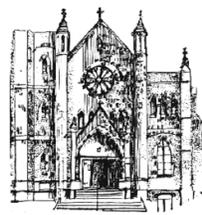


# CHURCH OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

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## Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time August 28, 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

<b>Saturday 8/27/22 4:00 PM</b>		<b>Sunday 8/28/22 9:00 AM</b>		<b>Monday 8/29/22 7:00 AM</b>	
✠ Mildred & Ed Mannix	✠ Monica Carr Demaris	<b>For the People ("Pro Populo")</b>		✠ Angela Pochman ✠ Stanley Szczepkowski	
✠ Joseph Zabinski	✠ Patricia Miller				
✠ Angela Pochman	✠ Robert Bradley				
✠ Edmund Bradley	✠ Mildred Lesch				
Clark Garacas				<i>Memorial, Passion of St. John the Baptist</i>	
<b>Tuesday 8/30/22 - 12:00 PM</b>		<b>Wednesday 8/31/22 - 7:00 AM</b>		<b>Thursday 9/1/22 12:00 PM</b>	
12:30 - 1:30 Confession & Adoration		Special Intention		✠ Stanislaw Kaszluga	
				<b>Friday 9/2/22 - 7:00 AM</b>	
				✠ Grace Bleakley ✠ Czeslaw Kaszluga Michael Anthony Sparks	
				12:30 - 1:30 Confession & Adoration	

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

### Funerals

### Baptisms

Alice Raible  
Hailey Jensen

### From the Deacon's Bench

The setting of today's Gospel takes place during a meal. Gatherings around food seem to be Jesus's preferred method of teaching, particularly with food's Eucharistic implications. At this particular meal, Jesus is eating with Pharisees where the guests are all vying to sit at places of honor. We do not know where Jesus is sitting, but we can be assured that he sat at the foot of the table.

Jesus teaches a parable about how it is better to be seated near the end of the table and invited up, rather than to sit at the head and be embarrassed by being told to move down. Jesus also uses this to teach how the rich must share their wealth and food with the poor. Jesus is directly challenging Pharisaical thinking at the time. Pharisees believed in an afterlife, and they believed they could achieve it through strict adherence to the law. They cared nothing about the plight of the poor around them, with the thought that the poor were being punished by God. Jesus breaks through this barrier of prejudice by telling the Pharisees that they will be judged on what they did for the poor, the crippled, and the blind. We can imagine this was very upsetting to the Pharisees, many of whom did not want to give up their dislike for people who were different from them. The message of our Gospel is clear: serve the disadvantaged. We can do our part by sharing our time and/or treasure by helping the poor through our many parish ministries.

### Faith Formation

\*For those of you who have expressed interest in or attended our program in the past, please check your e-mail for information about registering for this year's program, which kicks off with the Parish Picnic this Sunday, August 28<sup>th</sup> immediately following the 9 a.m. Mass in the school. Join us for family fun, an opportunity to meet the new director, Meghan Pannone, and learn more about plans for this year's program.

\*We are also looking for volunteers to assist with this year's program in a variety of ways. If you or anyone you know has a desire to share your faith, please reach out. Remember: God doesn't call the qualified — He qualifies those called! Being involved in the Faith Formation process allows you to not only experience the joy of sharing God's love with our parish families, but it also deepens your own faith. If you did not receive the registration e-mail, if you are interested in volunteering, or if you have any questions at all, please send us an e-mail at [faithformationbsc@gmail.com](mailto:faithformationbsc@gmail.com).

**Spam Reminder** We have been made aware there is another email appearing to be sent from Fr. Quinn. requesting help with something. Please know this is NOT from Fr. Quinn. When in doubt, please check the email address to make sure it is from [blessedsacramentalb@gmail.com](mailto:blessedsacramentalb@gmail.com) and/or call the office.

### Upcoming Dates

- 8/28 — Parish Picnic after Mass
- 8/28 — Diocesan Youth Team Fun Day, 1 to 5 p.m., St. Mary's Institute, Amsterdam
- 9/5 — Labor Day (*parish offices closed*)
- 9/6 — HOPE Group meeting, 6 p.m. in the church (*led by Deacon Gerry*)
  - 9/7 — Holy Names Society meeting, 7 p.m. (*all men are invited*)
- 9/12 — Over 50 Club meeting, 12:30 p.m.
- 9/17 — Knights of Columbus to Auriesville
  - 9/18 — Ancient Order of Hibernians Pilgrimage to Auriesville; 12 p.m. BBQ, followed by a 3 p.m. Mass (*with Fr. Dan*)
  - 9/18 — Catechetical Sunday

## FAMILY FESTIVAL

**Saturday, October 1, 2022**  
BLESSED SACRAMENT CHURCH  
605 CENTRAL AVE ALBANY, NY 12206

Please join us for food, faith, family and friends, fellowship, and much more!

### August Intention from Pope Francis

*This month, Pope Francis has asked us to pray for small- and medium-sized businesses; in the midst of economic and social crisis, may they find ways to continue operating and serving their communities.*

**Emotional support** Are you feeling stressed by the COVID-19 pandemic? You are not alone. Call the New York Project Hope Emotional Support Helpline (available seven days a week, from 8 a.m. to 10 p.m.) at 1-844-863-9314 or visit online for help and resources: <https://nyprojecthope.org>.



### BLESSED SACRAMENT SCHOOL NEWS

We are centered in the Catholic faith, focused on excellence in education, and offer instruction for three-year-olds through Grade 8. Interested in learning more? Please contact our office and schedule an in-person tour: (518) 438-5854 or [info@blessedsacramentschool.net](mailto:info@blessedsacramentschool.net).

**\*We're hiring!** Positions are available for a Pre-K 3 full-time teacher, a junior high ELA teacher, and a part-time Spanish teacher. You can e-mail your resume to the above address.

\*We are currently accepting donations of **school supplies**, pens, pencils, crayons, notebooks, and binders. Thank you for your generosity and thoughtfulness!

\*Our 2022-2023 academic calendar can be found on our school website as well as our Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/BlessedSacramentSchoolAlbany>.

**Annual Tuition Assistance Drive** With school starting soon, so does our annual Tuition Assistance Drive. Letters have gone out to our regular donors and alumni, but we also appeal to new donors — and everyone — to support the Catholic education of our children. It costs about \$9,500 to educate each child in our school for a year. Due to your generosity over the years, we have been able to keep tuition relatively low: a child in grades K-8 is \$4,700; a second child in the same family is \$1,900; and we ask \$235 for each additional child. Tuition for three- and four-year-olds in Pre-K is \$5,460. Of course, the biggest and most important expense that tuition pays for is our teachers. Right now, our teachers' salaries average is only \$39,000, and we like to be able to pay more reasonable and competitive salaries in the future. We have received a matching grant from the Mons Concept Foundation, which will match all donations received for the school between September 1<sup>st</sup> and December 31<sup>st</sup> up to \$125,000! Please help us to make this goal! Families and businesses might also consider becoming part of our Blessed Sacrament Angel Program, which supports a specific child or family for multiple years.

**Food Pantry** Our food pantry is open Mondays and Thursdays, 10 to 11:30 a.m. Currently, we especially need diapers (sizes 4 and 5), shampoo, toothpaste, dish detergent, and coffee. Thank you so much for your continued support! Also, please note: **our food pantry has been selected to receive \$1 from every \$2.50 Fight Hunger Bag that is sold during September 2022 at the Hannaford grocery store located at 900 Central Ave., Century II Mall, Albany.**

**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. Thank you for your donations that serve many people and support our parish's many ministries!

**Make-a-Will Month** The month of August is Make-a-Will Month, reminding us of the importance of estate planning and using your estate plan to make a lasting impact. Visit online for more information: <https://www.freewill.com/diocesefalbany>.

**RCIA** Are you interested in becoming Catholic, missing one or more of the sacraments, or want to know more about the Catholic faith in general? Our *Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults* (RCIA) ministry is here to accompany you wherever you are along your faith journey! Our group for 2022-2023 will be starting in mid September. Please contact our parish office if you are interested in joining us!

**Catholic Connections** <https://www.coraevans.com/blog/article/ultimate-list-of-catholic-shrines-in-the-united-states#comments> As we start to travel more, stop and see these Catholic shrines! This site lists and explains a site for each state.



### Pakistani-Indian Community Philip Hira, Coordinator

Save the Date: We will celebrate "Ziarat-e-Muqdsa Maryam" October 1 at Immaculate Conception Church, 732 US Route 20, New Lebanon.

Fr. Francis Tanveer will celebrating Mass September 4 & 18 @ 6 pm.



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273 CENTRAL AVENUE, ALBANY, NEW YORK PHONE: (518) 465-3685

MASS SCHEDULE: SUNDAYS, 9:30 AM (ENGLISH) AND 12:00 PM (SPANISH)  
FRIDAYS, 6:30 PM ~ MASS AND ADORATION

**Do you know of any homebound parishioners who would like to receive a copy of the bulletin and Fr. O'Connor's homily? Contact Michael Fredette: [mfredette103@gmail.com](mailto:mfredette103@gmail.com) or (518) 465-3685.**

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### Stay Connected!

- ◆ Visit and bookmark our website: [blessedsacramentalbany.org](http://blessedsacramentalbany.org)
- ◆ "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](mailto:blessedsacramentalb@gmail.com)
- ◆ myParishApp - text **app** to **55321**

**Honoring the unborn** On Saturday, September 10<sup>th</sup> from 10 to 11 a.m., a National Day of Remembrance for the Unborn will take place at the Shrine of Our Lady of Martyrs in Auriesville. Prayers will be offered at the monument on the hill behind the Coliseum. For more information, please send an e-mail Chris Nunn at: [nunn.christinem@gmail.com](mailto:nunn.christinem@gmail.com).

**Holy Names Society** Our next meeting is Wednesday, September 7<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. in the church. All parish men are invited. Also, any parishioner may request raffle tickets (a minimum of five). Please e-mail Gene at [loparco8888@yahoo.com](mailto:loparco8888@yahoo.com) or call (518) 456-4667 and give your address for the self-addressed stamped envelope and tickets. Tickets are also available at the church annex office desk before Masses on Saturdays and Sundays.

**Over 50 Club** The Over 50 Club will be meeting September 12<sup>th</sup> at 12:30 p.m. Our \$2 dues are due. We will also be signing up for our November 7<sup>th</sup> Chicken Parmesan dinner. Please call (518) 869-5247 for info.

**Golf tournament** The Fedullo-Catena Golf Tournament (St. Anne's Institute) is scheduled for September 19<sup>th</sup> at Shaker Ridge Country Club. There will be an 18-hole scramble, lunch and dinner, team prizes (low gross and low net), course prizes, a silent auction, drawings, and more. Visit online to register: <https://stanneinstitute.org/shop/>.



### Blessed Sacrament is in first place!

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!

### August Bonus Points:

- 3x: PF Changs, Boscovs, Smile Studios, and Ulta Beauty
- 4x: H&M, Aeropostale, Grill & Wraps, and Mr. Subb

### 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		\$2,875 of \$14,450 (20% paid)
Sound System Upgrades 2019-2022		\$9,733 of \$16,071 (60% paid)
Organ Repair 2021		\$23,000 of \$46,400 (49% paid)

(figures updated as of 6/30/22)

### Offertory Report

Regular: \$6,225  
Assumption: \$239

Please prayerfully consider how you can support our parish, school, and community. Thank you for your generosity!