

# EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

## April 1, 2018

### PLEASE PRAY WITH US FOR:

<b>Amenia</b>	Mon.	April 2	8:00 am	Martha J. Flanigan
“	Tues.	April 3	8:00 am	Jane Kearns
“	Wed.	April 4	8:00 am	Frances Veronica Mahar
“	Thurs.	April 5	8:00 am	NO MASS
“	Fri.	April 6	8:00 am	Wilfred & Ida Cayea
<b>Pine Plains</b>	“	“	12 noon	Patricia Boyles
<b>Amenia</b>	Sat.	April 7	8:00 am	Stephen Sprague
	“		4:30 pm	Melanie McEnroe Cipriano

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<b>Pine Plains</b>	Sun	April 8	8:00 am	People of the Parish
<b>Amenia</b>	“	“	10:45 am	Laura Galdiero

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### “EASTER”

Dear Friends:

*Happy and Holy Easter to you all! It has been a crazy winter. We could all share stories of our trials and tribulations this past winter. I often think we are very blessed in the Mid-Hudson area because we don't have earthquakes, volcanos, tornados or floods. We are blessed, but we do have some difficult winters. That's one reason why spring is so joyful and beautiful.*

*It is so meaningful that the coming of spring is at the same time as the celebration of Easter. In spring we see the re-emergence of life, the flowers and trees are blooming and, thanks be to God, the sun is out more and more and brings us warmth and light.*

*The celebration of Easter is a celebration of life. It's like Christmas. In Christmas we celebrate life as we give thanks for the birth of our Savior. In Easter we celebrate life as we give thanks for the resurrection of our Savior. This joy give us new energy to face the challenges in our life. And we know there are a lot of challenges out there. In my contact with you I hear of your many struggles in this world: the sickness or loss of a loved one; financial hardships, emotional ups and downs; the break-up of families all around us; the list could go on and on.*

*Not only that, but we live in a world that seems harsher and more cruel by the day. The crumbling of the moral structure of our society is discouraging. The practice of our faith is being questioned by others daily, even by our own family.*

*Be assured, our Lord Jesus knows all of this. And the resurrection of Christ tells us that He is alive and He is always with us. Whatever struggle we have in this life, and sometimes the struggles are so hard to bear, Jesus is with us every step of the way. He is alive, He is real, He is with you and in you and for you forever!*

*Wishing you all a Blessed Easter,  
Fr. Wilson*

**CONFESSION** - Confession is available every Saturday afternoon from 3:45 pm to 4:15 pm at Immaculate Conception in Amenia. Reconciliation is a sacrament of healing by which we receive God's merciful forgiveness for our personal sins and experience the powerful love of God.

**PRAY FOR THOSE SERVING IN THE ARMED FORCES:** . Timothy Walsh, Joshua O'Hara, Connor Washburn, Sam Kent, Jordan Paraszti, Gavin Carroll, Richard C. Belliveau, Jimmy Darnell, Mike Mazza, Nathan Tong, Mark Hall, Michael Pomeisl and Tyler Jasmin. Please keep our servicemen and their families in your prayers.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH :** 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, Jordana Bell, Lori DeLucca, Amanda Carneski, Linda Sartori, Helen McGhee, Mary Murphy Adamitis, Winifred Capowski, Arthur Nadeau, Jeff Moissonnier, LuAnn Ballantine, Frank D'Agostino, Michael Kain, Susan Moody, Danny Hagerty, Sonja Kelly, Jack Silvernale, Mike Butts and Mary Ann Mullen, Alan Carroll, Erin D'Elia, Richard Piccoli, Eileen Murphy Ehlers, Dominic Nannetti, Santino Delfino, Luz Pelkey, Averie Burke, Ricky McGhee, John Daubman, Mary Fitzgerald Roth, Kathryn Garzetta, Joseph Licurse, Barb King, Delora Brooks, June Heckelman, Baby Hans Pedersen, Teresa Pelkey, Renee & Al Cobuzzi, Joanne Balek, Frances Anello, Colton Culligan, Irene Smith, Michael Engel, Theresa Thompson, Robert Bartolomeo, Helen Murphy Riley, Linda Mary Dick and Leela Niranjana.

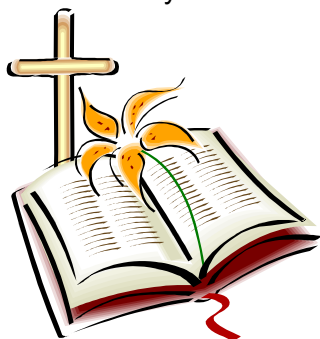
**MEN'S GROUP** - The Men's Group will meet on Monday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>, at 6:45 pm in the Chapel of Immaculate Conception Church in Amenia. All are welcome.

**VINE & BRANCHES** - The 50./50 drawing will be held on Thursday, April 5<sup>th</sup>. The next food distribution will be on Saturday, April 21<sup>st</sup>, 2018 at 10 am in our gym.

**FIRST FRIDAY** - We will have the Rosary, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament & Benediction on Friday, April 6<sup>th</sup> 2018, at 7:30 pm in Amenia, Won't you consider spending a half hour with our Lord?

**EASTER HOLY WATER** - The Silver Holy Water receptacle in the front of the Church is for you to take Holy Water home. Please bring your own container.

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Jesus Christ is Risen Today! Alleluia! Alleluia!



Have faith in Him...  
And He will always be there for you!

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**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION for 2018-2019** - Please try and register your children in our Religious Education Program for next year (beginning in September) as soon as possible. All children must be registered by May 6<sup>th</sup>, as the books must be ordered by May 31<sup>st</sup>. Our program helps parents pass on the Catholic Faith to their children. You may either mail or drop off your registration form to the parish office. If your child is entering 1<sup>st</sup> grade in September, please call the office at 373-8193 and we will mail the registration form to you. Our program meets on Sunday mornings from 9:15 am to 10:30 am

**SUNDAY COLLECTION** - Last weekend, March 24-25, 2018, approximately **391** people attended Mass and we collected \$5,007.00 in our Regular Sunday Collection. I thank you for your presence, generosity and steadfast commitment to our Church. I pray that God will continue to bless you and your families.

*The Sanctuary Light which will burn this week  
at Immaculate Conception Church  
was donated by Denise & Bob Conway  
In Loving Memory of Bertha Conway and Eugene & Philomena Ketchum*