

Church of the Blessed Sacrament

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Shrine Church of Our Lady of the Americas

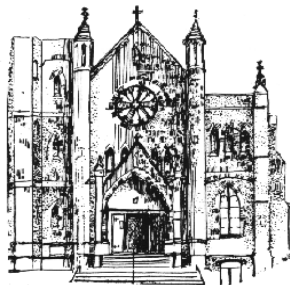
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Rev. Joseph O'Brien, Pastor

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Rev. Juanito Asprec-Parochial Vicar

Over One Hundred Years of Faith and Tradition



Established 1902

Organist: Ed Savoy
Food Pantry Coordinator: Sr. Patricia Lynch
Parish Secretary: Rebecca Hanson
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SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

APRIL 28, 2019

Procession: **We Walk By Faith** – Gather #590
Glory to God: Music Card #1
Responsorial Psalm: **This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.**
Gospel Acclamation: **Easter Alleluia** - Gather #424
Offertory: **O Sons and Daughters** – Gather #423
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 Music: **Take and Eat** – Gather #831
Recessional: **That Easter Day With Joy Was Bright** – Gather #445

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK:

Each year, during the Easter season, Bishop Scharfenberger asks the people of our parish, along with the people of every parish in our diocese, to make our annual gift to the Bishop's Appeal.

Thanks to your generosity, the Bishop's Appeal provides the resources to over 30 ministries, Catholic schools and Catholic Charities which serve God's People in so many ways. With your gift, you are supporting Catholic Charities in 14 counties, Catholic schools, catechist formation, college and hospital chaplains, counseling services, marriage preparation programs, and lay persons and seminarians being formed to serve the people of our diocese.

The one thing the Bishop's Appeal *is not about* is the Bishop. It's all about Jesus. Thanks to the generous gifts from you and your families, all of ministry and service is made possible. Your gifts go a long way to helping spread the Good News of Jesus Christ. Truly, Jesus is alive in the world today, and your witness and generosity speaks volumes on his behalf.

I will share some information about the Appeal with you today. Next weekend, May 5, will be our Commitment Weekend. I ask our parish families to spend some time this week to consider what you can do to *Live the Gospel and Change Lives*. I will share some information about the Appeal with you today. Next weekend, May will be our Commitment Weekend. I ask our parish families to spend some time this week to consider what you can do to *Live the Gospel and Change Lives*.

Please take part in the Bishop's Appeal and let your gift make a difference in the lives of people all around our diocese. Thank you for your prayerful consideration!

Peace, Fr. Joe

FROM THE SECRETARY'S DESK:

It is with bittersweet sentiments that I advise I will be moving on from Blessed Sacrament Parish. I have accepted a position at Our Lady of Victory, in Troy, as Faith Formation Coordinator and Youth Minister. While my time serving this parish as Secretary and office support was very fulfilling, my real heart and calling is with young people and families in our diocese. My appreciation for all you have done to make me feel like part of the parish family over these last couple of years.

With that in mind, we are looking for a qualified candidate to fill this position. We have detailed information on the specifications of this opening on our website www.BlessedSacramentAlbany.org. If you, or someone you know is interested please have them send their resume, along with letter of intent and two references to BlessedSacramentAlb@gmail.com

Again, my thanks for all of your kindness. Please know my prayers are with you today, tomorrow and always.

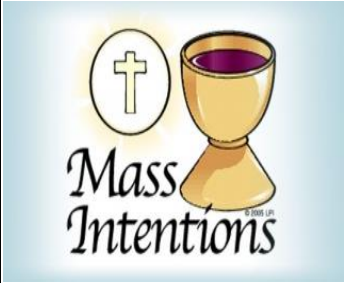
Rebecca

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS: Acts 5:12-16; Revelation 1:9-11, 12-13, 17-19; John 20:19-31

COLLECTION NEWS: Our offertory collection for April 21, 2019 was **\$21,985**. Thank you for your generous Easter gifts for Blessed Sacrament. *Your continued stewardship makes all things possible.* If you were away for Easter, or just coming back from some time away with your children, or if you're back from a few months in Florida, please remember to bring your old envelopes. Your support sustains our parish ministries and, on a practical level, helps us pay the bills. Easter gifts are welcome this weekend and next weekend... in the collection basket or dropped off at the parish office. Many thanks for all you do!



SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE: Blessed Sacrament School will be hosting an **Open House for prospective families on Thursday, May 9 from 6 to 7 pm.** *Maximize Your Child's Potential!* Come discover Blessed Sacrament School. We are now accepting applications for Nursery through 8th grade. We offer a faith-filled, loving, nurturing environment, after-school care available until 5:30 p.m., and a wide variety of extracurricular activities. Please share this information with your friends and neighbors!

<p><u>Saturday 4/27/2019</u> 4:00 Mildred & Ed Mannix Segarra & Gonzalez Families Catherine & Bill Murphy Grace Thornton Eileen Germaine Deb Schumacher</p>	<p><u>Monday 4/29/2019</u> 7:00 Ada & William Houlton, Sr. 12:00 Cesar Auguste Mansilla N.</p>	<p><u>Wednesday 5/1/2019</u> 7:00 Peter Volks 12:00 Mr. & Mrs. Frank Bishop</p>	<p><u>Friday 5/3/2019</u> 7:00 James Miller 12:00 Lisa St. Hilaire (2nd anniv.) Deborah Schramek</p>
<p><u>Sunday 4/28/2019</u> 9:00 For the People 10:30 3rd Order of St. Francis Father Thomas J. Mantica DiCarlo & Ricupero Families 12:00 James Morrill Sara Tenney Peggy Puls Thomas M. Breslin</p>	<p><u>Tuesday 4/30/2019</u> 7:00 Joseph & Frances Bologna 12:00 Health of Teri Horn</p>	<p><u>Thursday 5/2/2019</u> 7:00 Health of Beverly Shogry 12:00 <i>Intentions available</i></p>	

6:00 p.m. Mass on Sundays, in Urdu, for our Pakistani Parishioners.

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

FAITH FORMATION FOR YOUTH: The wonderful celebration of Mother’s Day is approaching. Our Faith Formation program is putting together a Mother’s Day basket to raffle off before and after Masses on May 4th and 5th. The raffle will be drawn and announced on Sunday May 5th. All proceeds will benefit our faith formation and youth ministry programs. Many thanks to all of our families, Catechists and volunteers for a wonderful and faith-filled Faith Formation year. **First Eucharist is Sunday, May 19th at noon** with a **mandatory rehearsal** with parents on **May 18th at noon** in the church. Please continue to check your emails for updates and service opportunities. Please contact Kelly Hession or Shannon Crisafulli if you have any questions.

SCHOOL BUCKS PROGRAM: UPDATE! - Colonie Center is making a few changes to the School Bucks Program. **There are now two new ways to redeem School Bucks Points!** School Bucks completed forms & receipts can be turned in Monday-Friday 9:00am-4:30pm in the Management Office, located on the First Floor at the end of the hall between Sephora & Justice. School Bucks Drop Box is now located at the desk by the escalator between Menchie’s & Five Guys. Please complete the itemized form. Place the form and receipts in the envelope and drop it in the box. ***when using the School Bucks drop box your receipts will not be returned*** **From now until the end of the program we are offering TRIPLE POINTS for purchases made at these stores: American Eagle, Bose, Cinnabon, Christopher & Banks, Glennpeter Jewelers, and Super Taco**

CAMP SCULLY: Camp Scully is a day and overnight camp for all children ages 5-16, which is located in North Greenbush on Snyder’s Lake. Camp runs from June 30 to August 16, 2019 with one-week sessions. The overnight camp includes cabins for 70 children who reside at the camp from Sunday afternoon through Friday evening. All day and night campers will partake in swimming, hiking, sports, canoeing, arts and crafts, challenge course, archery and peer socialization. Registration can be completed fully online by visiting www.campscully.camp and clicking the Register Now button. If internet access is a problem please call 518-512-3577 and our registrar can help you. There are a number of full scholarships available for low-income families.

OVER FIFTY CLUB: The Over 50 Club will meet Monday May 6th at 12:30 downstairs in the church hall. Kate Dudding, an award winning storyteller, will share stories that may restore your faith in human goodness. Bring your lunch and a dessert to share. All are welcome.

HOLY NAMES SOCIETY: Our next monthly meeting is on May 6th at 7 pm. 50/50 tickets are available in the Sacristy after all Masses. All men of the parish are invited to attend.

RECITATION OF THE ROSARY: Come pray the Rosary on the first Tuesday of each month after the Noon Mass.

DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET: Prayed the 2nd, 3rd and 4th Tues each month after noon Mass. Prayer cards will be available.

LEGION OF MARY: Meets every Tuesday at 6 p.m. in the Forman Room.

THRIFT SHOP: The Shop is open on Wednesdays and Saturdays from 10 am-1 pm. Please bring your donations during hours of operation only.



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 envelope

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