The Catholic Community of

# Our Lady of Grace

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Parish Office 399-5713

Rev. Anthony C. Diacetis, *Pastor* Rev. Jack Varno, *Chaplain, Schenectady Hospitals, in residence at OLG* Deacon Gregory Zoltowski Lucille Feeser, *Parish Secretary* 

Faith Formation Office 384-0109

Mary Salm, Pastoral Associate for Faith Formation Ruth Moon, Pastoral Associate for Youth Ministry Pat Mahoney, Secretary **Liturgy of the Eucharist** 

Saturday 5:00 P.M.

Sunday 7:30, 8:45, 10:45 A.M.

Weekdays 8:30 A.M.

(when scheduled)

**Sacrament of Reconciliation** 

Saturday 4:15-4:45 P.M.

(or by appointment)

Music Ministry 399-6316

Patty Neumann, Music Director

**Sacrament of Baptism** is celebrated during all the Masses on the first full weekend of the month. Preparation sessions for adults presenting infants for Baptism are held every other month. Please call the Parish Office for an appointment at least 8 weeks in advance of the Baptism.

**Sacrament of Marriage**: Couples should contact Fr. Tony at least six months in advance to make arrangements.

#### Welcome!

We sincerely hope you feel at home and among friends. If you are a visitor just for today, we bid you God speed on your journey. If you are seeking a parish community, we will be delighted to welcome you into our church family! To register, please contact the Parish Office.

Our church is equipped with audio devices for the hearing impaired and is handicapped accessible. Please see ushers for assistance.



As institutions age their laws multiply. As countries grow older, the laws of nation, state and city grow ever more complex. It is hard to know them all. We hire lawyers to study laws for us.

The laws of the church are also complex. They are collected in the code of canon law, which is also hard to absorb. We need church lawyers to help us out. New laws are written all the time. Old ones are adjusted. The code grows slowly outdated as new legislation forms. Everyone wants to be a good citizen and a good Catholic, but it is hard sometimes to know what the law is.

In Jesus' day, the law was also complex. At times it appeared that laws conflicted, as when he healed on a Sabbath. Laws of charity conflicted with laws governing sacred time.

When they asked Jesus for the greatest law, he simplified the complex structure of laws and reduced them to two: Love God. Love your neighbor. Saint Paul told the Romans, "The one who loves another has fulfilled the law." He made it very simple.

God is the ultimate judge over how we observe the laws of church and state. God made the rules as simple as possible. When the laws of our institutions seem complex, we can always please God by following the most basic law of all: love.

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Mass schedule for <u>next weekend</u> is: Saturday at 5:00 p.m.; Sunday at 7:30, <u>8:45</u> and <u>10:45</u> a.m.



**Adult Choir:** Rehearsals begin on Thursday, September 15. Ensemble assembles at 7:00 p.m. joine3d by the choir at 7:30 p.m. All rehearsals take place in the Sanctuary, and new members are always welcome.

**Youth Choir:** Our rehearsal, Mass and special events schedule will be out soon. We are planning to sing on Saturday, October 23 at 5:00

p.m. in celebration of *World Youth Sunday*. We will also sing for the Confirmation rituals on selected Sunday evenings as well as for Confirmation on Saturday, November 26 at 5:00 p.m. More information to follow in next week's bulletin.

Junior Choir News: Hello to parents and past, present and future Jr. Choir members. I hope you are all enjoying these final days of summer fun. As we look towards September and new beginnings for this new school year, I want to take this opportunity to thank all parents for helping your children keep the commitment of singing for Christ. Their attendance week after week helped to build their confidence and improve their sound. We look forward to their return and welcome new members from grades 3-7.

Rehearsals will begin on Sunday, September 11 from 9:50-10:20 a.m. (between the 8:45 and 10:45 a.m. Masses), and our first sung liturgy will be at the 8:45 a.m. Mass on Sunday, September 25.

I will be tentatively handing over my duties as Jr. Choir director to Stephanie Johnson from September through Christmas 2005. She is currently student teaching while working on a music education degree and is highly skilled in choral instruction. Stephanie is a joy to work with, and we are pleased to have her expertise on board.

Please sign up this weekend if you plan to attend our first rehearsal in Room 4.





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## OLG'S Annual Fall Picnic

**Sunday, September 25** at Indian Meadows from Noon to Dusk. There will be hot dogs and hamburgers. All you have to bring is your families' place setting and a dessert or dish to share. Tickets will be on sale next weekend. Plan on being a part of this annual parish event!

Nifty News – Our monthly meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 13 starting at 11:00 a.m. Please bring your lunch and a dish/dessert to share. Celebrating September birthdays are: Madeline Bradley (6<sup>th</sup>), Joe Santarcangelo (9<sup>th</sup>), Emilie Saad (16<sup>th</sup>), Amelia Stack (22<sup>nd</sup>), and a very special happy birthday to BRUNO DORIGUZZI who turns "90" on the 10<sup>th</sup>.

The Women's Guild will resume their monthly meetings on Tuesday, September 6 at 7:00 p.m. in Room 2.

Hope to see you there.

Remember In Your Prayers those members of our parish family who are sick or suffering in any way and those who may be in hospitals, nursing homes and all of our homebound. Let us not forget the victims of violence at home and abroad, and all the members of our armed forces. Let us continually pray for peace. Let us pray for our family and friends who have died especially Gertrude Beland, mother of Tom Collins. May her soul and the souls of all the

faithful departed rest in peace. Amen.

We pray this week for the people we find hard to love, the people our lives would be easier without. We include peacemakers of every kind in our prayers as well, and also those who suffer and the good people who tend to their needs; political leaders whether not we agree with their policies; the other believers who stand beside us in the company of Jesus as we pray.



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# Masses for the Week of September 5, 2005

Monday 8:30 a.m. No Mass – Labor Day

Parish & Faith Formation Offices are closed.

**Tuesday** 8:30 a.m. Mass – William Long by Stephanie & Michael Holley

Wednesday 8:30 a.m. Mass – Ben Heckman by The Clements Family

**Thursday** 8:30 a.m. Mass – All the forgotten priests by Matteo Casola

Friday 8:30 a.m. Mass – Majorie Amyot by Her Family

# Ministries for the Week of September 10, 2005

Sept. 10 5:00 p.m. Lectors: Mestemaker, Streett

Cup: Streett, Karandy, Kula, Quinn

**Bread:** Gildea-Strunk **Server:** Pierson

Sept. 11 7:30 a.m. Lectors: Van Nostrand

**Cup:** Fuerst, Auriemma

Bread: Obremski Server: Spellman

**8:45a.m. Lectors:** Phillips, Tomczyk

Cup: Lorenc, DeBonis, Gering, Holley, Ketcham, Pooler

Bread: Lorenc, Kirsch Server: Roner

10:45 a.m. Lectors: Marcil, Sinnenberg

Cup: Baker, Grasso, Fish, Gutchell, Johnson, Amell

**Bread:** Cafariella. Arbitrio **Server:** Viscusi

# Readings for the Week of September 11, 2005

Sir 27:30—28:9; Rom 14:7-9; Mt 18:21-35

# **Lord's Way... The Ideal of Stewardship**

Stewardship is a way of life, a way of thanking God for all God's blessings by returning a portion of the time, talent and treasure allotted to us.

## Thank you for last week's Sacrificial Offering in the amount of \$5,614.05.

OLG is a Sacrificial-Giving Parish: Gratitude - Sacrifice - Envelope - Tithe

#### CARNEY'S

**Tavern** Catering

Bob & Rosemary Carney, *Proprietors* 17 Main St., Ballston Lake, NY **399-9926** 

#### Mohawk Honda"

We'll go out of our way to please you!"
756 State Street, Schenectady
370-4911

#### **Burnt Hills Optical**

Jean Bergstrom, *ABO Master Optician*793 Route 50
Burnt Hills, NY **399-6130** 

#### **Townley & Wheeler Funeral Home**

Harold & Frank Townley
21 Midline Road
Ballston Lake, NY
399-5022

#### **INSIDE JOB**

Custom Painting, Wall Covering, Window Treatments, Design Consulting Donna at 884-2606 Monica at 384-0126

### Lakeridge Farm Child Day Care & Recreation Center 384-1604

960 Rt 50, Ballston Lake, NY NYS & CPR Certified

## Autobody of Schenectady, Inc.

Ed & Mary Bobell 777 State Street Schenectady, NY 372-3511

## **Urgent Care of Southern Saratoga**

Staffed by Saratoga Emergency Physicians, P.C. 1770 Rt. 9 – 1 Mile N of Rt. 9/146 Intersection **9A-9P (7 days a week) 688-1380** 

### Dr. Nancy A. Cappiello Chiropractor

562 Saratoga Road, Scotia, NY 12302 Open Monday thru Friday **399-2252 399-4712** 

# Painting Classes Pat Parker, Instructor

Watercolors, Oils, Acrylics, Colored Pencil Phone 882-9099 for details

Immaculate Conception: Saturday: 5:00 p.m.; Sunday: 7:30, 9:00 and 11:00 a.m. St. Joseph's: Saturday: 5:00 p.m.; Sunday: 8:30 and 10:30 a.m. Corpus Christi: Saturday: 5:00 p.m.; Sunday: 7:30, 8:45, 10:30 and 12:15 p.m. St. Mary's, Ballston Spa: Saturday: 4:00 p.m.; Sunday: 8:30, 10:30 a.m. and 12:00 p.m.



May God watch over these recently baptized children.

Ryan Charles Connors Isaac Ernest Ladd Aidan Thomas Kuon Brady Michael Miller

Let us extend warm congratulations to these couples that were married at Our Lady of Grace. May they celebrate many happy years together.

Mark Thomas Brooks and Colleen Anne Mac Laughlin Brandon Timothy Ketham and Kara Lynn Richardson William James McDonald and Megan Elizabeth Litwin





What are the songs that make a difference in the faith of American Catholics? The National Association of Pastoral Musicians is trying to find out. Between now and September 30, Catholics all over the U.S. may respond to that question by visiting the NPM web site at <a href="www.npm.org">www.npm.org</a> and completing a short survey. What is your opinion?

*Diocesan Marriage Jubilee* – The 33<sup>rd</sup> Annual Marriage Jubliee Celebration sponsored by the Family Life Office will be held on October 15 at 2:30 p.m. at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Albany. Couples celebrating their 1<sup>st</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>, 40<sup>th</sup>, 45<sup>th</sup>, or 50<sup>th</sup> or more wedding anniversaries are invited to attend this celebration. Biship Hubbard will celebrate Mass at 2:30 p.m. and greet couples and their guests at a reception at Bishop Maginn High School immediately following. Call the parish office to register.



**Wow!** Did you know that the little can tabs that are collected in the front lobby are worth money? Every few months a representative from the Shriner's picks up the aluminum can tabs. These are added to other collections from churches and organizations from throughout the area and redeemed for cash. Last week, a total of **39 pounds** was collected from OLG. At the current rate of **\$2 per pound**, OLG contributed \$78 for patients in Shriner's Hospital. Thank you and please continue to bring in your can tabs.

Have you moved? Plan to move? Changed your phone number? If so, please call the parish office and let us know. It takes us only a few minutes to update our census records. Thank you.

**Sponsor Certificate** – Are you being asked to act as a sponsor for the Sacraments of Baptism and Confirmation and/or as a witness for the Sacrament of Matrimony? If you need a sponsor certificate, please contact the Parish Office at least two weeks in advance.