# BLESSED SACRAMENT CHURCH

607 CENTRAL AVE., ALBANY, NY 12206





28 September 2025

26<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

### **BAPTISMS**

### **FUNERALS**

Margaret Young Anthony Insero

#### **WEDDINGS**

# **CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST**

Weekend Masses: Saturdays, 4p.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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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 103:1	
Saturday, 9/27/25 — <b>4 PM</b>	Sunday, 9/28/25 — <b>9 AM</b>
† Howard & Loretta Miller † Marjorie J Hughes † Helen Simon ♥ Kaitlyn & Dylan Thompson	†Raymond Sparling, Jr.  † Joe & Gert Recchia  ♥ James & Tammy Forster  ♥ Bill C  6 PM — Urdu
St. Vincent de Paul	26 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time
Monday, 9/29/25 — <b>7 AM</b>	Tuesday, 9/30/25 — 12 PM Confession and Adoration 12:30 - 1:30 pm  † Mary E Barth & William † Barbara Stack (7 <sup>th</sup> Ann)  Family of Mr. & Mrs. John & Esther Asieda
Sts. Michael, Gabriel & Raphael, Archangels	St. Jerome, Priest & Doctor of the Church
Wednesday, 10/1/25 — <b>8:15 AM</b> † Frank Calderone † Jennifer Helferich † Stephen Urban	Thursday, 10/2/25 — <b>12 PM</b> Confession and Adoration 12:30 - 1:30 pm  ◆ Chang Sho Kim  Blessing of the Animals 2:40 pm at school
St. Therese of the Child Jesus,	The Holy Gaurdain Angels
Friday, 10/3/25 No Mass	Please note: Mass intentions with a † indicate 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, 10/4/25 — <b>4 PM</b>	Sunday, 10/5/25 — <b>9 AM</b>
Pro Populo For the People	† Daniel Lamphere, Sr. † Amelia & Benny Lattanzio † Ruthe Brown ♥ Michael Anthony Sparks 6 PM —URDU

Respect Life Sunday

St. Francis of Assisi

## From the Deacon's Bench

A major theme in the Gospel of Luke is the importance of the care of the poor. We see an example in the parable in today's Gospel: Jesus contrasts the life of a rich man and the poor man, Lazarus, who lives in the shadow of the rich man and his wealth. Both die. Lazarus finds himself in heaven; the rich man in the netherworld. The rich man asks for assistance from Lazarus in his torment. But Abraham reminds the rich man of the good things he had in his life and describes the current situation as a reversal of fortunes. The rich man then asks that Lazarus be sent to warn his family, but this is denied with the reminder that Moses and the prophets have warned of judgment for those who neglect the care of the poor.

In the context of Luke's Gospel, this parable, delivered in the presence of a crowd of listeners, is part of Jesus' response to some Pharisees. These Pharisees are described in Luke's Gospel as "loving money." The Pharisees put less emphasis on Temple worship and more on applying the law to everyday life. Jesus observed that the actions of some Pharisees betrayed misplaced priorities: they spoke one way, but acted in another. The story of the rich man and Lazarus demonstrates the importance of the care of the poor and is a reminder to those who would follow Jesus of the unimportance of wealth in the eyes of God.

## 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 (47Lark St.), October 1<sup>st</sup>. Please bring bags/carts. If you have any questions, please call (518) 449-5155.

## LIFE CHAIN SUNDAY

Oct. 5 - 2pm - 3 pm

Please join us on the public sidewalk on Central Ave. (route 5) near the Wolf Rd. intersection at Colonie Center shopping mall, Albany 12205. Signs are provided for this interfaith, prayerful, pro-life event visibly proclaiming that Life is a precious gift from our Creator. For more information, please email Mike at alb40days@gmail.com. Life Chain, a national event, welcomes all who uphold human life from conception to natural death and is sponsored by the Society of Our Lady of Guadalupe.

## FROM OUR URDU COMMUNITY

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,9a.m. (English) and 11 a.m.

(Spanish); Mass and Adoration on Fridays at 6:30 p.m.

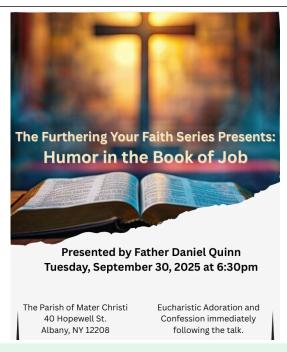
\*Mission statement: Weare a vibrant, welcoming, multicultural Catholic community in the heart of the City of Albany celebrating and ministering the presence of Jesus with our parishioners and neighbors."

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

FIRST READING: Amos 6:1a, 4-7 RESPONSORIAL PSALM: 146 SECOND READING: 1 Timothy 6:11-16 GOSPEL: Luke 16:19-31

## **NEXT WEEKEND'S MASS READINGS (10/4-10/5)**

FIRST READING: Hebrews 1:2-3, 2:2-4 RESPONSORIAL PSALM: 128 SECOND READING: 2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14 GOSPEL: Luke 17:5-10



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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

#### THANK YOU!

Thank you to everyone who joined us for our Jubilee Eucharistic Procession and Picnic! It was truly special and beautiful to witness all of Father Dan's and Father Yusko's parishes come together in unity and faith for such a meaningful celebration.

A very special thank you to Bishop Scharfenberger for joyfully walking through the streets of our community, bringing the love of the Lord to all who witnessed the procession. Your presence made the day even more memorable.

We are also deeply grateful to Roger Martel of Martel's at Capital Hills Restaurant for his incredible generosity in donating and cooking all the burgers and hot dogs for the picnic. Thank you for feeding us so well!

To all those who brought delicious food, drinks, and paper goods—thank you! Your contributions were truly appreciated, and while there are too many of you to name individually, please know how grateful we are.

A big thank you to the All Saints Men's Club, the students from UAlbany, and the Confirmandi who helped with set-up and breakdown. We're especially grateful to the young altar servers who gave their time for both the Saturday rehearsal and Sunday's Eucharistic Procession and Benediction — your dedication did not go unnoticed.

Together, we shared food, made new friends, and stood as joyful witnesses to our faith. It was a wonderful day, and we look forward to coming together again in the future.

With gratitude, All Saints, Blessed Sacrament, Mater Chrsiti, and Our Lady of the Americas

Scan the QR code to watch:
The RCDA
Jubilee Eucharistic Procession
YouTube Video









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Thank you to all the students and teachers that helped set up the gym for our Fall Festival, the class baskets and selling raffle tickets!!

This school year is off to a fantastic start! Our students are settling into our daily routines and excited to be here! Although we are only 3 weeks into the year we have already had a lot of amazing learning going on! Did you know that all of our classrooms are now self-contained? Students leave for specials, but for core subjects they stay in place. This allows teachers to spend more time teaching and supporting our students without worrying about being ready to move to the next class. It allows time for more project based learning. Most importantly it allows for a deeper relationship between our faculty and our students. We are loving it. We are blessed!

# **FAITH FORMATION & YOUTH MINISTRY**

\*This year's first Family Faith Formation gathering was last Sunday! We were so happy to see our returning families and some new families as well!

## But IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO REGISTER!

To do so, please visit the website <u>www.bsc-ffym.org/register</u> and complete the online form. (You can also scan the QR code below with your smart device.) Or, if you prefer, call or e-mail our office: (518) 438-5854; faithformationbsc@gmail.com.

We gather once a month after the 9 a.m. Mass and have breakfast in the school gym, followed by small-group sessions from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m.

Adults even have their own faith-sharing group! Then closing/dismissal is at 11:45 a.m.

Sacramental preparation for First Reconciliation, First Communion, and Confirmation is included and will meet a few more times than once a month.

We would love to have your family join us!

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, PF Chang's, LL Bean, Simply Beautiful 4X: Torrid, Express, Chalire's, Famous Footwear Bonus: 1,000 Points for every BYC K-Beauty receipt!

## PARISH MINISTRY NEWS

\*The over 50 club will meet on Monday October 6th at 12:30 in the church hall. Bring your lunch, and beverage and something to share. We will be deciding about our Christmas luncheon. For more info call: Anne Snyder at (518)869-5247

\*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". We are in great need of blankets!

If you can help, please contact 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 word!

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

\*Items currently needed at our food pantry are as noted previously: 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 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. For more information email: blessedsacramentalb@gmail.com

## Eve of the Feast of the North American Martyrs, October 18, 2025 Annual Walking Eucharistic Pilgrimage Led by Fr. Quinn, Fr. Resila & Fr. Yusko St. Mary's Church, Amsterdam --> Schoharie Crossing Yankee Hill Lock --> Natl Shrine of Our Lady of Martyr





Pilgrims arrive at St. Mary's (156 Main Street): 7:00-7:20am, Depart 7:30am Arrive at Schoharie Crossing Yankee Hill Lock, Queen Anne Road: Approx 9:00am

(port-a-potty break) Pilgrims may join procession here! Approx. arrival at Our Lady of Martyrs Shrine: 11:00am Total walking distance: 7.5 miles

There are 40 seats available on a bus that will pick up at the Coliseum parking lot at 6:45am and deliver you to St. Mary's Church so that you can leave your car at the Shrine. Seats will only be available to those who register in advance. Reserve your seat by texting or emailing Julie at 518-630-9922 or julie@ourladyofmartyrsshrine.org.

12:30pm Mass in Coliseum
1:30pm Eucharistic Procession from Coliseum to Ravine
2:30pm Relic Talk by Fr. John O'Brien, S.J., director of Martyrs' Shrine in Midland, Ontario
3:30pm Veneration of Relics

# HAPPENING IN OUR DIOCESE

All Saints invites you to join them for their St. Kateri Tekakwitha and Jesuit Martyrs Pilgrimage Day on Saturday October 11th starting at 8 a.m.

We'll begin our pilgrimage with prayer and a blessing at All Saints Church at 8:00 a.m., then carpool to the Our Lady of Martyrs Shrine in Auriesville, where the North American Jesuits were martyred. We'll have a tour of the shrine museum and the grounds, celebrate Mass in the Coliseum, and enjoy a catered lunch at the pavilion on site.

After lunch, we'll visit the birthplace of St. Kateri Tekakwitha in Fonda, featuring a museum, archeological site of St. Kateri's village, and St. Kateri's well.

We will end our pilgrimage around 4:00 p.m. at the Fonda site, but if you would like to attend a Vigil Mass on Saturday, the Fonda shrine does celebrate a 4:30 p.m. Mass.

There's no cost to join the pilgrimage, but we ask that you RSVP no later than Monday, October 6. You can RSVP either with the QR code below or by calling the parish office at 518-482-2297. Please let us know if you are willing to drive others, and if so how many people you can take in your vehicle. And be sure to inform us if you have any dietary needs or restrictions, so we can provide a lunch that meets your needs.

Pope Francis named the Jubilee Year of 2025 "Pilgrims of Hope," and Catholics are especially encouraged to make pilgrimages in this year. This is a great opportunity to learn more about some of our local saints.

We hope to see you there!!

Scan the QR code to RSVP

## OFFERTORY: SHARING OUR TREASURE

**Regular:** \$6,582



Blessed Sacrament needs at least \$9,000 each week in our collections to break even — not counting unexpected maintenance costs that might arise.

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