

Church of the Blessed Sacrament

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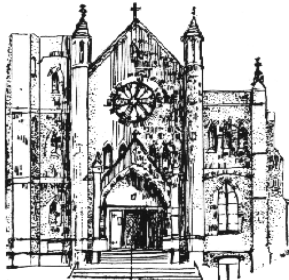
Shrine Church of Our Lady of the Americas

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

Rev. Joseph O'Brien, Pastor

Rev. Francis O'Connor - Shrine Church Chaplain

Over One Hundred Years of Faith and Tradition



Established 1902

Organist: Ed Savoy
Food Pantry Coordinator: Sr. Patricia Lynch
Parish Secretary: Barbara Collen
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Blessed Sacrament School: 518-438-5854

19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

AUGUST 11, 2019

Procession: **We Walk By Faith** – Gather 590
Glory To God – Music Card #2
Responsorial Psalm: **“We are his people, the sheep
of his flock, His people, the sheep of his flock.”**
Gospel Acclamation: **Alleluia** – Gather #263
Offertory: **Eye Has Not Seen** - Gather #638



Holy, Holy: Music Card #4
Mystery of Faith: Save Us – Music Card #6
Great Amen: Amen, amen, amen
Lamb of God: Gather # 314
Communion Music: **Take and Eat** - Gather #831
Recessional: **Alleluia Sing to Jesus** - Gather #521

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK: Thursday, August 15th is the Solemnity of the Assumption of Mary which we observe as a holy day of obligation. Blessed Sacrament will celebrate this day with a Vigil Mass on Wednesday at 5 pm and on Thursday with Masses at 7 am and 12 noon.

We are nearing the end of the Summer... It's time for our **Blessed Sacrament School open house on Thursday from 6:00 - 7:30 pm.** Parents and children are most welcome... come learn about the great programs we have for you! It's also time for Back-to-School shopping! (Please keep your Colonie Center receipts for the School Bucks program!) There is more information in today's bulletin listing the items we need.

Also, as Summer comes to an end, our two seminarians, Louis Namugera and Nsikak Obot, will be returning to our diocesan house of discernment and continue their studies at St. Bernard's. We will have a reception for them after our 4 pm Vigil Mass on Saturday, August 24th or you can wish them well after our Masses on Sunday, August 25th.

Peace, Fr. Joe

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS: Wisdom 18:6-9; Hebrews 11:1-9; Luke 12:32-48

COLLECTION NEWS: Our offertory collection from last weekend was **\$7,347.** Our second collection next weekend is our monthly school collection. *Your continued stewardship makes all things possible.* Many thanks for all you do!

BISHOP'S APPEAL NEWS: At the end of our 13th week the Appeal has **335** gifts and **\$82,395** was given or pledged. If you did not make a pledge or gift last week, please do so today. Many of you received envelopes in the mail and there are Bishop's Appeal envelopes at all the exits. You can put them in the regular collection. Our goal (our parish's share of their diocesan expenses) is \$103,200. Did you know you may also make a gift or pledge online at <https://thebishopsappeal.org>

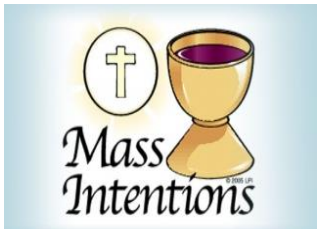
Let's celebrate Vicky Ragone; she's 99 years old! Happy Birthday Vicky!

FALL FESTIVAL: The Fall Festival is Saturday, September 28th. Please note that the Festival is a few weeks early this year. Festival raffle tickets are available in the parking lot vestibule for the next three weeks. Please save us postage by picking them up. Extra tickets are also available. First prize for most tickets sold is \$100 and second prize for most tickets sold is \$50. The Fall Festival Committee is still looking for a few people to make follow up calls to local vendors. If you are able to help out, please contact the Rectory at 518-482-3375.



SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE: Our Open House is Thursday, August 15th from 6:00 – 7:30 pm. Please Spread the Good News About Blessed Sacrament School!!! We are currently accepting registration for Nursery through Grade 8. Come explore all we have to offer. If you are unable to attend, call the School Office at 518-438-5854 for more information.

SCHOOL BUCKS: Save your Colonie Center Summer receipts! Please drop off after Mass or at the Rectory and note that they must be recorded within 60 days of purchase. If you would like your receipts returned to you, please provide a self-addressed envelope and we will send them. We will be able to get credit for purchases made throughout the summer.

Saturday 8/10/2019 4:00 Frances Trubridge Joseph P Muecheck Ralph Rupello Sr. Frances Lea Brown Mary Marsh	Monday 8/12/2019 7:00 Jack & Richard Penney Deceased members of Canning Family 12:00 John E Stevens	Wednesday 8/14/2019 7:00 Robert Cutting 12:00 Katie Lynch Farrell Casey Ryan Lynch John & Mary Lynch Mary Lunch Anna Mottolese (1 st Ann) 5:00 Vigil	Friday 8/16/2019 7:00 <i>Intentions Available</i> 12:00 Dorothy Connolly Charles Mendel & Son
Sunday 8/11/2019 9:00 For the People 10:30 Elizabeth Scafroli Maria Montano 12:00 Billy Hourigan (18 th Ann) Nicola Audino	Tuesday 8/13/2019 7:00 Paul Zimmer Robert Going 12:00 Robert Mittler David Kalled Gerald Miller	Thursday 8/15/2019 7:00 <i>Intentions Available</i> 12:00 Julia Micare & Family	

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

CONFESSIONS EVERY SATURDAY FROM 3:00 - 3:30 P.M.

BLESSED SACRAMENT SCHOOL: A new school year is just around the corner! Would you like to learn more about Blessed Sacrament School and our wonderful programs for children from age 3 through 8th grade? Please call our principal, Maureen Daurio, at 518-438-5854, or email her at mdaurio@blessedsacramentschool.net to ask questions or get a school tour.



Blessed Sacrament School is seeking a Pre-K Aid, Lunch Program Director, Certified Math and Certified Spanish teacher. Please send resume to Principal, Maureen Daurio, mdaurio@blessedsacramentschool.net

It's not too early to be thinking about back to school supplies as many stores will start advertising specials. School supplies requested are pens, pencils, crayons, folders, notebooks, tissue, paper towels and disinfecting wipes.

PLEASE NOTE: The "English As a Second Language" program provided through Literacy Volunteers of Rensselaer County using our Church basement meeting space on Friday mornings has been temporarily suspended operation due to lack of students. This is a wonderful service which has benefitted many in our parish and neighborhood over the years. The teacher is eager to restart this program. Please contact the rectory at 518-482-3375 if you are interested in attending classes or if you know of anyone who would be interested.



FAITH FORMATION NEWS: We are working hard this summer preparing for the upcoming Faith Formation year. If you are new to the parish, would like to register your son or daughter or hear more about our program, please email Mrs. Kelly Hession and Mrs. Shannon Crisafulli at faithformationbsc@gmail.com. You may also leave a message at the rectory at 518-482-3375.

Would you like to be more involved and become a catechist or volunteer? Please reach out to Father Joe, Mrs Hession or Mrs Crisafulli to explore the MANY options our program offers. "God doesn't call the qualified, God qualifies the called."

Upcoming dates: Confirmation Retreat is on Saturday, September 7th. Meet in parish parking lot at 7:45 am. Registration for Faith Formation is on Sunday, September 8th from 9-1:30 in school. Session begins on Sunday, September 15th 9-10:15 followed by attending 10:30 Mass.

ALTAR SERVERS: If your son or daughter is interested in becoming an altar server, please contact Fr Joe after any Mass or call 518-482-3375.

OUR FOOD PANTRY: Please continue your support of this ministry. We would greatly appreciate donations of personal hygiene items. Would you like to volunteer your time and talent at our food pantry? Please call the rectory for more information.

THRIFT SHOP: Looking for a deal, summer clothes will be on sale until the end of August. The Thrift Store is open on Wednesdays and Saturdays from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Please bring your donations during shop hours only. Would you like to become a volunteer at the Thrift Shop? Please call the Rectory if interested.

OVER 50 CLUB: Next meeting will be Monday, September 9th. For more information call Anne Snyder @ 518-869-5247.

HOLY NAMES SOCIETY: 50/50 Winners: 1st prize, H & B Fox; 2nd prize, G. Gregory; 3rd prize, G. Loparco. Next drawing, Tuesday, September 3rd. 50/50 tickets are available in the Sacristy after all Masses. Holy Names Society President Elmo Kearsing thanks our parishioners for supporting us by buying 50/50 tickets. Ticket proceeds fund the Msgr. Forman 8th Grade Scholarship (\$500), sponsor our Parish Picnic (\$625) and support Youth Ministry Program (\$325). In the past, we have donated \$7,000 for the school's Kindergarten classroom. All men of the parish are invited to attend our meetings.

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, 4th Tuesday each month after the noon Mass. Prayer cards will be available.

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

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