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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

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

The Epiphany of the Lord

JANUARY 7, 2024 – THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

BAPTISMS: Please contact the rectory to schedule. 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.

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The second collection this week is for *The Catholic University of America* and *Catholic Communications Campaign*, a joint collection.

Mass Readings

The Epiphany of the Lord — **Year B**. Today's readings can be found **on page 829** in the hymnal.

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, January 6th - **St. André Bessette**

7:30am Intentions of the FMM Superior General
Joseph and Grace Abruzzo
5:00pm Bill and Elizabeth Engel
Ruth Eidel

Sunday, January 7th - **THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD**

8:00am People of the Parish
Mark and Martha Crouch
10:15am Joseph Trano
Intentions of Jason Fiore
12:00pm Luigi and Elisa Panichi
Emily Panichi

Monday, January 8th – **The Baptism of the Lord**

7:30am Bruce Federman
Intentions of Kristen Thompson

Tuesday, January 9th -

7:30am Virginia Colucci
Pjeter Shabani

Wednesday, January 10th -

5:00pm Ione Marie Newman
Renato Pellegrini

Thursday, January 11th -

7:30am Mary E. Kelly
Louis Spagnola

Friday, January 12th -

7:30am Steven Kearins
Judith Ciferri

Saturday, January 13th - **St. Hilary**

7:30am Richard Straley, Sr.
Philip John LoMedico
5:00pm Gilda and Gus DeNapoli
Special Intentions of Ronn Wilt

Sunday, January 14th - **Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:00am People of the Parish
Tony Maggiacomo
10:15am James Tessitore
Gilda Iannucci
12:00pm Donald Nash
Raffaele Bertoldi

Christmas Thank You

Wow — we've had a great few weeks here at St. Joseph's. It is so good to have this time to turn our hearts to God and invite our neighbors to do the same. But it also takes a lot of work — and I want to say "thank you" to all who lent a hand!

To start off Advent, the Knights of Columbus held the Spread the Light of Christ prayer service to get our hearts in the right place. Then Uncle Al's elves held their Christmas Sale, and the Women's Guild Held their beautiful Christmas dinner for the women of the parish. Of course all of these groups work hard throughout the year in more ways than I can count!

The church has looked beautiful these past weeks. We had the decorations for Our Lady of Guadalupe, organized by a number of families in the parish. Then Allen Funeral Home donated and helped to set up the decorations for Christmas, and Skip Ciferri mad a donation to help with flowers in memory of his family.

Thank you to Fr. LaMorte for helping with a crazy Christmas and Sunday schedule of Masses and to all of our singers and musicians who added beauty to the Mass. Plus, we have our lectors, Eucharistic ministers, and altar servers who did so well. And thank you to Glenn, Margaret and Mary Theresa for all that they do!

Thank you as well to everyone who I forgot about, and to all who helped in ways that we won't know of until Heaven!

May the new year bring blessings, health, and holiness to each of our homes.

Happy New Year,
Fr. Bancroft



UNCLE AL'S THRIFT SHOP

We are wrapping up our holiday break. Uncle Al's will reopen this Wednesday, January 10, with winter hours in effect: Wednesdays & Fridays from 10:00am to 4:00pm and Saturdays from 10:00am to 1:00pm. Putting our best foot forward with the shop spiffed up a bit and bargains galore! We look forward to seeing you!

Donations can be left during shop hours. Thank you for thinking of Uncle Al's when you have gently used clothing and other items that you no longer need.

All proceeds benefit St. Joseph-Immaculate Conception Church

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“The Catechism in a Year” Group



Our next meeting is on **Monday, January 8, 2024***
at 7:00pm in the Parish Hall.

For more information, please contact Donna Byrnes at 845-677-0143

****Please note this is the second Monday in January.***



The Feast of the Epiphany of Our Lord

Festivities abound on the feast of the visit of the three Wise Men to the Christ Child.

In many European countries, this is the day to exchange gifts. In Eastern European countries, the doorways of homes and Churches are marked in chalk with the date of the present year, the first initial of the names of each of the Magi with Crosses: 20 + C + M + B + 24. Here in our Parish we began the custom of venerating the image of the Divine Child. As we venerate the Cross on Good Friday as a sign of our love and devotion, so on this Feast we do the same with the statue of the Christ Child. Such devotions are tangible expressions of our faith and love for the great gifts we have received: the gift of the Babe in Bethlehem and the gift of His very life on Calvary. May the Feast of Epiphany bring an abundance of grace and blessing to all in our Parish family.

Meals for New Moms

Meals for New Moms is a new Parish ministry that provides meal delivery to new mothers in our Parish.

Welcoming a newborn can be a stressful (as well as sleep-deprived!) time, especially when family isn't nearby to help. Our mission is to care for our growing families in those first couple weeks after bringing baby home by helping with meals, allowing mom to focus on her new little one without the added stress of shopping and cooking.

We invite you to be part of this ministry, first by your support in prayer, and if you feel called to help by preparing and delivering a meal as the need arises in our Parish, or if you know of a mom-to-be who could benefit from our Meals for New Moms ministry, please contact Andrea Serra at AndreaLSerra@gmail.com or 845-527-0071 (call or text).

Thank you for your support of our new moms as they embark on this beautiful but challenging time in their vocation.

In Memory of

Richard Straley, Sr.



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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.

Our Lady of Lourdes High School Entrance Exam

There will be an 9th Grade Entrance Exam on Thursday, January 18, 2024, at 3 pm at Our Lady of Lourdes High School. This exam is for current 8th graders who are applying to Lourdes for Fall 2024 and did not take the November 2023 TACHS exam.

All interested students should contact Kathleen

Powers at: powers.kathleen@ollchs.org

Registration is required.



Parish Sick List

Please pray for our Parishioners who are ill, homebound or in our area Nursing Homes: Daisy Abruzzo, Tatum Allen, Kathleen Blank, Martha Conners, Jason Fiore, Elise Haldenwang, Betsy Ketcham, Dorothea Matevichuk, Jackie Morrison, Dotty Mullaly, Jane Muller, Mary O'Keefe, Mary Peterson, Jill Philipbar, Robert Salberg, Lynne Schlude, Annette Snyder, William Still, Linda Ippolitto Sullivan, Gail Sweeney, Regina Syversen, Ronn Wilt, Jane Wisner, Betty Zitz.

Please pray for our recently departed:

Gloria Malinowski Catherine E. Carr Matthew Schleindl

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
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Religious Education (CCD)
Molly Paglia 677-3273

Uncle Al's Thrift Shop 677-5002

St. Joseph's Women's Guild
Ellen Spagnoli 677-5607

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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.

FOOD COLLECTION

Next Sunday we will be collecting food here at St. Joseph's for the food pantry in Immaculate Conception Church, Amenia. Please leave food on our Rectory porch. The food pantry in Amenia is open on the third Saturday of the month from 9:45am to 11am.



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