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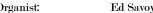
Shrine Church of Our Lady of the Americas

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THE $23^{ m RD}$ SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SEPTEMBER 9, 2018

Processional: Amazing Grace – Gather #612

Gloria: Music Card #2

Responsorial Psalm: I Will Praise Your Name

Forever – Gather #137

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia - Gather #261 Offertory: You Are Mine – Gather #649

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: You Are Our Living Bread

- Gather #819

Recessional: Now Thank We All Our God

-Gather #565

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

It has been a tough few weeks for Catholics in the United States. The report of Pennsylvania was devastating. The first thing that we need to say is that we are sorry. There is no excuse for this abuse and for the ways some Bishops have covered it up. WE are sorry any children or young adults were harmed. We are sorry that victims were not heard for so long.

We are sorry trust was broken. We are sorry that many people remained silent.

We are sorry. We are broken hearted.

I want to thank everyone who came to our prayer service for healing on Thursday night. It was a time of prayer and good conversation. Let us continue to pray for the victims of abuse, for one another and for the Church as we call upon the Lord to lead us to truth and healing.

Some of the participants suggested that we have an opportunity for another prayer service during the day. That's an excellent idea! Fr. Juanito and I will host another prayer service for healing on Monday September 17th at 12:30 p.m. in the church

Fr. Joe O'Brien

SCRIPTURE READINGS: Isaiah 35:4-7; James 2: 1-5; Mark 7:31-37

COLLECTION NEWS: Our regular collection last weekend was: \$7,955.00. It has been a hot summer! Imagine where we'd be without our air conditioning. This weekend we have the first of three fuel collections of the year. It helps ease our heating and air conditioning expenses. Please consider a generous gift to support our climate control expense. When away please remember your envelope upon your return. Your stewardship makes all things possible.

DATES TO REMEMBER: Here are some important dates coming up in our Parish:

Confirmation Retreat – Saturday, September 8th at 8:00 a.m.

Religious Education Registration – Sunday, September 9th from 9:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Adult Confirmation and RCIA – begins Thursday, September 13th (RCIA at 6:30; Adult confirmation at 7:15 p.m.) Marriage Jubilee Celebration – is being held Sunday, October 7th at 2:00 p.m. at the Cathedral of the Immaculate

Conception; Bishop Edward B. Scharfenberger will be the Presider.

We are still accepting enrollment for our Nursery and Pre-K programs!! If you have any questions regarding enrollment please contact Principal, Maureen Daurio at 518-438-5854

Blessed Sacrament School is seeking an Assistant in our After Care Program: This position would involve working with our students in grades 5 through 8, providing supervision, assisting in the completion of homework and mentoring. The hours of the program are from 2:50-5:25 each day, following the school calendar. Interested parties should contact Principal Maureen Daurio at 518-438-5854 or mdaurio@blessedsacrementschool.net.

SCHOOL BUCKS AT COLONIE CENTER: Are you doing back- to-school shopping? Picking up things for fall clean-up? Looking for a good book to read this fall??! Shop at Colonie Center and register your receipts for School Bucks to support Blessed Sacrament School. You can register your receipts up to 60 from the date of your original purchase. You may also bring your receipts to the rectory.

Saturday 9/8/2018 4:00 Sr. Mary Coons, RSM Gonzalez & Segarra Families Charles & Loratta Getto Alex Bencivengo (30 th anniv.) Anne Strycharz (3 rd Anniv.)	Monday 9/10/2018 7:00 (Intentions Available) 12:00 Fredrick Snyder Helen Mackey	Wednesday 9/12/2018 7:00 (Intentions Available) 12:00 Suzanne Meher Katie Lynch Farrell Casey Ryan Lynch John & Mary Lynch	Friday 9/14/2018 7:00 Joseph & Frances Bologna 12:00 Fiorello LoGuidice Robert Bradley
Sunday 9/9/2018 9:00 For the People 10:30 Mary Anne Weinman Maria Chien Nguyen Marcia Pascal Casimo & Maria Ricupero 12:00 James A. Morrill Sara Anne Tenney Marianne Tribley Salvatore Cusato	Tuesday 9/11/2018 7:00 (Intentions Available) 12:00 David Brady (Special Intentions)	Thursday 9/13/2018 7:00 Jack & Brian Cromie 12:00 Katie Lynch Farrell Casey Ryan Lynch Joan Hayden Robert Mittler Ray Sparling, Jr. (4th Anniv.)	MASS Intentions

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

<u>ADULT FAITH FORMATION & RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS:</u> We will meet Thursday September 13th- RCIA will meet at 6:30 p.m. and Adult Confirmation will meet at 7:15. More details about future meetings will be given then.

<u>FAITH FORMATION FOR YOUTH</u>: Registration for K-11th will take place on Sunday, September 9th, 9:00-1:30 in the school. Fall Session begins Sunday, September 16th, 9:00-10:15, followed by 10:30 Mass. Please continue to keep all of our youth and families in your daily prayers. If you have any questions please contact Mrs. Kelly Hession at 518-424-8812 or email her at kellyhessionbsc@yahoo.com.

HEARTS AFLAME EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS: Be Sure to Register for Hearts Aflame, it is only a few weeks away! It is important to register in advance at <u>rcda.org/hearts aflame</u>, or by using one of the printed registration forms. This historic gathering is for everyone in our diocese. Led by Bishop Ed, the event's primary focus is on our Lord Jesus in the Eucharist. It is a time of joy, fellowship, prayer, and unity. The day will include: Mass with the Bishop, Inspirational speakers, Activities for children and Youth, Eucharistic Adoration & Procession. Hearts Aflame will be held on September 22, from 9am to 3pm, at the Shrine of the North American Martyrs in Auriesville. All in the Diocese of Albany are invited to attend. Register at <u>rcda.org/heartsaflame</u>

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISSI CELEBRATION with the Blessing of Animals on Saturday October 6 at 12 noon by the statue of St. Francis in the rear parking lot. Please be sure to have your animals on leash or contained in some manner. If you have questions, feel free to call me: Roberta Hall Slade, 518-442-4726.

ROSARY GUILD We will meet on Thursday, Sept. 20 at 12:30 in the Forman Room. We'll be taking up our annual collection for "Comfort Bags" for children of abuse. Some items needed are: stuffed animals (about 12" tall), storybooks, coloring books and crayons; whatever you think appropriate. Fr. Joe will be our Guest Speaker.

Come meet Fr. Joe and have lunch with us. All ladies of the Parish are invited.

THE OVER FIFTY CLUB: The Over 50 Club will meet this Monday, September 10th downstairs in the church at 12:30. Bring your lunch and a dessert to share. We will be collecting our \$2.00 yearly dues. For more info. contact Anne Snyder at (518)869-5247.

RECITATION OF THE ROSARY: The Rosary is said the first Tuesday of each month after the Noon Mass.

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.

HOLY NAMES SOCIETY: The 50/50 raffle supports parish, youth, and school activities. Tickets are available in Sacristy before/after Mass. Winners from the September 4th drawing were: \$250 – Y. Catalano (J. Dobek); \$75 – L. Loparco (G. Loparco); \$25 – J&P VanWie (M. Batza). Our next meeting/drawing: **Monday, October 1st at 7:00 PM**.