## TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME AUGUST 31, 2014

<u>PLEASE PRAY WI</u>	<u>TH US FOR</u>		
Mon	Sept. 1	8:00 am	Leo McEnroe
Tue	Sept. 2	8:00 am	Leo McEnroe
Wed	Sept. 3	8:00 am	Leo McEnroe
Thu	Sept. 4	8:00 am	NO MASS
Fri	Sept. 5	8:00 am	Jane Wells
		12 noon	Special Intention for Clare Marano
Sat	Sept. 6	8:00 am	Elizabeth Brizzie
		4:30 pm	Jerry Henry
Sun.	Sept. 7	8:00 am 10:45 am	Bill Lutz People of the Parish

## "MAKING ALL THINGS NEW: THE FINAL CHAPTER"

## Dear Friends:

I just wanted to update you on the latest in our Archdiocesan program for reorganization and planning.

In the past year our cluster has been meeting (the cluster consists of Pawling, Dover Plains, Amenia, Millbrook and Pleasant Valley) and working on possible planning changes. We recommended to keep all things the same. The Archdiocesan Committee sent back a recommendation that Dover Plains (which had already merged with Pawling) close their CCD program and merge into ours and Pawling's. Since then, we have received over 40 young people into our CCD program. We agreed with their recommendations (with some alterations) and then they met at the end of May.

Next, they make recommendations to the Cardinal. The Cardinal then meets with some committees and has an intense meeting with his priest's council. The final recommendation will be proposed by the Cardinal in September. Those changes will be final.

This has been a difficult but necessary process. Our Church is facing serious challenges in regards to personnel and finances. Things have to be done in order to face those challenges. It will require all of us to be flexible and dedicated.

The Cardinal is very perceptive in pointing out that the Church has <u>always</u> been involved in planning and adapting. For 2000 years, our wonderful Church has proved to be very aware of necessary changes, if only after a great deal of turmoil and conflict. May we always be aware of how we can best meet the needs of God's people.

Fr. Wilson

**PARISH OFFICE** - The Parish Office will be closed on Monday, September 1<sup>st</sup> in observance of Labor Day.

"Genius begins great works; labor alone finishes them" ~ Joseph Joubert ~

**MEN'S CLUB CHANGE IN SCHEDULE** - The next Men's Club meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 2<sup>nd</sup>, at 6:45 pm in Immaculate Conception Church. New members are most welcome.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH: Ralph Cummings, Drew Airy, Anna McBride, Ann Bida, Ursula Robertson, Mariley Najdek, Maureen & Thomas Santacroce, Gerhard Herron, Gene Turner, Pat Allen, Kyleigh Cummings, Dorothy Lee Walsh, Brian Darnell, Katie Matman, Jack Boice, Margaret Wilcox, Micha Carroll, Jenifer Dean, Janet Stiles, Thomas LaGrutta, Evan Ciovacco, Uncle Mike, Lydia Casey, Domenic Mottola, Baby Gunner Lynch, Theresa Murtagh, Evelyn Bouffard, Mark Hamm, Richard Belliveau, Grover Williams, Erik Platania, Lisa Tittone, Anthony Mottola, Domenic Mottola, Shirley Cardinal, Stephanie Merenda, Philomena Ketchum, Mary Monette, Stephanie Kane and Marcella Butts.

<u>VINE AND BRANCHES</u> - The 50/50 drawing will be held on Thursday, September 4<sup>th</sup>. The next food distribution will be on Saturday, September 20<sup>th</sup>, at 10 am in the gym. Our food closet is quite depleted. We are especially in need of canned fruit, canned soup, peanut butter, jelly, pasta sauce, pasta, macaroni and cheese, rice, toilet paper and bath soap. Any and all food and monetary donations are greatly appreciated.

**FIRST FRIDAY** - Please join us for the Holy Rosary and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament on Friday, September 5th, at 7:30 pm at Immaculate Conception.

<u>THE ROSE THRIFT SHOP</u> - The Rose Thrift Shop, located in the basement of the Immaculate Conception Church, will be closed on Wednesday, September 3<sup>rd</sup> to re-stock and will re-open for business on Saturday, September 6<sup>th</sup> from 10 am to 2 pm.



Lord Jesus we ask for Your help as our students begin this new school year. Allow them to experience Your presence in the many blessings You put before them. Open their eyes to the new challenges and exciting opportunities that this new school year will bring. Open their hearts and minds to new friends and new teachers. Give them a generous spirit to be enthusiastic with their studies and courage to accept new opportunities. Help them to be attentive to one another and let them experience Your presence in all that they do. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

ST. PATRICK'S 150<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY - Please plan on celebrating with us the "150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary" of St. Patrick's Church in Millerton on Sunday, September 14<sup>th</sup>, at 2:00 pm. There will be a special Mass followed by refreshments outside. Please save the date, as we hope you can join us for this momentous celebration.

**HEALING MASS** - A Healing Mass, with a free flow of the Gifts of the Holy Spirit, will be held Tuesday, Sept. 2<sup>nd</sup>, at St. Kateri Tekakwitha Parish, 1925 Rte. 82, LaGrangeville, NY. Praise and Worship at 7 pm, Mass at 7:30 pm. Individual prayers for healing to follow Mass. The event is sponsored by Spirit, Wind Prayer Group. For details, contact Pat and Joe at 845-440-3519 or Dave at 845-223-3658.

**SUNDAY COLLECTION** - Last Sunday we collected \$2,824 in our Regular Sunday Collection. The sacrificial offering you provide to our Parish is your expression of loyalty, love and support. Thank you for your continued generosity.

## † Sanctuary Light †

The Sanctuary Light which will burn this week at Immaculate Conception Church was donated by Caroline McEnroe In Celebration of Jim & Miriam Devine's 55<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary

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