

PARISH MINISTRY NEWS

- *Please note that our **parish office hours** are now 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Friday.
- *We received a donation of a beautiful **baby grand piano** from the estate of Alan Woolf, who passed away in March. Thank you for this incredible gift to our parish!
- *Our diocesan newspaper, *The Evangelist*, costs \$18 a year for a subscription through parishes. Blessed Sacrament is being billed for more than 450 subscriptions, but only 14 subscribers are paying for it. If you receive *The Evangelist* but wish to no longer receive a paper copy, let our church office know (by phone, e-mail, or placing *The Evangelist* envelope in the offertory basket with "Cancel" on it).
- *The **Holy Name Society's** next raffle drawing will be held Wednesday, July 2nd at 7 p.m. Parish men are all welcomed.
- *Do you enjoy crafting? Our annual **Family Festival** is scheduled for Saturday, September 27th, and once again we will offer a table of handmade crafts. Last year, we had many beautiful items made by talented parishioners. Also, if you know someone else who would donate their creations, please spread the word to them!

FOOD PANTRY

- *Please consider **volunteering** at Blessed Sacrament's food pantry! Help is needed with setting up and taking down tables before and after pantry hours. Some volunteers are also needed to keep the flow of guests moving smoothly. Volunteer your time anywhere from one day a month to every day that the pantry is open! We have about 40 guests each pantry day. Contact our parish office!
- *We need these items in particular right now: personal and feminine hygiene products, coffee, and laundry detergent (liquid or pods).
- *Our food pantry is open **Mondays and Thursdays**, 10 to 11:30 a.m. Donations can be dropped off on Mondays and Thursdays, 9 a.m. to 12 noon (but preferably not between 10 and 11:30 a.m. as guests are picking up items).

THE BOUTIQUE

*Shopping hours: 9 a.m. to noon on Saturdays with donations accepted on Tuesdays and Fridays from 9 a.m. to noon. Thank you so much for your support!

Happening in Our Communities

*S.A.L.T. 2025 "Service Action Learning Team" is happening July 14th through 17th at Christ Our Light Church, 1 Maria Dr., Loudonville. There's a small cost of \$75 to cover some of the week's supplies. Payment can be made to RCDA Youth Ministry; please send your payment upon registration. To register and for more information, visit the website https://forms.gle/n2Udc4Qsd4R795pGA.

*Save the date: upcoming **Cursillo** retreats! Women's Weekend, August 21st-24th; Men's Weekend, October 2nd-5th. Space is limited. The cost is \$235 per person, and financial assistance is available if needed. Applications are available online at <u>albanycursillo.org</u> and can be e-mailed to: albanycursillo22@ gmail.com.

*The fourth annual Diocese of Albany's **Young Adult Adoration, BBQ, and Cornhole Tournament** will take place Thursday, July 24th at 5:30 p.m. at St. Clement's Church, 231 Lake Ave., Saratoga Springs. Adoration and Reconciliation will be held at 5:30 p.m., followed by a BBQ dinner at 6:30 p.m. and the cornhole tournament and ice cream social. Attendees must register: https://forms.gle/EFQ624xK2ndkNnTy8.

*Like to **play golf**? Here's a chance to play golf and help a good cause at the same time. Join us for the Slice for Life Golf Tournament on Saturday, September 6th at The Sycamore Golf Club in Ravena. Find all the details and sign up at: https://newlifematernity.org/events.

Trinity Alliance of the Capital Region is providing **Mass Food Distributions** throughout the year, from 8 a.m. until the food runs out. Dates and locations are as follows:

South End (20 S. Ferry St.): July 9th, August 13th, September 10th, and October 8th.

Arbor Hill (47 Lark St.): July 2nd, August 6th, September 3rd, and October 1st.

Please bring bags/carts. If you have any questions, call Trinity Alliance at (518) 449-5155.

OFFERTORY: SHARING OUR TREASURE

Regular: \$5,726; **School:** \$1,357

We need at least \$9,000 each week in our collections to break even — not counting unexpected maintenance costs that might arise. To donate online, scan the code at right or visit the website

secure.myvanco.com/YHAN/home.

Thank you for your prayerful support!



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JUNE 22, 2025

SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

6 PM — Urdu

Solemnity of Sts. Peter and Paul

BAPTISMS

Madden Kelly Skinkle

FUNERALS

Rose Tenenini

WEDDINGS

CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Weekend Masses: Saturdays, 4 p.m.; Sundays, 9 a.m. (English) and 6 p.m. (Urdu)
Weekday Masses: As scheduled in the bulletin
Reconciliation (Confession): Tuesdays & Thursdays, 12:30-1:30 p.m.; Saturdays, 3-3:40 p.m.
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:
Tuesdays & Thursdays, 12:30-1:30 p.m.

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(Sunday Masses are livestreamed here)
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In case of an emergency requiring the ministry of a priest, outside parish office hours (and especially in danger of death), please contact the priests at (518) 482-3375.

If no one answers, please leave a message.

-17.	OF CHRIST
SATURDAY, 6/21/25 — 4 PM † William Delaney	Sunday, 6/22/25 — 9 AM † David Kalled † Dermot & Violet Clarke
❖ Jane Potts ❖ Albert J Brunn	 Carl & Ivon Clarke ■ Bill C
	6 PM — Urdu
Memorial, St. Aloysius Gonzaga	Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Chris
MONDAY, 6/23/25 — 7 AM	TUESDAY, 6/24/25 — 12 PM Confession and Adoration: 12:30-1:30 p.m.
♣ Bill Houlton ♣ Josefina Escaño	 P John & Catherine Mooney P Leonard A Liuzzi (2nd Ann) ▼ Michael Anthony Sparks
	Solemnity of the Nativity of St. John the Baptist
WEDNESDAY, 6/25/25 — 7 AM ♥Thom Dang-Huynh ♥ Silue Kangui ♥ Franciosse Ouattara ♥ Bi Lalle Ferdinand	THURSDAY, 6/26/25 — 12 PM Confession and Adoration: 12:30-1:30 p.m.
Friday, 6/27/25	
No Mass	Please note: Mass intentions with a † indicate that the person is deceased ▼ indicates that the person is alive.
	If you are having a Mass offered and would like to bring up the gifts, please see an usher before the liturgy begins.
Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus	
Saturday, 6/28/25 — 4 PM	Sunday, 6/29/25 — 9 AM
ᆉ Joanne Monahan ᆉ Louis Huynh	→ Joanne Monahan→ Jean Fitzgerald→ Bill C

₱ Bernadette Vermette

As This School Year Closes ...

by Lisanne Jensen

As the religion teacher for Grades 3-6 at Blessed Sacrament School, I thought that it would be a good idea to ask all of my students to fill out an "evaluation form" of sorts to aid in planning purposes for next year. Some of these end-of-year questions were, "What did you enjoy most about religion class?" "What could be improved?" "What faith-or church-related topics would you like to learn about in the future?" But perhaps the most important question — and the answer that I really most wanted to know — was, "Do you feel that your faith has grown over this past year?" I am so happy to share that nearly all of my religion students replied with a resounding "yes," that their faith has grown 100 percent and that they have come closer in relationship with Jesus. That's at the core of what we are striving for!

I'm so happy that I will be returning to BSS this fall to teach religion again for Grades 3-6. We truly have amazing students, and I also have the immense blessing of being part of Faith Formation and our families' lives in that way as well! A quick note: if any children would like to become trained altar servers at Blessed Sacrament Church, please let me know by texting or calling (518) 965-9199 or sending an e-mail: faithformationbsc@gmail.com. Training sessions will be offered in the future, and altar serving is such an incredible way of furthering your faith!

This summer, I look forward to continuing some education professional development opportunities, reorganizing our office, enjoying some time away to rest and recharge, and planning for the upcoming Faith Formation and school years. Every day I think to myself how amazing it is that I get to do what I do ... teaching young people about Jesus and encouraging families' relationships with God. Please know that I will be keeping everyone in my prayer this summer for a restful, fun, and faith-filled season!



Rev. Francis O'Connor, Chaplain Rev. Mr. Miguel Fabian, Deacon Confesora Franco, Pastoral Associate/Faith Formation Debbie Klose, Organist

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Mass Schedule: Sundays, 9 a.m. (English) and 11 a.m. (Spanish); Mass and Adoration on Fridays at 6:30 p.m.

- *Our 38th annual **parish family weekend** at Pyramid Lake will be held August 15th-17th. Adults are \$70 and children younger than 18 are free. Registration begins Sunday, June 22nd.
- *Congratulations to **Georgina Asante**, who received the Capital Area Council of Churches Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Interfaith Scholarship Award on June 12th!
- *Congratulations to **Annabelle Asante**, who is graduating from Blessed Sacrament School as the valedictorian and will be attending the Academy of the Holy Names next year!

THIS WEEKEND'S MASS READINGS (6/14-6/15)

FIRST READING: Proverbs 8:22-31 RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Psalm 8 SECOND READING: Romans 5:1-5 GOSPEL: John 16:12-15

NEXT WEEKEND'S MASS READINGS (6/21-6/22)

FIRST READING: Genesis 14:18-20 RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Psalm 110 SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 11:23-26 GOSPEL: Luke 9:11b-17

DIOCESAN NEWS

*Save the date! The 53rd annual **Diocesan Marriage Jubilee** will take place on September 14th from 3-4 p.m. at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, Albany.

*Did you know that **The Consultation Center**, located at 790 Lancaster St., Albany (across from the Pastoral Center), offers mental health services in a Christian environment as well as spiritual direction? Visit their webpage to learn more: www.rcda.org/offices/consultation-center.

*2025 is a year of Jubilee! Find out more about what this means, events planned, and ways to pray and celebrate by visiting the **2025 Jubilee** webpage through our diocese: https://www.rcda.org/jubilee-2025.



FROM OUR URDU COMMUNITY

We proudly offer Mass in Urdu every Sunday evening at 6 p.m. at Blessed Sacrament! Please join us!

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FAITH FORMATION & YOUTH MINISTRY



*You might have noticed a new face here at Blessed Sacrament! We are so happy to have with us seminarian **Gilbert Kimaro**, who is studying to become a priest and will be here through August. As a way to get to know him, we will be hosting a "meetand-greet" on Tuesday, July 8th from 6 to 7 p.m. in the church. Gilbert will share about his faith and vocations journey, his life in his home country of Tanzania, and answer any questions that parishioners might have. In the

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

August 18-22

9 a.m. to noon each day

SINGING AND DANCING - PRAYER

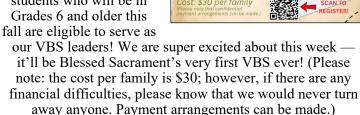
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AT BLESSED SACRAMENT

rear of the church, we will also be serving some traditional Tanzanian refreshments (desserts!). Please join us for this special event to welcome Gilbert and support his journey!

*Vacation Bible School at Blessed Sacrament will take place the week of August 18th through 22nd from 9 a.m. to noon each day! Please see the flyer at right for more details. VBS is open to children entering kindergarten through Grade 5 this fall, and you can register by scanning the QR code or visiting online: www.bsc-ffym.org/vbs. Also,

risiting online: www.bscffym.org/vbs. Also, students who will be in Grades 6 and older this fall are eligible to serve as



*If you have any questions or prayer requests or need to get a hold of our Faith Formation office, we are located on the second floor of Blessed Sacrament School. Here is our contact information:

Office phone: (518) 438-5854, ext. 119 E-mail: faithformationbsc@gmail.com

Colonie Center Mall



Step #1: Have fun shopping and dining at Colonie Center!
Step #2: Bring your original receipts to either our school or church offices to accumulate points for BSS!

June 2025 Points Opportunities:
3X: Ulta, Sephora, L.L. Bean, and H&M
4X: Torrid, Kay's, Dunkin', and Auntie Anne's

8 Bonus: 1,000 bonus points for all Hot Cuts receipt handed in!



Alexandra Faith Morazán, Principal

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*Our **last day of school** was Wednesday, June 18th! Thank you so much to everyone for a terrific and memorable year of faith, learning, and fun! We hope that you have a wonderful, restful, and safe summer ... and we really look forward to seeing everyone again this fall for a brand-new year!

*As our summer camp begins at the end of this month, please keep all of our children and staff participating in the camp in your prayers!

*Did you know that there are plenty of ways to **support our school** even over the summer months? Visit our school's website at www.blessedsacrament

school.net and click the "About" tab, then "About Us," and then "Support Our School" on the lower





"I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me." ~Philippians 4:13