

Church of the Blessed Sacrament

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Shrine Church of Our Lady of the Americas

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Over One Hundred Years of Faith and Tradition



Established 1902

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TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD

Processional: **Crown Him With Many Crowns**- Gather #485
Gloria: **Music Card #2**
Responsorial Psalm: **"Lord You Have the Words"** Gather #27

Gospel Acclamation – **Alleluia** Gather #177
Offertory: **Out of Darkness** – Gather #689

AUGUST 6, 2017

Holy, Holy: Music Card #3
Mystery of Faith: Music Card #5
Great Amen: Gather #182.
Lamb of God: -Gather #312
Communion Music: **Take and Eat** – Gather #831
Recessional: **Alleluia Sing to Jesus**– Gather #853

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK:

The second collection today is for flood relief for the people of Hoosick Falls. The people there, and their parish at St. Mary's, have suffered widespread desolation. They were already suffering from the Duaneburg Water crisis. Fr. Tom Zelker, who was Associate Pastor here for 6 ½ years, is now pastor at St. Mary's in Hoosick Falls. I have been in touch with him and things are not easy there for the village and the parish. The proceeds of this collection will go directly to St. Mary's. Please do what you can to help. We will send one check for all the gifts received so please make all checks payable to Blessed Sacrament.

School registration for next year has been very good. Our summer Open House is from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. at the School. Spread the word and see other notes in the bulletin about the school. We are accepting registrations or you can call the school to register. Please help us publicize the event by placing lawn signs and flyers, they are at all the exits.

We will be accepting school supplies for our school beginning now through August. Items that will help our children include: notebooks, loose leaf paper, soft binders, pens, pencils, crayons, markers, rulers, compasses, protractors, colored pocket folders and glue sticks. These can be placed in boxes that will be at the Church entrances. Special sales will begin in stores very soon. Keep an eye out for these items. Thank you.

SCRIPTURE READINGS: Scripture readings for this week: **DN 7:9-14; 2 PT 1:16-19; MT 17:1-19**

COLLECTION NEWS: Our regular collection was \$9,356.00. The Holy Father's Collection was \$2,053.00. This week our second collection will go directly to support flood relief at St. Mary's Parish in Hoosick Falls where Fr. Tom Zelker is Pastor, that parish has many needs. When away, please remember your envelope upon your return. We appreciate and need your ongoing support. **Thank you for your support.**

HELP WANTED: Blessed Sacrament School is currently seeking an individual who would be interested in a 2 ½ hour daily position in our after-care program. This is a paid position. We are looking for someone with a strong sense of discipline and management. If you, or anyone you know might be interested, please call the school office at 518-438-5854.

Catholic Charities is hiring a courier to work part-time (9am to 12pm, Mon, Tues, Thur, Fri) out of the Albany office. Most travel will be within the Capital District and a vehicle is provided for business use. Must have a valid NY driver's license, a clean driving record, and the ability to lift and carry 30+ pounds. Please call and ask to speak with Phyllis during business hours at 453-6650 if interested.


ADULT FAITH FORMATION: Are you, or someone you know interested in becoming a member of the Catholic Church? Or already a member and are interested in being Confirmed as an adult? Sessions for both groups will begin in September. Confirmation establishes us as full members of the Catholic Church as we receive the fullness of the Holy Spirit. To be a sponsor for Confirmation, or a godparent, you need to be a Confirmed member of the church. You may be asked to be one, this is a chance to receive Confirmation with other adults. If interested or for more information, please call the rectory or put the tab below in the basket.

- I am interested in the adult confirmation class
 I am interested in becoming a member of the Catholic Church.

Name: _____ Phone Number: _____

Email: _____



Saturday 8/05/17 4:00 Lourdes Nieves and family William Devine and family Gonzalez and Segarra families Thomas Mittler and John Mooney John and Margaret Nichols Thomas McCarthy Joseph Hall (7 th anniversary) Carl Blazejewski Chris Lanaghan	Monday 08/07/17 7:00 For the People 12:00 Alice and Raymond Sparling Jr.	Wednesday 08/09/17 7:00 Seth Greci Elizabeth Sheeran Jan Delaney 12:00 Katie Ferrell Casey Ryan Lynch John and Mary Lynch	Friday 08/11/17 7:00 Elizabeth Scafidi Billy Hourigan (16 th anniversary) 12:00
Sunday 08/06/17 9:00 The People 10:30 Margaret Meister Daniel Bonneau (1 st anniversary) Josephine Sano 12:00 Sara Ann Tenney Stephen Kolach	Tuesday 08/08/17 7:00 James Mangon Inef Rene Metelus 12:00 Brian O' Kane David Kalled	Thursday 08/10/17 7:00 Joseph P. Muehleck 12:00 Joseph Perkins Lois. J. Lloyd	

CONFESSIONS EVERY SATURDAY FROM 3:00 - 3:30PM

FAITH FORMATION FOR YOUTH:

We are planning our pilgrimage to the National Catholic Youth Conference in November. We have many youth and several adults who will be attending. We will be collecting empty cans and bottles for the next several months and asking for financial support to help with the expenses. Please contact Kelly Hession at 518-424-8812 or by email BlessedSacramentChurchAlbany.FF@rcda.org if you are interested or would like to help in any way. Please continue to keep all of our youth and their families in your daily.

Thank you to all who are graciously donating bottles and cans for our fundraising program. We are very grateful for your support!

Starting in September, our 7th-11th grade faith formation program will be offered on Sundays from 9-10:15am (Instead of on Mondays from 6:30-8:15) Our K-6th program will continue to meet on Sunday's as well. We hope this change be more accommodating to our students and families and will also allow families to attend Mass together.

Please contact Kelly Hession at 518-424-8812 with any questions.

Open House



SCHOOL NEWS: We are **accepting registrations** for next year in all grades from 3-year old nursery to 4-year old Pre-K to Kindergarten to Grade 8. The 3 and 4 year old programs are offered for full or half day. Kindergarten is full day and all have the option of after school care. Continue to spread the word of our programs. There are flyers at all the exits advertising our school programs; please spread them around and place them where you can. Thanks for helping us with the flyers. On **August 7th**, our Parish School will host an **Open House from 6:00 – 7:30 PM**. Please spread the word to family and friends or any other family you know who may be interested in a Catholic School Education for their child. Thank you for your ongoing support of our School. **There are lawn signs at all the exits; please place them where you can with permission if this is someone else's property.**

SCHOOL SUPPLIES DRIVE: We are accepting school supplies for our school children through August. Items to help our school children include composition and spiral notebooks, loose leaf paper, soft binders, pens, pencils, crayons, markers, rulers, compasses, protractors, colored pocket folders, glue sticks. Please place supplies in boxes at Church entrances. Thank you for your help!

HOLY NAME SOCIETY: Tickets available in the Sacristy before/ after Mass. Next meeting/ drawing will be Monday August 7th at 6:30 p.m., in the Rectory Garden, new members are always welcome.

CONERT FOR VOCATIONS: Please join us for an evening of music at the Concert for Vocations, Tuesday August 8th, at St. Pius X Church in Loudonville, NY. We will gather for Holy Hour at 6:00 p.m. and music at 7:00 p.m., with a light reception to follow. All are welcome and invited to attend



SCHOOL BUCKS: COLONIE CENTER SCHOOL BUCKS: **Began August 1st**. Purchases can be registered in the name of our school. Receipts must be registered at the Service Desk (**now located near the 1st floor entrance near Barnes and Noble, under the movie theater, in front of Five Guys**) within 60 days of purchase. Receipts will be collected from Aug – June. Please help our school win cash prizes by registering your receipts in our school's name. You have helped us win in the past and we appreciate your support. Invite others to help us. If you would like to have one of our volunteers register your receipts, please put them in the collection or leave them at the rectory in an envelope with your name and address on it. You can register receipts from **all stores and restaurants in the Center, as well as the Post Office, Time Warner, and Verizon.** Please help the school again; ask others to help us. We are grateful for your support. **Thanks for your help.**

THRIFT SHOP: is open **Wed and Sat, 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM**. Items that are clean and in good working condition are accepted during hours of operation. Volunteers are needed for Wednesday and Saturday hours, 9:00 a.m.- 1:00 p.m. If interested call the Rectory at 482-3375.

DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET: Prayed the 2nd, 3rd and 4th Tues of each month after noon Mass. Instruction/prayer cards will be offered.

LEGION OF MARY: Meets every Tuesday at 6:00 PM in the Forman Room.

RECITATION OF THE ROSARY: First Tuesday of month after noon Mass; 2nd and 4th Wednesday of month, 6:00 PM.

NEW TO THE PARISH? Welcome! Please sign below and drop in the collection. You may also use the form to receive envelopes and/or "The Evangelist". Check the appropriate boxes.

Name: _____
Address: _____ **City** _____ **Zip** _____
Phone: _____ **Email:** _____

- I am new to the parish
- Send me "The Evangelist"
- Please send church envelopes