SOLEMNITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST KING OF THE UNIVERSE NOVEMBER 20, 2016

| PLEASE PRAY WITH US FOR: | | | | |
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| Pine Plains | Mon. Tues. Wed. Thurs. Fri. Sat. | Nov. 21 Nov. 22 Nov. 23 Nov. 24 Nov. 25 Nov. 26 | 8:00 am 8:00 am 8:00 am 9:00 am 8:00 am | Winifred & William Miller Catherine & Wallace Schaffer Kevin Cassone James V. & Elizabeth A. Moriarty Annie Marie & Patrick Fay Katherine Blinn |
| Pine Plains | Sun | Nov. 27 | 4:30 pm 8:00 am 10:45 am | Lawrence C. Hardisty, Jr. John Orlandi, Jr. People of the Parish |

"OUR CLUSTER MISSION"

Dear Friends:

I want to encourage all of you to attend one or, better, all of our mission nights on the week of November 28th. Here is the schedule:

Monday night on November 28th in St. Stanislaus in Pleasant Valley at 7:00 pm. The theme is "Attention."

Tuesday night here on November 29th (Immaculate Conception in Amenia), at 7:00 pm. The theme is "Friendship." Confessions will be available after the service.

Wednesday night on November 30th in St. Joseph's in Millbrook at 7:00 pm. There will be an opportunity for the Sacrament of Anointing.

Thursday night on December 1st in St. Charles Borremeo in Dover Plains at 7:00 pm. Mass will be celebrated. The theme will be "Thanks."

A group of us will meet in the parking lot in Amenia at 6:30 pm to "car pool" to the Churches on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday. I hope all of you can make it. We are looking forward to a life changing time.

Another Announcement:

I am excited to announce a new opportunity called "Formed" for our parishioners. Formed is an innovative online platform with free access to a wide range of top-quality faith formation resources from Bishop Robert Barron, the Augustine Institute, Father Michael Gaitley, Lighthouse Catholic Media, and youth ministry, marriage ministry and more. A number of Spanish language resources are also available. Every parishioner will have free access to video programs, movies, audio talks, electronic books, and downloadable workbooks at any time and on any device with an internet connection. Parishioners can register at formed.org and enter code: **3DG6HT**. I encourage you to take advantage of this great opportunity of unlimited Catholic teaching.

Fr. Wilson

ECUMENICAL THANKSGIVING PRAYER SERVICE - The Pine Plains Council of Churches will sponsor a Thanksgiving Ecumenical Prayer Service on Wednesday, November 23rd at 7 pm at the Pine Plains Methodist Church. Come and join together in prayerful Thanksgiving for all that we have been given.

2016 CROP WALK - The members of the Pine Plains Council of Churches thank you for your participation in this year's Crop Walk. \$1288 was raised and about \$320 will be returned to your community through the Pine Plains Community Food Locker.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH: Ralph Cummings, Ann Bida, Gerhard Herron, Margaret Wilcox, Janet Stiles, Evan Ciovacco, Lydia Casey, Evelyn Bouffard, Mark Hamm, Grover Williams, Stephanie Merenda, Carol Wilson, Dawn Hazel Burrows, Rudy Eschbach, Billy Carroll, Jordana Bell, Lori DeLucca, Amanda Carneski, Baby James Ryan Farrell, Linda Sartori, Helen McGhee, Richard & Mary Ann Valinsk, Mary Murphy Adamitis, Andrea Scholmeyer, Winifred Capowski, Arthur Nadeau, Barbara Moissonnier, Nina Williams, Judy Carroll, LuAnn Ballantine, Frank D'Agostino, Michael Kain, Delores DeMarinis, Shirley Remsburger, Teresa Schell, Susan Moody, Danny Hagerty, Sonja Kelly, Jack Silvernale, Mike Butts and Mary Ann Mullen, John Kemmerer, Jr., Alan Carroll, Erin D-Elia, Linda Staab, Father John Durkin, Daisy Abruzzo, Richard Piccoli, Laura Galdiero, Bernard Heaney and Joseph Scutieri.

ADVENT CANDLE SETS - The Advent sets and candles are available in the back of Church. Advent sets (Wreath & Candles) are \$10.00, Candles only \$5.00. You can give the money to Fr. Wilson.

THE ROSE THRIFT SHOP - The Rose Thrift Shop, located in the basement of Immaculate Conception Church in Amenia, will have their "BAG SALE" on Wednesday, November 30th and Saturday, December 3rd from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. The shop will close for the season at the end of the business day on Saturday, December 3rd. Our thanks to everyone who supported the shop throughout the year. My sincere gratitude and thanks to our wonderful volunteers (Maureen and Norman Moore, Charlene Mayville, Patty Barron, Rosanna Hamm and Peg O'Hara) who donate many hours of their time for the benefit of our Church. We could not have the Rose Thrift Shop without them.

ST. ANTHONY'S CHURCH - St. Anthony's is going to have breakfast after the 8 am Mass on Sunday, December 4th. Any and all Breakfast items would be appreciated. All are welcome to join us.

ALTAR ROSARY HOLIDAY LUNCHEON- The Altar Rosary Society is planning a Luncheon at The Ponds in Ancramdale on Sunday, December 4th; at 2:00 pm. All are invited. Dinner choices will be chicken marsala or flounder francese @ \$23.00 per person or prime rib @ \$28.00 per person. Dinner will include Soup or Salad, Coffee, Tea, Soda, Dessert, Tax and Gratuity. If you wish to attend, please contact Margaret Gregoire at (518) 789-3337 or the Parish Office (373-8193). Reservations and the price of your dinner should be given to Margaret no later than November 28th.

THE LIVING NATIVITY - Our Annual Living Nativity will be held on Sunday, December 11^{th,} following the 10:45 am Mass. There will be animals, light refreshments, a bake sale, a cash and carry table, and craft vendors. Please mark December 11th on your calendar and come join the festivities and bring a friend!

BAKERS & VOLUNTEERS NEEDED - We are in need of baked goods for our "Bake Sale" at the Living Nativity. There will be a sign-up sheet in back of Church for those willing to bake for this fundraiser. We also need volunteers to help out at the Living Nativity. Please call the office if you are willing to lend a helping hand. "Volunteers do not necessarily have the time; they just have the heart." ~Elizabeth Andrew~

THE ROSARY SOCIETY BASKETS - The Altar Rosary Society will also be displaying "Baskets" at the Living Nativity to be raffled off on December 11th. Tickets can be purchased before and after each Mass as well as the Thrift Shop on Wednesdays and Saturdays from 10 am to 2 pm. Proceeds go to our Church.

<u>CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE</u> - There will be a sign-up sheet in the Sacristies in Amenia and Pine Plains for the Christmas Schedule for Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, Altar Servers and Ushers. Please place your name on the schedule for the time you are available to serve. You are most needed and greatly appreciated.

NEW YORK CITY BUS TRIP - On Saturday, January 7th, 2017, Chris Ferreri of our parish is planning a bus trip to various sites in New York City. Please save the date and plan on joining us for a most enjoyable day with our fellow parishioners. More details will follow.

SUNDAY COLLECTION - Last weekend, November 12-13 2016, we collected \$4,432.00 in our Regular Sunday Collection and \$1,092 for Utility & Energy. I am so very thankful for your continuing generosity and steadfast commitment to the Church. I pray that God will continue to bless you and your families.

LET US GIVE THANKS



Lord God, all powerful and ever-loving, we ask You on this Thanksgiving Day to give us grateful hearts.

Open our hearts so that we may enjoy the gifts You have given us and see the beauty around us in all of Your creation.

May we give thanks for the daily gifts of good food, family and friends and especially enjoy these gifts with thanksgiving.

May we never take for granted the comfort of our homes, the blessings of our family and the knowledge of Your love.

And though we sometimes feel the stress of our duties and cares, thank You for the grace You give us to see them through.

When we come to the end of this day and every day thereafter, may our hearts still be grateful and our prayers full of thanksgiving.

Through Christ our Lord Amen.