

“Immaculate Conception is a Stewardship Parish”

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME [‘B’]

JANUARY 25TH, 2015

“This is the time of fulfillment. The kingdom of God is at hand.”

[The Gospel according to Mark 1:14b-15a]

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, 1/24	5:00 P.M.	{only at St. Anthony’s}
Sunday, 1/25	10:30 A.M.	Unity in the Body of Christ
Monday, 1/26	No Mass	{
Tuesday, 1/27	No Mass	{
Wed’day, 1/28	No Mass	{
Thursday, 1/29	No Mass	{
Friday, 1/30	No Mass	{
Saturday, 1/31	5:00 P.M.	{only at St. Anthony’s}
Sunday, 2/1	10:30 A.M.	[available]

Mon., Tues., Thurs., Fri.
Mass at 8:30 A.M. at St. Anthony’s
NO 8:30 AM Mass this week!



Ministers of the Liturgy

January 25	<u>5:00 P.M.</u>	<u>10:30 A.M.</u>
Servers/		Tylor Pickering
Acolytes		Nicholas Ferreri
Readers	at St. Anthony’s	Chris Ferreri
Eucharistic		Sr. Jean Flannelly
Ministers		Tracey Ferreri
Ministers of		Michael Hardner
Hospitality	_____	Joseph Salvia

Our NEW Parish website!!
Insert <iccbangall.org> into address bar.

Jesus said to her,
‘Give me a drink.’
John 4:7



February 1	<u>5:00 P.M.</u>	<u>10:30 A.M.</u>
Servers/		_____
Acolytes		_____
Readers	at St. Anthony’s	_____
Eucharistic		_____
Ministers		_____
Ministers of		_____
Hospitality	_____	Joseph Salvia

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY
SUNDAY, JANUARY 18TH TO
SUNDAY, JANUARY 25TH
THE PINE PLAINS COUNCIL OF CHURCHES
WILL SPONSOR
AN ECUMENICAL PRAYER SERVICE
HOSTED THIS YEAR BY THE UNITED METHODIST
CHURCH TO CLOSE THE WEEK OF PRAYER
ON SUNDAY, JANUARY 25TH AT 4:00 P.M.
ALL ARE WELCOME AND INVITED TO COME!

STEWARDSHIP – Last week’s collection totaled **\$752.00**. Our weekly Sunday collection total for the new fiscal year has reached **\$18,493.63 - 62%**. In order to meet our budget we need each week **\$1,650.00**, which would bring us to a total **\$29,675.00**. The children’s collection - **0** envelopes. **Thank you for your generosity!**

2014 Tax Statements of Financial Donations are available. Call the parish office if you would like one.

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

Prepare for the Lord’s Day **NEXT SUNDAY: 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

- 1] The Book of Deuteronomy 18:15-20
- 2] Psalm 95:1-2, 6-7, 7-9
- 3] 1st Letter to the Corinthians 7:32-35
- 4] The Gospel according to Mark 1:21-28

Our first Coffee Hour
for 2015 will be
Sunday, February 8th
after the 10:30 AM Mass.
Sign-up today after Mass
if you can help.

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.

Parents: Please make certain that children do not
leave the body of the church during Mass unless they
are accompanied by an adult.

Our vigilance for the protection of
children must be a priority.

MEN’S PRAYER
GROUP
meets on Saturdays in St.
Mary’s Hall at 7:30 A.M.
Join us!

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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.

YEAR OF
MARK



February 1st, 2015 Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

In Jesus' first visit to a synagogue in Mark's Gospel, we encounter a key theme in this evangelist's writing: Jesus' authority. This is evidenced both in his words – “the people were astonished at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority” (v22) – and in the exorcism of the unclean spirit. Unlike other exorcists of his day, who used many words while performing exorcisms, Jesus commands the unclean spirit with just two words in the Greek text, and it leaves. The brevity of his command illustrates his power over the spirit.

In the Book of Deuteronomy, Moses promises the people that in the future God will send “a prophet like me” (v15) to lead the people. This desire for an intermediary between the Lord and the people is based on their experience of God's great power on Mount Sinai, mediated through Moses. The people believe that to experience God face to face is to risk death. God promises to “raise up for them a prophet... [who] shall tell them all that I command” (v18). Over the centuries, this prophetic figure came to be understood as the longed-for Messiah.

Paul continues to advise the Corinthians with the expectation of Christ's imminent second coming, as we heard last week. His advice to the unmarried, that they should refrain from marrying, is based on the idea that one who is unmarried can dedicate more time to serving the Lord. If the Lord's return is near, then focusing on the things of God is advisable. Though we do not expect Jesus' return soon, we still can follow Paul's advice by making sure our lives have a sense of balance between worldly affairs and the things of God.

For reflection: In what ways have I experienced Jesus' authority? Have I ever experienced God's liberating power in my life or in the life of another?

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Feeding Our Neighbors: A Catholic Response

A Campaign to restock the food pantries and soup kitchens throughout the Archdiocese of New York during the week from

Sunday, January 25th through Sunday, February 1st, 2015
{Bags are available.}

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

“In your kindness remember me,
because of your goodness, O Lord.”

Learn how to see the goodness in your spouse and in your marriage on the next WWME weekend.

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

World Marriage Day 2015

“Light in a Dark World –

Living Up to Your Greatest Potential in Marriage”

There is real poverty in our experience of marriage today...but we are made for more....so much more! Come and learn about the spirituality of marriage and the everyday heroism of Choosing to love. Join us for a joyful day of discovery and celebration that will inspire you to live up to your greatest potential in marriage.

Internationally known speaker and Executive Director of the Theology of the Body Institute Damon Owens will share with us his wisdom on marital fulfillment. The day concludes with Mass honoring the longest married couples in the Archdiocese of New York and a reception celebrating our married vocations. This is a ticketed event. Register early –space is limited.

When: February 8th, 2015. The day begins at 9:00 AM and includes a reception at 1:00 PM.

Where: Church of St. Patrick, 26 Hunter St., Highland Mills, NY.

For further information and/or to register, visit www.nyfamilylife.org or contact Izabella Nagle at 646-794-3190.



ORDINARY TIME

Lenten Reading? Perhaps this one ↘↘↘↘

Camp Veritas 2015

Camp Veritas is a one-week play-and-pray sleep away summer camp for teens going into 7th to 12th grades. It will be held at three USA locations in 2015: July 19-25 at Mt. St. Mary College in Newburgh, NY, July 26 – August 1st at Summit lake Camp in Emmitsburg, MD and August 16-22 at Camp Lakota in Wurtsboro, NY. Enrollment is now open and the price per week is \$400 per camper. Early bird rates (if paid in full by 4/1/15) are \$370 for all Sites. More details can be found at www.campveritas.com.

“This book (‘Being Mortal’ by Dr. Atul Gawande) is an acknowledgement that serenity and well-being actually cannot be dished up cafeteria style – and that sometimes the only sure way to gain control is first to relinquish it, whether to a bad disease, a dying patient or the constraints of a finite life span.”
(in NYTimes review by Abigail Zuger, M.D.)

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 www.capemaymarianists.org

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 explore Cape May and Cape May Point.

Cost: \$125 per person, double occ.,
Financial Aid available.