

Church of the Blessed Sacrament

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Shrine Church of Our Lady of the Americas

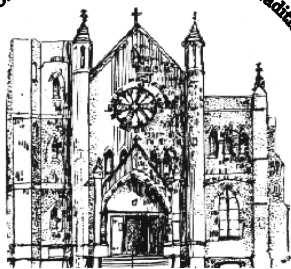
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Rev. Francis A. O'Connor - Shrine Church Chaplain

Rev. Brian Slezak - Associate Pastor

Over One Hundred Years of Faith and Tradition



Established 1902

Organist: Ed Savoy
Pastoral Associate: Sr. Judith Kapp, RSM
Parish Secretary: Fred Talarico
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TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JUNE 20 AND 21, 2015

Processional: O God Our Help In Ages Past – Gather #614
Glory to God: Music Card #2
Responsorial Psalm: The Lord Is Kind and Merciful – Gather #100
Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia - Gather # 263
Preparation of the Gifts: Be Not Afraid- Gather # 608
Holy, Holy: Music Card #4

Mystery of Faith: Save Us – Music Card #6
Great Amen: Amen
Lamb of God: Gather #207
Communion Music: Look Beyond – Gather #843
Recessional: How Great Thou Art – Gather #494

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK:

This Sunday is the national celebration of **Father's Day**. On this day we offer our Masses for all our fathers living and deceased. Their dedication to their family is a mirror of Jesus' love for us. They give of themselves and sacrifice their own interests for their children. Each of us is blessed by their lives of selfless service and today we thank them for all they have done for us. May God continue to bless and inspire them in their beautiful vocation. After Mass today, the ushers will give a prayer card to each of the men present as a sign of our thanks and appreciation for all of our fathers. During each Mass we will have a **blessing** of all the fathers present.

Graduation ceremonies have taken place or will soon take place, completing another school year. Personally, and on behalf of the Parish Family, I extend to all of our graduates at every level of academic achievement our congratulations and prayerful best wishes as they move on to continue their education, or to join the work force.

Education is the foundation of our growth and success, and our faith growth guides and directs all of our growth and development as Jesus asks of us.

Our Catholic Education plays an important part in the development of our youth. Our own parish school has passed on the traditions of our faith for 99 years. The School is a special place, please do all you can to promote and support it. Encourage families with children to come and see what we have to offer. Call the School and come in to see Sr. Patricia our Principal. Thank you for all you do for the Parish, the School, and our many parish programs.

Many of our graduates go on to Bishop Maginn High School, and have been receiving an excellent education in all areas. As the school moves this summer to a new location, the fine education will still be offered to students. Sister Patricia and I visited the new school recently and were impressed by the building and work being done there. It will be an excellent setting for students and faculty.

Please do all you can to support and encourage this new venture that continues the opportunity of Catholic Education following the tradition of the Schools that formed the current school. These include Cathedral Academy High School, St. John's and St. Ann's High Schools, Vincentian Institute and Cardinal McClosky High School.

PLEASE NOTE THE DATES OF UPCOMING EVENTS:

SCHOOL NEWS: We are **accepting registrations** for next year. Please call the school for more information or to set up an appointment. We offer quality Catholic education from 3-year old nursery to 8th grade. The 3 and 4 year old programs are offered for full or half day. Kindergarten is full day and **all have the option of after school care**. Please continue to spread the news about our school. Thanks for helping us with the flyers.

On **August 10th**, our Parish School will host an **Open House from 6:00 – 7:30 PM**. Please spread the word to family and friends or any other family you know who may be interested in a Catholic School Education for their child. Thank you for your ongoing support of our school.

PARISH PICNIC: Save the date: **Thursday, August 6th at 4:00 PM**, west Albany Pocket Park. See you there.



FAMILY FESTIVAL: We are always looking ahead, and planning for our many Parish events and activities. Our **Annual Family Festival** will be held on **Saturday, October 17th**. We are currently looking for people who can help prepare and cook for the food served in the Church Hall on that day. We have people who do the acquisition and purchasing of the food, but we are in need of cooks.

We need people to pick up donations and gifts from merchants. If you can help please fill out the tab on back of the bulletin, and put it in the collection basket. We would like to get these needs lined up as soon as possible. Thank you for considering these needs.

SCRIPTURE READINGS: Scripture readings for this week: **JB 38: 1-11; 2 COR 5: 14-17; MK 4: 35-41.**

COLLECTION NEWS: Regular collection **\$9,118; School \$2,177**. If you are away, please remember your parish with your envelope gift upon your return. We appreciate and need your ongoing support. **Second collection this Sunday is the annual Catholic Communication Campaign. Second collection next Sunday is for our Parish bus.**

BISHOPS APPEAL UPDATE: Eighth week: **\$100,936** pledged by **443** donors. We are doing well and we need the support of everyone to continue the works of Christ across the Diocese, and to help us meet our share of Diocesan expenses which is **\$102,705**. If we have not heard from you, please consider a gift or pledge. **Your envelope can be placed in the collection today.**

<p>Saturday 06/20/15 4:00 Rita, Peter, Marilyn DeFonce Rose Dunderson Robert T. Marsh – 3rd Anniv Loretta and Howard Miller Thomas Mittler, John Mooney Mary Beth Rourke 7:00 Regina and Frank Hart Michael Romano, Sr.</p>	<p>Monday 06/22/15 7:00 Stefan Wittbrodt 12:00 Brian F. Jeffers David Kalled Sr. Anne Lawlor, RSM</p>	<p>Wednesday 06/24/15 7:00 Stefan Wittbrodt 12:00 Lindsey D. Adriance – 3rd Anniv Nancy Goodheart Honora and James Kinney</p>	<p>Friday 06/26/15 7:00 Joseph and Frances Bologna Kazimer Deutch 12:00 William J. and Anna V. Connolly Brian Cromie John C. Cromie Catherine F. Griessel</p>
<p>Sunday 06/21/15 9:00 <i>Father's Day</i> 10:30 <i>For All Fathers</i> 12:00 <i>Living and Deceased</i></p> 	<p>Tuesday 06/23/15 7:00 Norbert Crouchley Danuta Turbak 12:00 Donald E. Gower Patricia J. Kelly Thomas J. Mantica</p>	<p>Thursday 06/25/15 7:00 Fr. Charles Gaffigan Souls in Purgatory 12:00 Gonzalez Family Lydia Nieves Joseph Palazzola Segarra Family</p>	

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

BISHOP MAGINN: Bishop Maginn is accepting applications for the **2015-2016** school year at the new school location, 75 Park Avenue, Albany. For more information, please contact Tina Resciniti at (518) 463-2247 or visit our website at www.bishopmaginn.org. Thank you for your support.

BISHOP MAGINN GOLF CLASSIC: **Monday, July 27th**, Shaker Ridge Country Club, Loudonville, NY. Come support the event at the Cocktail Reception, 5:30 PM - \$65. per person. For more information, contact, Joe Grasso, 463-2247, etc. 110.

THE GARDEN OF FEED'N: On behalf of the Sr. Maureen Joyce Center we would like to thank all of you who donated plants for their community garden. They have plenty and the garden area is full. Thanks for your help with this endeavor.

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY: Follow us on facebook-www.facebook.com/groups/bsyam or e-mail blessedsacyam@aol.com

FAITH FORMATION FOR YOUTH: This fall we will begin offering **Catechesis of the Good Shepherd** for pre-school through Kindergarten (3 – 6 year old) children. This form of faith formation is hands on and based on the Montessori Method of learning. Sessions will be held in a specially prepared room called “the atrium” on Mondays, 3:45 – 5:45 PM beginning September 21st. Enrollment forms and more information available at the Church entrances. Please contact Andrea Reno: aapreno@gmail.com or Kelly Hession if you have any questions. - Email: kellyhessionbsc@yahoo.com; Phone: 518-225-4897

YOUTH MINISTRY: Come celebrate summer with an ice cream social at **Kurver Kreme** on Friday, **August 26th** at 7:00 PM. Next weekend, several of our youth will be attending retreats focused on Christian leadership. Our thoughts and prayers are with Frank, James, Emma, Alana, and Peter. May they feel God’s love and guidance as they experience this wonderful opportunity. Contact Mrs. Hession for more information. Email: kellyhessionbsc@yahoo.com; Phone: 518-225-4897.

INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC? At the Easter Vigil, **7** people came into our Church. If you know someone who is interested in becoming a Full Member of the Catholic Church, please contact Sr. Jude for more information. You can contact her at the Rectory, 482-3375 or by email: pastoralassociatebsc@yahoo.com

EXPOSITION OF BLESSED SACRAMENT: First Friday of the month after 7:00 AM Mass; Benediction at 11:45 AM.

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 the Sacristy before and after Mass. Next meeting/drawing: **Mon. July 6th, 7:00 PM**, Church Hall. 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 in need of household items, small appliances, lamps and linens.**

FAMILY FESTIVAL

NAME _____ **PHONE #** _____

Please Check:

- I can help **cook** for the Family Festival I can help **pick up donations** for the Family Festival



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: _____ () I am new to the parish
Address: _____ () Send me “The Evangelist”
Phone: _____ Email: _____ () Please send church envelopes