

# Church of the Blessed Sacrament

607 Central Avenue Albany, New York 12206 - Phone 482-337

## Shrine Church of Our Lady of the Americas

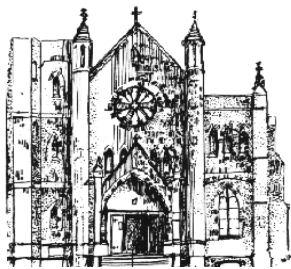
273 Central Avenue Albany, New York 12206 - Phone 465-3685

Rev. John J. Bradley, Pastor

Rev. Francis A. O'Connor - Shrine Church Chaplain

Rev. Juanito Asprec-Parochial Vicar

Over One Hundred Years of Faith and Tradition



Established 1902

Organist: Ed Savoy  
Pastoral Associate: Sr. Judith Kapp, RSM  
Parish Secretary: Rebecca Hanson  
In Residence (Retired) Rev. George St. John  
In Residence Rev. Francis A. O'Connor  
Deacon: Raymond Sullivan  
Parish: <http://www.blessedsacramentalbany.org/>  
Email: [blessedsacramentalbany@aol.com](mailto:blessedsacramentalbany@aol.com)  
Religious Education Office: 446-0997  
[BlessedSacramentChurchAlbany.FF@rcda.org](mailto:BlessedSacramentChurchAlbany.FF@rcda.org)

Religion Education: Mrs. Kelly Hession  
Mrs. Christina Wiley  
School Principal: Sr. Patricia Lynch, RSM  
School Secretary: Mrs. Nancy Kelly  
Shrine Church Pastoral Associate: Sr. Grace R. Diaz, S.N.J.M.  
School: <http://www.blessedsacramentschool.net/>  
Email: [bss@nycap.rr.com](mailto:bss@nycap.rr.com)  
Blessed Sacrament School: 438-5854

## Second Sunday In Ordinary Time

January 14, 2018

Processional: Praise To The Lord-Gather #527

Gloria: Music Card #2

Responsorial Psalm: The Lord is My Light-Gather #39

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia – Gather #26

*“Speak,  
for your  
servant is  
listening!”*  
1 Samuel 3:10

Holy Holy: Music Card #3

Mystery of Faith: We Proclaim- Music Card #5

Great Amen: “Amen, Amen, amen

Lamb of God: Gather #207

Communion: Look Beyond- Gather #843

Recessional: Christ Is The King- Gather #481

### FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK:

As we enter into a New Year, we always look ahead to what we hope for, and what has to be done in the coming year. At this point, we are half way through a school year, and planning ahead for the upcoming school year.

Traditionally at this time we have a national celebration of Catholic Schools week to highlight our schools, and what we have to offer. As part of this week, each school hosts an Open House for the parishioners, people who support the schools, people interested in sending a child to our schools, school families, and the wider local community.

Our Open House will be **Sunday, January 28<sup>th</sup>, 2018, from 10:00AM to 12:00 noon**. Please consider stopping in to see our beautiful facility that provides the setting for our school family to provide quality Catholic Education in all fields, and helps build the foundation for a successful faith filled life.

I thank all of you for supporting our school, spread the word about it, and invite others to see the jewel we have in the gift of our school and school faculty. The heart of our school is the students, the dedicated faculty, Sister Patricia our Principal, and the many volunteers who help us offer so many programs and activities.

**SCRIPTURE READINGS:** Scripture readings for this week: 1S 31 3-10, 1COR 6:13-20, JN 1:35-42

**COLLECTION NEWS:** Regular: \$9,917.00. When away, please remember your parish envelope gift upon your return. We appreciate your ongoing support. If you would like to receive your 2017 tax statement, please call the Rectory and Rebecca will be happy to help you. 518-482-3375.

**PARISH COUNCIL:** There will be a Parish Council Meeting on Monday, January 15<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm, in the Forman Room.

**FINANCE COMMITTEE:** Finance Committee will meet on Thursday, January 18<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm, in the Forman Room.

**COLONIE CENTER SCHOOL BUCKS:** is now in full swing. Purchases can be registered in name of our school. Receipts must be registered at the Service Desk (now located near the 1<sup>st</sup> floor entrance near Barnes and Noble, under the movie theater, in front of Five Guys) within 60 days of purchase. Receipts 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 a volunteer 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.**





**PRE-SCHOOL/PRE-K:** Are you looking for a Pre-School 3 year old program, or a 4 year old Pre-K, or know someone that is for next September? **WE HAVE THE ANSWER**, our Parish School offers established programs in these areas. Call the School for information at 438-5854, email at [bss@nycap.rr.com](mailto:bss@nycap.rr.com) or check us out on line at [www.blessedsacramentschool.net/](http://www.blessedsacramentschool.net/).

Please remember the gift and presence of our Parish School. On **Sunday, January 28<sup>th</sup>, from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM**, we will be having an **Open House** for anyone interested in sending a child here next year for all our parishioners who would like to see the school. Our four-year old and three-year old Pre-K offers the option of full or half-day classes. The Kindergarten is a full day session. All have the option of after school care. You can register for all these programs and grades 1 – 8 at the Open House on January 28<sup>th</sup>. Please spread the word!

Open House



<p><b>Saturday 1/13/2018</b> 4:00: Robert Mittler – 2<sup>nd</sup> Anniv Deceased members of the Horan, Martin &amp; Ringwood families Jean Thomas Special Intention Mary &amp; John Miller</p>	<p><b>Monday 1/15/2018</b> 9:00 Sr. Elizabeth Phelan, SNJM Helen Neilon (72<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">*Offices Will Be Closed*</p>	<p><b>Wednesday 1/17/2018</b> 7:00 Special Intentions  12:00 Kevin Foley</p>	<p><b>Friday 1/18/2018</b> 7:00 For the People  12:00 Florence Ladouceur</p>
<p><b>Sunday 1/14/2018</b> 9:00 For the People  10:30 Mary Ann Kessler Mary Hunt Florence Ladouceur Mae Caputo Rita Hogan  12:00 Foley and Stockman Families Nicola Audino Carmella Crisafulli Silue Kanigui</p>	<p><b>Tuesday 1/16/2018</b> 7:00 For the People  12:00 Florence Ladouceur</p> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div>	<p><b>Thursday 1/18/2018</b> 7:00 William J. Reilly  12:00 John Thornton</p>	<div style="text-align: center;">  <p><b>Mass Intentions</b></p> </div>

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



**FABULOUS FEBRUARY: IS BACK!** Tickets are \$10 for a drawing every day in February. On **Valentine's Day**, \$1,000 is given; on **weekends**, \$100 and **weekdays**, \$50. All winners are put back into the drum and could be pulled again. Invite others to help with this fundraiser for the School by buying and helping to sell these popular tickets. Red flyers at the exits list prizes for each day and the bottom is the ticket. Cut it off and return with your \$10 donation. This is school's major fundraiser. Thank you for your support. It begins in just a few weeks!

**FAITH FORMATION FOR YOUTH:** As a reminder we do not have Faith Formation classes this Sunday, due to the Monday Holiday for Martin Luther King Jr. Day. We will have classes on the 21<sup>st</sup> but are off again on the 28<sup>th</sup> due to the Blessed Sacrament School Open House. Please don't forget the First Reconciliation Retreat is scheduled for January 21<sup>st</sup> as well, from 9:00 a.m. 1:00 p.m. Please contact Kelly Hession at 518-446-0997 or email [BlessedSacramentChurchAlbany.FF@rcda.org](mailto:BlessedSacramentChurchAlbany.FF@rcda.org) if you have any questions.

**FOOD PANTRY FACTS:** During the month of December we served 216 families in our food pantry. Among those served were 234 children, 42 of them under the age of four. There were 411 adults served, 36 who are over the age of 65. This can only happen through the 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 Hearty Soups, 5 or 10 pound bags of flour or sugar. Thank you!



**ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE:** English classes for adults held each Wednesday and Friday from 10:00 At 12:00 PM in Forman Room. Please pass this information to anyone looking to learn English. If interested come on any Wednesday or Friday.

**DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET:** Prayed the 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> 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; 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of month, 6:00 PM.

**HOLY NAME SOCIETY:** 50/50 raffle supports parish, youth, and school activities. Tickets available in Sacristy before/after Mass. Next meeting/drawing: **Mon. Feb. 5<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00pm.** New members are always welcome!

**JANUARY WINNERS!:** 1<sup>st</sup> Prize \$250.00: *H. Oropallo* 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize \$75.00: *Stephan (CDTA)* 3<sup>rd</sup> Prize: \$25.00- *F. Nigro* Congratulations to all!!

**THRIFT SHOP:** is open **Wed and Sat, 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM.** Items that are clean and in good working condition can be dropped off when the store is open. Stop in and check us out.

**We are ALWAYS in need of WINTER COATS household items, small appliances, lamps and linens.**

**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: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

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