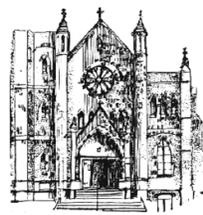


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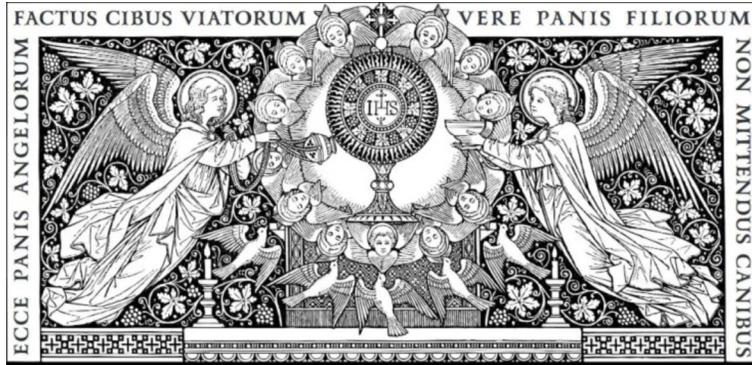
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Corpus Christi

June 19, 2022

Weekend Masses 4 p.m. Saturday
9 a.m. Sunday
Occasional Sunday 6 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 - 3:40 p.m. Saturday

<u>Saturday 6/18/22 4:00 PM</u>		<u>Sunday 6/19/22 9:00 AM</u>		<u>Monday 6/20/22 9:00 AM</u>	
† Thomas Mittler	† John Mooney	For the People 2:00 PM		† Cecilia Sanz	
† Alan Zlomek	† Carl Blazejewski (8th Ann)	1st Mass - Fr. James O'Rourke		† Fr. Joseph Mancuso	
† Michael Kent	† William McVeigh	6:00 PM			
† Lorenza & Marcos Bas		Mass in Urdu w/Fr. Francis Tanveer			
<u>Tuesday 6/21/22 - 12:00 PM</u>		<u>Wednesday 6/22/22 - 7:00 AM</u>		<u>Thursday 6/23/22 12:00 PM</u>	
Fr. Francis O'Connor		† William Houlton, Jr. Special Intention		† Norbert Crouchley † Thomas Mantica † John S Kwiatkowski	
12:30 - 1:30 Confession & Adoration <i>Memorial, St. Aloysius Gonzaga</i>				12:30 - 1:30 Confession & Adoration	
				<u>Friday 6/24/22 - 12:00 PM</u>	
				† Frank Bishop † Catherine & John Mooney Michael Anthony Sparks	
				<i>Solemnity, Most Sacred Heart of Jesus Nativity of St. John the Baptist</i>	

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

Office is closed Monday, 6/20.

Funerals

Jean Fitzgerald - Tuesday
Andrew Charles Wiley - Friday

Baptisms

Save the date for our Blessed Sacrament Family Festival, which will be held on Saturday, October 1, 2022!

From the Deacon's Bench

This is the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ. It is also the name of our own church, "Blessed Sacrament." For those at home who cannot join us, we will be processing around the block as we have every year since anyone can remember.

A little history: our parish was originally part of the old St. Patrick's Church, which is now the Church of the Americas. Ironically, Blessed Sacrament was part of St. Patrick's, but now the old St. Patrick's is now a mission church of Blessed Sacrament. The Irish side of my family belonged to St. Patrick's, but when Blessed Sacrament was built, my great-grandparents were told to go to the new Blessed Sacrament Church. My family watched them lay the cornerstone to the church, and we have worshipped here ever since.

Today's dramatic Gospel narrative was so important that all four Evangelists wrote about it. The multiplication of the fish and bread have strong Eucharistic implications. Notice Jesus blessed the food, broke it, and distributed it to all. There is a direct connection between this action, the Last Supper, and the Eucharist that we celebrate today. Enjoy the feast on our Feast Day!

Faith Formation

*The June resources have been sent out to all registered families and will be the last of the monthly resources until the fall. As we conclude this year, we are looking ahead to next year and plan to transition back to meeting in person at least twice a month. We will continue to provide family resources as well as sacramental programs for First Reconciliation, First Eucharist, and Confirmation. If you and your family are interested in joining our program this coming fall, or if you have any questions, please e-mail us: faithformationbsc@gmail.com.

*Mrs. Hession, seminarian Anthony Onu, three other chaperones, and 11 youth from Blessed Sacrament and Mater Christi will be attending the Steubenville Youth Conference in Springfield, CT this summer (July 29th through 31st). Our teens will experience a movement of great joy through engaging speakers, powerful worship, and Christian fellowship. Any help that you can provide to help offset transportation costs would be gratefully appreciated. The cost is \$215 per person. Our group will leave that Friday from St. Pius X in Loudonville at 7:30 a.m. and return by 2 p.m. on the 31st. This conference is for young people who are going into ninth grade through freshman year of college. While we have enough chaperones, more chaperones are welcome to join us — and we invite young people from other parishes to attend as well. For more details, please call Mrs. Hession at (518) 424-8812.

Priesthood ordinations Congratulations and God's blessings to our diocese's two new priests: Rev. Russell Bergman and Rev. James O'Rourke! They were ordained on Saturday, June 18th at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Albany. Our parish sends its support, prayers, and best wishes!

Hispanic Apostolate Synod Listening Session

We want to hear from you! The Diocese of Albany is hosting regional listening sessions to support the worldwide "Synod on Synodality" initiated by Pope Francis. Everyone is encouraged to share their opinions on what they are looking for from today's Church. The listening sessions will be guided by a facilitator utilizing universal questions and provide the opportunity for small group breakout sessions. Tuesday, June 21st at St. Edward the Confessor, 569 Clifton Park Center Road, Clifton Park, NY, 6:30 to 8:30 PM

Pope Francis' monthly intention Each month, Pope Francis selects a particular intention and asks for our prayers. This month, we pray for families: "We pray for Christian families around the world; may they embody and experience unconditional love and advance in holiness in their daily lives."

This weekend, as we celebrate the solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, we honor and thank all Eucharistic ministers. We are incredibly grateful to you for your caring service to our parish and community and for sharing Jesus's love with others!



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 conduct 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. We are centered in the Roman Catholic faith and are focused on excellence in education. For more information, please call our office at (518) 438-5854 or

send us an e-mail: into@blessedsacramentschool.net.

*Congratulations to our **eighth-graders** who graduated on June 14th! We are so proud of you and all your amazing accomplishments! History was made at this graduation when Jada Etienne was named valedictorian. Her sister, Nia Etienne, was the school's valedictorian in 2018 — and their mom is also a BSS graduate!

*Be on the lookout for exciting new additions to our school next year! We will have a **new STEM lab** in the fall as well as a **PTA**!

*We're hiring! Check out our **open positions** at Blessed Sacrament School as well as other Catholic Schools opportunities throughout our diocese:

<https://www.higherpoweredlearning.org/careers/listings.cfm>

40 Hours Devotion You are invited to participate in "40 Hours Devotion" at Our Lady of Martyrs Shrine, Auriesville, from June 24th through 26th. From Friday at 5 p.m. to Sunday, ending with a 3 p.m. Mass, there will be Marian and Eucharistic processions, Adoration, prayer, healing and a Word of Knowledge service, consecration, music, and more. Bring your own bagged lunch/snacks. For more information and registration, visit <https://www.johnleaps.com/upcoming-events.html>.

Food Pantry Our food pantry is open Mondays and Thursdays, 10 to 11:30 a.m. Currently, we especially need shampoo, toothpaste, dish detergent, and coffee. Thank you for your continued support!

The Boutique The Boutique is open for shopping on Saturdays from 9 a.m. to noon and accepts donations on Tuesdays and Fridays from 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 an 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 support our parish's many ministries!

Holy Names Society We would like to congratulate Azrael Kozakiewicz as 2022's recipient of the \$500 Monsignor John Forman Scholarship. The HNS presents this scholarship annually to an eighth-grade student. That's why it's very important that our raffle continues! Our past donation of \$7,000 was for the additional room at the school. Our next HNS meeting will be held at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, July 6th. All men are invited.

Baptism The first step in the Christian life is to be *born* into it! We are reborn by means of water and the Holy Spirit when we are baptized, and this one event opens the way to many other blessings by God. For infants, we suggest calling us while you're expecting so that a thorough preparation may take place for your family, including potential godparents (who must be practicing Catholics). Baptisms usually take place after Masses on Sundays. Please call our office for more information!

Garden of Eatin' This community-style garden is looking for plant donations, specifically zucchini, peppers, celery, zinnias, and marigolds. This garden also serves our own SMJC soup kitchen. They would also welcome help with tending the garden throughout the growing season. Please contact Renee at (518) 577-3915 for information and/or to volunteer.

Catholic Connections Check out the "Journey to Marriage" podcast, available online at <https://journeytomarriage.simplecast.com/>. The podcast provides Catholic-based dating and relationship insights focused on putting God at the center.

St. Stanislaus Parish Festival St. Stanislaus Church, 46 Cornell St., Amsterdam, will host its Parish Festival on July 9th and 10th. Activities will include a polka Mass celebrated by Fr. Bob DeMartinis, Polish and American foods, music, raffles, games, and more. Admission is free; rain or shine.



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MASS SCHEDULE: SUNDAY 9:30 AM (ENGLISH) & 12:00 PM (SPANISH)
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CONGRATULATIONS AND GOD'S BLESSINGS TO REV. FRANCIS O'CONNOR
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- ◆ "Like" our Facebook page: Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church (Sunday Masses are livestreamed here)
- ◆ Our YouTube Channel: Blessed Sacrament Church, Albany, NY
- ◆ E-mail: blessedsacramentalb@gmail.com
- ◆ myParishApp - text **app** to **55321**

Respect Life Please consider serving your parish and community by volunteering as a Respect Life representative for Blessed Sacrament! Our diocesan Office of Respect Life Ministry is an evangelization resource to promote the sanctity of human life. Let our office know if you are interested in this special opportunity. For more information about our diocesan Respect Life ministry, visit <https://www.rcda.org/life>.

Interested in becoming Catholic? Attend our informational session on Wednesday, July 13th at 6:30 p.m. in the church.

Film series Blessed Sacrament, along with St. Vincent's, will again sponsor the summer's *Faith in Film* series at the Madison Theatre (Madison Avenue). We get together every other Tuesday at 7 p.m. for a film and discussion of its Christian themes. This year, our first film is *The Princess Bride* on June 21st. Admission is free; free-will donations are accepted.

Oaxaca celebration Grupo Folclórico invites you to La Guelaguetza 2022 on Sunday, August 14th (rain or shine) from 1 to 7 p.m. at Waryas Park, Poughkeepsie. This annual festival features dancing, live music, food, crafts, children's activities, and more. For information: www.facebook.com/pokguelaguetza.

Third Order of St. Francis Our group will meet after the 9 a.m. Mass on June 26th.



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 receipts!

June 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		\$7,388 of \$16,071 50% paid
Organ Repair 2021		\$23,00 of \$45,000 52% paid

Offertory Report

Regular: \$5,477
Catholic Communications: \$979
Ascension: \$81
School: \$380

Thank you to everyone who gives so generously to support our school, parish, and community!