



CHURCH OF THE
IMMACULATE CONCEPTION
A Roman Catholic Community

Seventh Sunday of Easter

May 16, 2021

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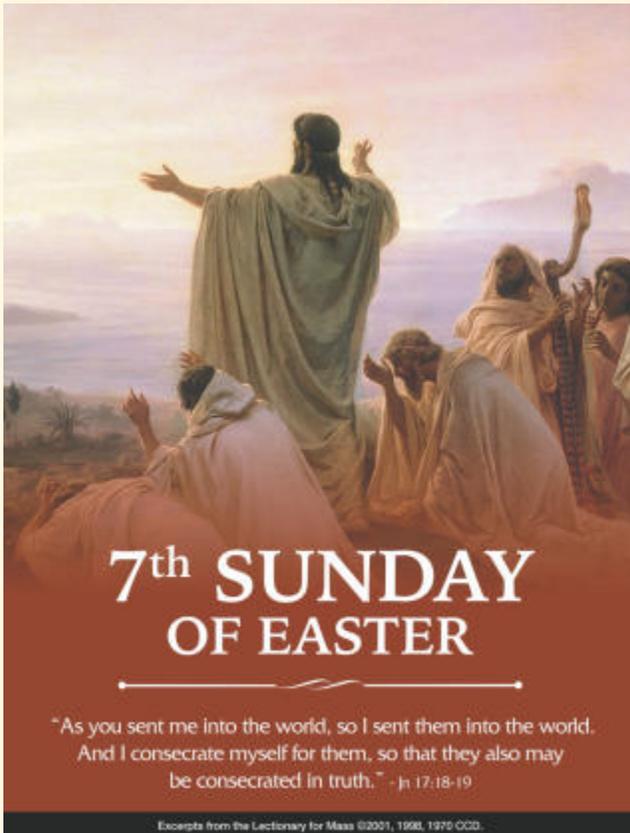
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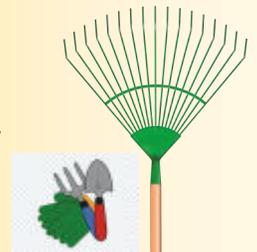
CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY
5/16 9 am public mass streamed on Facebook Attendance by reservation <i>MAIL YOUR DONATIONS</i>	5/17 9 am public mass streamed on Facebook Walk in Escorted to seat	5/18 9 am public mass and adoration streamed on Facebook Walk in. Escorted to seat
WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
5/19 9 am public mass streamed on Facebook Walk in. Escorted to seat	5/20 No mass	5/21 No mass
SATURDAY	SUNDAY	UPCOMING
5/22 2nd Collection Parish Clean-Up Day 4 pm Reconciliation 5 pm public mass Attendance by registration <i>MAIL YOUR DONATIONS</i>	5/23 2nd Collection 9 am public mass streamed on Facebook Attendance by reservation <i>MAIL YOUR DONATIONS</i>	May 31 Memorial Day Parish Offices Closed Mass celebrated at 9 am American Red Cross Blood Drive Saturday, June 6 8 am to 1 pm

Saturday, May 22
annual Spring Clean Up
beginning at 8 am

Join us!

Bring your rake, your garden gloves,
and your good spirits to help
brush away winter and
fully welcome spring!



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Christoph Belrose	Facilities Maintenance





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Mass Intentions May 15-22

- SAT 5:00 pm May 15
 +Jocelyne Papa - *Cindy Johnson*
 +Manny Deyoe - *Sarah Saunders*
 +Elvira Neumann - *Leora Liberatore*
 +Blanche Bucci - *Rose & Frank Klementowski*
 +Lewis Polsinelli - *Gil & Mary Powers*
 +Constance Keeler - *Month's Mind*
- SUN 9:00 am May 16
 +Helen Smrstik - *family*
 +Ann O'Brien - *Liz & Jay Utzig*
 +Fermina & +Modesto Lamanilao - *family*
 +Gene Quattrociocchi - *Joan & Dick Van Patten*
 +Kenneth Lanza - *family*
 +Frank Sartori - *wife, Dorothy*
 +Max Taberski - *Ron & Mary Ann Johnson*
 +Deceased members of the Matia, Preci & Ndreka families - *family*
- MON 9:00 am May 17
 +Frances Naccarato - *family*
 +David Stuart Smith - *LaFergola family*
 Intentions of Rita & Bill Vullo - *Bob & Val Kerker*
- TUES 9:00 am May 18
 +Paul Darcy - *Margaret & Rose Keville*
 +Bridget Conduzio - *Joanne & Dennis Hull*
 +Mark Sima - *family*
 +Ejl Sima - *family*
 Souls in Purgatory
- WED 9:00 am May 19
 +Emmanuella "Manny" Deyoe - *family*
 +Kara Bever Kausch - *family*
 +Mark Nelson Goyette - *family*
 +Duane Brown - *mother & Cheryl*
- THUR, May 20
 No mass
- FRI, May 21
 No mass
- SAT 5:00 pm May 22
 +Agnes Haddon (2nd Ann) - *family*
 +Blanche Bucci - *Kim Klementowski*
 +Lewis Polsinelli - *Fran Rossi Szpylczyn*
 +Mary Killan - *Fr. John Hunter & Mary Agnes Dame*
 +Miano family - *Jackie Lochner*
 Intentions of Fr. Jack Hunter on his 35th anniversary of ordination - *Bob & Val Kerker*
- SUN 9:00 am May 23
 +Helen Smrstik - *family*
 +Frank Boshier - *family*
 +Joanne Griffin - *Sheila & Ed Grzybien*
 +Celia Dziadul - *daughter, Paula*
 +John Granger - *wife, Paula*
 +Ken Oligny - *wife, Ann*
 +Joe Landis - *Marilyn Moynihan*
 Intentions of Fr. John Hunter

ICC – OLG – St. Joseph's Parish Weekend July 23-25, 2021
 Consider spending a summer weekend at the Pyramid Life Center in the Adirondacks with your fellow parishioners. Details and online registration are available through the parish website: <http://www.icglenville.com/pyramid-lake-parish-weekend> .

Demand for the weekend has grown, so be sure to register quickly! The first fifty people to register online will reserve their spot for the weekend. Afterwards, we'll start a wait list on a first-come/first-serve basis. Note: no money needed to register – payment will be collected at a later date.



John McGuinness is available to answer any questions that you may have. Reach him at 518-461-8148 or jfmcg.68@gmail.com. More information about the Pyramid Life Center can be found by visiting their website: www.pyramidlife.org .

Important note: this event is separate from the long-standing weeklong event that OLG hosts each year.

Mother's Day Collection For Birthright

Last Christmas, our Bethlehem Tree project was limited due to COVID. Please consider purchasing a gift card from Target, Walmart or Carter's (there is a store in Clifton Park Center/the mall) to assist Birthright in purchasing layettes. Gift cards can be put in the collection basket and marked "Birthright" or be mailed directly to the parish center. The collection will continue through this weekend.



The Glenville Knights of Columbus will hold a **drive-thru** chicken barbecue here on Friday May 21, from 4 until 7 pm or until sold out. \$15.00 for half chicken, baked potato, slaw & roll. NO ADVANCE SALES.

CURBSIDE order/pickup of a **BBQ DINNER \$15.00**.
 Proceeds go to various local charities & food banks.
 For information, call 518-884-0597.

Charismatic Pentecost Celebration Sunday, May 23, 2021

Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception
 Eagle & Madison Ave., Albany
 Presider: Fr. Marty Fisher
 Prayer and Praise 4:30pm, Liturgy 5:00pm,
 Healing prayer to follow.

Registration is required: www.AlbanyCCR.org
Come and release the Joy of the Holy Spirit!

The May 9 collection for parish operation amounted to **\$12,701** and for renovations **\$445**.
 The May 2 collection for parish operation amounted to **\$10,843** and for renovations **\$1,000**.
 Thank you for your faithful stewardship.

FAITH FORMATION 518-399-9210

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Seventh Sunday of Easter – The Ascension of Jesus

Why is it important to remember the Ascension of Jesus?

Maybe this amazing and hopeful story will help.



During the 40 day period after the resurrection, Jesus appeared to his followers at least 10 times. Each time He appeared, Jesus continued to teach and give direction to them. Jesus told his Apostles to go out into the world and make disciples of all nations, to baptize them in the name of the Father, Son, and the Holy Spirit, and to teach nations everything he has taught them.

The last time Jesus appeared it was to say "Goodbye." I am sure his Apostles were really scared that Jesus was once again leaving them, and Jesus knew because He told them to stay in Jerusalem, and wait for the Holy Spirit to come and fill them with courage and the power to go out and tell Jesus' story. Then Jesus stretched out his arms and blessed his Apostles. (Here comes the amazing part.) While Jesus was blessing them, He began to rise up into the sky. As his friends stood there watching, two angels came to them and said, "Why are you looking up into the sky?" Jesus is up in Heaven.

Why is it important to remember the Ascension? Because the Ascension reminds us who Jesus really is.

"Let the children come to me and don't hinder them for the Kingdom of Heaven belongs to such as these." ~JESUS

Do you like working with older adults? Are you looking for a part-time job? Catholic Charities Senior & Caregiver Support Services is hiring for two positions for our Congregate Meal Program, based at the Glenville Senior Center. Both positions are M-F during the day for about 20 hours. If interested, call 518-372-5667x 204.

Crafting and Cooking with the Saints

We are excited to announce that our May Crafting tutorial will be offered both in-person and via Facebook at the same time!

May 27, 2021 – Craft Tutorial led by Maria Yorkshire, IC Parishioner and Proprietor of Sunnyside Crafts

Please sign up no later than May 20 so we can prepare kits.

We are making a framed wall hanging of an inspirational musical piece. Our Saint for the Month of May is St. Dymphna. A sample of the craft will be available on our website.

Anyone can watch on Facebook, but to receive a project kit you will need to sign up in advance. **** New for May ** when you sign up, you will need to let us know if you want to join us in-person in the Parish Center or if you plan to watch from home!** If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Christine.

If you decide to participate in-person, your kit will be ready for you when you arrive. If you are participating at home, kits will need to be picked up beginning May 24.

Sign up using the form on the IC parish website, by emailing youthministry@icglenville.com or by calling 518-399-9203.

YOUTH MINISTRY 518-399-9203

Christine Goss

youthministry@icglenville.com

National Catholic Youth Conference Update!

We are excited to share that we have four teens that will be traveling to Indianapolis to represent our Parish at the National Catholic Youth

Conference in November. Many of our traditional fundraising avenues are challenging in light of current Covid-19 restrictions but we are getting creative and hope we can continue to count on your support! Keep an eye on the bulletin for upcoming ways to support our Youth Fundraising Efforts!

NEW for NCYC 2021 – there will be a fully virtual option for participants. The Diocese is looking into hosting regional sites where teens will come together and experience some of the best that NCYC has to offer remotely. This option is much more affordable and open to all high school age youth. Please contact the YM office for more information.

Celebrating the Graduating Class of 2021!

We will be blessing the Graduating Class of 2021 at our 9 am Mass on Sunday, June 13.

All graduates and their families are invited to join us, but will need to sign-up in advance using the online sign-up link on our website beginning June 7. Given our current capacity limits within the church we may not be able to accommodate everyone. Please plan to sign up early!

We are collecting Senior Pictures and more from the Class of 2021. All families with high school seniors should have received an email this past week detailing this parish project. If you did not, please contact Christine. Deadline to submit items for this project is May 27.

Family Foundations of Faith

Families that participated in our Family Foundations of Faith Program are reminded to please be sure all reflections are submitted by the end of May. If you have any questions, please reach out to us.

Post-Confirmation Sundaes on Sunday Gathering

All newly confirmed youth are invited to come together on Sunday, May 23 at 6:30 pm outside at the Youth Center for a make-your-own Sundae party! We will be talking about ways to continue to grow in faith after confirmation including planning several opportunities this summer! Please RSVP to Christine and please bring your own chair and a bottle of water.

Summer Nights

We are hoping to be able to bring back our popular "Summer Nights" series this summer and are looking for people interested in joining the planning team.

High school youth and adults are needed to coordinate activities for Tuesday nights beginning July 13. Contact Christine at 518-399-9203 or youthministry@icglenville.com for details.





*Invest just five minutes a day,
and your faith
will deepen and grow*

Sunday, May 16, 2021 SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
Good things come from unlikely places

It may bring a smile to our lips to hear the argument for why we're obliged to love others: because God loves us first. And if God can love us (be honest here!) then clearly love need not be earned. This World Communications Day, Pope Francis invites us to consider how future-apostle Nathaniel once dismissed Jesus because of his origins: "Can anything good come from Nazareth?" To really love people, we have to begin by not categorizing them: by gender or race, nationality or religion, native language or political party. Even Nazareth holds surprises!

READINGS: *Acts 1:15-17, 20a, 20c-26; 1 John 4:11-16; John 17:11b-19 (60). "Beloved, if God so loved us, we also must love one another."*

Monday, May 17, 2021 EASTER WEEKDAY
Solitude and solidarity

Many have experienced more solitude than they care for during the pandemic, but it'd be a shame to lose the lessons of the experience once it's over. Catholics have a strong tradition of finding the sacred in solitude. The monastic life, for example, is all about withdrawing from society to draw closer to God and ultimately to each other. Turning inward is an opportunity for growth. Ritualizing the routines of life—in the midst of grief and stress and fear—helps to maintain inner stability and clarity. At the same time, far too many haven't had the luxury of solitude to remove themselves from danger—let this fact light a fire in all of us to fight for justice for those who have risked all to serve society this past year.

READINGS: *Acts 19:1-8; John 16:29-33 (297). "I am not alone, because the Father is with me."*

Tuesday, May 18, 2021
MEMORIAL OF JOHN I, POPE, MARTYR
Define your terms

In 2011, the Nicene Creed in English changed from the poetic-but-imprecise "one in being"—recited at Mass for more than 40 years—back to a seemingly unusual, clunky Latin word: *consubstantial*. We learned that *consubstantial* was a critical distinction hammered out at various church councils to clarify that Jesus was divinely co-eternal with God. It was a pronouncement specifically designed to refute the Arian heresy that denied Christ's divinity. The struggle against Arianism cost Pope John I his life in 526. Words matter. Take time to choose the right ones.

READINGS: *Acts 20:17-27; John 17:1-11a (298). "Now glorify me, Father, with you, with the glory that I had with you before the world began."*

Wednesday, May 19, 2021 EASTER WEEKDAY
Going home

Final farewells are difficult. While there can be grace in the chance to express love and gratitude, there also can be great pain at the thought of never again seeing a face, touching a hand, hearing a voice. There is true heartache in accepting that there will be no more shared meals, meaningful discussions, shared futures planned together as we surrender the companionship of a loved one. It is a bittersweet time because the grief of anticipated loss is proof of an equally deep love. Yet it is not the end—faith promises us more. On this Easter Wednesday, with trust in the promise of new life, give thanks to God for someone whose love and faithfulness has enriched your life.

READINGS: *Acts 20:28-38; John 17:11b-19 (299). "They were all weeping loudly . . . for they were deeply distressed that (Paul) had said that they would never see his face again."*

Thursday, May 20, 2021
MEMORIAL OF BERNARDINE OF SIENA, PRIEST,
RELIGIOUS, MISSIONARY
History will be our judge

Church history is filled with admirable figures who stand out for their tender love and compassion. Bernardine of Siena was not that kind of saint. A fire-and-brimstone preacher with a moralizing temperament, he encouraged "bonfires of the vanities" where townsfolk pitched household items suggestive of luxury or leisure—mirrors, perfumes, games—into the fire. Seen from our vantage point, many of his sermons had antisemitic, misogynistic, and homophobic overtones. Though a commanding preacher who lived a life of devotion, Bernardine—like all of us—was a product of his times, limited by the pastoral and theological perspectives handed down to him. His innovations in vernacular preaching continue to inspire, yet his limitations in compassion and inclusion serve as a cautionary tale. None of us has a monopoly on moral purity. Kindness and compassion, however, never go out of style.

READINGS: *Acts 22:30; 23:6-11; John 17:20-26 (300). "And I have given them the glory you gave me, so that they may be one."*

Friday, May 21, 2021
MEMORIAL OF CHRISTOPHER MAGALLANES, PRIEST,
MARTYR, AND COMPANIONS, MARTYRS
Live fully

Each of us is called to give our lives fully on behalf of our love for and commitment to God. Most of us will not die a martyr's death, but some of us will. Christopher Magallanes was one such person. Christopher's call to be a martyr was lived every day through his prayer and ministry as a priest: founding schools, providing work opportunities, and even constructing a dam to help the people. He was killed because of his love for the people, a love emanating from his deep faith. How does our faith inspire us to give of ourselves fully?

READINGS: *Acts 25:13b-21; John 21:15-19 (301). "Simon, son of John, do you love me?" Simon Peter answered him, 'Yes, Lord, you know that I love you.' He said to him, 'Tend my sheep.'*

Saturday, May 22, 2021
MEMORIAL OF RITA OF CASCIA, RELIGIOUS
Hope is a perennial

We all could use a friend like Saint Rita of Cascia. Wed against her will at the tender age of 12, she somehow survived abuse and family feuds to become a reconciling force in a violent region of 15th-century Italy. She has acquired a following, along with Saint Jude, as the patron of hopeless causes. On her deathbed, it is said she asked for a rose from her garden. Though it was winter, we are told a single blooming rose was found and brought to her. Never lose hope—no cause is hopeless!

READINGS: *Acts 28:16-20, 30-31; John 21:20-25 (302). "There are also many other things that Jesus did."*

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Next week, we will take up the **Collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe**. This collection supports the Church in more than 25 countries that still struggle to recover from former communist rule. Funds from this collection support pastoral care, catechesis, building renovations, and seminary formation. Your support restores the Church and builds the future in this region. Please prayerfully consider how you can support the collection next week. More information can be found at www.usccb.org.ccee.

From the Pastor:

People often ask me to pray for them. I always say “yes” to their request and then I immediately whisper ask Jesus to bless them! Today, Jesus is praying for the disciples, and praying for you and me. You know how good it is, especially in the middle of a terrible and difficult time in your life, to hear someone say, “I’m praying for you.” There are times when you want to pray and need to pray but you cannot find the words. You want to pray and turn to God, but you come up empty, which is how you feel. This is when you need to know that someone is praying for you. Today, Jesus prays for all of us!

It is so wonderful to see that more and more people are attending mass in person in all of our parishes. As we all get vaccinated and with the weather improving, it is no surprise – but there was no way to tell what might happen. Please know that it is a gift to see so many familiar faces and to encounter so many new ones. Thank you for your presence. For those of you who are not yet ready to return, we will continue to livestream our liturgies. I am deeply grateful for you all.

At Immaculate Conception, **we are blessed with so many parishioners**, but we are tight with space given the social distance requirements. While we wait for the state and the diocese to update the regulations, we are abiding by what is. That means mass fills up quickly and we have to use the parish hall for overflow. I know that this situation can be frustrating for many of you, but please know that we are doing the best we can. The best way to sign up for mass is online, and if you call, please call early in the week. Know that our staff and volunteers are doing the best we can under duress. If you cannot get the seat you want, I ask you to be flexible and to receive your new location with an open heart. Thank you for this!

We have had and continue to celebrate many **sacraments!** First Eucharist at Immaculate was held on May 8 and it was a joyous day for our children and their families. This Saturday, May 15, we celebrated another beautiful First Communion for the children of Our Lady of Grace and St Joseph’s. My thanks go out to all the families, catechists, and to Roberta Quinn for making it a reality. Last Tuesday we celebrated Confirmation with Bishop Scharfenberger for Our Lady of Grace and St. Joseph’s. Again, my gratitude is extended to all, especially Grace Fay.

Many of you are already aware that there is no shortage of **scammers** trying to separate you from your resources – and using the name of the church to do so! Please be aware that I will never email or text you with a request for gift cards or money. So many trusting people are taken advantage of and it is maddening. Let us pray for those who do harm, and be vigilant. If you do receive a text or email, please let us know and delete it!

Our Lady of Grace sold carnations after both masses last weekend for Mother’s Day, to benefit Birthright of Ballston Spa. \$375 was raised to support this important ministry. Thank you to all who contributed.

The Knights of Columbus of Immaculate Conception will be hosting a drive through **Chicken Dinner** on Friday, May 21 from 4-7 pm (or until sold out!). The Knights do so much for the parish and for others, so I hope you will come out in support of them!

It takes a community to keep and grow a community! At Immaculate Conception, we are in need of **people to help clean after masses**, especially on the weekends. The more people that volunteer means that it will go quickly. You are not obligated to do it weekly, but if more people pitched in we would be in good shape. Please prayerfully consider it.

Also in the cleanup department, the **IC Clean Up Day** for Spring is this coming Saturday, May 22. At 8 am we will begin with rakes, gloves, and whatever tools you have. Please join us and let’s get the campus in good spring shape!

Until next week, be well, do good deeds, and say your prayers.

Fr. Jerry

OUR PRAYER: Loving God, be present to us and grant us wisdom, so that we, who may feel anxious about change, might trust in Your love and rest in the Changelessness that is You.



NOTES FROM THE PARISH NURSE - Celebrations and Health Care Considerations for May

May is a busy month with so much to celebrate. Happy Nurses Week, to all the nurses who have given so much of their time, energy, and caring for everyone during the pandemic. National Teachers Day with a big thank you to all the teachers who have extended themselves to ensure that students stay on track to meet the school year needs with their creativity, use of Zoom, and increased online educational opportunities. The International Day of Prayer, National Provider Appreciation Day, Mental Health Awareness Month, the Kentucky Derby, Mother’s Day, and a few silly celebrations that we can all use this year like National Have a Coke Day, and National Lost Sock Day!

It is also, Healthy Vision Month. The National Eye Institute has eight tips to protect your vision. Find an eye doctor and have an eye exam. It is possible to have an eye problem and not be aware. Ask your eye doctor how often you need a dilated eye exam, based on your individual situation. Increase activity to reduce the risk for other health conditions (high blood pressure & diabetes) as these can impact your vision. Talk to your family to learn if there are any eye conditions in your family. Increase your intake of dark green leafy vegetables (spinach, kale, collard greens), and fish (halibut, salmon, tuna). Wear sunglasses to protect your eyes from UVA & UVB to protect your eyes and lower your risk of developing cataracts. Manage any health conditions you may have like diabetes and high blood pressure. If you smoke – quit (Call 1-800-QUIT-NOW (1-800-784-8669) for free support. Quitting smoking can help lower your risk for developing eye conditions like macular degeneration and cataracts.

Continue to wear your mask, socially distance, get vaccinated when it is your turn, and wash your hands frequently, as we work together to keep each other safe.

Albany NY Chapter of Magnificat (a Ministry to Catholic Women) is hosting a **Women's Visitation** (a Virtual Event) on **Saturday, June 5** from 10-11 am on **ZOOM**. Join us in prayer, praise and worship, a meditation by Fr. Michael Flannery and a witness talk. Our witness speaker is **Sally Gilpin**, a cradle Catholic, to whom God has been faithful throughout many life challenges and losses. She became involved in the Charismatic Renewal in 1979 and began the journey of a deeper relationship with God and a lifetime of being healed and praying for others. She is currently on the advisory board for the Catholic Charismatic Renewal of Albany Diocese and provides training in healing prayer for the teams at Healing Masses and in Schools of Healing Prayer. Sally worked as a psychiatric social work practitioner and was the administrator of a mental health clinic. Most recently, she was clinical supervisor for hospice social workers in Albany County. She now lives near her daughter and granddaughter and attends St. Edward the Confessor Catholic Church in Clifton Park. **This is a Free Event –register online at:** www.magnificat-ministry.org/ny-albany; or www.facebook.com/albanymagnificat; or email us at albanymagnificat@gmail.com and you will be sent the Zoom link. Questions, call Diane Bigos at 518-810-1310.

Mass Schedule for the Week of May 16

Saturday 5 pm and Sunday 9 am

Reservations required for weekend mass attendance.

To sign up, visit our website aticglenville.com

- or call the parish office at 518-399-9168.

Monday, Tuesday, & Wednesday

at 9 am - no reservations

9 am mass Sunday through Wednesday is live-streamed.

See our website for details.

Go to our Facebook page and "like" us to follow us. During mass time, hit the live button next to videos to pray with us.

Not on Facebook? Visit our website and click on the Facebook live mass image. It will bring you there!

We pray for those who have died recently, especially **+Mike Hart**, brother-in-law of Eleanor (George) MacCarron. Now absent from the body; they are present with the Lord.

Remember in your prayers all who are sick or suffering in any way - *mind, body or spirit. We remember especially:*

Mike Visser, Susan, Janet F, Bob R, Declan McGovern, Sarah C, Eleanor McCarron, Tom Smith, Pat & Dianne DiCesare, Karen, Cookie Corrigan, Renate, Andrew W, Don Winslow, Fr. Hunter, Jerry Curcetti, FMK, Charlie Ryder, Carolyn R, Michele Douglas, Doug Brister, Paul S, Dottie, Michael Green, Al Yerman, Douglas McKee, Michael Dunn, Ron, Eddie Visser, Steve, Linda Van Antwerp, Gina, GK, Tom, KC, CM, Debbie, John K, Pauline, LMK, BC, Kevin, John G, Erin Hecker, Bill V, Gloria & Stuart Staude, Susan Kopchik, Marie Stern, Barbara Mlodzianowski, Kathleen Brown, Clem LaBrie, JoAnn Masterson, Owen, Lisa Bovino, Jeffrey, Connie Janack, Anna, Christian B, Brian Troiano, Joe Barnick, Karen Rhodes, Valerie Saenger, Tina Masterson, Ron Wood, James, Patrick Richardson, Darlene Polsinelli.

Names remain for two months; call the rectory for additions.

Welcome!

**We welcome visitors to our community
with great joy!**

All Catholics who regularly worship at the Church of the Immaculate Conception, as well as those living in the greater Glenville area, are invited to become a part of our parish community.

Our church is equipped with audio devices for the hearing-impaired and is handicapped-accessible. Please see our ushers for assistance.

The Church of the Immaculate Conception,
in the Roman Catholic Diocese of Albany, New York,
is a community of faithful Christians, who have come together
under the wisdom of the Holy Spirit
and the guidance of the Blessed Virgin Mary,
to give witness to Jesus Christ.

Our mission is to celebrate the Eucharist;
to joyfully proclaim the Good News; to care for those in need; to actively foster stewardship of time, talent and treasure; and, as a parish family, to grow in faith, love, and peace.



Reconciliation The opportunity for Reconciliation is available on Saturdays from 4-4:30 PM and by appointment. Parish celebrations of Reconciliation are announced during Advent and Lent.

Baptism The celebration of baptism is the first sacrament of initiation which begins our journey of following Christ. Infant baptisms take place throughout the year, except during Advent and Lent. Baptism for school age children is arranged as needed. Adult baptism and the reception of baptized non-Catholics into the Catholic church typically occurs during the Easter Vigil. For information on any baptism needs, please contact the parish office at 399-9168.

Confirmation Those wishing to be included in the annual parish celebration of Confirmation are asked to call the Parish Office. Students must be in the 11th Grade and be enrolled in the two-year Faith Formation Program. Adults may arrange for Confirmation by contacting the parish priest.

Marriage A registered parishioner who wishes to celebrate his or her marriage at Immaculate Conception is asked to contact the Parish Office, at least six months prior to the anticipated date and before any other arrangements have been finalized, to begin sacramental preparation.

Anointing of the Sick The Sacrament of the Sick is intended for those who are ill or infirm. Parishioners planning to enter the hospital are encouraged to receive this sacrament prior to admission. Arrangements to receive the Sacrament can be made by calling the Parish Office. Please be aware that the hospital will not inform us of admissions. A communal celebration of the Sacrament of the Sick takes place seasonally.

Holy Orders Men interested in the Priesthood or Permanent Diaconate, and those men and women interested in Religious Life or Lay Ministry are encouraged to contact the Vocation Office at 518-312-9297 or www.albanyvocations.org. Please join our community in praying for an increase of vocations to the priesthood, religious life and lay ministry in our Church.

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