

*The Roman Catholic Parish*

# ST. JOSEPH-IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

15 North Avenue, P.O. Box 439 • Millbrook, New York 12545

*Serving the people of Millbrook, Clinton Corners and Bangall*



**A voice of one crying out in the desert: "Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths."**

**Rev. Msgr. Gerardo J. Colacicco, Pastor**  
**Rev. Richard A. LaMorte**

PARISH SECRETARIES

Mary Theresa Soyka  
Regina Calvano

COORDINATOR OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Laura Warning

DIRECTORS OF MUSIC

Gene Canevari                      Patricia Mark  
Regina Syversen                  Bernadette Syversen

**MASSES**

Saturday..... 5:00 PM Vigil Mass of Sunday  
Sunday .....8:00 and 10:15 AM, 12:00 Noon  
Holydays.....See bulletin for schedule  
Daily Mass.....7:30 AM, Wednesday .....5:00pm only

**CONFESSIONS**

Saturday..... 4:00-4:45 PM or anytime by request

**ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:**

Begins at 12:00 Noon every 1st Friday and continues throughout the afternoon, ending with Benediction at 5:00 PM.

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## DECEMBER 10, 2017 - SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

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**BAPTISMS:** Sundays at 1:00 PM. Please contact the rectory. Sponsor certificates for the Sacrament of Baptism (godparents) or the Sacrament of Confirmation can be obtained by seeing the Pastor after one of the weekend Masses.

**WEDDINGS:** Arrangements should be made at least six months in advance. A Marriage Preparation Program is required.

**NEW PARISHIONERS:** Please register in the parish by calling the Rectory.

**St. Joseph Cemetery, Millbrook and St. Mary's Cemetery, Bangall: Call the Rectory for information.**

Rectory Phone: 845-677-3422 • Rectory Fax: 845-677-3423

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CCD Office: 845-677-3273

Website: [stjosephmillbrookny.org](http://stjosephmillbrookny.org)

Sick calls: Anytime 845-677-3422

## The Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe

On Tuesday, December 12 at 7:00pm, Mass will be offered in Spanish to celebrate Our Lady's Feast Day. All are invited to attend.

## Second Collection

Our second collection this week is for our Retired Religious.

**Advent Confessions:** Every Saturday from 4:00 to 4:45pm

**Reconciliation Monday:** December 18 from 3:00 to 5:00pm and 7:00pm

## Mass Readings

Second Sunday of Advent —Year B. Today's readings can be found on **page 954** in the hymnal.

## Mass Intentions for the Week

### Saturday, December 9th -

#### **St. Juan Diego Cuauhtlatoatzin**

7:30am Rita Molella

5:00pm Anthony, Angelina and Albert Paolucci  
Fred and Mary Paolucci

### Sunday, December 10th -

#### **Second Sunday of Advent**

8:00am People of the Parish  
Michael J. Murphy

10:15am Luke Garrison  
Zach Lancia

12:00pm Frank and Rose Troiano  
Hilda Mendez Gonzalez

### Monday, December 11th - St. Damasus I

7:30am Terence O'Leary  
John Phillips

### Tuesday, December 12th - Our Lady of Guadalupe

7:30am The Family of Albert and  
Teresa Velletri Rotunno

### Wednesday, December 13th - St. Lucy

5:00pm Aline Boisvert  
Mary Medved

### Thursday, December 14th - St. John of the Cross

7:30am Victor Misik  
Patricia Hinck

### Friday, December 15th -

7:30am Nancy Colkin Tsoubris  
Joseph Finneran

### Saturday, December 16th -

7:30am Nicola and Maria Natrella  
Anthony Iannucci

5:00pm Deceased Members of the  
Felice and Felicia Manzi Family

### Sunday, December 17th -

#### **Third Sunday of Advent**

8:00am People of the Parish  
Patricia Hinck

10:15am Zane Grey

12:00pm Edward Rochfort  
John W. Hart



## Christmas Schedule 2017



### CONFESSIONS

**Reconciliation Monday, Dec. 18**

3:00-5:00pm and 7:00pm

### MASSES

**Christmas Eve, Sun. Dec. 24**

4:00pm, 5:30pm, Midnight (program of traditional Christmas choral music beginning at 11:30pm)

**Christmas Day, Mon. Dec. 25**

9:00am, 12:00 Noon

### MASSES

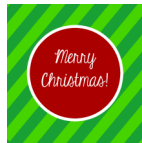
**New Year's Day, Mon. Jan. 1**

9:00am, 12:00 Noon

### Bambinelli Sunday

On the Third Sunday of Advent the children of Rome gather in St. Peter's Square for the noon Angelus with the Holy Father. During that time, the Pope blesses the children and their statues of the Infant Jesus (the "Bambinelli") which the children bring from their nativity sets at home. On the weekend of **December 16-17, the Third Sunday of Advent**, we will have a special observance of this beautiful tradition here at St. Joseph's. Families are invited to bring their statues of baby Jesus to be blessed at all of our Masses.

**Christmas Gift Tags** are available in the vestibule of the Church for our parishioners to buy gifts for the residents of our area nursing homes and Cardinal Hayes Home. PLEASE bring gifts to the Church **by next Sunday, Dec. 17**, so they can be distributed in time for their celebrations. Please attach the tag to the gift. Thank you!



### 2018 Calendars

We are grateful to Michael Sontheimer and Allen Funeral Home for providing the 2018 Calendars once again this year. The calendars are available in the Church vestibule.



The sign-up sheet for **Christmas Food baskets** is on the bulletin board in the back of the Church.



### 2017 Prayer Intentions of Pope Francis

**DECEMBER**

**THE ELDERLY**

That the elderly, sustained by families and Christian communities, may apply their wisdom and experience to spreading the faith and forming the new generations.

### CATHOLIC PILGRIMAGE TO GREECE “WAY OF ST. PAUL” SUMMER OF 2018

Join Fr. Michael McLoughlin, Pastor of St. Columba, Hopewell Junction, and Peter’s Way Tours on a wonderful Pilgrimage to Greece “In the Footsteps of St. Paul” on July 29-August 7, 2018. It will make the letters of St. Paul come alive! Stops include Thessaloniki, Philippi, Beria, Meteora, Athens (including the Parthenon) and Corinth. A three day cruise is included! Stops include Mykonos, Ephesus (Mass at the House of the Virgin Mary), Patmos, Heraklion (Crete) and Santorini.

### CATHOLIC PILGRIMAGE — PASSION PLAY AT OBERAMMERGAU 2020

The world famous Passion Play in Oberammergau, Germany is held once every ten years. Tickets and accommodations are always in high demand so we must make reservations now.

Fr. Michael McLoughlin, Pastor of St. Columba, Hopewell Junction and Peter’s Way Tours invites you to join us on a Pilgrimage on July 30-August 8, 2020. We will visit Vienna (St. Stephen’s Cathedral, Schonbrunn Palace and free time), Melk Abbey, Cruise the Danube, Shrine of Mariazell, Salzburg (Shrine of Maria Plain, guided tour of city including St. Peter’s Abbey from “Sound of Music” and free time), King Ludwig’s Castle, Oberammergau, Dachau and Munich.

Please call Fr. Michael at St. Columba 845-227-8380 or email [rectory@stcolumbaonline.org](mailto:rectory@stcolumbaonline.org) for a Pilgrimage Brochure for either or both trips! Spaces are limited, so do not delay.

### Polish Wigilia (Oplatek)

The Christmas Eve Wigilia Supper forms the focal point of the Polish Yuletide customs. Wigilia, which means vigil, commemorates the birth of Jesus. For Polish families, the meal starts when the eastern star appears through the parlor window to serve as a guide to the Birth of Jesus in the same manner as the star of Bethlehem was a guide to the Magi! The meal begins with the ancient tradition of breaking oplatek, a thin wafer, or bread of love. It is passed to the various members of the family who put it to their lips and wish each other Blessings for the upcoming year. These wafers are now available in the Rectory.



### Uncle Al’s Thrift Shop

**Can you help?** A few good men are needed to help transfer boxes (mostly clothing) from the thrift shop to storage. This is an ongoing need that can take an hour or so a week on Monday, Wednesday or Friday (during shop hours). If you can help, please call Uncle Al’s at 677-5002 when shop is open.

**Merry Christmas!**      **Christmas Shop Now Open!**



The shop is attracting many visitors and buyers, and volunteers are busy pricing and setting out newly donated Christmas items. Open Monday through Saturday from 10:00 to 4:00, the **Christmas Shop** is located at **3375 Franklin Ave.**, next to The Fox and the Hare. There is an amazing choice of decorations, gift items, clothing and accessories, toys and games as well as jewelry in a wide range of prices. Donations suitable for the Christmas Shop are being accepted at the above location. Uncle Al’s Thrift Shop is open on its regular schedule throughout the season. *Proceeds from both shops benefit St. Joseph-Immaculate Conception Church.*

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### Christmas Concert

The Millbrook Community Festival Choir will hold their annual Christmas Concert on Sunday, December 10 at 7:00pm in Lyall Memorial Federated Church.

A number of our parishioners are members of the choir and all are encouraged to attend this wonderful event.



### Parish Sick List

Please pray for our Parishioners who are ill, homebound or in our area Nursing Homes:

Daisy Abruzzo, Tatum Allen, Rosemary and Melville Bonanno, Ann Brandow, Leiticcia Burack, Salvatore Carrubba, Richard Caza, Carolyn Chernick, Rose Marie DeSantis, Michael Eades, Millie France, Gilda Iannucci, Susan Liskey, Buddy Marona, June Martin, Vincent Massarelli, Dorothea Matevichuk, Rita McEnroe, Gloria Meier, Stephanie Moschier, Jane Muller, Mary O'Keefe, Dan Palumbo, Mrs. Tom Parker, Helen Pelletier, Jill Philipbar, Lucille Pickering, Robert Salberg, Angelina Segno, Rose Risimini, Linda Ippolitto Sullivan, Regina Syversen, Betty Zitz.

Please pray for our recently departed:

The Souls in Purgatory

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.

**PARISH INFORMATION**  
**Immaculate Conception, Amenia**  
**Food Pantry 373-8193**

**Religious Education (CCD)**  
**And Youth Group**  
Laura Warning 677-3273

**Uncle Al's Thrift Shop 677-5002**

**St. Joseph's Women's Guild**  
Judy Yarochowicz 677-5778

**Knights of Columbus**  
Greg Butta 677-0182

**CYO Basketball**  
Kirsten Rappleyea 677-6581

**Choir**  
Gene Canevari 399-0403

**Men's Group**  
Mike Appolonia 594-7804



**March for Life**

Washington D.C.

The March for Life on Friday, **January 19, 2018**, in Washington, DC will truly be an unforgettable, inspiring, joy-filled adventure for hundreds of thousands of prolife persons of all ages (mostly under 35). Buses will leave St. Columba Church, Hopewell Junction, **after the 4:30am Mass**. The cost is reasonable at \$35/adult; \$25/child. Call George Morton (845 226-6896) before December 25th to reserve your seat. (Seats are limited so please call soon!) Since 1974, millions have said, "Thank God I participated in the March for Life!" And you will too!