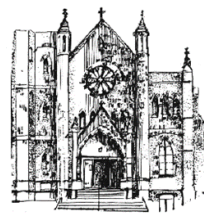


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## Fourth Sunday of Easter

May 8, 2022

**Weekend Masses** 4:00 p.m. Saturday  
9:00 a.m. Sunday

Occasional Sunday 6:00 p.m. Mass in Urdu

**Weekday Masses** as scheduled in bulletin

**Adoration** 12:30 - 1:30 p.m. Tuesday

12:30 - 1:30 p.m. Thursday

**Confession** 12:30 - 1:30 p.m. Tuesday

12:30 - 1:30 p.m. Thursday

3:00 - 3:40 p.m. Saturday

<u>Saturday 5/7/22 4:00 PM</u>		<u>Sunday 5/8/22 9:00 AM</u>	<u>Monday 5/9/22 7:00 AM</u>
† Dorothy Mittler	† Eleanor Weingarden	<b>For the People</b> ("Pro Populo")	† Frank Cirrincione
† Catherine Mooney	† Mary Ellen Kalled		
† Kathy Maguire	† Frank DeSorbo		
† Martin Esposito			
<u>Tuesday 5/10/22 - 12:00 PM</u>	<u>Wed 5/11/22 - 7:00 AM</u>	<u>Thursday 5/12/22 - 12:00 PM</u>	<u>Friday 5/13/22 - 12:00 PM</u>
† Katie Lynch Farrell	Tris Dresden	† Fr. Michael Schmitt	† Robert Mittler
† Casey Ryan Lynch			
† John & Mary Lynch			Fr. Daniel Quinn
† All those who have died in Ukraine Conflict			Anthony Michael Sparks
12:30 - 1:30 Confession & Adoration		12:30 - 1:30 Confession & Adoration Ss. Nereus and Achilles	Our Lady of Fatima

Mass intentions with a † indicate that the person is deceased.

### Baptisms

Adonis Villeneuve

### 1st Communion

Nathaniel Brand

### From Our Seminarian, Anthony Onu:

This Sunday, we celebrate two important days together: the World Day of Prayer for Vocations and Mother's Day. Celebrating these days together is not a coincidence for me, considering the influence of my mother on my vocation. The role that mothers play in nurturing not only their children but also their vocations is vital. I lost my father at age 10. My widowed mother raised my seven siblings and me. As a teacher, she sacrificed a lot in nurturing her children. Even though she was widowed at a young age, she decided not to remarry; instead, she chose to devote her time taking care of her children. Growing up under her parenting care, I saw a woman who was filled with faith. She always considered God as the husband of widows. She always made us understand that God is our father. She exposed us to the tenets of the faith and let us know that a life without God is not worth living. The concept of God for me as a child was that he was my father. In today's Gospel, we hear about the characteristics of a good shepherd. Every good shepherd should have the heart of a mother. From my mother, I experienced kindness, compassion, listening, and one who tends to her children's needs. In the absence of my father, she was courageous and strong in protecting us. She developed an authentic relationship with all her children, which made it possible for us to listen to her. She was the greatest gift from my father to us. I cannot talk about who I am today or even my vocation without acknowledging her presence in my life. As we celebrate Mother's Day, it is an opportunity to thank all mothers for their sacrifice to the Church and the world. As Christ's body was handed down to his mother (Blessed Mary) at the foot of the cross, I hope mothers today will remember that the Church has been entrusted to your motherly care through your love and prayers. Happy Mother's Day.

### Faith Formation:

May resources were sent out this week to all those registered and included a variety of information to help you and your children grow in faith. Please continue to check your e-mail for information and sacramental program updates. New things are coming! Our sacramental preparation will be working with parents closely, with preparation for children not so much by grade level but by readiness. Mrs. Hession, seminarian Anthony Onu, three other chaperones, and 11 youth from Blessed Sacrament and Mater Christi will be attending the **Steubenville Youth conference** this summer. Rooted in the Holy Spirit and Catholic traditions, the conference brings teens from all over the world together for an opportunity to grow in their faith in a powerful and life-changing way. Our teens will experience a movement of great joy through engaging speakers, powerful worship, and Christian fellowship. Any help you can provide to offset transportation costs of \$250 per youth would be gratefully appreciated. **If you have any questions** or would like to learn more about our program, please e-mail us at: [faithformationbsc@gmail.com](mailto:faithformationbsc@gmail.com).

### Upcoming Events

5/8: 6 p.m. Mass in Urdu  
5/10: Real Talk Rosary, Young Adults  
St. Mary's, Crescent  
5/13 & 5/14: Garage Sale  
5/15: AOH Vocations Fundraiser, 3-6 p.m.  
5/16: "Pray: The Story of Patrick Peyton,"  
7 p.m., St. Matthew's (Voorheesville)  
5/20-5/22: Rachael's Vineyard Retreat  
5/20: St. Anne's Plant Sale, 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.  
5/21: Marian Retreat with Nikki Kingsley,  
9 a.m. to noon, Mater Christi  
5/22: 6 p.m. Mass in Urdu  
10/1: Family Festival

**Russell Sage Summer Break Boys' Basketball Camp** Russell Sage is offering a basketball camp open to boys ages 8 to 16 during summer break (June 27<sup>th</sup> through July 1<sup>st</sup>). For more information or questions, please contact Coach Brian Barnes at (518) 292-1969 or by e-mail: [barneb@sage.edu](mailto:barneb@sage.edu).

**Congratulations** Sincere congratulations to Mary Anne Vigliante, who is celebrating 52 years of exemplary service and dedication to the Academy of the Holy Names! Our parish community offers our best wishes and prayers!

**Project St. Patrick** There will be a fundraiser for vocations at the AOH Hall on Ontario Street on May 15<sup>th</sup> from 3 to 6 p.m. This event is a cookout, and there will also be a 50/50 and live entertainment on the patio.

### Pope Francis' Monthly Intention for May

**Faith-filled young people:** We pray for all young people, called to live life to the fullest; may they see in Mary's life the way to listen, the depth of discernment, the courage that faith generates, and the dedication to service.

**BLESSED SACRAMENT SCHOOL NEWS**



Are you or someone you know interested in attending our School? We offer instruction for three-year-olds through Grade 8. We are conducting in-person tours on Mondays and Fridays at 10 a.m., and prospective students are welcome to shadow one of our students for a day. For more information, please call the office.

Spots are filling fast!

**Garage Sale** Our annual Garage Sale to benefit the school is May 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup>! May 13<sup>th</sup> is the presale from 6 to 8 p.m., and admission is \$5. Sale admission is free on May 14<sup>th</sup> from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. We will accept donations for the sale on Saturday, April 30<sup>th</sup> and Saturday, May 7<sup>th</sup> at the parking lot garages from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Drop-off restrictions: no stuffed furniture, no infant furniture, no electronics or computers; flat-screen TVs only. Other restrictions may apply and will be determined at drop-off. Pickup for larger pieces may be available; call the parish office at (518) 482-3375 with your name and phone number. We need volunteers on Thursday all day and Friday morning to set up and price and on Friday evening and Saturday to be salespersons and tally purchases. We could really use your help! Please contact our parish office to volunteer (and to hang posters around town).

On behalf of our faculty, staff and students, we would like to wish all Mothers and Grandmothers a Very Happy Mothers Day!!!

**Bulletin** Announcements are due *one week* prior to publication. We have a *new* system! Please send all bulletin notices to: [bulletin.blessedsacrament@gmail.com](mailto:bulletin.blessedsacrament@gmail.com).

**Catholic Connections** In honor of Mother's Day, here is a video by Fr. Mike Schmitz, "Why Catholics Call Mary Their Mother": [https://youtu.be/pGRGv9\\_60iI](https://youtu.be/pGRGv9_60iI).

**Rosary Guild** Thank you so much for all of the beautiful baby items for Albany's Christ Child Society. Each year, they make hundreds of layettes for "mothers in need." Again, thank you for your help.

**Food Pantry** The pantry is open Monday and Thursday, 10 to 11:30 a.m. We still need a Spanish-speaking person to help translate on Thursdays. If you are available, even one Thursday a month, please call the office. We have been unable to obtain the following items and would welcome donations of toothbrushes and coffee. Throughout May 2022, Blessed Sacrament Food Pantry has been selected to receive a \$1 donation for every Bloomin' 4 Good Bouquet with the red circle sticker sold at the Hannaford located at 900 Central Ave., Century II Mall, Albany.

**Holy Names Society** Congratulations to our \$200 first-prize winner, Mike Strycharz, and to our \$50 second-prize winner, Joe Dobek! Thanks to everyone for your support. Our next meeting is Wednesday, June 1<sup>st</sup>. All parish men are invited.

**The Boutique** The Boutique is open for shopping on Saturdays, 9 a.m. to noon and accepts donations on Tuesdays and Fridays, 9 a.m. to noon. We cannot accept books, some electronics, fabric scraps, or clothing that is need of repair or dirty. Please understand that unwanted items are a hardship and expense to the church to dispose of. We will not accept winter items until August. Thank you for your donations that serve many people and help support the many ministries of Blessed Sacrament!

**Mass livestreaming** Please note that our Saturday 4 p.m. Mass will no longer be livestreamed as of this Saturday, May 7<sup>th</sup>. Livestreaming will still take place for Sunday morning Masses, however, and will be posted on YouTube. Huge thanks to parishioner Dave Strazzeri for all his efforts to bring us these livestreamed liturgies!



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- ◆ Visit and bookmark our website: [blessedsacramentalbany.org](http://blessedsacramentalbany.org)
- ◆ "Like" our Facebook page: Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church (Sunday Mass is livestreamed here)
- ◆ Our YouTube Channel: Blessed Sacrament Church, Albany, NY
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- ◆ myParishApp - text **app** to 88202

**Young-Adult Event: Real Talk, Rosary**

You're invited to join young adults from across the diocese for *Real Talk Rosary* (RTR) to connect at a deeper level and share in prayerful love for Mary through the Rosary. Food, drinks, and social time will be available before and after the Rosary. This event is geared toward young adults ages 21 to 39, but no one will be turned away! It will take place Tuesday, May 10<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. at St. Mary's, Crescent, located at 86 Church Hill Rd. in Waterford. Register here: <https://forms.gle/2OKZNXBYVYskvO8H8>.

**Hurting from an abortion?** Experience Jesus's healing love on a Rachel's Vineyard weekend retreat, May 20<sup>th</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup> at the Dominican Retreat & Conference Center in Niskayuna. The weekend will combine discussions, spiritual exercises, Reconciliation, a Memorial Service, and a Mass of Entrustment. Participation is strictly confidential. The cost is \$195; financial assistance is available. To register, contact Pat Mousaw at (518) 222-1160 or Katie Bolibaugh at (518) 495-3574 or send an e-mail: [rachelsvineyardalbany@yahoo.com](mailto:rachelsvineyardalbany@yahoo.com).

**Divine Mercy Sunday** Thank you to all who participated in our Divine Mercy Sunday celebration. After covering expenses we were able to donate \$400 to our Food Pantry and to the Ukrainian conflict.



The School Bucks program runs January through December and earns points (=) for our school. If you shop at Colonie Center, keep your receipts — which can be registered at the Management Office in the School Bucks box at the Security Desk next to Five Guys, or at our parish office, and we will register them for you. The rules: we receive 2 points for every \$1 spent at Colonie Center. We need at least 4,000 points to be considered for a prize, and original receipts must be presented for credit within 60 days from the purchase date. If you submit receipts to the parish office to register and want them back, let us know and we will mail them back to you. Dining out, including the food court and BJs Brewhouse, are included ... so register or send us those receipts!

**May Bonus Points:**

- 3x: Arby's, Hallmark, 25 Silver Boutique, Nordstrom Rack
- 4x: Ulta Beauty, H&M, At the Pier Arcade, Aeropostale

**Receive a service at Sephora and receive 500 bonus points!**

**Collections & Financial Support**



Scan the code to donate!  
Recurring gifts, or just once!

New Furnace 2020		\$52,000 100% paid!
Parking Lot Paving & Painting 2021		\$2,450 of \$14,450 20% paid
Sound System Upgrades 2019-2022		\$7,763 of \$16,071 51% paid
Organ Repair 2021		\$26,250 of \$45,000 58% paid

**Last Sunday**

Regular	\$5,083
Easter	\$410