inadequate. This is one of those times — how to thank the many volunteers who helped put together (and take apart) the Christmas Sale last week. It began two weeks ago when the numerous items for the sale had to be sorted, priced and then packed in boxes at the school. And that was just the beginning—all that stuff had to be moved to the Parish Hall when it was time for the sale. At the conclusion of three days, what was left was packed up and taken to the shop. To our regular volunteers and to the many others who stepped in to help, thank you and God bless you! A reminder that there is much at Uncle Al’s for Christmas and the Holiday Season.

Compliments from customers are common — “It’s better than shopping at Michael’s”, said one shopper ... so much easier than going to Poughkeepsie”, said another.

See you at the shop — open Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday from 10:00am to 4:00pm.

And all proceeds benefit St. Joseph-Immaculate Conception Church.

In Memory of

*Donald Lee
Mozer*



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Altar Flowers

If you would like to donate the flower arrangements on the Altar, please stop by the Rectory to reserve the week. Each arrangement is \$30.00.

Christmas Feast at Lyaal Memorial Federated Church

Lyaal Church is again hosting our annual Christmas Feast. It will be served on Christmas Day from 3:00-5:00pm. It is a wonderful time for the community to come together. A real feast, fire in the fireplace, music and friendship. The meal is free. All are welcome!



Parish Sick List

Please pray for our Parishioners who are ill, homebound or in our area Nursing Homes:

Daisy Abruzzo, Tatum Allen, Ann Brandow, Richard Caza, Frances Connolly, Arlene Dauphin, Rose Marie DeSantis, Anna Massarelli DiStefano, Anna M. Enright, Edna Ferguson, Barbara Forte, John Kearins, Gloria Malinowski, Phil Marrone, Dorothea Matevichuk, Hilary McAllister, Rita McEnroe, John McQuillan, Stephanie Moschier, Jane Muller, Mary O'Keefe, Josefina Otero, Dan Palumbo, Mrs. Tom Parker, Helen Pelletier, Mary Peterson, Jill Philipbar, Rose Risimini, Carla Robertson, Robert Salberg, Lynne Schlude, Angelina Segno, Annette Snyder, Linda Ippolitto Sullivan, Regina Syversen, Jane Wisner, Lucy Zerafa, Betty Zitz.

Please pray for our recently departed:

Mary Hoagland

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.

PARISH INFORMATION

Immaculate Conception, Amenia
Food Pantry 373-8193

Religious Education (CCD)
Molly Paglia 677-3273

Uncle Al's Thrift Shop 677-5002

St. Joseph's Women's Guild
Judy Yarochowicz 677-5778

Knights of Columbus
Gerard Spagnoli 677-5607

CYO Basketball
Kim Knittel 605-1383

Choir
Gene Canevari 399-0403

Men's Group
Michael Sugg 332-9092

Millbrook F.D. Rescue Squad is in need of new volunteers. Help us help you! Call 845-527-7814.

The Catholic Widows and Widowers of Dutchess & Putnam counties will **NOT meet** in the month of December but will meet again in January 2020 on the third Tuesday of the month in the Parish Meeting Room at: St. Kateri Church, 1925 Rt. 82, Lagrangeville, NY 12540
(845) 223-3097



VITA

Love Will End Abortion

A weekly pro-life radio show that broadcasts on The Station of the Cross Catholic Radio Network

www.lovewillendabortion.com