



## Parish Mission Statement

We are the people of Immaculate Conception (est. 1860) in Ithaca, NY (Tompkins County), a Parish of the Roman Catholic Church of the Diocese of Rochester. Inclusive and rich in diversity, we joyfully embrace our baptismal call to worship, celebrate sacramental life, nurture spiritual growth, foster lifelong faith formation, minister to others, share our gifts of time, talent and treasure, and affirm the Good News of Jesus Christ. We seek to welcome everyone no matter where they are in their spiritual journey.

May 8, 2011—Happy Mother's Day

## Staff Connection...

### PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MAY 4, 2011

OPENING PRAYER was based on the disciples on the road to Emmaus. The reflection questions were: *The disciples found Jesus in the least likely place—on the road & at table in a simple country inn. When have you had a similar experience, finding Jesus in an unlikely person or place in your own life? When have you felt the presence of Christ unexpectedly in our parish community? How can we help our people to identify Christ in those we meet along the paths of life? How can we encourage them to stir up the embers of faith?*

Questions & Concerns of Parishioners: A member spoke of the positive comments she received about the Holy Week Services.

Parish Pastoral Council Membership: Presently we are seeking parishioners to add their names to be submitted to the selection process. There are 2 members of the Council whose terms are expiring & we also need to add at least 3 name to our alternates list in case a member has to resign during the coming year (Sept. 2011– June 2012). If you are interested in adding your name or would like more information about being a member of the Parish Pastoral Council please contact Kurt Komaromi (275-9451) or at [cdgroup@earthlink.net](mailto:cdgroup@earthlink.net).

Status Reports: Evangelization: at looking at projects beginning in September. The Everyday Evangelization blurbs will continue in the bulletin. Do you find them helpful? They are reviewing their mission statement & the latest goals from Disciples in Mission.

Community: Has been investigating doing a new Parish Directory probably scheduling the beginning of September for the photos. The people would then have their pictures before Christmas & the directories need a 3-4 month turn around from when the photos are taken.

Liturgy: Did a review of Lent through Easter. A Spirit Alive Sunday is planned for Pentecost June 12. The next phase of the implementation of the New Roman Missal will also be done beginning in September.

Service: The 35 Catholic residents of Cayuga Ridge loved the Easter baskets distributed to them. They are looking at a possible blood drive in September.

Pastor's Report: Looks like I'll be here for my 12<sup>th</sup> & final year. I handed out an article on "How To Make A Pastoral Council More Pastoral" & I want to reflect on the purpose & direction of the Pastoral Council. Soap for Hope is beginning in the region in support of Catholic Charities.

School Report: The registration for school for the next school year is presently at 91 (27 pre-school & 64 K-6). The school auction is scheduled for Saturday, May 15th beginning at 6:30 PM in the school gym. Tickets are available from the Parish Office. The school calendar for May was also presented.

~Fr. Leo

### MASS SCHEDULE

Monday & Thursday—12:10PM  
Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday—7AM  
Vigil Mass Saturday—4:30PM  
Sunday—8:30 & 10:30AM

George Green Parish Center \*\*\* 113 North Geneva Street  
Ithaca, NY 14850 \*\*\* 607/273-6121  
Hours: Mon.—Fri. 8:30AM—4:00PM,  
Sat. 9AM—6PM, Sun. 8AM—Noon

### SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM: A preparation session is required before the baptism of your child.

Please call 273-6121 prior to your due date for an appointment.

RECONCILIATION: Saturday 3—4PM

MARRIAGE: Please call 273-6121 at least 6 months in advance of your anticipated wedding date.

ANOIDING OF THE SICK: Call 273-6121 to request this sacrament.

### HOSPITALIZATIONS

Call 273-6121 if your loved one is in the hospital.

Next Sunday—Fourth Sunday of Easter

Date	Mass Intentions
<b>Sunday 5-8</b>	8:30AM—Bertha & Peter Winnick by Gordon & Laurie Myer 10:30AM—Argetsinger-Powers Family by Ann Argetsinger <b>Happy Mother's Day</b>
<b>Monday 5-9</b>	12:10PM—William & Anna Egan, son Bill & Deceased Members of the Hennessey Family by the children
<b>Tuesday 5-10</b>	7AM—Peggy Amici by Fluffy Saccucci
<b>Wednesday 5-11</b>	7AM—Dennis Michael by Jean Gallagher Welch
<b>Thursday 5-12</b>	12:10PM—Fred Parisella & Deceased Members of the Parisella Family by Mary & Anne Adesso
<b>Friday 5-13</b>	7AM—Special Intention by Sister Elise Quigley
<b>Saturday 5-14</b>	4:30PM—Robert J. Kane & Deceased Members of the Kane Family by Eleanor Kane
<b>Sunday 5-15</b>	8:30AM—Theodore, Angelina, Giuseppe & Maurizio Mancini by Frank & Teresa Ferrara 10:30AM—Zoltan Gombas by Joan M. Gombas

**OUR SANCTUARY LAMP** will burn this week  
**IN MEMORY OF ATHALEEN CAMMUSO**  
 FROM THE **SEACORD FAMILY**

**YOUR CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL**  
**REMINDER**  
 DURING THIS PAST YEAR WE HAVE TRIED TO GIVE YOU A "HANDS ON" REASON FOR CONTRIBUTING TO THIS APPEAL. WE RECEIVE MANY BENEFITS FROM THE VARIOUS OFFICES IN OUR DIOCESAN PASTORAL CENTER. THEY NEED OUR FINANCIAL SUPPORT IN ORDER TO GIVE US THE SERVICES. WE NEED YOUR HELP AS ANY DEFICIT COMES FROM OUR OPERATING BUDGET.  
**MAY 31ST** IS THE DEADLINE FOR GIVING THIS YEAR. IF YOU WISH TO CONTRIBUTE, PLEASE PUT YOUR DONATION IN AN ENVELOP WITH **CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL** ON THE OUTSIDE AND DROP IT IN THE SUNDAY'S COLLECTION BY **MAY 29TH**. THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT. NO GIFT IS TOO SMALL!

**Soap for Hope**  
 The **SOAP FOR HOPE** project began on May 5th. There is a collection box in the Geneva Street entrance and in the parking lot entrance of the church. Some of the 24 other collection box locations are: Walmart; Clark's Shur Find Food Mart; Warren Real Estate, GreenStar Coop; Kendal; Audrey Edelman Realty USA. Please take time to drop items in the collection boxes and help **CATHOLIC CHARITIES SAMARITAN CENTER** serve those less fortunate. Thank You.

*The Week Ahead...*



SUNDAY, MAY 8  
 10:30AM—MAY CROWING AT MASS  
MONDAY, MAY 9  
 1PM—ROSARY MAKING—PC  
WEDNESDAY, MAY 11  
 10:45AM—SCC—PC  
 6PM—CONCERT—SCHOOL  
SATURDAY, MAY 14  
 6:30PM— "FOR THE CHILDREN" BENEFIT AUCTION—SCHOOL  
SUNDAY, MAY 15  
 9:20AM—RELIGIOUS ED—SCHOOL  
 11:30AM—RCIA—PARISH CENTER

**VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION**  
**MASS & RECEPTION**  
 ICC ANNUAL VOLUNTEER GATHERING IS SCHEDULED FOR THURSDAY, MAY 19, 2011.  
**RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED!**  
 MASS WILL BEGIN AT 6PM FOLLOWED BY RECEPTION IN CARGES HALL.  
**DEADLINE IS May 16**  
 Please call Lynn Hathaway @ the Parish Office to secure your reservation—273-6121

**OUR OFFERING TO THE LORD**  
 May 1, 2011

Collection 2011	\$ 9,023
Budgeted (\$10,118 weekly)	\$ 445,192
Actual Collections: wk 44 of FY	\$ 388,734
OVER/(UNDER) to date	\$ (56,458)
Collection 2010	\$ 11,812
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Building Maintenance 2011	\$ 1,580
Building Maintenance 2010	\$ 1,657
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Attendance 2011	871
Attendance 2010	947

Attention, All Cursillistas!  
 All area Cursillistas are invited to Ultreya on Thursday, May 12th at 7 pm at the All Saints Parish Center on Rt. 34 in Lansing. Deacon George and Mary Ann Kozak will be the facilitators. For more information, please call Mary Ann at 277-3558.

**ONE FLAW IN WOMEN** AUTHOR UNKNOWN

By the time the Lord made woman, He was into his sixth day of working overtime. An angel appeared and said, "Why are you spending so much time on this one?" And the Lord answered, "Have you seen my spec sheet on her? She has to be completely washable, but not plastic, have over 200 movable parts, all replaceable and able to run on diet coke and leftovers, have a lap that can hold four children at one time, have a kiss that can cure anything from a scraped knee to a broken heart -and she will do everything with only two hands."

The angel was astounded at the requirements. "Only two hands!? No way! And that's just on the standard model? That's too much work for one day. Wait until tomorrow to finish. "But I won't," the Lord protested. "I am so close to finishing this creation that is so close to my own heart. She already heals herself when she is sick AND can work 18 hour days." The angel moved closer and touched the woman. "But you have made her so soft, Lord."

"She is soft," the Lord agreed, "but I have also made her tough. You have no idea what she can endure or accomplish." "Will she be able to think?", asked the angel. The Lord replied, "Not only will she be able to think, she will be able to reason and negotiate."

The angel then noticed something, and reaching out, touched the woman's cheek. "Oops, it looks like you have a leak in this model. I told you that you were trying to put too much into this one." "That's not a leak," the Lord corrected, "that's a tear!" "What's the tear for?" the angel asked.

The Lord said, "The tear is her way of expressing her joy, her sorrow, her pain, her disappointment, her love, her loneliness, her grief, and her pride." The angel was impressed. "You are a genius, Lord. You thought of everything! Woman is truly amazing." And she is!

Women have strengths that amaze men. They bear hardships and they carry burdens, but they hold happiness, love and joy. They smile when they want to scream. They sing when they want to cry. They cry when they are happy and laugh when they are nervous. They fight for what they believe in. They stand up to injustice. They don't take "no" for an answer when they believe there is a better solution. They go without so their family can have. They go to the doctor with a frightened friend. They love unconditionally. They cry when their children excel and cheer when their friends get awards. They are happy when they hear about a birth or a wedding. Their hearts break when a friend dies. They grieve at the loss of a family member, yet they are strong when they think there is no strength left. They know that a hug and a kiss can heal a broken heart.

Women come in all shapes, sizes and colors. They'll drive, fly, walk or run to show how much they care about you. The heart of a woman is what makes the world keep turning. They bring joy, hope and love. They have compassion and ideals. They give moral support to their family and friends. Women have vital things to say and everything to give.

However, if there is one FLAW in women, it is that they forget their worth!

**HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY TO ALL of the  
 WONDERFUL WOMEN of OUR PARISH.**

**Sacraments...**

**ATTENTION ALL PARENTS WITH CHILDREN  
 OF SACRAMENTAL AGE**

If you have **NEVER** had a child in a sacramental preparation program here, you must attend one of the Parent Meeting which will be held Tuesday, May 31<sup>st</sup> and Wednesday, June 8<sup>th</sup>.

**ALL PARENTS** of children of sacramental age whose child (ren) want to receive Confirmation, Reconciliation, and/or First Holy Communion this coming school year, must stop by the Parish Center to pick up the necessary information to make an informed decision about readiness. The papers are in the front office. It is important that you take the time to pick them up, read them carefully, pray

about it and then decide readiness to receive the sacraments. For Confirmation it is important that you pick up an age appropriate questions which will be included in the upcoming interview. The Parish Center is open Monday-Friday – 8:30 AM-4:30 PM; Saturday – 9 AM-6PM and Sunday 9-noon. All registration forms are due no later than May 31<sup>st</sup>.

**EVERYDAY EVANGELIZATION**

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*Jesus, I Trust in You*

**The Evangelism team suggestions for this week:**

1. **Visit a shut-in & listen to their stories. Offer to pray with and for them.**
2. **Anonymously do something kind for a special "mother".**

*Be not afraid*

**PARISH STAFF**

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