

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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TWENTY FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME SEPTEMBER 24, 2017

Processional: **Holy Holy Holy**- Gather #474
Gloria: **Music Card #2**
Responsorial Psalm: **I Will Praise Your Name** – Gather #137

Gospel Acclamation – **Alleluia** Gather #261
Offertory: **We Walk By Faith**– Gather #590

Holy, Holy: **Music Card #4**
Mystery of Faith: Save Us – **Music Card #6**
Great Amen: Amen, amen, amen.
Lamb of God: Gather #207
Communion Music: **Eat This Bread** – Gather #838
Recessional: **To Jesus Christ Our Sovereign King** – Gather #488

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK:

Next weekend at all Masses we will be conducting our annual sign up for sharing our time, talent and treasure to continue the many Parish Ministries here at our parish family.

During this week please give prayerful consideration about what you are doing for parish ministry and what you may be able to do using your time and talent as we look ahead. There are sign-up sheets at all exits today, take them home and look them over. Next weekend we will further explain some of the ministries, and ask you to commit to the area where you think your time and talents could be most helpful. We will collect the sheets after the homily and present them at the offertory of the Mass. At this time we need help with the Thrift Shop and the upcoming Family Festival.

Thank you for all you do for the Parish Family

SCRIPTURE READINGS: Scripture readings for this week **IS 55:6-9; PHIL 1:20-27; MT 20:1-16**

COLLECTION NEWS: Our regular collection was \$8,361.00. The second collection, for the school, was \$2,246.00. The second collection this weekend is the annual National Collection for the Catholic University in Washington D.C. and for completion of the mosaic of the Dome at the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington D.C. **The fuel collection will be taken up next weekend, postponed due to the hurricane relief collection.** Additional offerings and Evangelist envelopes can be placed in any collection. 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.**

FAMILY FESTIVAL: Our annual Family Festival will be held on Saturday October 14th from 11:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. in the School Hall and Church Hall. If you need additional raffle tickets please pick some up in the Sacristy or stop in to the Rectory.




I would like to be a sponsor for the Family Festival:

Name of Business: _____ () \$250 2x4 vinyl sign on Central Ave.
Name for the sign: _____ () \$150 booth sign
Your name/phone #: _____ () \$75 kitchen sign

I can help work the Family Festival on Saturday, October 14th: () 10:30 AM – 2:30 PM () 2:30 – 5:00 PM () 5:00 – 8:00 PM
() I can help all day.

Name _____ Phone number _____

Email: _____

<u>Saturday 9/23/17</u> 4:00 Lourdes Nieves and family William Devine and family Gonzalez and Segarra families Howard and Loretta Miller Andrea Vadney Charles Curcurito Richard Zabinski BreeGe Nally Thomas F. Miller Sr.	<u>Monday 9/25/17</u> 7:00 Special Intentions 12:00 Andrea Vadney Juliette Romano	<u>Wednesday 9/27/17</u> 7:00 For the People 12:00 Casmir Deutsch	<u>Friday 09/29/17</u> 7:00 Special Intentions 12:00 Shelia McVeigh
<u>Sunday 9/24/17</u> 9:00 For the People 10:30 Mary Ellen Bickel Joanne Anastaso Silue Kanigui 12:00 George Bragle William J. Reilly	<u>Tuesday 9/26/17</u> 7:00 For the People 12:00 Andrea Vadney Alfred Maroli	<u>Thursday 9/28/17</u> 7:00 Special Intentions 12:00 Ellen Picotte William Reilly	

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. We are very grateful to the parishioners of Blessed Sacrament, the McDonald Family and Mac's Drive-In for helping us raise funds, September 1st, for our upcoming visit to Indianapolis in November. If you would like to help our fundraising for NCYC, please contact me if you have any questions, Kelly Hession 518-424-8812

FAITH FORMATION: A very warm welcome back to all of our Faith Formation Families! *Just a reminder that all grades will now meet Sundays from 9:00 a.m. until 10:15a.m. We encourage all students and families to attend 10:30 Mass afterwards.* To register or if you have any questions, please contact Kelly Hession 518-424-8812

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.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL: The Parish Pastoral Council will meet this Monday evening, September 25th at 7:00 p.m. in the Forman Room.

OVER 50 CLUB: The Over 50 Club will meet on Monday October 2nd at 12:30 in the Church Hall. Bring your dessert to share. For more information contact Anne Snyder 518-869-5247

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. You can find registration forms in church. All are welcome.

SESSIONS FOR THOSE CONSIDERING BECOMING MEMBERS OF OUR CATHOLIC CHURCH: Meetings have begun and are held on *Wednesday evenings at 7:00 p.m.* in the Forman Room in the Church Hall.

ADULT CONFIRMATION CLASSES: Meetings have begun and are held on *Thursday evenings at 7:00 p.m.* in the Forman Room in the Church Hall. Confirmation will be held Sunday December 3rd at 12 Noon. You are welcome to join either group. Please call Sr. Jude at the Rectory for more information. (518) 482-3375.

FOOD PANTRY FACTS: During the month of August we served 290 families in our food pantry, 39 for the first time. Among those served were 283 children, 55 of them under the age of four. There were 572 adults served, with 59 who are over the age of 65. This can only happen through generosity in contributions to the poor boxes and donation of grocery items. Thank you so much for your support! In the coming weeks if you are thinking of making a donation, could you please consider donating toothpaste, tooth brushes or deodorant. Thank you!

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.

HOLY NAME SOCIETY: 50/50 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.

Blessing of the Animals: To celebrate the feast of St. Francis of Assisi, we welcome animals for a special blessing on October 7th at 12 Noon by the statue of St. Francis in the rear parking lot

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