

**THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST
(CORPUS CHRISTI)
June 23, 2019**

PLEASE PRAY WITH US FOR:

Amenia	Mon.	June 24	8:00 am	Fr. John Durkin
“	Tues.	June 25	8:00 am	NO MASS
“	Wed.	June 26	8:00 am	NO MASS
“	Thurs.	June 27	8:00 am	NO MASS
“	Fri.	June 28	8:00 am	NO MASS
Pine Plains	“	“	12 noon	NO MASS
Amenia	Sat.	June 29	8:00 am	Martha Flanigan
	“	“	4:30 pm	Charles & Cynthia Goggins
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Pine Plains	Sun.	June 30	8:00 am	People of the Parish
Amenia“	“	“	10:45 am	Susan Rynkar
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“ST. ANTHONY’S CHURCH HISTORY

Dear Friends;

I recently came upon a small booklet printed on the occasion of St. Anthony’s Church Anniversary of 25 years. St. Anthony was founded as a parish in 1958 (four years after I was born) and this booklet was dated in 1983. The Pastor was Father Thomas Scanlon.

In looking at the early years of establishing a Catholic presence in Pine Plains, it is interesting to see the direct connections between the emerging Church in Pine Plains and the Church of the Immaculate Conception in Amenia.

In 1870, several Irish Catholic families settled in Pine Plains. They traveled by train to Millbrook to attend Mass. As time went by, a priest came from Amenia to celebrate Mass in Pine Plains in a private home.

In 1913, Father Francis Lavelle (who was Pastor in Amenia for over 40 years and has our street named after him) decided that Pine Plains should have a Church of its own. After a Church was built, Father Lavelle came to say Mass on Sundays. Other priests from Amenia also helped and, according to the booklet, a priest was sent from Amenia to be Administration of the Church in Pine Plains.

In the spring of 1958, the people of St. Anthony’s requested a parish be established in Pine Plains. Cardinal Spellman agreed and made Father Vincent McCambley the first Pastor.

The booklet blesses us with some extra facts. Father Lavelle was brought to Pine Plains by parishioners by horse and buggy (“A distance of 15 miles” – for me it is 18 miles). Friends purchased him a fur coat for winter travel.

Apparently a priest named Fr. Joseph Cacella came to say Mass. He came on Saturday and stayed overnight with Mr. & Mrs. Henry Cahill.

It is fascinating to think that life goes in circles. St. Anthony started with the help of Immaculate Conception and now we are back together, helping each other. We are now one parish and one family again.

Fr. Wilson

FR. WILSON’S RETREAT - Fr. Wilson will be going on retreat from midday on Monday, June 24th, through Friday, June 28th. Therefore, there will be no 8:00 am morning Mass on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday in Amenia as well as no 12 noon Mass in Pine Plains.

2019 CARDINAL’S ANNUAL STEWARDSHIP APPEAL - As of June 14TH 2019, we have received **\$24,855.00** in pledges toward our goal of \$39,500.00. All donations are greatly appreciated. No amount is too small.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH : Gerhard Herron, Margaret Wilcox, Evan Ciovacco, Lydia Casey, 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, LuAnn Ballantine, Frank D'Agostino, Danny Hagerty, Sonja Kelly, Mike Butts, Erin D'Elia, Richard Piccoli, Dominic Nannetti, Santino Delfino, Averie Burke, Ricky McGhee, John Daubman, Joseph Licurse, Joanne Balek, Michael Engel, Theresa Thompson, Linda Mary Dick, Leela Niranjan, Ralph Locantore, Fred Arni, Brandon Rojas, Leah Rost, Susan Consentino, Pat Boice, Arietta Carroll, Flo Vinchiarello, Cecilia Cummings, Mary Wilkinson, Evelyn Tompkins, Mary Simmons, Marlena Mittell, Marjorie Arni, John Haggerty, Teal Burns, Jane Bly, Robert Bartolomeo and Jennifer Boice.

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VINE & BRANCHES - Last Saturday we provided food for 15 families - 54 people at our food closet. My sincere thanks to all of you who purchase 50/50 tickets, donate food items and volunteer at our food closet. We could not do it without you.

NEWLY BAPTIZED - Nathan Charles Clapper, son of Josh Clapper and Carissa Dahoney, was baptized on June 15, 2019 at Immaculate Conception Church. We pray that Our Lord, Jesus Christ, will look lovingly on this child watch over him and fill him with peace and joy.

WHAT IS A "HOLY HOUR" - A "holy hour" is a devotion during which one sets aside an hour for prayer and meditation before Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. Try these ideas to make a holy hour:

- Find a tabernacle with a lit sanctuary lamp. The lamp signifies the presence of Christ. Silence yourself both interiorly and exteriorly. Clear your mind of daily stresses or outside distractions.
- Start the conversation. Ask the Holy Spirit to help you, then make acts of faith, hope and charity. Tell God how you believe, trust and love Him. Ask for more faith, hope and love.
- Adore God. Rather than recite prayers, focus on adoration. God is all powerful, all good, more beautiful than we can imagine, and more real than the distractions on which we focus.
- Imagine Christ sitting with you. It's not your love for God, but His for you that saves. God delights in the company of His children (Proverbs 8:31). If you can't pray, then just be with him. That itself is a prayer pleasing to God.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE JERICHO MARCH - 40 Days for Life Jericho March will be held on Sunday, July 7th at 7:00 pm. Be part of this peaceful pro-life initiative to end abortion in our community. As the walls of Jericho tumbled down when Joshua's army marched about the city, in preparation for the upcoming 40 Days for Life, you are invited to participate in a Jericho March where we will march around Planned Parenthood seven times praying that the walls of the abortion industry come tumbling down. This is a peaceful, prayerful, and powerful event! March begins at 17 Noxon Street, Poughkeepsie. For more information, call 845-853-6529.

AARP 6 HR. DRIVER SAFETY COURSE - AARP 6 hour Driver Safety Course is being offered on Thursday, July 25, 2019 from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm (with a one hour lunch break) at Immaculate Conception Parish Center at 11 Lavelle Road in Amenia. The fee is \$20.00 for AARP members and \$25.00 for non members. Cash or check only. Class size is a maximum of 25 participants. Call Ed between 4 to 8 pm at 845-373-8108 to register. Bring you AARP card.

SUNDAY COLLECTION - Last weekend, June 15-16, 2019, we collected \$4,498.85 in our Regular Sunday Collection and \$797.52 for Catholic Home Missions and the Church in Latin America. 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: Lord, please watch over 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 who are presently serving in the Military. 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 Fr. John L. Durkin*