

*Blessed Sacrament's **Rosary Guild** will meet Thursday, September 18th at 12:30 p.m. in the church basement. They'll be having their "Comfort Bag" collection for children taken out of abusive situations. Albany's Christ Child Society makes bags containing 12" stuffed animals, coloring books and crayons, story books, and toothbrushes and toothpaste. If you can help, bring some items to this meeting or to the parish office. All women of the parish are invited, and subs will be served for lunch.



*Our parish's **Over 50 Club** will meet on Monday, September 8th at 12:30 p.m. in the church hall. Bring your lunch and something to share. It will be wonderful to be back together after our summer hiatus!

*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!

***Items currently needed at our pantry are: canned corn, carrots, green beans, peaches, pears, coffee, personal and feminine hygiene products, and laundry detergent (liquid or pods).**



*“The Boutique” is Blessed Sacrament Church’s thrift store! **Shopping hours** are 9 a.m. to noon on Saturdays. We accept and could use baking and cookware items.

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*A **“Generations of Faith”** gathering will take place on Wednesday, September 17th from 6-8 p.m. at St. Edward the Confessor Church, Clifton Park. Sr. Teresa Grace Baillargeon will be the presenter. To register and get more details: <https://forms.gle/omrnqQ6EDmiiYMJs8>.

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 --> Nat'l Shrine of Our Lady of Martyrs

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



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.**

-LUKE 14:27



**TWENTY-THIRD
SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME**

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	<p style="text-align: center;">MONDAY, 9/8/25 — 7 AM</p> <p style="text-align: center;">♥ Bill C ✠ Louis Huynh ✠ Angela Finn</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">TUESDAY, 9/9/25 — 12 PM</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Confession and Adoration: 12:30-1:30 p.m.</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">✠ John & Mary Lynch ✠ Casey Ryan Lynch ✠ Donald Partyka ✠ Katie Lynch Farrell Janice & Robert Mittler (Ann)</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Memorial, St. Peter Claver</i></p>
<p style="text-align: center;">CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST</p> <p>Weekend Masses: Saturdays, 4 p.m.; Sundays, 9 a.m. (<i>English</i>) and 6 p.m. (<i>Urdu</i>)</p> <p>Weekday Masses: As scheduled in the bulletin</p> <p>Reconciliation (Confession): Tuesdays & Thursdays, 12:30-1:30 p.m.; Saturdays, 3-3:40 p.m.</p> <p>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Tuesdays & Thursdays, 12:30-1:30 p.m.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">CONTACT US</p> <p>607 Central Ave., Albany, NY 12206</p> <p>Website: www.blessedsacramentalbany.org</p> <p>Office Phone: (518) 482-3375</p> <p>Office E-mail: blessedsacramentalb@gmail.com</p> <p>Office Hours: Monday through Friday, 9 a.m.-4 p.m.</p> <p>For submitting bulletin items: bulletin.blessedsacrament@gmail.com</p> <p style="text-align: center;">STAY CONNECTED</p> <p>Parish Website: blessedsacramentalbany.org</p> <p>“Like” us on Facebook: www.facebook.com/blessedsacramentcatholicchurch (<i>Sunday Masses are livestreamed here</i>)</p> <p>Subscribe to our YouTube channel: https://www.youtube.com/@BSCAlbany</p> <p>Download myParishApp: Text app to 55321</p> <p><i>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.</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">WEDNESDAY, 9/10/25 — 8:15 AM</p> <p style="text-align: center;">✠ Jack & Brian Cromie ♥ Kristal Rodriguez Mercado ♥ Christina Kim</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>1st school Mass of the 2025-2026 school year; all are welcome</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">THURSDAY, 9/11/25 — 12 PM</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Confession and Adoration: 12:30-1:30 p.m.</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">✠ Joan Hayden ♥ Michael Anthony Sparks ♥ Simon Kim ✠ Carmelo</p>
	<p style="text-align: center;">FRIDAY, 9/12/25 — NO MASS</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Please note: Mass intentions with a ✠ indicate that the person is deceased; ♥ indicates that the person is alive.</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>If you are having a Mass offered and would like to bring up the gifts, please see an usher before the liturgy begins.</i></p>
	<p style="text-align: center;">SATURDAY, 9/13/25 — 4 PM</p> <p style="text-align: center;">♥ Kaitlyn & Dylan Thompson ♥ Young Fang Paul Kim ✠ Luigi & Elvira Cosentino</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Memorial, St. John Chrysostom</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">SUNDAY, 9/14/25 — 9 AM</p> <p style="text-align: center;">✠ Mary Ellen Kahlid ✠ Daniel Lamphere ✠ Bernadette Vermett</p> <p style="text-align: center;">6 PM — URDU</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross</i></p>

FALL REFLECTIONS AND NEW BEGINNINGS
by Lisanne Jensen

I absolutely love this time of year. (Summer used to be my favorite season — but as I get older, the more I totally can’t stand 90-degree temperatures and awful humidity!) I love everything about fall: cooler weather, autumn baked goods, pumpkin spice everywhere, leaves changing, brand-new school supplies, another wonderful school year, Faith Formation starting again ... and this September, I turn 50! Any advice (and prayers!) would be appreciated!

When I began my first year as a Faith Formation director (in 2015) and checked out my new office, the only thing hanging on the blank walls was this laminated scripture passage. I have carried it with me all these years as a reminder of how I strive to live my life, and it’s currently on my bulletin board here at Blessed Sacrament. As this new year begins, it’s a great reflection — so I thought that I would share it with you:

A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Philippians:

Brothers and sisters: Rejoice in the Lord always. I shall say it again: rejoice! Your kindness should be known to all. The Lord is near. Have no anxiety at all, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, make your requests known to God. Then the peace of God that surpasses all understanding will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.



FROM OUR URDU COMMUNITY

As part of our cherished annual tradition, we are pleased to announce that the Crowning Ceremony of Mother Mary will be held once again this year at New Lebanon Church. The ceremony will take place on Sunday, September 7th at 3 p.m. This blessed occasion will be graced by the presence of Fr. Daniel Quinn, Fr. Francis Tanveer, and Chaplain Philip Hira along with our entire parish community gathered in unity and devotion. All are welcome to join us!



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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.”

THIS WEEKEND’S MASS READINGS (9/6-9/7)

FIRST READING: Wisdom 9:13-18b
RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Psalm 90
SECOND READING: Philemon 9-10, 12-17
GOSPEL: Luke 14:25-33

NEXT WEEKEND’S MASS READINGS (9/13-9/14)

FIRST READING: Numbers 21:4b-9
RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Psalm 78
SECOND READING: Philippians 2:6-11
GOSPEL: John 3:13-17

MORE ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

*Monday, September 22nd at Capital Hills Golf Course, there will be a golf tournament to benefit the **Rev. Kenneth J. Doyle Catholic Education Fund**, sponsored by St. Mary’s, Crescent. September 18th is the deadline to register. The event includes a complimentary lunch, happy hour, dinner, greens fee and cart, a practice range, and men’s/ladies/mixed four-somes. For details and registration: (518) 482-5572 or e-mail sundaes1@yahoo.com.

*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.): September 10th and October 8th; and Arbor Hill (47 Lark St.): October 1st. Please bring bags/carts. Questions: call (518) 449-5155.

*The annual diocesan **Marriage Jubilee** celebration: Sunday, September 14th at 3 p.m. at Christ Our Light, Loudonville. Register by e-mailing marriage.jubilee@rcda.org.

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FAITH FORMATION & YOUTH MINISTRY

*September is now here ... and our **first Faith Formation gathering** is quickly approaching! If you haven’t registered yet, visit the website www.bsc-ffym.org/register and complete the quick 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; faithformationbsc@gmail.com.



*“**Praying Our Faith**” is our theme for this brand-new year, which begins on Sunday, September 21st. (Our amazing catechists will also be honored and blessed at this Mass.) We will gather in the school gym after the 9 a.m. Mass for breakfast, then an opening prayer/short talk and individual Faith Formation sessions (“classes”) from 10:30-11:30 a.m. Afterward, we come back to the gym for our closing and dismissal at 11:45 a.m. **Entire families are invited as well as parishioners, visitors, and anyone else who would like to join us!** We have a faith-sharing group just for adults, too!

*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 27th! 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! All proceeds will go toward Blessed Sacrament’s Food Pantry.



Are you an adult who is interested in joining the Catholic Church? Were you baptized in the Catholic Church but have not been Confirmed? Weekly **OCIA/RCIA and adult Confirmation classes** to prepare adults to receive the sacraments will begin on September 14th. We meet in the church vestibule (Central Avenue entrance) immediately after the Sunday 9 a.m. Mass.



CATHOLIC CONNECTIONS

“**Abiding Together**” is listed as one of the top 10 Catholic podcasts. It helps Catholic women share their faith and form deeper friendships. Check it out: <https://tinyurl.com/mtfh5u7t>.

TWO BRAND-NEW SAINTS

This Sunday, September 7th, the Catholic Church will celebrate the canonization of two new saints: **Carlo Acutis** and **Pier Giorgio Frassati**. To learn more about Frassati’s life, visit <https://tinyurl.com/h4kc2pwd> — and more information about Acutis can be found at this website: www.fondazionecarloacutis.org/en/the-blessed/. To watch the canonization coverage, visit <https://tinyurl.com/2t2d2rkp> for more details. Sunday’s canonization Mass from Italy will air live at 3 a.m. Eastern time, but an encore presentation will be broadcast at 6 p.m. Eastern time on Sunday.



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*Our first **school Mass** for the new school year will be Wednesday, September 10th, at 8:15 a.m. All are welcome!

*Save the date of Saturday, September 27th for our **Blessed Sacrament Family Festival!** More details are below!

*Please consider supporting our school through the **School Bucks** program at Colonie Center Mall. More information is below about September’s points and how to participate!

Blessed Sacrament

FAMILY FESTIVAL

Saturday, September 27, 2025
2 to 6 p.m. in the school gym

We are one family united in faith ~ and we have a LOT to celebrate!
Come join us for food, fellowship, and fun!

Enjoy homemade baked ziti with meatballs!

Enter to win fabulous themed gift baskets!

Be part of the action with family activities!

Sample bake sale goodies and shop handmade crafts!

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SCHOOL BUCKS

Bring receipts to our parish or school office or submit them at the Management Office near Sephora. Details: 2 points per \$1 spent; a minimum of 8,000 shopping points required to qualify to win. School Bucks is based on actual dollars spent by personal visits (not a receipt drive). Bills made from non-in-store purchases are not accepted. Store employees may not be used to collect receipts. All receipts must be redeemed within 60 days of purchase date. Receipts are collected from 1/1/25 until 1/15/26; those dated prior to 1/1/25 will not be accepted. The winning school earns \$8,000!

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!