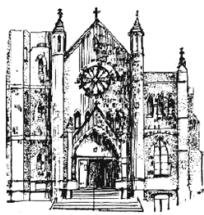


CHURCH OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

607 Central Avenue
Albany, New York 12206-1918



Established 1902



La Prière Sacerdotale
by Eugène Burnand
(1850-1921)

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Seventh Sunday of Easter

May 16, 2021

Weekend Masses 4:00 pm Saturday
9:00 am Sunday

Weekday Masses as scheduled in bulletin

Confession 12:30 - 1:30 pm Tuesday
12:30 - 1:30 pm Thursday
3:00-3:40 pm Saturday

Adoration 12:30 - 1:30 pm Tuesday
12:30 - 1:30 pm Thursday

<u>Saturday 5/15/21 - 4:00</u> For the People ("Pro Populo") <i>St. Isidore</i>		<u>Sunday 5/16/21 - 9:00 AM</u> Suzanne & Shawn Meher Joseph & Frances Bologna Grace & Forkeutis Pauline Sroczynski, Margaret Green Mary Weir Lt. Col. Martha Raye, Nurse Corp.		<u>Monday 5/17/21 - 7:00 AM</u> John Novick			
<u>Tuesday 5/18/2021 12:00</u> Fr. Manuel Rojas Daniel Lockart 12:30 - 1:30 Confession & Adoration <i>St. John I, Pope</i>		<u>Wednesday 5/19/21 7:00 AM</u> Cecelia N. Sanz Msg. James Hart Fr. Michael Farano		<u>Thursday 5/20/2021 12:00</u> Maria & Orlando Cosentino 12:30 -1:30 Confession & Adoration <i>St. Bernardine of Siena</i>		<u>Friday 5/21/2021 9:00</u> Nestor Alva Rosemary Torres Moran <i>St. Christoher Magallanes</i>	

If possible, anything that needs to be scheduled and placed in the bulletin, please schedule at least 10 days in advance. The parish office is open M-F, 9-4.

Funerals

Baptisms

Collection News

Julian Philip Ketzer	Regular	\$ 8,093
Cameron Limmer	School	\$ 505
Sophia Harrington	Ascension	\$ 197
	European Relief (5/23)	\$ 95

From the Pastor: Olympic athletes don't exist by accident; it takes a lot of work. Gold doesn't exist in brick form in nature; it must be mined and purified. Racehorses don't win their first time out; they require a lot of patient training. Neither are ordained or consecrated people hatched. They must engage in years of training, purifying, exercising. When our Fr. Charles was ordained last fall, it was the at the end of training for him that started when he was 12 years old. Similarly, our seminarian Louis Namugera begins the next phase of his seminary formation when he begins Theology at St. Mary Major Seminary in Baltimore this fall. Blessed Sacrament has been a home and a support to Louis since he came to Albany, and we want to continue to support him in his formation.

Priestly formation costs about \$50,000 per year, all of which is paid by the diocese through gifts to the Diocesan Appeal. If you haven't made a gift the annual appeal yet, please do so, even if it's just a few dollars, so that we can all say that we've helped in Louis' formation for priesthood.

Meanwhile, we are all always in formation. We all ought to strive to continue to grow in faith and virtue and strength and holiness. We are all saints-in-the-making, and we must make intentional, principled, deliberate, sacrificial actions, (oftentimes that go against the current of the culture, which usually prefers to settle into easy, comfortable, routines). Let us strenuously do our best to pray and act, and allow ourselves to be made into saints by our God.

Vocations Have you had a feeling that you should be going deeper with your faith, even to the point of giving your life in an extra-special way to Jesus? Talk with one of our priests or our deacon, or visit www.albanyvocations.org.

The Hibernians are having a Spaghetti Dinner fundraiser in support of vocations May 16, 4-6 pm at 375 Ontario St, Albany. Take out available! For more info. or reservations call or text 518-322-5228 or e-mail cgeraght@nycap.rr.com.

Upcoming

First Communion will be celebrated throughout the summer at weekend Masses.

5/23 Pentecost Vigil Mass will have additional reading so will be longer than a regular Mass. Please plan accordingly.

6/6 - Corpus Christi - there will be a procession after Mass followed by 11:00 am Benediction.

COVID Vaccine Clinic There will be two clinics on Wednesday, May 19. The first will be held at Our Lady of the Americas Shrine church from 11 am - 1 pm. The second will be at Blessed Sacrament from 1:30 pm - 3:30 pm. Please spread the word to anyone who may be interested in receiving the vaccine.

Mass Intentions Beginning May 23, the requested donation for a Mass intention will be \$15.00. Please try to make your request at least 10 days prior to date of Mass.

23rd Annual Cathedral Classic Golf Tournament will be held June 21, 2021. This event supports the preservation of the Cathedral. For more information call the Cathedral Rectory at 518-463-4447.

NOTE: Fr. Onyeneke is filling in at one of our parishes which is without a priest this weekend.

Confessions in the City of Albany

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		7:30 St. Mary		7:30 St. Mary		3:00 All Saints
10:30 Cathedral						3:00 Blessed Sac.
Before & After Mass OLA	11:30 Cathedral	12:30 Blessed Sac.	11:30 Cathedral	12:30 Blessed Sac.	11:30 Cathedral	3:00 Mater Christi
						3:15 St. Mary
4:00 Cathedral			4:30 Mater Christi			4:45 St. Vincent

And anywhere, including St. Francis and Sacred Heart, by appointment.

BLESSED SACRAMENT SCHOOL NEWS

Members of the Blessed Sacrament School Community will be in attendance at 9:00 Mass on Sunday, May 23 to provide information about the school and answer any questions you might have about enrolling your child or about possibly participating in our Angel Fund program.

Blessed Sacrament School is currently seeking a **School Administrative Specialist** (effective August 2021). This position provides collaborative support services for all programs with the objective of serving our community and driving our school forward. Efforts are provided to both school and parish events, maintaining information confidentially, correspondence and communication, bookkeeping responsibilities and performance of routine office tasks. Interested parties should email their resume to Principal, Maureen Daurio at mdaurio@blessedsacramentschool.net.



We thank our parishioners for their continued support of our mission and ministry!

Food Pantry The Pantry is open on Monday 10-11:30 am. The Food Pantry is operating according to guidelines appropriate to keeping everyone safe. The Pantry could use canned stew, hash and pork and beans. We are always in need of feminine hygiene items, adult incontinence underwear, toothpaste, shampoo, etc.

Thrift Shop The Thrift Shop is open Saturdays from 9 am – 1 pm. **Please note beginning June the new Thrift Shop hours will be 9 am - 12:00 pm.** Donations are accepted Tuesdays and Fridays 9 am – 12 pm from the Central Avenue entrance only. We are not able to accept items from assisted care, nursing, or patient facilities. No stuffed animals. We are in need of household goods & linens.

Over 50 Club I am sorry to tell you that we will not be meeting on June 7th. I and those members I have spoken with feel that having to continue to wear face masks and social distance inside make socializing very difficult. Praying that all restrictions will soon be lifted for those of us who are fully vaccinated. Anne Snyder 518-869-5247

Rosary Guild Our Annual Baby Layette Collection will be on May 22/23 after Mass. Some items needed are: onesies and sleepers (sizes 0-9), blankets, sweater sets, diapers just to name a few. The Christ Child Society makes layettes for mothers in need. Come pray the Rosary with the Rosary Guild on the first Tuesday of each month after the Noon Mass.

All are welcome to join the families of Blessed Sacrament every Sunday at 7:30 pm via Zoom to pray the Rosary. For more information and login information, please e-mail faithformationbsc@gmail.com.

Holy Names Society Next meeting will be Wednesday, June 2 @ 7 pm. All men of the parish are welcome and invited to attend.

Catholic Connections fountainsofcarrots.com Is a podcast hosted by Haley Stewart and Christy Isinger they interview women and talk about books, faith, culture and whatever captures their fancy.

Faith Formation Thank you to all the families who took part in the May Crowning last weekend as we continue to honor the Blessed Virgin Mary during her special month. Please keep our students and families in your prayers as they continue to prepare for First Eucharist and Confirmation. All Faith Formation families should continue to check your emails for information and program updates throughout the summer months. If you would like to learn more about our program or volunteer opportunities, please email us at faithformationbsc@gmail.com.



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OUR LADY OF THE AMERICAS
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273 CENTRAL AVENUE, ALBANY, NEW YORK 518-465-3685
MASS TIMES: SUNDAY 9:30 AM (ENGLISH) & 12:00 PM (SPANISH)

FIRST COMMUNION SATURDAY, MAY 29, 2021

REV. FRANCIS O'CONNOR, CHAPLAIN
REV. MR. MIGUEL FABIAN, DEACON
ALEJANDRA SAUCEDO, PASTORAL ASSOCIATE
DEBBIE KLOSE, ORGANIST
CYNTHIA ORTIZ-RAMIREZ, FAITH FORMATION



School Bucks

We need your help! The May Newsletter showed that we are currently in second place. Through your support, by shopping at Colonie Center stores and turning in your receipts for points, our school could win \$8,000 which helps to support our parents who want to provide a Catholic education for their children. This includes online & curbside pickup as well as the Post Office, restaurants and BJ's Brewhouse. As always, we cannot thank you enough for your continued support!!

May Bonus Points Stores

3x Claire's, Hallmark, 25 Silver, Nordstrom Rack
4x: Sbarro, H&M, PACMAN Zone, American Eagle
Regal Cinema is now open and is 100 bonus points store!!!
Receipts still need to be **recorded in the Management Office** within **60 days of purchase** and only original receipts are acceptable. Blessed Sacrament will register your receipts. Simply send then to the parish office or drop in the collection box. If you would like your receipts back, please provide a self-addressed envelope.

Get Involved

Become a Catechist Parishioners who are interested in engaging in Diocesan Catechist Training are welcome to contact Kelly Hession at faithformationbsc@gmail.com or by calling the office.

Social Media Coordinator We need some help managing parish communication and events on Facebook and the MyParishApp.

Liturgical Ministers We are looking for qualified parishioners to assist as lectors and Eucharistic Ministers, including to the homebound. Contact the office or the heads of the different ministries for more information.

Weekend Parish Office Annex

This Office Annex table is available in the Central Avenue entrance to handle Mass intentions, votive candles, raffle tickets, baptism, wedding and funeral information, School and Faith Formation registration and much more! We need a few more folks to help on Saturday and Sunday.

To offer your assistance in any of these ways, please call the office!



Diocesan Appeal dates: July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2021

NEW DONOR GIFT FORM

Name (please print) _____
Address _____
Phone/Email (optional) _____
Parish _____ Date _____

Gift Amount: \$ _____ Please make checks payable to **Diocesan Appeal**

Please Mail with payment before **June 30, 2021** to:
Diocesan Appeal, 40 N. Main Avenue, Albany, NY 12203



Diocesan Appeal

The Diocesan Appeal will be coming to an end on June 30, 2021. If you have not yet participated please donate help support the 33 departments within the Diocese, including, Catholic Charities, Catholic Schools, and Vocations, which are essential to our mission.



Please tear this off and, as a pledge or with a donation, send it in to the address provided or place in the collection.