

Mass Intentions March 6-14

- SAT 5:00 PM John & Josephine Kozlowski - *Janice Rourke*
Deceased members of the Caouette family
- *family*
Victor Smith - *Lorraine Deere*
- SUN 8:00 AM Hyacinth Moynihan - *Marilyn & Jack Moynihan*
John Allaire - *wife, Benita*
Eddie Prystup - *Rachel Winters*
Agostino Cuda - *family*
- 11:00 AM Nicholas Lesando - *Conifer Park Admissions Office*
Ernest Gautneau - *the choir*
Roy C. Zonca - *Stan & Mary Ann Jendrazak*
- MON 9:00 AM Anthony Yannotti - *Barney Graton*
- TUES 9:00 AM Frances Hamilla - *husband, Don*
Suzanne LaBounty - *family*
- 9:30 AM-6 PM ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT
- WED 9:00 AM Our fallen soldiers
12 Noon Carolyn Claps - *Angie & Les Greenough*
- THURS 7:00 AM John Santore (*1st Ann.*) - *family*
- FRI 7:00 AM People of our parish
7:00 PM STATIONS OF THE CROSS
- SAT 5:00 PM Mary Kilinski - *Ron & Gladys Zaleski*
Alessio & Marie Calleri - *Janice Briener*
Anne Gorman - *Charlotte Sauve*
Marie Spring - *Henry Florkiewicz*
- SUN 8:00 AM Julia Heald - *Piel family*
Charles & Margaret Sheppard - *Julie Sheppard*
Amparo Binondo - *Tessie Gaus*
- 11:00 AM Deceased members of the Scott family -
Neumann family
Dottie Larkin - *family*
Intentions of the members of the Gemayel &
Strain families - *Jan Flynt*

~ If you are having a mass offered, please contact the usher before mass and let him know you would like to bring up the gifts. ~

Free Lectures Thursday nights at 7 PM
on *Adult Formation and Catholic Teaching*
in the Flicker Room Thursday, 3/11, the topic is:
the Mystery of the Church

The newly-formed **Senior Singles** is sponsoring an afternoon of fun and laughter, Sunday, March 21, to see the hilarious interactive play, **Late Night Catechism**, at 2 PM at Proctor's GE Theater. For tickets (\$40.78) and information, call Audrey Hughes at 399-5121 or Bill Larkin at 399-4858.
P.S. Sister says that you don't have to be single to be in her classroom. Tickets are open to all.



All Ministers of Scheduled Liturgies

The schedule for **4/10-8/2** will be created March 23. Call or email Mike & Mary Treanor by March 21 to block the dates you cannot serve. Make online changes by 3/22 at: <http://www.ministryschedulerpro.com?user=icglenvilleney>. Mike & Mary can be reached at treanormp@nycap.rr.com or 399-5001. The new schedule will be sent to you by email; copies will be available in the ministers' sacristy after 3/26.

PASTORAL COUNCIL CORNER

We have previously addressed the components of the pastoral plan – parish mission statement, goals, and objectives – and shared some information on the mission statement and goals. This week in this space, we will touch on objectives.

Objectives describe concrete, explicit outcomes to be reached in one year in pursuit of a goal. Because objectives are specific and measurable, they are easy to evaluate in terms of extent and quality of achievement. Objectives specify HOW a goal will be achieved by stating what is to be done, who is to do it, and the date by which it is to be completed. Choosing do-able and specific objectives helps us to focus on achieving the goal while avoiding unending, energy-draining projects.

There is so much for us to learn before we can move into goal setting, and we need your prayers and support. As a Parish, what are we doing well and what can we do better? Please share your ideas with your Pastoral Council. To facilitate this process, we have placed a box in the Gathering Space where you can leave a note for us. You may also email us at icpastoralcouncil@gmail.com.

For a more in depth discussion of the Seven Elements of Parish Life please consider reading: "Revisoning the Parish Pastoral Council: A Workbook" published by Paulist Press © 2001.

Wednesdays during Lent



Join us for **Mass at Noon**; intentions are available throughout Lent. Then join us for **Lenten Soup Lunch** in the parish hall. A free-will offering will be collected to benefit **Birthright**. Bread donations are requested.

For info, call Charlie and Mary Lou Moskov at 399-5797.

U.S. Bishops' Justice for Immigrants POSTCARD CAMPAIGN

Postcards found in last week's bulletin may be returned, intact, to the church, the rectory, or the collection basket at any mass. The postcards will be distributed to legislators *en masse* during a special event in D.C., to demonstrate widespread support for comprehensive immigration reform.



The **Knights of Columbus** will host **Tilapia Fish Dinners** during Lent through March 26. Dinner includes Battered Deep Fried **Tilapia**, Fried Potatoes, Coleslaw, Dessert and Coffee, Tea or Punch. We will serve dinner from 5-7 PM or until sold out. Adult dinners are \$7.50, Seniors \$7.00 and a Child portion \$4.50. Mac & Cheese will also be an option for children. Take-out available.

New Family Blessing

Newly registered families and members of our parish will receive a special blessing at the 5 PM mass this Saturday, March 6. Welcome all!

FAITH FORMATION 399-9210

Madeline Fretto & Michele DeLorenzo
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FIRST EUCHARIST WORKSHOP is scheduled for Saturday, March 13 in the Parish Center. Please be sure that your child arrives no later than 2:45 PM. Following the Workshop, all of the Children and their Catechists will attend 5 PM mass together. Every child preparing to celebrate the sacrament of First Eucharist in May is expected to attend the Workshop.

HOME STUDY EVALUATION #3 will be held Sunday, March 14 at 9:30 AM in the Parish Center

No Kindergarten sessions on Sunday, March 14.

10,000 PRAYERS FOR HAITI

We are now entering *Week 3* of our *Prayers for Haiti*. We still have a long way to go and could use your help. Please stop by the Parish Center, pick up a prayer and join the children and the community by praying daily for the people of Haiti. As of Tuesday, March 2, there have been 1,376 prayers said for the people of Haiti by the students and the families of the Faith Formation program. Keep those prayers coming.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD will be celebrated on all Sundays in the month of March.

SCHOOL CLOSINGS: Please check our Web site for Faith Formation cancellations: www.ic-glenville.com

"I we would listen to our children, we would discover that they are self-explanatory." ~R. Breault

Help us complete our CENSUS PROJECT.

If you have yet to fill out an updated census form (mailed to you in February 2009), please pick up a census form in the gathering space, fill it out and return it to the rectory, or place it in the collection basket at any mass. All newly-registered families (who first registered with the parish since January 2009) are exempt from this request. *Thank you!*

Last weekend, the collection for parish operation amounted to **\$12,019** (\$10,024 in pew & \$1,995 by e-giving). **\$10** was received from our children. **\$364** was received for our renovations (\$100 in pew & \$264 by e-giving). We are blessed and grateful.

Baptism Preparation Class will be held Tuesday, March 9, at 7 PM in the Library. Parents planning to have their child baptized are asked to contact the rectory and attend.



RUN 4 VOCATIONS will take place at Christian Brothers Academy on April 24, 2010. The pledges for the day are prayers, not dollars! Our parish plans to register as a group and will absorb the registration fee for its participants. Contact the parish office (399-9168) or John McGinnis (399-9506) by March 28. You will need to complete a registration form and health/waiver form. You will receive lunch and a T-shirt (first 300 registered are guaranteed a T-shirt). Registration forms can be downloaded and information can be found at www.AlbanyVocations.org.

YOUTH MINISTRY 399-9203

Christine Goss & Patty Nally
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YOUTH MINISTRIES SESSIONS

<u>Monday Nights</u>	<u>Wednesday Nights</u>
March 15	March 17
March 29	March 31

YOUTH MINISTRIES MINI-COURSES

Scripture Reflection Mini-Course continues this week. Meet your catechist in the gathering space by 10:45 AM.

Mini-Course for grades 7-10 meet Monday Nights from 7-8:30 PM on March 8, 15 and 22.

All mini-course participants are reminded to complete and return their Reflection/Evaluation Forms

CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES

Session - Monday, March 8 - Candidate Information Sheets are Due

Retreat - March 20-21st if you haven't turned in all your paperwork, including roommate choices and code of conduct please contact the YM office asap

Service - all candidates are reminded to turn in their two service reports as soon as possible.

SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES AND WORKSHOP INFORMATION

Check out the **YOUTH MINISTRIES PAGE** on the parish website for details about upcoming community service opportunities and the **SPRING WORKSHOP SCHEDULE**. The full schedule is available online!

"Graces" returns this weekend. Come and view Catholic religious items that are offered for **FREE** in the **Parish Hall** after all Masses. This ministry accepts all like-new Catholic religious items that you would like to donate.

Do you have a First Communion outfit that can be used by another child that you would like to pass along? Graces can do that! Call Simone McGuinness at 399-9506.

Give Hope to Jesus in Disguise

next week's second collection is for Catholic Relief Services

The earthquake that devastated Haiti, already the poorest country in the Western Hemisphere, has taken an estimated 150,000 lives and affected 3 million. The programs supported by The Catholic Relief Services Collection have been hard at work providing for the enormous humanitarian and pastoral needs of the victims, giving hope to Jesus in disguise. This Collection supports humanitarian, economic, and advocacy efforts for the marginalized and impoverished in Haiti and worldwide. Please be generous.

Pro-Life Presentation March 9 ~~ All are Invited

The Knights of Columbus are sponsoring a presentation by two enthusiastic pro-life Union College undergraduates in the Flicker Room on Tuesday, March 9 at 7 PM. The presenters have been active in the Washington, DC **MARCH FOR LIFE** and the Schenectady **40 DAYS FOR LIFE** effort. They will share their views and experiences from both of these events with the audience.

Winter Notice: If BH-BL Schools are closed or delayed, there will be no morning Mass on weekdays.



PARISH NURSE / HEALTH MINISTRY

Betty Parks, Ministry Coordinator, can be reached at 346-3418.

The Alzheimer's Association is proud to present "THERAPEUTIC FIBBING" - a discussion about validation therapy and how to use it to enter into the secret world of your loved one. Your loved one may not be able to come back and live in your world, but you can take trips into hers/his.

**Tuesday, March 23 from 2-4 PM
Dayhaven Adult Day Care, 107 Nott Terrace, Sch'dy.
Call Jamie (867-4999, x209) for registration/info.**

Remember in your prayers all who are sick or suffering in any way. We remember especially:

Bob Lynch, Mark, David Walrath, Sister Marge Moon, SA, Anna Dintrone, Joe Conte, Shirley Bomba, Sharon B., Emilie, Jo LaVerde, Richard Piatkowski, Ines Colucci, Sharon Grass, Heather, Emily Suski, Nancy Narcavage, Judy Bacon, Tony Randazzo, Melissa Francis, Madeline, Patty B., Richard Vanderhoff, Joel Finnie, Gerri Branch, Gabriella Hope O'Brien, Sandy McNitt, Lou Esch, Allison Murdock, June Wheeler, MaryAnn Mandala, Marilyn Giaquinto, Nina Triplo, Shirley Gregory, Eileen, Tyler DeMarco, Sarah Miller, Steven Nielsen, Janice, Lynn Schumann, Joseph Mazzone, Frances Rinella, Barbara & Jerry Sullivan, Ron Wood, Susan LaPlant, Jerry Stewart, Valerie Saenger, Simone McGuinness, Debbie Cianfarani, Rita Staszak, Michael Altamari, and Lavita Marshall.

Names remain for three months. Contact the rectory with requests.

The monthly DSC Healing Mass will be held on Wednesday, March 10 at 7:30 PM, at St. Ambrose Church, Latham. Fr. Thomas Connery is the celebrant. Prayer and praise begins at 7 PM, with healing prayer to follow.

IC-GLENVILLE

**Stations of the Cross 7 PM Fridays
Living Stations of the Cross March 19 at 7 PM**

ST. JOSEPH'S IN SCOTIA

**Vespers at 5 PM Sundays
Mary's Way of the Cross Friday, 3/19 at 7 PM
Stations of the Cross 3/12 & 3/26 at 4 PM**

OUR LADY OF GRACE

Evening Prayer - 7 PM Friday, March 19

COMMUNAL PENANCE SERVICE

**Wednesday, March 17 7 PM at St. Joseph's
Tuesday, March 23 7 PM at IC-Glenville**

*Enjoy an evening of the music of Ireland with
the Irish Troubadours -
Daniel DeMarco, Paul Hook
and Neil Hook*

Sunday, March 14 at 7 PM at Our Lady of Grace.
Accompanist: Joan Suda. No admission charge.



From the Pastor:

Today the psalmist tells us in Psalm 103 that the Lord is gracious and merciful. The Lord abounds in kindness and is slow to anger. As we continue to pattern our lives on the ways of the gospel, we need not be afraid to turn to God in our sinfulness. Ask for mercy, and mercy shall be given. Begging mercy is the heart of the Christian way of life.

Congratulations to **Annie Schwendler** who played *Mrs. Merkle in Bye, Bye Birdie*, presented by Niskayuna High School Department of Music last weekend. Annie is one of our young cantors at the 5 PM mass on Saturdays. Annie is the daughter of Tom and Rosemary Schwendler. We're proud of you, Annie!

We have received the following letter from Catholic Charities Family Services of Schenectady County:

We are writing to acknowledge the kindness of the Immaculate Conception Parish Community in sponsoring the Bethlehem Tree Project and the generosity of all the people who are involved in organizing it and donating their time and resources to provide the gifts. The staff of the TLC Program appreciates all of your hard work as well as the on-going communication with the program as this process unfolded. We hope we can continue this partnership well into the future. I too, am grateful for all your hard work and generosity.

If you did not complete a new census form last year, we are asking you to kindly fill one out so we can keep our records updated. Census forms are located in the gathering space. Blank forms will be sent out along with the Easter letter to those who did not as of yet return the census form.

On Friday, March 19, at 7 PM, the young men from LaSalle Institute in Troy will be presenting the **Living Stations of the Cross** here at Immaculate. The hour-long program is prayerfully presented and suitable for all ages. Come join us in prayer as we make the journey to Calvary with Jesus.

Once again this week, we will be providing you with the **Pledging Lent Together** card as you leave the church. We hope this card helps you with Prayer, Fasting and Almsgiving during this third week of Lent.

Till next week, be well, do good works and say your prayers!
Fr. Jerry

The annual **Holy Thursday Family Dinner** will be held in the parish hall on Thursday, April 1 at 5:15 PM. Mike and Maria Groves will cook turkey and mashed potatoes. You are asked to bring a side dish to pass. Beverages will be provided. Call Charlie & Mary Lou Moskov at 399-5797 to make reservations by Monday, March 29. A free-will offering will be collected.

40 Days for Life Campaign ~ Christians are gathering for 40 days, February 17 - March 28, praying and fasting for an end to abortion. You are invited to consider volunteering to pray outside the Planned Parenthood (1040 State Street, Sch'dy) during Lent. We are having our **Mid-Way Rally on Tuesday, March 9 at 7 PM** at St. Anthony's Church. Join us for an evening of praise and worship and testimonies from prayer vigil participants. See how the Lord is working in our community. All are welcome! For info, call Viviane Strain at 384-0699 or visit www.40daysforlife.com/schenectady.