

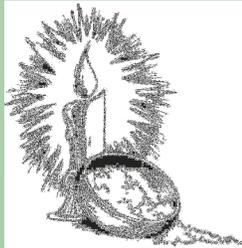


CHURCH OF THE  
**IMMACULATE CONCEPTION**  
A Roman Catholic Community

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Paul tells us that he came not with oratory or philosophy, but simply to tell what God had guaranteed. Paul also wrote that our faith should not depend on human philosophy but on the power of God. He is not anti-intellectual, but he puts "first things first." Our salvation comes by God's initiative of love through our crucified Messiah, Jesus. We are also told we are "salt" and "light" before all, meant to change the flavor of the world and show ourselves and others the way in Christ. How goes it with you?



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**The Eucharist is celebrated**

Sunday, the Lord's Day 8 AM and 11 AM  
Anticipated on Saturday 5 PM  
Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday 9 AM  
Thursday, Friday 7 AM

**Reconciliation**

Saturdays 4-4:30 PM  
and by appointment

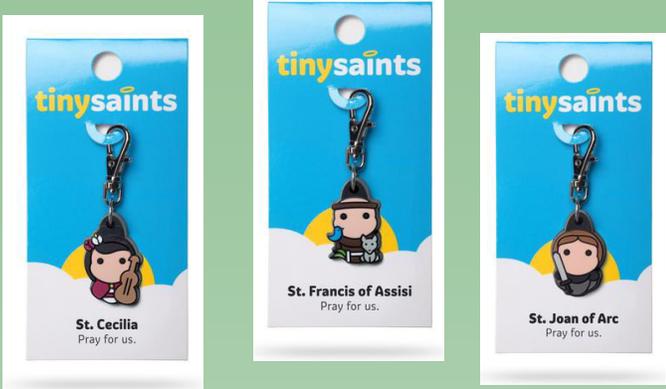
**Souper Bowl Sunday**

The SICM and Sacred Heart-St. Columba Food Programs will participate in the annual, national Souper Bowl Sunday Appeal this weekend. All donations are used to purchase nutritious food for these essential programs. Please be generous.



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

| SUNDAY  | MONDAY   | TUESDAY   |
|---|--|---|
| <b>2/5 Hospitality</b><br>SOUPER BOWL APPEAL<br>TINY SAINTS SALE<br>8 am Mass<br>11 am Mass with CLOW<br>Noon - Afterglow | <b>2/6</b><br>9 am Mass<br>4 pm Hour of Prayer<br>6:30 pm Our Lady Queen of Peace Prayer Group<br>7 pm RCIA<br>7 pm Rosary Altar Society | <b>2/7</b> 9 am Mass<br>9:30-6 pm Adoration<br>3:15 pm Rosary of the 7 Sorrows<br>6:30 pm Bereavement Gp<br>7 pm Rosary Makers<br>7 pm K of C Ladies Auxiliary                          |
| WEDNESDAY   | THURSDAY   | FRIDAY  |
| <b>2/8</b><br>9 am Mass   | <b>2/9</b><br>7 am Mass<br>4 pm Recovery Mtg<br>6:30pm TOPS Mtg<br>7 pm Choir  | <b>2/10</b><br>7 am Mass  |
| SATURDAY  | SUNDAY   | UPCOMING  |
| <b>2/11</b><br>4 pm Confessions<br>5 pm Mass  | <b>2/12</b><br>8 am Mass<br>11 am Children's Mass<br>Noon - Afterglow<br><br>6 pm YA Bible Study   | 2/13 Small Group Study: Theology of the Holy Trinity<br><br>February 18/19 Bless Married Couples<br><br><b>Monday, February 20</b><br>Parish Offices Closed<br>Presidents Day - No Mass |



**"tiny saints" Fundraiser for NCYC**

Perfect for zipper pulls, key fobs, and gifting!

Many wonderful saints available! \$5 each.

Contact Youth Ministries at cicyouth@nycap.rr.com or 399-9203.

**Available after all Masses this weekend!**



**Mass Intentions  
February 4-12**

SAT 5:00 PM +Bev Eoff - *wife*  
*February 4*  
+Louis Ruggiero - *Christine D'Alessandro*  
+Charles Haskell - *Carmel Lavergne*

SUN 8:00 AM +John James - *Marilyn Moynihan*  
*February 5*  
+Mary Lou Rodriguez - *Audrey & Vern Ketchum*  
+Mary Horton - *Rita James*

11:00 AM +Clarence Spain - *Tom & Diane Bigos*  
+Charles J. Lamb - *Cheryl & Mary Lou*  
+Sandra Haas - *Jim & Mary Ann Vincent*  
+Florino Orlando - *wife Frances and family*

MON 9:00 AM +Joseph Cintula (1<sup>st</sup> Ann.) - *family*  
*February 6*  
+Paul McIntyre - *Marcia*  
+Stanley Lewinski (30<sup>th</sup> Ann.) - *family*

TUES 9:00 AM +Stuart Heitkamp - *Sandy & Christine*  
*February 7*  
+Ramon Luzarraga - *Fran Szpylczyn*  
+Louis A. Ruggiero - *wife Lucy & family*

9:30-6:00 PM **ADORATION IN CHURCH**

WED 9:00 AM +Mary Ellen Smith  
*February 8*  
+Mary Cintula - *family*  
Intentions of Fr. Jerry

THUR 7:00 AM +Jeffrey Cox - *Roger & Maryann Haskell*  
*February 9*

FRI 7:00 AM Parish family members and friends  
*February 10*

SAT 5:00 PM +Louis Ruggiero - *Darline Goertz*  
*February 11*  
+Frances Hamilla  
Intentions of Maureen & Tom Meade - *Rita & Don Briggs*  
Intentions of Chris Collins and family - *Rita & Don Briggs*  
Intentions of Anne & Maura Stenson - *Rita & Don Briggs*

SUN 8:00 AM +John James - *Mary Lou Moskov*  
*February 12*  
+Anna Barnes (13<sup>th</sup> Ann.) - *Olga Stryjski*  
+Raymond Stryjski - *Olga Stryjski*

11:00 AM +Helen M. Hickey - *family*  
+Jessie Jankowski - *family*  
+John T. Greene - *Betty Greene*  
+Ed Sosnoski (20<sup>th</sup> Ann.) - *family*

~ If you are having a Mass offered and would like to bring up the gifts,  
please contact an usher before Mass. ~

**Rosary Altar Society meets Monday, February 6**  
*Organize to Simplify Your Life*

Members, please come for the recitation of the rosary at 7 PM.  
Then we will have a special program for anyone who has an  
interest in the following subject.....

Do you need some hints and information on how to best  
organize and de-clutter your home? We are pleased to have  
a professional organizer, Jordana Turcotte, show us how to  
*Organize to Simplify Your Life*. This presentation will begin at  
7:30 PM in the Flicker Room. Refreshments will be served  
and all members and friends of the parish are welcome.

**VISITING MISSIONARY**

Rev. Msgr. Ted Bertagni will be visiting our parish next weekend to speak at all Masses on behalf of **Cross Catholic Outreach**, which was founded to create a meaningful link between parishes in America and the priests and nuns working in the Church overseas in the Caribbean, Africa, Asia, and Central and South America. Please be generous in response to Msgr.'s appeal. Brochures will be provided if you wish to support this worthy Catholic ministry.



**Knights of Columbus meet**

Tuesday, February 7 at 7 PM in the Library.

**Ladies Auxiliary of the Knights of Columbus Council 10013**  
also meet Tuesday, January 3 at 7 PM in Room 4.

**Detours on the Journey** - A support ministry for Catholic men and women who have experienced or are experiencing divorce. Facilitated by an LCSW experienced in family counseling and a family law attorney, the program's objective is to help gain insight into and heal from the emotional challenges of loss, anger, guilt, fear and loneliness. Participants share insights, learn coping mechanisms, feel the support of others, and renew their faith.

**For more information and registration,**  
please contact [mary.fay@rcda.org](mailto:mary.fay@rcda.org) or call 453-6644.  
*The ministry is sponsored by the Office of Lay Ministry Formation.*

We pray for those who have died recently, especially  
**+Steven M. Faraone**, brother of Joyce Willi; and  
**+Emily A. Topka**, mother of Terry Topka.  
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:*

Peter J. Daurio, Paul M., Mary and her family, Kim Como Bond, Kevin, Dawn, Diane, Steve, Stan, Annette, Mike, Renate O'Brien, Marlene, Stuart Staude, Sue Imel, Lee S., Kristy, Joan, Tony G., Brian Troiano, Maria Pensiero-Zimmerman, James Hayes, Michele Geissler, Stan, JoAnn Masterson, Karen, Susan Piccotti, Bob G., John Jr., Mary Smith, Milly, Leonie, Amanda, Linda Little, Angelina, Paula, Tony, Carson, onnie Galloway, Susan, Helene Girard, Davia Rossi, Lou Esch, Elizabeth LaBlanc, "E J" Knapik, Darlene, James Kochen, Jennifer Jones, Jack Leveillee, Janet Winslow, Dominick Marchesiello, Art, Jeffrey, Jennie Grecco, Marie Stern, Rita Staszak, Rosella Lupi, Linda A., Erin Hecker, John P., Justin, Mary Cinelli, Kristin Rybicki, James Fiedler, Stan J., Julie T., Michael Altamari, Tina Masterson, Joe Barnick, Susan Kopchik, Ron Wood, Ruth Fiedler, Margaret King, Sarah & Loretta Gallagher, Madeline Trull, Florence Rentz, Valerie Saenger, Peggy Melanson, Nicholas Watrobski, Barbara Mlodzianowski.  
*Call the rectory for additions.*

**FAITH FORMATION 399-9210**

Madeline Fretto & Michele DeLorenzo

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HAPPY NEW YEAR!!

**February Schedule: CLOW 2/5 and 2/26  
RAINBOW 2/12 AND 2/26**

**NO SESSIONS FOR THE WINTER BREAK: 2/19 to 2/22  
Classes resume on Sunday February 26 at 9:30 AM.**

The next **Children's Mass** will be held on February 12 at 11 AM. The Student of the Month for Grade 3 will be awarded then. Families in the Faith Formation program will sit together for this Mass. Pews in the front of the church will be reserved for families.

**"Encounter Lent"**

CRS RICE BOWLS will be available beginning February 22, in the church and in the Parish Center. We invite families to participate in this Catholic Relief Services Lenten faith-in-action program. It offers daily opportunities for your family to engage in the spiritual pillars of Lent: **Prayer, Fasting and Almsgiving**. It is also an opportunity for our parish to come together as a community and reflect on what it means to live out the Gospel call to go to the margins and encounter those most in need.

*"The Good News is no mere matter of words...It is about leaving ourselves behind and encountering others."* POPE FRANCIS

**WHY DO CATHOLICS DO THAT?**

**QUESTION:** Why do Catholics make the Sign of the Cross?

**ANSWER:** Back in the second century when this practice began, it was common to honor a ruler with a sign of respect, whether bowing down on one knee, or touching the forehead. These signs were customs that showed humility to a person of great power. The Sign of the Cross became the devotion to the Holy Trinity, and also served as a signal between the early Christians who were forced to worship in secret. Today, the Sign of the Cross is our prayer of respect to God, and a call for God's blessings on ourselves.

*"If you want to shorten Winter,  
borrow some money that's due in Spring."* ~ W J VOGEL

**VIRTUS TRAINING** will be offered this **Thursday, February 9**, from 9-11 AM at St. Joseph's Parish Center in Scotia. This training is a diocesan requirement for anyone who works with or volunteers with the youth of our parish. It provides information regarding signs and prevention of child abuse. Anyone who wishes to attend must register in advance at [www.virtusonline.org](http://www.virtusonline.org).

**Our Lady Queen of Peace Prayer Group**

The prayers of the Rosary are very powerful and so needed. Please join us in church February 6 from 6:30-7:30 PM.

**YOUTH MINISTRY 399-9203**

Christine Goss & Patty Nally

cicyouth@nycap.rr.com

**CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES**

**Please be sure these February dates are on your calendar:**

**RETREAT PAPERWORK AND FEE – PAST DUE!**

**CITY MISSION MEAL SERVICE** – February 6 for those signed up. Be sure to bring your permission slip and meet in the Parish Center at 4:30 PM

**CANDIDATE AND SPONSOR EVENING** – either February 12 or 13. Please be sure that your sponsor is aware of which evening you are signed up for.

**CONFIRMATION SMALL GROUP SESSION** – February 27

**MINI-COURSES for Grades 7–10 conclude on Wednesday, Feb 8 from 7-8:30 PM in the Parish Center.**

Reflection/evaluations are due within 2 weeks.

7<sup>TH</sup> GRADE – BEATITUDES

8<sup>TH</sup> GRADE – JOURNEY THROUGH THE BIBLE

9<sup>TH</sup> GRADE – LIFE LESSONS FROM TWO FRANCISES

10<sup>TH</sup> GRADE – GOING GREEN

**MINISTRY SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES**

Mardi Gras – February 28

Knights of Columbus Fish Fry Dinners – Fridays during Lent

Youth of our parish are encouraged to GET INVOLVED in the life of our parish! Interested in helping with these Ministry Service opportunities? Want to become a Lector, Usher or Altar Server? Contact the YM office!

**TINY SAINTS Fundraiser – LAST CALL for special orders**

**Order Deadline is Monday, February 6, 2017**

We are having a Tiny Saints fundraiser to benefit our teens preparing for the National Catholic Youth Conference. We have many saints on hand and several that we do not have can be ordered! These adorable, tiny saints are just \$5.00 each! Contact the YM Office to get yours today.

**2017 Youth Retreats Available through the Diocese!**

**Interested in details? – Please give us a call!**

**Journey Retreat** (Grades 10 -12) – March 2–5, at Dominican Retreat Center.

**Mission Possible "Step by Step with Jesus"** (Grades 9 -12) – SPRING BREAK, April 20-22, at Pyramid Life Center. \$125 per person – registration deadline is March 31.

**Christian Leadership Institute "CLI"** (Grades 9-11) June 25 –29 at Pyramid Life Center. \$315 per person.

**Breakaway** (Grades 6-8) June 25-29, at Pyramid Life Center \$225 per person (discount if registered before March 31).

**Service Action Learning Team "SALT"** July 30–August 3, at St. Isaac Jogues House in Watervliet. This is a local community service immersion experience for High School youth. SPACE is VERY LIMITED. Cost is \$275 per person.

**Winter is upon us**, so we ask you to remember that, in consideration for the safety of our parishioners, if Burnt Hills Schools are closed or delayed, there will be no morning Mass on weekdays. School closing info, can be found on Capital News 9, WNYT-TV, WRGB-TV and WTEN-TV. Also, on radio stations WFLY-FLY92 and WGY-810 and at [www.timesunion.com](http://www.timesunion.com). And, you can always check our website: [[www.icglenville.com](http://www.icglenville.com)].



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

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2017**  
**FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
**Sometimes more is better**

Today we say yes to two important groups of Catholics observing special days. The first Sunday of Black History Month is the National Day of Prayer for African American Families, who courageously uphold and honor what our history once devalued. Black families matter. The first Sunday after the Presentation of the Lord (Candlemas) is also World Day for Consecrated Life. Just as we bless candles to recall Christ our light, we recognize those who consecrate their lives in witness to that light. Pray for families. Thank religious women and men.

READINGS: *Isaiah 58:7-10; 1 Corinthians 2:1-5; Matthew 5:13-16 (73).*

*"Light shall rise for you in the darkness, and the gloom shall become for you like midday."*

**MONDAY, FEBRUARY 6**

**MEMORIAL OF PAUL MIKI AND COMPANIONS, MARTYRS**

An unchanging creed

Paul Miki (1562-97) was baptized at age 5. A man of his culture with a profound knowledge of Buddhism, he made an effective and affectionate preacher among the Japanese. When his fellow Jesuits were expelled from Japan, he remained and was eventually crucified with 25 others in Nagasaki. For each generation of Christians the demands of faith and the promises of Christ remain the same: Love God and love one another and you will live in love eternally.

READINGS: *Genesis 1:1-19; Mark 6:53-56 (329).*

*"Then God said, 'Let there be light,' and there was light."*

**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 7**

**Be intentional**

Whenever we begin something, it is always a good idea to start with an intention. Take a few breaths and ask yourself, "What do I intend to get out of this day, this meeting, this work, this experience?" The dictionary defines intention as the "act of determining mentally upon some action or result." In Latin *intendere* means "to stretch toward." One way to think about intention is to ask yourself what you are willing to stretch toward. Then imagine that our compassionate and loving God is also stretching toward you, intending what is best for you. Now you're praying. Plan to get up 15 minutes early and write your intention for the day.

READINGS: *Genesis 1:20—2:4a; Mark 7:1-13 (330).*

*"God looked at everything he had made, and he found it very good."*

**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 8**

**MEMORIAL OF JOSEPHINE BAKHITA, VIRGIN**

**Sudan's daughters persecuted, then and now**

Many in Italy still call her "our Black Mother." Bakhita (b. 1869) suffered great misfortune in her native Sudan. Kidnapped, sold, and persecuted, she knew no mercy until she wound up the property of the Sudanese Italian consulate. Migrating with the consul's family to Italy, she eventually received baptismal instruction from the Canossian Daughters of Charity. After receiving her Christian name, Josephine often kissed the baptismal font, saying, "Here, I became a daughter of God!" Tragically, Christians in Sudan are still persecuted and sold today. Raise your voice for global religious freedom.

READINGS: *Genesis 2:4b-9, 15-17; Mark 7:14-23 (331).*

*"Hear me, all of you, and understand. Nothing that enters one from outside can defile that person."*

**THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 9**

**Loving your enemy is hard work**

There was a time not that long ago when Catholics believed that anyone who wasn't Catholic was going straight to hell in a handbasket. The Jews during Jesus' time held similar views toward other religions. Syro-Phoenicians, who were enemies of Israel and didn't share in the same faith, were, in the minds of Jesus' disciples, unworthy of God's help. But Jesus turned that attitude on its head. For Christians, all human life has sacred dignity and is beloved by God, even the lives of our enemies. Stepping up to that truth sometimes requires repentance on our part.

READINGS: *Genesis 2:18-25; Mark 7:24-30 (332).*

*"Jesus said to her, 'Let the children be fed first, for it is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs.'"*

**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 10**

**MEMORIAL OF SCHOLASTICA, VIRGIN**

**Storm heaven with your prayers**

How to be sure God knows our needs? Imitate Saint Scholastica, who knew God can't resist the prayer of a holy person. Near the end of her life, Scholastica enjoyed the usual annual visit from her brother, Saint Benedict, who was anxious to return home at the appointed time. Scholastica entreated him to stay but he refused. So she literally "prayed up a storm" whose ferocity made travel impossible. "What have you done?" her brother asked. Scholastica answered, "I asked and you would not listen; so I asked my God and he did listen." Storm heaven with your prayers!

READINGS: *Genesis 3:1-8; Mark 7:31-37 (333).*

*"People brought to him a deaf man who had a speech impediment and begged him to lay his hand on him."*

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 11**

**MEMORIAL OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES**

**Wishing you well**

For 150 years visitors to the shrine to Our Lady of Lourdes have believed in the healing power of water that flows from a natural spring there. Closer to home, some parishes commemorate World Day of Prayer for the Sick by asking pastoral care ministers and ministers of Holy Communion to visit the homebound and hospitalized; by placing the names of the sick in a special book displayed in church; or by writing the names of the sick on pieces of paper and asking parishioners to take a name, pray for the person, and send him or her a card. What can you and your community do today?

READINGS: *Genesis 3:9-24; Mark 8:1-10 (334).*

*"They ate and were satisfied."*

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Last weekend's collection for parish operation amounted to

**\$14,169** and for renovations **\$264.**

*Thank you for your continued faithful stewardship.*

**Open House and Tea Tasting**

TOPS Club Chapter 915 is holding an Open House and Tea Tasting on Thursday, February 16 at 6:30 PM in Room 4 of the Parish Center. Please join us to learn more about the health benefits of tea and TOPS.

TOPS is a national non-profit weight loss group that meets weekly for educational and support purposes. For information, call 382-0677.



**From the Pastor:**

*Pass the salt please...* How often do we ask for salt! Medical experts tell us to watch our salt intake, but what's homemade chicken soup without salt? Or popcorn without salt? Let's face it, salt-free diets aren't called "bland" for nothing! In today's Gospel, Jesus reminds us that we are to be salt for the earth, and light for the world. In other words - give the world some flavor, some zest! Shed some light on the places that are dark. How do we add salt and light to the world? It is not difficult: feed the hungry, support the oppressed and refugees, shelter for the homeless, clothe the naked, be supportive, be patient, be kind ... the list goes on and on. So today, try to make the world a better place! Be salt! Be light!

We extend our prayers and sympathy to **Terry Topka** at the death of his mother, +Emily Topka; and, to **Joyce (Bob) Willi** at the sudden death of her brother +Steven Faraone. May +Emily and +Steven rest in the promise of eternal life offered to us in Christ.

Next weekend, please welcome **Msgr. Ted Bertagni** who will be celebrating all the Masses. Msgr. Bertagni will be here courtesy of **Cross Catholic Outreach**. This missionary organization was founded to create a meaningful link between the US and priests and nuns working for the Church in the Caribbean, Africa, Asia, and Central and South America. No collection will be taken up, but brochures will be distributed showing you ways that you can support his ministry bringing Christ into the world.

Thank you to **Gene Quattrociocchi** and to **Terry Stroble** for sanding and re-varnishing all the woodwork in the church Gathering Space last week. It's a job that needed to be done, and now the shine is back. The Gathering Space looks great.

Congratulations to new parents Joseph and Mary Nally, big sister Lydia, and grandparents, Michael & Ruth Fazio and Mike and Patty Nally, on the birth of **baby Noah James Nally**, born January 25. Blessings upon you all!

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

*Fr. Jerry*

**WISDOM AND WORKS OF MERCY: Theology of the Holy Trinity**

The 33 Days Group is hosting an 11 week HAPP course that ends the day after \*Divine Mercy Sunday.\*

Fr. Gaitley's part two program is a self-guided or Group Study consisting of the assigned weekly reading from **The 'One Thing' Is Three**, the Study Companion workbook, and the weekly meeting with DVD viewing of Fr Gaitley.

Pope Francis urges us to apply mercy everyday:

*Together let us pray to the Virgin Mary that she helps us to walk in faith and charity, ever trusting in the Lord's mercy; He always awaits us, loves us, has pardoned us with His Blood and pardons us every time we go to Him to ask His forgiveness. Let us trust in His mercy!*

Text or call Caterina at (518) 836-1177 for info.

**The course takes place from February 13-April 24 from 1-3 PM in the Flicker Room.**

**February 7-14 is National Marriage Week USA**

Seeing a couple deeply in love is like seeing God's love right here on earth. One way to strengthen your marriage and passion is to experience a Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend. To find out more about the experience visit [www.Albanyme.org](http://www.Albanyme.org). or call Ed & Rhonda Staats 518-279-3243.

**A special blessing will be placed upon our married couples at all Masses the weekend of February 18/19.**

**Family Events Ministry Meets February 9**

The next meeting of the Family Events Ministry will be held on Thursday, February 9 at 5:15 PM in Room #3 of the Parish Center. Anyone interested in helping to plan and prepare Family Events for our Parish is most welcome to join us. Questions? Please contact Jaimie at 708-7167 or [jaimiewp@gmail.com](mailto:jaimiewp@gmail.com).

**Young Adult Group – Join Us One Time, Join us Anytime!**  
**BIBLE STUDY** – Sunday, February 12 6–8 PM in the Parish Center Library. We will conclude our discussion on the Gospel of Matthew.

Email Christine at [cicyouth@nycap.rr.com](mailto:cicyouth@nycap.rr.com) to receive updates on Young Adult Group events and opportunities.

**TOBYMAC Hits Deep Live Tour**

**Thursday, March 16, 2017**

**6:30pm**

**Times Union Center, Albany**

Join us for this awesome experience of music, faith & fellowship! The parishes of Immaculate Conception, Our Lady of Grace and St. Joseph's have purchased a block of tickets for this awesome show! Tickets for Section 34, at \$31 each, will be sold on a first-reserved basis and must be paid in full at the time of reservation. For information or to purchase tickets, contact: Christine Goss at 399-9203 or [cicyouth@nycap.rr.com](mailto:cicyouth@nycap.rr.com).

### Will You "Spiritually Adopt" an Unborn Baby?

**Why:** Not all newly conceived babies are allowed to be born. In fact, over 4,000 babies lose their lives to abortion EACH DAY in the U.S. It is these babies, who are in danger of having their lives ended before birth, that you are asked to "adopt."

**When:** This weekend, February 4-5

**Where:** In the gathering space. A Respect for Life Committee person will be there to help you.

**How:** Fill out a simple prayer card and take it with you to PRAY DAILY for your unborn child. You can name the baby. Follow the monthly reports on your baby's development in the bulletin.



As a follow-up from our parish-wide service day in November, a **Mini Service Day** will be at the Glendale Nursing Home on Saturday, February 18, from 9:30 to 11:30 AM. We will play games and sing songs with the residents.

If you would like to join us, please contact Joyce Maddalone at [jmaddalo@nycap.rr.com](mailto:jmaddalo@nycap.rr.com) or 857-2288.

Marians of the Immaculate Conception,  
Association of Marian Helper, Stockbridge, MA present a  
**Mercy Weekend Conference 2017**

#### OUR CALL FROM FATIMA AND SAINT FAUSTINA

The 100th Anniversary of Mary's apparitions in Fatima  
Saturday, April 22, 2017 9:00am to 12:30pm

General Admission: \$15.00 Club Members: Free

*The apparitions of Our Lady of Fatima are as relevant today as they were 100 years ago.* Register by April 14, online at: [thedivinemercy.org/mwc](http://thedivinemercy.org/mwc) or call: 800-462-7426, press 5.

For the complete schedule for this weekend, visit:  
[THEDIVINEMERCY.ORG/SHRINE/MERCYSUNDAY](http://THEDIVINEMERCY.ORG/SHRINE/MERCYSUNDAY)

#### Afterglow of the Eucharist and Prayer Chain

Hour of Prayer will take place  
on Monday, February 6  
from 4 - 5 PM in the church.

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We honor the memories of

**+Joseph Cintula and +Helen Smrstik,**

who have gone to God one year ago this February.

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#### PASTORAL STAFF

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### Welcome!

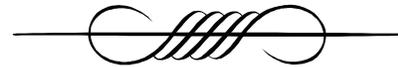
#### We welcome visitors to our community with great joy!

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 11<sup>th</sup> 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](http://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.