# PARISH MINISTRY NEWS

\*Our Family Festival is next Saturday, September 27<sup>th</sup>. Get your ziti and meatball dinner tickets in the church or at the rectory. Craft table item are still needed as are volunteers to help on that day. Call the rectory to sign up, buy raffle or dinner tickets, or help in any other way. Be there next Saturday to see the wonderful prizes up for auction. Thanks for your support.



\*Blessed Sacrament has a "Blanket Ministry" where members of the parish make blankets for children being baptized here. The blankets must be white only, no other colors, and at least 30"x30". Blankets may be knitted, crocheted, finished fleece or even purchased if you are not able to produce a hand made blanket. We are in great need of blankets! If you can help, please drop off blankets to our church office!

# FOOD PANTRY

\*For the month of September 2025, Blessed Sacrament's food pantry will receive a \$1 donation for every \$2.50 reusable Fight Hunger bag sold at the Hannaford store located at 5 Maple Rd., Voorheesville. Please help spread the

\*Our food pantry is open on Mondays and Thursdays, 10 to 11:30 a.m.

\*Items currently needed at our pantry are: coffee, personal & feminine hygiene products, household cleaning products, and laundry detergent.

# THE BOUTIQUE

\*"The Boutique" is Blessed Sacrament Church's thrift store! **Shopping hours** are 9 a.m. to noon on Saturdays.

\* The Boutique is in need of reliable volunteers on donation days to sort, discard, hang up and display donated items. Volunteers for shopping day as customer service, keeping things neat and restocking racks when necessary.

The printing of our parish bulletin is generously provided by:



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# HAPPENING IN OUR DIOCESE

\*On Sunday, September 28<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 p.m., the Capital District Chapter Columbiettes will host their September meeting at Mother McAuley Auxiliary in Ravena. (The entrance is on North Clement Avenue; use 21 Main St., St. Patrick's Church, for GPS.) Capital District chapter president Linda Cotch will preside.

\*The Beginning Experience® Ministry is a peer-led ministry serving those grieving the end of a spousal relationship due to death, divorce, or separation. Men and women of all ages/faiths are welcome. A "Healing Weekend" in-person overnight weekend retreat at Linwood Spiritual Center, Rhinebeck, will be held October 24<sup>th</sup> through 26<sup>th</sup>. For information or to register, call Phyllis at (914) 261-5812 or Gloria at (646) 281-4790. Also, "In the Beginning ... Coping with Life Alone" is a one-day Zoom program on Saturday, November 1st from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. (ET) or 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. (CT). For information or to register, call Jim at (845) 220-7883 or Denise at (845) 325-3147.

# **Top Reasons to Oppose Assisted Suicide**

Read the full version at respectlifeprogram.org/reasonsagainst-assisted-suicide.

Some polls indicate that the public is receptive to assisted suicide. But the same polls show that people's views shift when they learn about its

dangers—especially the dangers for those who are poor, elderly, Assisted disabled, or without access to good medical care. Consider that, in Oregon and California, some discrimination. patients' health insurance offered to pay for assisted suicide, but not

suicide fosters

treatment. And in states where assisted suicide is legal, often no psychiatric evaluation or treatment is required. Additionally, assisted suicide fosters discrimination by creating two classes of people: those whose suicides we spend millions of dollars to prevent and those whose suicides we assist and treat as a positive good.

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### **OFFERTORY: SHARING OUR TREASURE**

**Regular:** \$5,379 Fuel: \$1,783

Blessed Sacrament needs 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 QR code above or visit secure.myvanco.com/YHAN/home.

# Blessed Sacrament Church

607 Central Ave., Albany, NY 12206





SEPTEMBER 21, 2025

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN **ORDINARY TIME** 

**♥** James & Tammy Forster

♥ Bill C

6 PM — Urdu

#### **BAPTISMS**

#### **FUNERALS**

Patricia MacGowan Alan Donnelly

#### WEDDINGS

Emily McDonald & Kyle Smith

#### 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.

# CONTACT US

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#### STAY CONNECTED

Parish Website: blessedsacramentalbany.org "Like" us on Facebook: www.facebook.com/ blessedsacramentcatholicchurch (Sunday Masses are livestreamed here) Subscribe to our YouTube channel: https://www.youtube.com/@BSCAlbany Download myParishApp: Text app to 55321

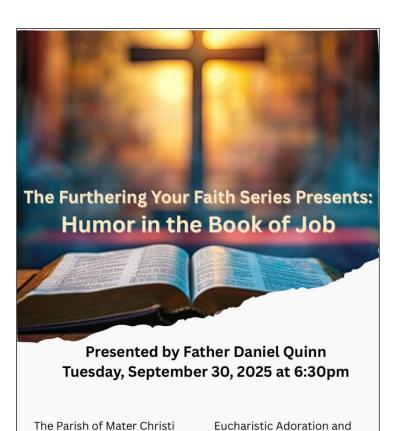
In case of an emergency requiring the ministry of a priest, outside parish office hours (and especially in danger of death), please contact the priests at (518) 482-3375. If no one answers, please leave a message.

-PSALM 113:7	ORDINARI TIME
SATURDAY, 9/20/25 — 4 PM	Sunday, 9/21/25 — 9 AM
♥ Kaitlyn & Dylan Thompson  † Jackie Norton  † Darlene Skadra	Pro Populo For the People 6 PM — URDU
Monday, 9/22/25 — 7 AM	Tuesday, 9/23/25 — 12 PM
T Robert Hershey T Richard Francis ▼ Bill C ▼ Chang Sho Kim	♥ Soon ja Kim ♥ Michael Anthony Sparks ∜ Robert Mittler
WEDNESDAY, 9/24/25— 8:15 AM	Thursday, 9/25/25 — 12 PM
♥ Andrew Kim	♥ Simon Kim ௴ Irene Frias ௴ Jacqueline Tashjian Norton
Friday, 9/26/25	
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.
SATURDAY, 9/27/25 — 4 PM	Sunday, 9/28/25 — 9 AM
▼ Kaitlyn & Dylan Thmpson	Raymond Sparling, Jr.

♥ Helen & Simon Kim

₱ Howard & Loretta Miller

A Marjorie J Hughes





FIRST READING: Amos 8:4-7 RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Psalm 113 SECOND READING: 1 Timothy 2:1-8 GOSPEL: Luke 16:1-13

## NEXT WEEKEND'S MASS READINGS (9/27-9/28)

FIRST READING: Amos 6:1a, 4-7 RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Psalm SECOND READING: 1 Timothy 6:11-16 GOSPEL: Luke 16:19-31

#### More Activities and Events

\*Trinity Alliance of the Capital Region is providing **mass food distributions** throughout the year from 8 a.m. until the food runs out. Upcoming dates and locations are: South End (20 S. Ferry St.), October 8<sup>th</sup>; and Arbor Hill (47 Lark St.), October 1<sup>st</sup>. Please bring bags/carts. If you have any questions, please call (518) 449-5155.

\*An educational gathering for catechists, youth ministry volunteers, and any parish volunteers: 6 p.m. on November 11<sup>th</sup>, Christ Our Light, Loudonville, Fr. Jim O'Kane will be the guest speaker at this event, "The Psalms and Desserts."



40 Hopewell St.

Albany, NY 12208

### FROM OUR URDU COMMUNITY

Confession immediately

following the talk.

Every Sunday evening at 6 p.m. at Blessed Sacrament, we offer Mass in Urdu. All are welcome to join us!



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.

\*Mission statement: "We are a vibrant, welcoming, multicultural Catholic community in the heart of the City of Albany celebrating and ministering the presence of Jesus with our parishioners and neighbors."

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### WORKS OF MERCY

Sr. Patricia Lynch, Food Pantry Coordinator Jean Huber, Heidi Stack, Michelle Syrotynski, and MaryEllen Walsh, The Boutique

**Sr. Maureen Joyce Outreach Center** 369 Livingston Ave., Albany, NY 12206 (518) 462-9885

# FAITH FORMATION & YOUTH MINISTRY

\*This year's first Family Faith Formation gathering is quickly approaching! If you haven't registered yet, please visit the website <a href="www.bsc-ffym.org/register">www.bsc-ffym.org/register</a> and complete the online form. (You can also scan the QR code on the right with your



smart device.) Or, if you prefer, call or e-mail our office: (518) 438-5854; <u>faithformationbsc@gmail.com</u>. We would love to have your family join us!

\*Faith Formation will offer a variety of **homemade sweet treats** at the bake sale table at this year's Blessed Sacrament Family Festival on Saturday, September 27<sup>th</sup>! Cookies, brownies, muffins, quick breads, and more ... there will be plenty to enjoy and take home! Also, if you're planning to buy some **pumpkins** for fall decorating or carving, our Confirmation candidates will have some for sale at the festival!



Colonie Center Mall



Hanging out at the mall? Maybe you're finding the perfect Halloween costume, enjoying a sweet treat, or celebrating a big event with a delicious meal. Make sure to turn in your Colonie Center shopping receipts to help our school!

### **September Points Opportunities:**

3X: Sephora, P.F. Chang's, L.L. Bean, Simply Beautiful
 4X: Torrid, Express, Claire's, Famous Footwear
 Bonus: 1,000 points for every BYC K-Beauty receipt!



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\*Pictured below are some highlights of the week. As the priests are away on retreat our regular Mass time was used to learn more about the Mass; our kindergarteners learning how to use their Chromebooks and preschoolers had a visit from a llama!





