

Church of the Blessed Sacrament

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Shrine Church of Our Lady of the Americas

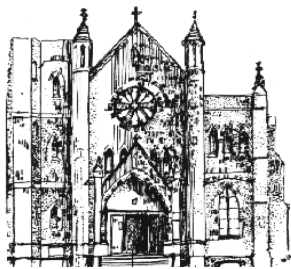
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Over One Hundred Years of Faith and Tradition



Established 1902

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Third Sunday In Ordinary Time

January 21, 2018

Processional: "Amazing Grace" -Gather #612

Gloria: Music Card #2

Responsorial Psalm: "To You, O Lord" -Gather #36

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia – Gather #263

Offertory: "Lord When You Came" – Gather #696

Holy Holy: Music Card #3

Mystery of Faith: We Proclaim- Music Card #5

Great Amen: "Amen, Amen, amen

Lamb of God: Gather #207

Communion: "You Are Our Living Bread" – Gather #819

Recessional: "Sing a New Song to the Lord"- Gather # 521

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK:

Next Sunday from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon our Parish School will be conducting an Open House for all our parishioners, neighbors and parents of prospective students. Please plan to attend and see the school and the displays the students have prepared. Thank you for supporting our wonderful school!

The School offers a Nursery program for 3 year olds, full and half day, with after school care available. This program is an excellent introduction and preparation for regular schooling. The School also offers a Pre-K program for 4 year olds, full and half day, also with after school care available.

Both programs have been well received and have been very successful. This current school year we were not able to accept all the applicants for the 4 year program. If this response continues, we could expand that program. To help us make this decision please consider registering early and spread the word to others and invite them to come and see what we have to offer.

The school also offers an excellent full day Kindergarten with the option of after school care and quality Catholic Education from grades one to eight. This June we will graduate our 101st class!

There are flyers at all of the exits advertising the Open House and what the school has to offer. Please post them where you can and give them to others who have school aged children. Please publicize the school and the Open House and thank you for your support of the school.

SCRIPTURE READINGS: Scripture readings for this week: JON 3:1-5, 10; 1 COR 7:29-31; MK1:14-20

COLLECTION NEWS: Regular: \$7,923.00 The second collection *this Sunday* is the monthly for the *Parish School*. The second collection *next Sunday* is the *fuel collection*. Thanks for all your help. *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.

Fabulous February

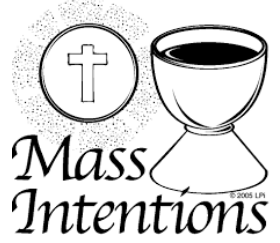
ONLY DAYS AWAY! Tickets are \$10 for a drawing every day in February. On **Valentine's Day**, \$1,000 is given; on **weekends**, \$100 and **weekdays**, \$50. All winners are put back into the drum and could be pulled again. Invite others to help with this fundraiser for the School by buying and helping 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!

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 or check us out on line at www.blessedsacramentschool.net/. Please remember the gift and presence of our Parish School. On **Sunday, January 28th, 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 28th. Please spread the word!

Open House



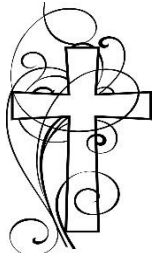
FUTURE CITIES: Blessed Sacrament School recently competed in the Future Cities Competition at the Armory Center on New Scotland Ave against 30 other local schools. For those of you not familiar with Future Cities, it is an after school club for 6th, 7th and 8th graders to learn engineering skills. The students work in a team with their teacher and engineering mentor to design, build, and present their city of the future. This year the students developed "White Water Haven" an age-friendly city located on the ocean. The students did an exceptional job on their city and won "**Most Innovative Architecture**" and "**Most Innovative Use of Green Space in a Community**." The model and awards are on display inside the school.

<p>Saturday 1/20/2018 4:00 Loretta and Howard Mittler Donald Schmalberger Mary Wygel Tony Mirable James Bulman Br. Edward J. Quintal C.S.C Sr. Mary Annette Tudico P.B.V.M.</p>	<p>Monday 1/22/2018 7:00 For the People 12:00 Florence Ladouceur</p>	<p>Wednesday 1/24/2018 7:00 Edward Muehleck 12:00 Special Intentions</p>	<p>Friday 1/26/2018 7:00 For the People 12:00 Special Intentions</p>
<p>Sunday 1/21/2018 9:00 For the People 10:30 Second Order of St. Francis James Bulman James D. Fink 12:00 John Ameral Elly Rogers Frank MacGowan</p>	<p>Tuesday 1/23/2018 7:00 Gail Q Harris 12:00 Paul Moran</p>	<p>Thursday 1/25/2018 7:00 For the People 12:00 Theresa Tangetti</p>	

CONFESSIONS EVERY SATURDAY FROM 3:00 - 3:30



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 1st 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



FAITH FORMATION FOR YOUTH: We will have classes this weekend but are off again on the 28th due to the Blessed Sacrament School Open House. The First Reconciliation Retreat is scheduled for January 21st from 9:00 a.m. 1:00 p.m. First Reconciliation service will be February 10th at the 12:00 noon Mass. Please contact Kelly Hession at 518-446-0997 or email 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 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.

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

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