

Church of the Blessed Sacrament

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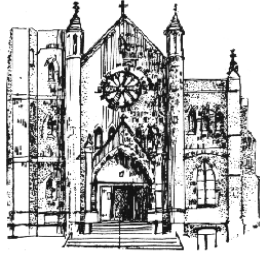
Shrine Church of Our Lady of the Americas

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
In Residence (Retired) Rev. George St. John
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Blessed Sacrament School: 518-438-5854

25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SEPTEMBER 22, 2019

Procession: **Praise To The Lord** - GATHER #527
Glory to God: Music Card #1
Responsorial Psalm: **To You O Lord** - GATHER #36
Gospel Acclamation: **Alleluia** - GATHER #261
Offertory: **Blest Are They** - GATHER # 659
Holy, Holy: Music Card #3



Mystery of Faith: We Proclaim- Music Card #5
Great Amen: Amen, Amen, Amen.
Lamb of God: GATHER # 207
Communion Music: **Taste And See** - GATHER #814
Recessional: **Joyful Joyful We Adore You** – GATHER #528

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK: Our Fall Festival is next Saturday! This is our big Fall community gathering. Come and see neighbors and friends. Everyone is welcome! Food, prizes, raffles and fun! We need some volunteers for the 3-5pm and 5-7pm time slots. Please call the Parish Office (482-3375) or the School (438-5854).

Would you like to become Catholic? Are you an adult Catholic who would like to receive Confirmation and Eucharist, or perhaps you weren't confirmed in your youth? Please contact me at blessedsacramentpastor@gmail.com or 518-482-3375. We're starting soon. If you were not baptized, or if you were baptized in a different Christian tradition, **this is your chance to receive sacraments.** If you are Catholic but never received Eucharist or Confirmation, **this is for you!**

New York Giants Tickets! We have a block of four tickets for the **Giants' Dec. 29th home game vs. the Philadelphia Eagles.** These are good seats: Level One, Section 103 with reserved parking included! This raffle **benefits Blessed Sacrament School** - tickets are \$25 or 5 for \$100. Would you help us promote this at work, school, neighborhood or with your family? Please take a poster home. Tickets are available in the sacristy, the parish office or at school.

Peace, Fr. Joe

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS: Amos 8:4-7; 1 Timothy 2:1-8; Luke 16:1-13.

COLLECTION NEWS: Our offertory collection from last weekend was **\$8,805**; our second collection for our Blessed Sacrament School was **\$2,384**. Our second collection this week is for Catholic University of America. Additional fuel \$306. **Your continued stewardship makes all things possible.** Many thanks for all you do!

BISHOP'S APPEAL: To date, we've received **347** gifts and **\$84,610** was given or pledged. If you did not make a pledge or gift last week, please do so today. You can put them in the regular collection or online at <https://thebishopsappeal.org>. Our goal (our parish's share of their diocesan expenses) is \$103,200.

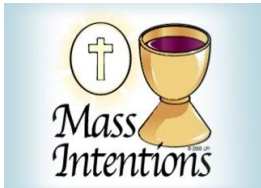


FALL FESTIVAL: Next Saturday! Raffle tickets, plants and craft items may be dropped off at School or the Parish Office during the week. Baked goods may be dropped off Friday or Saturday. We are still in need of volunteers to for the 3-5 and the 5-7 shifts. Please call the school at 518-438-5854 if you have questions or can help out. Please plan to attend, play some games, enjoy a meal and catch up with old friends. Your support is needed and appreciated.

Emmaus Ministry for Grieving Parents Spiritual Retreat – This retreat is for parents who have experienced the death of a child at any age, by any cause, no matter how recent or long ago. It will be held October 5, 2019 at St. Edward the Confessor Church, Clifton Park, from 9:30 am – 7:00 pm. There is a requested donation of \$25 Individual; \$40 Couple. For more information call MaryAnn Sekellick 518-371-7372 ext. 224.

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI CELEBRATION with the Blessing of Animals on Saturday, October 5th at Noon by the statue of St. Francis near the rear parking lot. Please be sure to have your animals on leash or contained in some manner. Children are welcome to bring stuffed animals as well.

BAPTISM BLANKET MINISTRY: Can you knit, crochet or quilt? Our Baptism Blanket Ministry is looking for additional members. Blankets should be solid white and approximately 30" x 30". Blankets are given to the parents as a Baptism gift from our Parish.

Saturday 9/21/2019 4:00 John & Helen Lodge Breege Nally Thomas J Mantica (23 rd Ann) Anna Drabick (18 th Ann) Gerald Miller	Monday 9/23/2019 7:00 John Fleming 12:00 Maria J Castaneda Estrada Boleje Fred Lucontoni	Wednesday 9/25/2019 7:00 <i>Intentions Available</i> 12:00 Frank Haydock Barbara Stack Juliette Romano	Friday 9/27/2019 7:00 William Watson and Son 12:00 Jim Weinberg
Sunday 9/22/2019 9:00 For the People 10:30 Martin & Kathleen Dolan Joann Anastasio Barbara Shea 12:00 Edwin & Rita Collins Lillian Yonych	Tuesday 9/24/2019 7:00 Mary Theresa McGinty 12:00 Warren Biesemeyer	Thursday 9/26/2019 7:00 Patricia Devine (living) 12:00 Andrea Vadney Stanley Kozielski (10 th Ann)	

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

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

MARRIAGE JUBILEE CELEBRATION: The **47th Annual Diocesan Marriage Jubilee Celebration** will be held **Sunday, October 20th, 2019 at 2:00 PM at The Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception** in Albany. Couples celebrating their **25th, 40th, 50th or other special wedding anniversaries** are invited to attend this celebration. Bishop Edward B.Scharfenberger will celebrate the Mass at 2:00 PM and greet couples and their guests at a reception in the gathering area at the Cathedral immediately following Mass. Please register through your parish office or by email to Marriage.Jubilee@rcda.org.

ALUMNI LUNCHEON: The annual Alumni Luncheon celebrating the 50th & 60th anniversary of Blessed Sacrament graduates will be held Wednesday, October 9th immediately following the Noon mass. This luncheon is open to all those who graduated 50 or more years ago. Spouses are welcome. This year we will celebrate graduates from 1959 and 1969 and there will be no cost to this group of graduates and their spouses. The cost for all others attending will be \$15 and may be paid at the door. Please contact the School at 518-438-5854 or Parish Office at 518-482-3375 to reserve your spot.

BLESSED SACRAMENT SCHOOL: The students and families of Blessed Sacrament School would like to thank you for your extremely generous donations, of a wide variety of school supplies, to help us greet a new year with all of the essentials for success! We truly appreciate your continued support!



We are looking for a Part Time Art Teacher and a Title I/Remedial Teacher. Please send resume to Principal, Maureen Daurio at mdaurio@blessedsacramentschool.net

SCHOOL BUCKS: Save your Colonie Center receipts when you shop, dine or make a purchase at the Post Office. Then complete form and place both in the drop box at the Security Desk, near Regal entrance. Please note that they must be recorded within 60 days of purchase and copies of receipts are not accepted. If you would like our volunteer to register your receipts, please drop them off after Mass or at the Parish office. If you would like your receipts returned to you, please provide a self-addressed envelope and we will send them. **September bonus points: double** for H&M, Cheesecake Factory, PF Changs; **triple points** for Glenn Peter, High Voltage Coffee & Tea, Justice, Carters/Oshkosh, J. Crew Factory and Sephora.



FAITH FORMATION NEWS: It was so wonderful to see all the children getting their backpacks blessed during the 10:30 Mass last week. Congratulations to our Confirmation candidates who were acknowledged at Mass for Commitment Sunday as well. Please be sure to take a red or yellow paper dove that are in small baskets at all of our entrances. Each dove has a confirmandi's name on it and we ask that you to take this home, put it on display and pray for them.

There are no formal sessions this weekend as our volunteers and Catechists are attending a retreat and appreciation breakfast. Our next session will take place next Sunday, September 29th from 9:00-10:15 followed by Mass at 10:30. Any questions please contact Mrs. Hession or Mrs. Crisafulli at faithformationbsc@gmail.com

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

OUR FOOD PANTRY: Thank you for your supporting this ministry. We would greatly appreciate donations of personal hygiene items. Would you like to volunteer your time and talent at our food pantry? Call the Parish Office for more information.

THRIFT SHOP: The Thrift Store is open on Wednesdays and Saturdays from 10 am-1 pm. Please bring your donations during shop hours only. If you have a large donation, please contact the rectory for a convenient time to drop off. Would you like to become a volunteer at the Thrift Shop? Please call the Parish Office 518-482-3375 if you are interested.

HOLY NAMES SOCIETY: Our next meeting is October 7th. All men of the parish are invited to attend our meetings. 50/50 tickets are available in the Sacristy after all Masses.

OVER 50 CLUB: For information call Anne Snyder at 518-869-5247

DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET: Prayed the 2nd, 3rd, 4th Tuesday each month after the noon Mass. Prayer cards are 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