Welcome!

We sincerely hope you feel at home and among friends.
If you are a visitor just for today, we bid you Godspeed on your journey.
If you are seeking a parish community, we will be delighted to welcome you into our church family!
To register, please contact the Parish Office.

Our Lady of Grace Parish is a welcoming community of believers, being disciples of Christ through worship, the sacraments, ongoing faith formation, evangelization and Christian service to others.

Parish Office - 518-399-5713        Fax Number - 518-399-5761
Rev. John Varno, Sacramental Minister
Deacon Frank Thomas
John Lorenc, Trustee
Polly Van Nostrand, Trustee
Lucille Feeser, Associate for Administration & Finance

Faith Formation Office - 518-384-0109
Roberta Quinn, Pastoral Associate for Faith Formation
Grace Ellen Fay, Pastoral Associate for Youth Ministry
Donna Mayer, Associate for Faith Formation & Youth Ministry

Music Ministry - 518-399-6316
Patty Dolezal-Neumann, Music Director
Rachel Bowcutt, Accompanist
Joan Suda, Accompanist

Maintenance - 518-399-5713
James Repice, Pastoral Associate for Property Management

Sacrament of Baptism: Baptism is celebrated during all the Masses. Preparation sessions for adults presenting infants for Baptism are held every other month. Please call the parish office for an appointment at least eight weeks in advance of the Baptism.

Sacrament of Marriage: Couples should contact the parish office at least six months in advance to make arrangements.

Adult Initiation: The Church welcomes all inquirers in the faith. Please call the parish office for further information.

Care of the Sick: We would like to bring the Eucharist to our homebound parishioners and would also like to visit parishioners in hospitals and nursing homes. Please call the parish office to make us aware of persons who would like a visit.

www.icglenville.com                 www.stjosephschurchscotia.net
Stewardship is a way of life, a way of thanking God for all God’s blessings by returning a portion of the time, talent and treasure allotted to us.

Offertory collections by mail or auto pay for the past week amounted to **$3,181.82**.

Offertory collections from last weekend’s Masses amounted to **$1,639**.

Your continued support to Our Lady of Grace is greatly appreciated and needed.

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Ministers’ Schedule weekend of August 1-2

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Registration forms for the Youth Ministry sessions have been sent out via email. Please return those registration forms ASAP. This year it is especially important as we figure out how many young people will be in each session.

We are trying to make the Youth Ministry programs more of a hybrid program between technology and discussion. We are wondering if anyone has a flat screen TV they are looking to get rid of and are willing to donate it to the program.

If you have any questions about our Youth Ministry Program, please do not hesitate to contact Grace.

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**2020/2021 Bishop’s Appeal**

The Diocese is late in starting this year’s Bishop’s Appeal (RCDA Diocesan Appeal) and has adopted a new procedure for handling contributions. You will receive a mailing from the Diocese which contains information about the appeal and a gift/pledge form bar coded specifically for you as an OLG parishioner. Filling in the form and returning it directly to the Diocese - along with a check if you chose to do so - will ensure that you and OLG get appropriate credit. Billings will follow periodically, as in the past, for those who make a pledge.

**Our goal for the year is $72,274**, which is $3,800 less than last year. Please make a good faith effort in these very trying times to help our Diocese and our parish by responding generously to the 2020/2021 Bishop’s Appeal.

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The suspension of the obligation to attend Mass is still in effect. If you are feeling ill, have a fever or flu symptoms, PLEASE STAY HOME. When the pandemic is ‘over’ we want EVERYONE to be back together again.

**Stay safe, stay healthy, we miss you!**

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Peace, Love and Light - Grace

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Alpha & Omega

God created this world, everything that it holds. And God still is creating as each day unfolds. What we once called the future, we now call the past. While the present is fleeting, God stays - first and last!

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Join Patty Neumann and Grace Fay for a **women’s evening of worship, prayer and reflection** entitled, “Daughters of God” on Friday, July 31 from 7-9 p.m. via Zoom. We will be looking at our role as daughters of God, women in the church and the women who came before us. This evening is open to all women and girls 9th grade and older. Pre-registration is required. If you would like to register, please contact Grace at olgsjym@gmail.com
Setting up “auto pay” is easy and flexible. Access your account’s online feature and look for “bill pay” or “auto pay.” Then set up your payee - Our Lady of Grace Church, 73 Midline Road, Ballston Lake, NY 12019. If you are being asked for more than this, please call your bank.

Next schedule your payment, the amount you want to contribute and when you want to have the money taken out of your account. Be sure to indicate that this is a recurring payment. The bank takes care of the rest. Your contribution will be reflected on your monthly bank statement. You have control over these payments. You can change the time or the amount.

As always, thank you for your continued support of Our Lady of Grace Church.

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The fourth Sunday in July is Parents’ Day. No parent is perfect but I bet you keep trying to be a good parent. Ask your child what they think is the hardest part of being a parent? Maybe they could draw a cartoon showing you in typical parent mode.

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Exciting upcoming events at Pyramid Life Center

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Thoughts on **PRAYER**
from the Dominican Retreat & Conference Center

Perhaps as a child you were told, “Don’t play with your food!” During these last few months, food has been very much the focus for so many. So I thought I would change the statement to, “Please pray with your food!” Here are some ways we can pray with food:

* As you are cooking or eating, recognize the ingredients as fruits of the earth - say a prayer for the earth.
* Be mindful of the farmers and ranchers who grow our crops and raise the animals that become our food. They are at the mercy of both the weather and our economic system - say a prayer for them.
* Much of our food needs to be packaged and transported for us to have access - pray for the truckers, those who package, those who stock shelves, cashiers.
* Pray for those who are without food this day, those who do not know how they will feed their families.

And as you sit down to partake of what is in front of you, say grace - thanking God for the gift which you are about to receive!

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For: Parents Who Have Experienced the Death of a Child of Any Age, By Any Cause, No Matter How Long Ago
All are Welcome!

**“Emmaus Ministry for Grieving Parents Spiritual Retreat”**
Saturday, October 24 from 9:30 a.m.-7 p.m.
Location: Church of St. Mary, 163 Columbia Turnpike, Rensselaer

Come to warm and loving place with other parents - to think/talk/feel/pray. Find compassion, rest and peace … at least for a time.

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For more information: Linda Banker 518-526-5824

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Patience asks us to live the moment to the fullest … to taste the here and now, to be where we are. When we are impatient, we try to get away from where we are. We behave as if the real thing will happen tomorrow, later and somewhere else. Let's be patient and trust that the treasure we look for is hidden in the ground on which we stand.

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**Dr. Nancy A. Cappiello**, Chiropractor
Open Monday - Friday
562 Saratoga Road, Scotia 399-2252 or 399-4712