

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME August 19, 2018

PLEASE PRAY WITH US FOR:

Amenia	Mon.	Aug. 20	8:00 am	People of the Parish
"	Tues.	Aug. 21	8:00 am	John J. Carroll
"	Wed.	Aug. 22	8:00 am	Deborah Downey
"	Thurs	Aug. 23	8:00 am	NO MASS
"	Fri.	Aug. 24	8:00 am	James M. Murphy
Pine Plains	"	"	12 noon	Julia Ruth Mathers
Amenia	Sat.	Aug. 25	8:00 am	Gregory Hunter Rost
"	"	"	4:30 pm	Bertha Conway
Pine Plains	Sun	Aug. 26	8:00 am	People of the Parish
Amenia	"	"	10:45 am	Bill Lutz

"IMMACULATE CONCEPTION-ST. ANTHONY PARISH"

Fr. Tandy became the first resident pastor in 1864, and established the first Immaculate Conception Church in 1868 presiding over the additional missions in Pawling, Dover Plains, Millerton and Millbrook for twelve years. In 1871 the cornerstone was laid for St. Joseph's Church – Millbrook; the church being completed in two years, the cost of the church and land was \$17,000.00, including the property it was on. According to his diary, Fr. Tandy was forced to resign in 1880 "under the strain of so many outlying missions"; a complaint which was echoed by many of the succeeding pastors. Before retiring, in 1880, however, Fr. Tandy built a small one-room school on the northeast side of the church. The school began on the 7th of September 1881; with an initial response of seventy children. The classes were taught by lay persons, as there was a scarcity of teaching nuns in the area. Miss Esther Langtry was the first teacher, who commuted from St. Lawrence County; at quite a distance. The school contained two rows of double seats and a teacher's platform.

Fr. Tandy's successor, Fr. Daniel J. Corkery, arrived on the 27th of June 1880. He inherited mortgage debts on three churches located in Millbrook, Millerton and Amenia. The church in Millbrook had a mortgage of \$6,000 at 6% held by Mrs. Caroline Weaton of Poughkeepsie, though the interest was made payable to Mr. Homer Weaton who had charge of her affairs.

The mortgage on the church in Millerton and property was \$2,000 at 6% held by Edwin Vincent of Dover Plains. It was Fr. Coyle who sought out Martin Griffin to raise the funds necessary to pay off the mortgage. He wrote to many influential people from as far away as Alabama. Through entertainment and collections \$1,300 was raised by Mr. Griffin. Then within a year the entire debt was removed.

The church in Amenia had a mortgage of \$3,000 at 7% held by Mr. Cornelius McCoon, 17 East 66th Street, New York City; A second mortgage of \$1,000 at 7% was held by Mr. William Tyman of Lithgow. . The interest of this mortgage was also payable to Homer Weaton who had charge of his affairs. But before the mortgage in Amenia could be paid, the Amenia church was struck by lightning and completely destroyed July 29, 1886 by the result of a fire. The school was destroyed during the same time.

*To be continued,
Fr. Wilson*

CONFESSION - Confession is available every Saturday afternoon from 3:45 pm to 4:15 pm at Immaculate Conception in Amenia. Reconciliation is a sacrament of healing by which we receive God's merciful forgiveness for our personal sins and experience the powerful love of God.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH : Gerhard Herron, Margaret Wilcox, Janet Stiles, Evan Ciovacco, Lydia Casey, Evelyn Bouffard, Mark Hamm, Grover Williams, Stephanie Merenda, Carol Wilson, Dawn Hazel Burrows, Jordana Bell, Lori DeLucca, Amanda Carneski, Linda Sartori, Mary Murphy Adamitis, Winifred Capowski, Arthur Nadeau, Jeff Moissonnier, LuAnn Ballantine, Frank D'Agostino, Michael Kain, Susan Moody, Danny Hagerty, Sonja Kelly, Mike Butts, Mary Ann Mullen, Alan Carroll, Erin D'Elia, Richard Piccoli, Dominic Nannetti, Santino Delfino, Luz Pelkey, Averie Burke, Ricky McGhee, John Daubman, Kathryn Garzetta, Joseph Licurse, Delora Brooks, June Heckelman, Teresa Pelkey, Renee & Al Cobuzzi, Joanne Balek, Michael Engel, Theresa Thompson, Helen Murphy Riley, Linda Mary Dick, Leela Niranjana, Lisa Missailidis, Lori Downing, Ralph & Kathy Locantore, Fred Arni, Brandon Rojas, Jennifer McRoberts, Leah Rost and Genevieve Minischetti.

SAVE THE DATE – Please save the date of Sunday, September 23rd, 2018, to celebrate the 150th Anniversary of our Church. We will begin with the 10:45 am Mass. As we gather together to give thanks to God for our Church, Cardinal Dolan has agreed to celebrate Mass with us on this very special occasion. A barbecue will follow in the gym. I hope you can join us.

START SEPTEMBER WITH GOD - Come join us for coffee and snacks followed by Morning Prayer and Guided Meditation at St. Anthony's in Pine Plains at 10 am on Saturday, September 1st. Guided Meditation is a way of deepening your relationship with Jesus by imaginatively entering into a Biblical scene yourself. It's like a Biblical version of the "We Were There..." book series.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE - In just about 40 days, the next 40 Days for Life Campaign will begin. Be inspired to participate in this peaceful, prayerful campaign to end abortion through prayer and presence. Attend an informational meeting at one of the following locations from 7:30 to 8:30 pm:

St. Martin de Porres Nativity Center, 118 Cedar Valley Road, Poughkeepsie, on Tuesday, Sept. 11th.

St. Christopher's Don Bosco Hall (lower level of church), Rte. 9 & Garden Street, Red Hook on Monday, September 17th, or

St. Denis Parish Center, 602 Beekman Road, Hopewell Junction, on Wednesday, Sept. 19th.

For more info, contact Maureen at 845-853-6529 or visit www.40daysforlife.com/poughkeepsie.

WHAT IS MY RESPONSIBILITY TO GOD? Once you have come to know God, and what He has revealed about himself, he must come first in your life. *"You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind"* (Matthew 22:37). This is not oppressive. On the contrary, if we love someone, we make changes so they can have a meaningful part of our lives. Their joys and sorrows become our own, and vice versa. This is true of God, whose very nature it is to love. Jesus said, *"If you love me, you will keep my commandments"* (John 14:15). If we truly love him, we would do what he tells us to do: *"Love one another as I love you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends"* (John 15:12-13). God loved us enough to create us, suffer and die for us, rise from the dead for us, redeem and forgive us. How can we ignore a love like that?

SUNDAY COLLECTION - Last weekend, August 11-12, 2018, we collected \$4,632.00 in our Regular Sunday Collection and \$1,022.43 for Utility & Energy I thank you for your presence, your generosity and steadfast commitment to our Church. I pray that God will continue to bless you and your families.

PRAY FOR THOSE SERVING IN THE ARMED FORCES: . Timothy Walsh, Joshua O'Hara, Connor Washburn, Sam Kent, Jordan Paraszti, Gavin Carroll, Richard C. Belliveau, Jimmy Darnell, Mike Mazza, Nathan Tong, Mark Hall and Tyler Jasmin. Please keep our servicemen and their families in your prayers

*The Sanctuary Light which will burn this week
at Immaculate Conception Church
was donated by Patty Barron
In Memory of Rudy Eschbach*