

Church of the Blessed Sacrament

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Shrine Church of Our Lady of the Americas

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Rev. Juanito Asprec - Parochial Vicar

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Over One Hundred Years of Faith and Tradition



Established 1902

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TWENTY THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME SEPTEMBER 10, 2017

Processional: **All Creatures of our God and King**- Gather #533
Gloria: **Music Card #2**
Responsorial Psalm: **If Today You Hear God's Voice** – Gather #89

Gospel Acclamation – **Alleluia** Gather #263
Offertory: **I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say** – Gather #646

Holy, Holy: “**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of Hosts...**”
Mystery of Faith: “**When we eat this bread and drink this cup We proclaim your death, O Lord, until you come again.**”
Great Amen: Gather #168.
Lamb of God: Gather #171
Communion Music: **Gift of Finest Wheat** – Gather #815
Recessional: **Joyful, Joyful We Adore You** – Gather #528

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK:

Deacon Raymond Sullivan retired as Parish Life Director of St. Francis of Assisi Parish here in Albany. All Priests and Deacons are expected to retire at age 75. As we retire from administrators of parishes, we never retire from our ordained ministry, and so help in parishes, etc.

Deacon Ray has offered to help us here at Blessed Sacrament and I am sure he can help us in many areas of Parish Life. These include Baptisms, visitations to the hospitals and homebound, funerals, wakes, burials, assistance at some weekend Masses and other pastoral needs that arise. He will begin his ministry next Sunday. I thank him for offering his service. Please keep him and his wife, Betty, in your prayers.

As was announced last weekend, the very special second collection today will be for relief for those suffering the ravages of Hurricane Harvey. Please consider a generous gift to help our brothers and sisters in need.

The Annual Family Festival is Saturday October 14th. Please stop at the Parking lot vestibule and pick up your Festival tickets and flyer about the event. Extra tickets are available.

SCRIPTURE READINGS: Scripture readings for this week **EZ 33:7-9; ROM 13:8-10; MT 18:15-20**

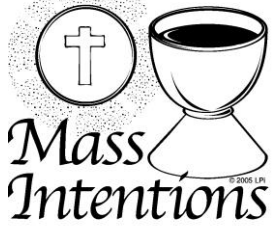
COLLECTION NEWS: Our regular collection was \$8,961.00. The second collection next Sunday will be the monthly for the Parish School. **The fuel collection scheduled for this Sunday will be taken up on October 1st** due to a collection for relief efforts for flood victims. At the request of Bishop Edward B. Scharfenberger, a collection to assist relief efforts in states ravaged by Hurricane Harvey will be taken up at all Masses on the weekend of September 9-10 in parishes throughout the 14-county Diocese of Albany. All proceeds will be sent to Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Albany, which will then forward donations to Catholic Charities' agencies providing emergency food, shelter, medicine, and more in the affected areas. Catholic Charities will also assist with long-term recovery efforts. When away, please remember your envelope upon your return. We appreciate and need your ongoing support. **Thank you for your support.**

SCHOOL BUCKS; COLONIE CENTER SCHOOL BUCKS: 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.** Please help the school again; ask others to help us. We are grateful for your support. **Thanks for your help.**

ROSARY SOCIETY: Our first meeting of the year will be Thursday September 21st in the Forman Room, after the noon Mass. We will be having our collection for “Comfort Bags” for children of abuse. Some items needed are; 12” stuffed animals, coloring books and crayons, story books, toothbrushes and toothpaste and anything else you think appropriate. If you are unable to attend the meeting, items can be left at the Rectory. Our speaker will be Fr. Juanito Asprec. Come and meet Fr. Juanito and get set for the Fall season! We will be having subs for lunch.

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI CELEBRATION: We welcome animals for a special blessing on October 7th at 12 Noon by the statue of St. Francis in the rear parking lot.



Saturday 9/9/17 4:00 Lourdes Nieves and family William Devine and family Gonzalez and Segarra families Joan Hayden Charles and Loretta Gatto (56 th Wedding anniversary) Edna Rinaldi Eileen Blazejewski	Monday 9/11/17 7:00 Charles Mendel 12:00 For the People	Wednesday 9/13/17 7:00 For the People 12:00 Katie Farrell Casey Ryan Lynch John and Mary Lynch Raymond Sparling Jr. (3 rd anniversary)	Friday 09/15/17 7:00 Joseph and Frances Bologna Catherine Hourigan (24 th anniversary) 12:00 Philip Lupe (2 nd anniversary)
Sunday 9/10/17 9:00 For the People 10:30 Maria Mannarino Steven Paolucci Cosmo and Maria Ricupero Edward McCullough 12:00 Sara Ann Tenney Elizabeth Keppler	Tuesday 9/12/17 7:00 Fr. Joseph D'Agostino 12:00 James Perkinson (5 th anniversary) Special Intentions Suzanne Meher	Thursday 9/14/17 7:00 Special Intentions 12:00 Colleen Moore	

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

YOUTH MINISTRY FUNDRAISING: Ten Faith Formation students and three chaperones will be traveling to the National Catholic Youth Conference in Indianapolis, IN this November. Please contact me if you have any questions, Kelly Hession 518-424-8812 *Thank you to all who are graciously donating bottles and cans for our fundraising program. We are very grateful for your support!*

FAITH FORMATION: *Don't forget- registration is this Sunday, September 10th 9:00-1:30 in school!* Please contact Kelly Hession at 518-424-8812 with any questions

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP: "*Bereavement Support Group*" at Blessed Sacrament continues to meet. If you would like to explore these sessions, please contact Sr. Jude Kapp, RSM, Pastoral Associate, at the Rectory at 482-3375.

ANNUAL 5K RUN/WALK: Lace up your sneakers and line up at the starting line as we gather for our 2nd annual 5K Walk-Run, to benefit Blessed Sacrament School! Meet us at the South Pavilion at the Crossings in Colonie on October 8th at 2:00 p.m. We are hoping to double our participation this year, so please bring a friend. All are welcome.

MARRIAGE JUBILEE: The 45th Annual Marriage Jubilee Celebration sponsored by the Office of Lay Ministry Formation will be held **Sunday, October 1st, 2017 at 2:00 PM at The Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, corner of Eagle St. and Madison Ave., Albany, New York.** Couples celebrating their 25th, 40th, 50th or other special wedding anniversaries are invited to attend this celebration. Bishop Edward B. Scharfenberger will celebrate the Liturgy at 2:00 PM and greet couples and their guests at a reception in the gathering area at the Cathedral immediately following Mass. Please register through your parish office.

OVER 50 CLUB: The over 50 club will meet on Monday September 11th at 12:30 downstairs in the church hall. Bring your lunch and a dessert to share. Our \$2.00 dues for the year are due. Hope to see everyone! Anne Snyder (518)869-5247

HOLY NAME SOCIETY: Congratulations to our winners- *1st Prize: M. Batza, 2nd Prize: L. Bielawa 3rd Prize: M. Agostino.* Tickets are available in the Sacristy before/ after Mass. Next meeting/ drawing will be **Monday October 2nd** at 7:00 p.m., in the Church Hall, new members are always welcome.

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.

THRIFT SHOP: is open **Wed and Sat, 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM.** Volunteers are needed for Wednesday and Saturday hours, 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. If interested call the Rectory at 482-3375.

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. Classes begin Thursday September 14th at 7:00 p.m. in the Forman Room. Confirmation will be December 3rd at 12 noon. We will hold an informational night on Wednesday September 13th at 7:00 p.m. in the Forman Room

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



Name: _____ Phone Number: _____

Email: _____

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