

Mass Intentions March 20-28

SAT	5:00 PM	Stanley J. Brodzinski (36 th Ann.) - children Theresa & Ralph Vitolo - DiCaprio family Intentions of the members of the Walkuski family
SUN	8:00 AM	Kenneth O'Brien - Mike, Marie & Mary Hamilla Mary Louise Ferrucci - children of Anthony DeLorenzo
	11:00 AM	Andrew J. Ranze - Stan & Mary Ann Jendrazak Thomas A. Hughes (5 th Ann.) - family Paul Wilson - Donna & Frank DeFrank Lawrence Winslow - Knights of Columbus
MON	9:00 AM	Anne Gorman - Charles & Mary Kunz Helen Petrelli - family
TUES	9:00 AM	Helen Petrelli - family Thomas Breen - Mr. & Mrs. George Yager
	9:30 AM-6 PM	ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT
	7:00 PM	COMMUNAL PENANCE SERVICE
WED	9:00 AM	Josephine Woods - Jack & Marilyn Moynihan Helen Petrelli - family
	12 Noon	George Bright, Jr. - Henry Florkiewicz Julia LaValla - Fran Szpylczyn
THURS	7:00 AM	Judy Orbacz - Lorraine Trojan
FRI	7:00 AM	Carol Auriemma - Schultz family Jeanette Bergstrom - family
	7:00 PM	STATIONS OF THE CROSS
SAT	5:00 PM	Evelyn Plaus - Bill & Mary Plaus Sandra Chase - family Ralph Janack (1 st Ann.) - family
SUN	8:00 AM	Kenneth O'Brien - Jay Alix Anthony Simone - Mr. & Mrs. Stearns Caswell Jean Bergstrom
	11:00 AM	John F. Davey (1 st Ann.) - daughter, Mary DiMartino John Zdunczyk (1 st Ann.) - Chuck & Chris Moore Paul Wilson - Trevor & Gina Schneider Mario Coppola - family

~ 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. ~

Last Call! 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.



The DSC is hosting a **Palm Sunday Diocesan Celebration Prayer Meeting** with **Fr. Marty Fisher** next Sunday, March 28, from 6-9 PM at *St. Edward's Church, 569 Clifton Park Center Rd., Clifton Park*. Music by **JOYFUL HEART**. All are invited for an evening of prayer, worship and teaching.



Free Lectures Thursday nights at 7 PM

on *Adult Formation and Catholic Teaching* In the Flicker Room on Thursday, March 25, the topic is: **the Ten Commandments**. This series will be on hiatus for 2 weeks, and then resume on April 15, with **Sacraments, Part One**.

PASTORAL COUNCIL CORNER

Last week in this space, we listed some questions that we will be asking ourselves as we move toward goal setting as part of parish pastoral planning, and we will be asking for your answers as well. Here are some sample answers to the question, "If Jesus were here today, what words would he give us to direct our future?"

- Love one another, help each other
- Spread the faith, keep it alive and growing
- Be true to My teachings
- Stand up for your rights, but never hurt others as you do it
- Teach our children about cooperation and open-mindedness
- Forgive, be patient.
- Help our children and families preserve the ways of family life
- Help and visit the sick; honor and respect older people

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: "Revisioning the Parish Pastoral Council: A Workbook" published by Paulist Press © 2001.

Wednesdays during Lent



Join us for **Mass at Noon**. Then join us for **Lenten Soup Lunch** in the parish hall. The free-will offering will benefit **Birthright**. Bread donations are welcome. For info, call Charlie & Mary Lou Moskov at 399-5797.



Last chance to attend the delightful

Tilapia Fish Dinner hosted by the **Knights of Columbus** this Lent. Join us this Friday for Battered Deep Fried or Baked Tilapia, Potatoes, Coleslaw, Dessert and Coffee, Tea or Punch. Dinner is served from 5-7 PM or until sold out. Adult dinners are \$7.50, Seniors \$7.00 and a Child's portion is \$4.50. Mac & Cheese will also be an option for children. Take-out available.

FAITH FORMATION 399-9210

Madeline Fretto & Michele DeLorenzo
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10,000 PRAYERS FOR HAITI

We are now entering Week 5 of our mission to send 10,000 prayers to the people of Haiti. The children and their families are doing an amazing job of saying their weekly prayers and turning in their doves. We are so blessed to live in such a playful and giving community. As of now we have said **7,946** prayers. Keep up the incredible job.

Thank you, Thank you, to our incredible Grade 2 catechists and to the wonderful parents that helped at the First Eucharist Workshop on Saturday, March 13. The children experienced an unforgettable day, because of the catechists' beautiful presentations and the parents' joyful and very helpful participation. We are all very grateful to you.

NO SESSIONS: *Easter/Spring* break begins soon. No sessions Tuesday, March 30 - Wednesday, April 7. **Classes will resume on Sunday, April 11.**

Faith Formation "Alleluia Mass" is scheduled for Sunday, April 25 at 11:00 AM. All children in grades 1 through 6 are expected to attend this mass.

"First Eucharist" is scheduled for the weekend of May 1 and 2. The Sacrament of the Eucharist will be celebrated at all of the masses.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD will be celebrated every Sunday in the month of March.

SCHOOL CLOSINGS: Check our website for Faith Formation cancellations:
www.ic-glenville.com

"The day the Lord created HOPE was probably the same day he created Spring."

~B. Williams



Rosary Altar Society will hold its

annual **SPRING CLEAN-UP TAG SALE** May 27 & 28

While you are spring cleaning, save any items that we can resell at our ale. All items must be in good condition. We will collect items Friday, May 14, Saturday, May 15 and Tuesday, May 18. We are NOT able to accept footwear or electronic items. A bulletin board to advertise electronics and larger items will be available. Watch for details in future bulletins. Monies from this sale go to local charities.

Last weekend, the collection for parish operation amounted to **\$12,015** (\$10,020 in-pew & \$1,995 by e-giving). **\$7** was received from our children. **\$667** was received for our renovations (\$403 in-pew & \$264 by e-giving). **\$2,534** was collected for Catholic Relief Services. God bless you.

YOUTH MINISTRY 399-9203

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YOUTH MINISTRIES SESSIONS

Monday Nights
March 29

Wednesday Nights
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 Night from 7-8:30 PM on March 22.

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

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!



New Moms-The Elizabeth Ministry would love to provide you with some loving assistance in the form of a meal for your family. If you are interested, give Joyce Maddalone a call at 857-2288.

CONGRATULATIONS to the IC 4th-6th grade (biddy) boy's basketball team who recently won the SCHENECTADY "B" DIVISION TOURNAMENT CHAMPIONSHIP! A tremendous effort by a group of hard-working boys and their fearless leader, Coach Steve Shephard. *Congrats to Iquann Cornish, Brendan Depew, Zachary French-Hale, Ryan Green, Jonathan Kenyon, Justin Kenyon, Joshua Loiselle, Jake Shephard, Jameson Spencer and Trey Carter.*



**THE REV R. MANSFIELD STARKS
\$1,500 MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

for high school seniors and college students
sponsored by the Society of St. Vincent de Paul

Applications are available at the rectory, from your school's guidance office or from Helen Smrstik.

Completed applications must be returned to the church rectory by Friday, May 7.

\$1000 Clarence Neumann Scholarship

sponsored by the Glenville Knights of Columbus

A one-year \$1,000 scholarship will be awarded to a graduating high school student entering a college of their choice this fall. Applications must be postmarked no later than April 15, 2010. **Applications are available in the Rectory Office.**

Mid-March 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.

PARISH BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENING resumes this weekend after all masses.

All interested folks are invited to the **PARISH NURSE/HEALTH MINISTRY MEETING** to be held **Thursday, March 25 at 7 PM** in the school.

We pray for those who have died recently, especially **George Bright, Jr.**, brother of Carrie Parker; **Frank Scago**, brother of Charlotte Sauve; and **Lynn Schumann**, daughter of Fran Rinella. Now absent from the body; they are present with the Lord.

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

- Cory, Maureen Harrington, Brayden, Frankie Civitello,
- Dawn Werhan, Joseph M., Nancy Peck, John and Lois Gaba,
- Agnes Wilder, Bob Lynch, 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, Gerri Branch,
- Gabriella Hope O'Brien, Sandy McNitt, Lou Esch,
- Allison Murdock, June Wheeler, MaryAnn Mandala,
- Marilyn Giaquinto, Nina Triplo, Shirley Gregory, Eileen,
- Sarah Miller, Steven Nielsen, Janice, 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.

IC-GLENVILLE

Penance Service Tuesday, March 23 at 7 PM
Stations of the Cross 7 PM Friday, March 26

ST. JOSEPH'S IN SCOTIA

Vespers at 5 PM Sundays
Stations of the Cross Friday, 3/26 at 4 PM

All are invited to attend the **Chrism Mass** with **Bishop Howard J. Hubbard, Principal Celebrant** 7 PM Thursday, March 25 at St. Helen's Church, Schenectady

The Chrism Mass is the diocesan celebration during which the Bishop blesses the oils used in the rituals of the catechumenate and for the sick and consecrates the Sacred Chrism, used in Baptism, Confirmation, Holy Orders and for the dedication of churches and altars. At this liturgy, the baptized and ordained re-commit themselves to service as Church in the world. All are warmly welcome.

TWO PROGRAMS ON FORGIVENESS

Rev. Frank Desiderio, CSP will be presenting a Mission at St. Helen's at 1803 Union Street, Schenectady. The theme is "Letting Go of Grudge". The film, *The Big Question: a film about Forgiveness*, will be shown and discussed on Monday, March 22 at 7 PM. On Tuesday, March 23, the five steps of forgiveness will be presented beginning at 7 PM. The public is invited to attend free of charge. Call 346-6137 for information.

Fr. Desiderio will present a similar program, titled, **Learning to Forgive...and Let Go!**, sponsored by the OFFICE OF EVANGELIZATION, CATECHESIS AND FAMILY LIFE of the Diocese of Albany, at St. Ambrose Church in Latham on Wednesday, March 24 from 9:30 AM-3 PM. \$30/person; lunch provided. Call 453-6630 to register by March 19.

One of our parish ministries involves praying for vocations. During this **Year of the Priest**, we want to make you aware of this need.

If you are interested in this ministry, call Jutta Adams at 399-6528. She will make arrangements for you to take possession of our Vocation Prayer Cross. We ask you to pledge to bring the Vocation Prayer Cross into your home, keep it in a prayerful place, and pray for vocations every day for two weeks.



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.



Adoremus Te

Join us for an evening of musical meditations on the Stations of the Cross, Wednesday, March 24, at 8 PM at St. Mary of the Angels Chapel, Siena College, Loudonville, NY or Friday, March 26, at 7 PM at the Church of St. Pius X, Crumite Road, Loudonville, NY.

The traditional Stations will be accompanied by the singing of fourteen settings of the Good Friday text "Adoramus Te, Christe", ("We Adore You, O Christ"). The settings range from Gregorian Chant to modern and will be sung by the New York Catholic Chorale, Artists-in-Residence at Siena College. For more information about this prayerful evening, call (518) 316-1430.

Sage Gators Spring Break Basketball Camp will be held April 5-9

at Sage College of Albany. Contact Brian Barnes at 518-292-1969 or barneb@sage.edu for information.



Our annual
Holy Thursday Family Dinner
 will be held in the parish hall on

Thursday, April 1 at 5:15 PM.



**This year, roast turkey, mashed potatoes, gravy and beverages will be provided.
 You are asked to bring a side dish to pass - a salad, vegetable, or pasta.**

**Call Charlie & Mary Lou Moskov at 399-5797
 to make reservations by Monday, March 29.
 A free-will offering will be collected.**

For ease in clean-up, disposable pans for you to use for your side dish
 will be available for you to pick up in the gathering space on Palm Sunday and Wednesday.

Divine Mercy Sunday will be celebrated at St. Anthony's Church in Schenectady on **April 19**, beginning with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at 2 PM, followed by a *Rosary for Life*. Confessions will be heard from 2-2:45 PM. Fr. L'Arche will lead the Chaplet of Divine Mercy at 3 PM, followed by Holy Mass which will be celebrated by Fr. Richard Carlino. Sponsored by *AVE MARIA PRO-LIFE NETWORK*; call Carol at 346-6421 for information.

Rosary Makers

Our April meeting will be on Tuesday, the 6th, at 7 PM in room 3. We will recite the rosary beginning at 7:15 PM.

Bed Nets for Babies

Stephen Schneider, 11th grader at BH-BL High School, will be flying to Arusha, Tanzania on July 5, 2010 to purchase 1,000 **Olyset bed nets**.^[2] He will personally distribute these nets to families with babies, pregnant women and children under 5 years old in the impoverished Malaria endemic **village of Burere** (the birthplace of Fr. Choka) located on the shores of Lake Victoria in Tanzania, Africa.

Help Stephen meet his goal and complete his mission. The cost of a net is **\$5** and donations are tax deductible. All proceeds will be used to buy nets. Checks can be made out to: **Friends of Musoma** and mailed to **Friends of Musoma, PO Box 74, Burnt Hills, NY 12027**. If you have questions or comments, contact Gina Schneider, President of *Friends of Musoma*, at 518-399-1961 or ginamarie5ny@gmail.com.

Burnt Hills Nursery School, at 116 Kingsley Road, will hold an **Open House** this Saturday, March 27, from 9-11 AM. Our "Little Red Schoolhouse" provides exceptional programs for 3 & 4 year olds. Your child will learn and grow in a warm, family-oriented learning environment. We are a non-cooperative preschool, offering 4/5 day flexible programs. We have summer playgroups, local field trips, a spacious backyard, an exciting playground and a new enclosed porch. For information call 399-6655, or e-mail: mrsrctree@nycap.rr.com or www.bhns.org.



Our Lady of Grace



**Immaculate Conception - St Joseph's
 Parish Cluster**



"Let us be open to what the Spirit is saying to the Churches." (VATICAN II, POPE JOHN XXIII AND POPE PAUL VI)

This Friday, March 26, a **special informational session** about the **Life in the Spirit Seminar** will be held at Our Lady of Grace Church, 73 Midline Road, Ballston Lake from 7-8 pm right after the fish dinner. It will be hosted by Diane Sever of the Diocesan Service Committee. Refreshments will also be provided at the session.

For further information, call Sheila Fridholm (OLG) at 399-5234, Sharon and Denis Durnan (ICC) at 399-8445, Deacon John Crane (SJ) at 393-4351 or the SJ Parish Center at 346-2316.

From the Pastor:

Our Lenten journey nears its conclusion today. This season of penitence and reconciliation teaches us that it is never too late to return to the Lord with our whole hearts. In today's Gospel, we witness God's unconditional forgiveness in Jesus Christ; God's love and mercy are greater than any sin we can imagine. In his encounter with the woman caught in adultery, we are reminded that we are all sinners; all of us are in need of God's mercy. Therefore none can point the finger at another, or they'll find it pointing right back at them.

Last Tuesday, the **Immaculate Conception Staff** met at the Dominican Retreat Center for our annual day of reflection. Sr. Kitty Hanley, CSJ, Associate Dean and Director of St. Bernard's School of Theology and Ministry was our facilitator. It was a good opportunity for all of us to know each other better, to share our hearts and feelings, to recognize our gifts as individuals and as a ministry team. We also got to consider the gifts we bring to our ministries and how we can renew our vision in supporting the parish and the people we serve. Our community has been blessed with a dedicated and generous staff. If you happen to see some staff members, please take a minute to thank them for their service.

Next Sunday, the Church throughout the world begins the holiest of all Christian weeks, **Holy Week**. This begins with the celebration of **Palm Sunday**. Next weekend, at the 5 PM and 8 AM masses, you will be invited to take a palm with you as you walk into the church. We will bless the palms in your hands at the beginning of mass. **The 11 AM mass will begin in the hall at the parish center.** The palms will be blessed, and then we will process to the church. The ritual says: "*On this day the Church celebrates Christ's entrance into Jerusalem to accomplish his paschal mystery. The memorial of this event is included in every Mass, with the procession before the principal Mass.*"

Please note the time schedule for the Triduum (*Holy Thursday, Good Friday and the Easter Vigil*) celebrations below.

God gives us the opportunity to be set free from that which traps us and blocks our route; **we call this Reconciliation**. In this Sacrament, God's mercy is given to us and we are set free to continue our journey to the Promised Land. The Reconciliation service for our cluster will be held here at Immaculate Conception next **Tuesday, March 23 at 7 PM** and I hope that you will take advantage of this sacrament. Please note that here are no Reconciliation Services scheduled for Holy Week.

Diane Bigos, the coordinator for **40 DAYS OF PRAYER FOR LIFE**, continues to ask us to fast and pray for an end of abortion. She, along with many others from our community and communities throughout our country, are keeping a silent prayerful vigil near places where abortions are taking place. If you would like to join in this important cause, Diane can be reached through the parish office. *When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the baby leapt in her womb!* LK 1:41

Our **Parish Easter letter** and schedule of events for Holy Week has been mailed and you should have received this letter in your mailbox by now. Included with the Easter letter is an Easter offertory envelope which I hope you will all use for the Easter collection. Please ask the Holy Spirit for guidance as you prepare your sacrificial gift for our parish.

From our children's envelopes we read the following good deeds done: *I'm keeping my room clean and making my bed everyday; I helped carry my grandfather's luggage up the stairs to his room; I cleaned my room (must be catchy!); and, I helped with den meeting instead of skiing.* Keep up the good deeds, kids!

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

Fr. Jerry

Holy Week and Easter Schedule

**Palm Sunday,
March 28**



Saturday Liturgy at 5 PM

Sunday Liturgies at 8:00 and 11:00 AM*

**Note: The 11 AM liturgy begins in the Parish Hall with the solemn procession into the church.*

Monday, March 29 Liturgy at 9:00 AM

Tuesday, March 30 Liturgy at 9:00 AM

Adoration - 9:30 AM - 6:00 PM

Wednesday, March 31 Liturgies at 9:00 AM & Noon

Lenten Soup Lunch at 12:30 PM

Holy Thursday, April 1 Morning Prayer at 9:00 AM

Parish Dinner at 5:15 PM in the Parish Center

Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7:00 PM

Eucharistic Adoration will follow the service and conclude with Night Prayer at 10:00 PM

Good Friday, April 2 Morning Prayer at 9:00 AM

Stations of the Cross at 3:00 PM

Lord's Passion at 7:00 PM

Holy Saturday, April 3

Morning Prayer & lighting of new fire at 9:00 AM

Blessing of Easter Baskets at 3:00 PM

Vigil of the Lord's Resurrection at 8:00 PM

Easter Sunday, April 4

Liturgies at 8:00 and 11:00 AM