"Immaculate Conception is a Stewardship Parish" SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME ['B'] **JANUARY 18TH, 2015** " But whoever is joined to the Rord becomes one Opirit with him." [The First Letter to the Corinthians 6:17b] The **Community will gather for Eucharist** this week at the following times. Come, join us! [MASSES in ST. MARY'S HALL, 64 Hunns Lake Rd.] Saturday, 1/17 5:00 P.M. {only at St. Anthony's} Sunday, 1/18 10:30 A.M. Unity in the Body of Christ Monday, 1/19 No Mass Mon., Tues., Thurs., Fri. Tuesday, 1/20 No Mass Mass at 8:30 A.M. at St. Anthony's Wed'day. 1/21 No Mass Thursday, 1/22 No Mass Friday. 1/23 No Mass Saturday, 1/24 5:00 P.M. {only at St. Anthony's} Sunday, 1/25 10:30 A.M. [available] Ministers of the Liturgy Five Sundays of Ordinary Time precede Ash Wednesday and the beginning of Lent. January 18 5:00 P.M. 10:30 A.M. Nicholas Ferreri Servers/ Acolytes Melissa Leach Readers at St. Anthony's Matthew Vondras Jesus said to her, **Eucharistic** Chris Ferreri 'Give me a drink.' Ministers Tracey Ferreri John 4:7 Ministers of Hospitality Joseph Salvia WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY SUNDAY, JANUARY 18TH TO January 25 5:00 P.M. 10:30 A.M. SUNDAY, JANUARY 25TH Servers/ Tvlor Pickering THE PINE PLAINS COUNCIL OF CHURCHES Acolytes Nicholas Ferreri WILL SPONSOR Readers Chris Ferreri at St. Anthony's AN ECUMENICAL PRAYER SERVICE **Eucharistic** Sr. Jean Flannelly HOSTED THIS YEAR BY THE UNITED METHODIST Ministers Tracey Ferreri CHURCH TO CLOSE THE WEEK OF PRAYER ON SUNDAY, JANUARY 25[™] AT 4:00 P.M. Ministers of Michael Hardner

STEWARDSHIP – Last week's collection totaled \$1,029.00. Our weekly Sunday collection total for the new fiscal year has reached \$17,741.63 - 63%. In order to meet our budget we need each week \$1,650.00, which would bring us to a total \$28,025.00. The children's collection - 0 envelopes. Thank you for your generosity! 2014 Tax Statements of Financial Donations are available. Call the parish office is you would like one.

Forget not 'Flocknote'! You can simply go online and type in: <www.flocknote.com/ICCfamily> and you are in!

Joseph Salvia

Prepare for the Lord's Day NEXT SUNDAY: 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

1] The Book of the Prophet Jonah 3:1-5, 10 2] Psalm 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9

3] 1^{st} Letter to the Corinthians 7:29-31

Hospitality

4] The Gospel according to Mark 1:14-20

Parents: Please make certain that <u>children do not</u> leave the body of the church during Mass unless they

> <u>are accompanied by an adult</u>. Our vigilance for the protection of children must be a priority.

Our Next Stewardship Team Meeting will be on Thursday, January 22nd, at 7:00 P.M. Plan to join us!

MEN'\$ PRAYER GROUP

meets on Saturdays in St. Mary's Hall at 7:30 A.M. Join us! Library at St. Mary's Hall If anyone would like to borrow a book from the Library, it is still in the Church Hall. Please sign books out with cards provided. Helen Borger would be able to answer any questions, 868-1961.

ALL ARE WELCOME AND INVITED TO COME!

Immaculate Conception Parish 64 Hunns Lake Rd. [POB 623] Bangall , NY 12506-0623 845-868-1923 ~ 845-868-1594 (fax) www.icbangall.parishesonline.com [64 Hunns Lake Rd.]

CATECHETICAL PROGRAM FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

 + The Catechetical program will now be located in either of two venues – at St. Joseph's in Millbrook or St. Anthony's in Pine Plains.
Call Jeanne Stroly at 845-868-1043 for information.

January 25th, 2015 Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Paul writes to the Corinthians with the expectation of Jesus' imminent second coming. His view on this will change in later letters, but at this point he believes that "time is running out" (v29). This means the people should live with a strong awareness that "the world in its present form is passing away" (v31).

In Mark's text today we encounter another call narrative of the first apostles. Today's story is the more familiar one: Jesus calls the fishermen to drop their nets and follow him. For Mark, their immediate response – "they abandoned their nets and followed him" (v18) – emphasizes Jesus' authority. The sons of Zebedee also leave everything, including "their father ... in the boat" (v20), to follow Jesus. They will learn from him and take part in his mission to call others to "repent, and believe" (v15). The call is not merely to reject sin but also to embrace the way of the gospel; we are to reject evil and choose good. Jesus' call is to a radical reorientation of our lives. We are to live our lives in response to God's call.

Like the apostles, Jonah was called to preach God's word, specifically the call to repentance. After initially rejecting the calls, he embraced his mission and went to Nineveh. Jonah is unusual in that his preaching is addressed to gentiles, the citizens of Nineveh. His original reluctance is based on his belief that as sinners outside of Judaism, the people in that city did not deserve to hear the word of God, much less be transformed by it. We hear that as a result of his preaching, "the people of Nineveh believed God" (v5) and thereby avoided the evil God "have threatened to do to them" (v10).

For reflection: What am I willing to sacrifice for the sake of my call to be a disciple? Have I ever experienced or witnessed a radical conversion like that of the citizens of Nineveh? How did it serve as a sign of God's grace?

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Feeding Our Neighbors: A Catholic Response

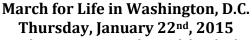
A Campaign to restoek the food pantries and soup kitchens throughout the Archdiocese of New York during the week from Sunday, January 25th through Sunday, February 1st, 2015

The Pine Plains Community Food Locker feeds all in need throughout our entire school district. It is located in the downstairs hall of the United Methodist Church in Pine Plains. Your help is always appreciated.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER "Speak, Lord, your servant is listening."

Samuel was open to listening to the Lord. Learn to listen to each other and learn God's desire for your marriage on a WWME weekend.

For more information on dates and locations go to: <u>www.wwme.org</u> or call toll free: 877-NYS-WWME ext. 3.



Join us on pilgrimage, as we gather with hundreds of thousands from throughout our nation to pray and publicly witness so that hearts and minds may be opened to the Gospel of Life and laws may be changed to reverence all human life. Buses will be traveling to DC from all over the Archdiocese. If you are not able to make the trip, please consider making a donation so that others can attend. For a complete listing of locations and further information, go to www.NYFamilyLife.org



Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children Thursday, January 22nd AND

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Day of Penance for the Violations to the Dignity of the Human Person

Resources for participating: http://usccb.org/ about/pro-life-activities/january-roe-events/ nine-days-of-prayer-penance-andpilgrimage.cfm.

Simple Ways to Pass a Moral Code on to Your Children at Home

How can parents pass down the wisdom we have received and now want to give to our own children? Moral lessons must first be taught at home, such as providing opportunities for children to serve others, and teaching them to protect the innocent. Sue DiSisto, Education for Parenting Program Coordinator for the Archdiocese of New York, will be the presenter. Supervised play for the children will be available. Please register at 646-794-3191 (Sue DiSisto) or 845-896-6400 (Catherine Cwiakala) by January 19th: Tell us your name, telephone number, and the number of children who will accompany you. Feel free to invite others. Wednesday, January 21st, from 10:00 to 11:30 AM. at St. Mary's Chapel, Bedford Avenue, in Fishkill. [From route 52 going northeast, turn right onto Bedford Ave. after the 4-way intersection at Jackson. From Rte 9, make a left onto Bedford before the intersection at Jackson. Chapel is on the left, a brick building with stained glass windows: I {cee nesting}.

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YOUNG ADULTS RETREAT

February 13-15 (Friday dinner til Sunday at 1:00 pm) Marianist Family Retreat Center

Cape May Point, NJ 08212

609-884-3829 or <u>www.capemaymarianists.org</u> This weekend is for young adults 9age22-35,married or single) who wish to examine their personal faith in relation to God, self, co-workers and others. There will be time for Eucharist, prayer experiences, faith sharing, social interaction and free time to ex-

plore Cape May and Cape May Point. Cost: \$125 per person, double occ., Financial Aid available.

