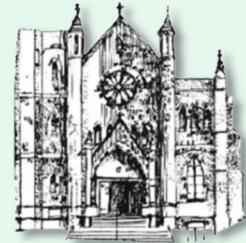


BLESSED SACRAMENT CHURCH

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January 11th

2026

The Baptism of The Lord

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please contact the priests at (518)482-3375.

If no one answers, please leave a message.

THIS WEEKEND'S MASS READINGS (1/10-1/11)

FIRST READING: Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: 29

SECOND READING: Acts 10:34-38

GOSPEL: Matthew 3:13-17

NEXT WEEKEND'S MASS READINGS (1/17-1/18)

FIRST READING: Isaiah 49:3, 5-6

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: 40

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 1:1-3

GOSPEL: John 1:29-34

MASS TIMES

SATURDAY- 1/10/26 - 4 PM

Confession 3 PM

SUNDAY- 1/11/26 - 9 AM

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6 PM – Urdu

MONDAY- 1/12/26 - 7 AM

TUESDAY- 1/13/26 - 12 PM

Adoration & Confession 12:30 PM

Saint Hilary, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

WEDNESDAY- 1/14/26 - 8:15 AM (WITH SCHOOL)

THURSDAY- 1/15/26 - 12 PM

Adoration & Confession 12:30 PM

FRIDAY- 1/16/26 - NO MASS

SATURDAY- 1/17/26 - 4 PM

Confession 3 PM

Saint Anthony, Abbot

SUNDAY- 1/18/26 - 9 AM

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

6 PM – Urdu

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REMADE FOR MISSION UPDATE

On Wednesday, November 17th about 80 parishioners from our parish network (St. Vincent's, Blessed Sacrament, All Saints, Mater Christi, the Shrine Church) met at the Hibernian Hall for a Synodal gathering.

Thank you for all who could attend, and for all who emailed your responses and questions to albanyuptownsynodquestions@yahoo.com

The two prompts that would be discussed in small table groups had been posted in the parishes in the weeks prior:

- (1) "I would invite someone to my parish because..." ,
- and (2) "To grow as a disciple, a follower of Christ, I need..." .

Now that the Working Group who designed that gathering has met and reflected on the responses and conversations, we are ready to share what we noted:

Prompt #1: "Yes, I would invite someone to my parish because..."

(Below is a sampling of responses synthesized from the table reports)

- We are a welcoming parish
- I feel safe and welcomed
- We have a vibrant, growing community
- Great music
- Good homilies that make you think
- Outreach and service opportunities
- Lots of ways to be involved in the parish
- Welcoming to families
- Disability accessible
- Sense of care and community
- Check in on and visit homebound
- Feel better, more at peace after Mass

Prompt #2: "To grow as a disciple, a follower of Christ, I need..."

(Below is a sampling of responses synthesized from the table reports)

- Someone to talk with, and ongoing encouragement and support
- Be engaged with the outside world
- Music, readings, ritual, quiet
- Good programming for adults
- Outreach and service opportunities
- A strong faith community
- Encouragement, friends and fun
- A community who responds to the call to serve

Next Steps- and Save the Dates: As a result of a deeper look at your responses, and given that Bishop Mark has asked us to "pause" the Remade for Mission pastoral planning process, we felt that we could use this time to create network and city wide opportunities that focus on providing new opportunities that are designed to enrich our lives and the lives of our parish communities. We will focus on designing programs that are spiritually enriching, and outreach opportunities that seek to identify and meet the needs of our surrounding communities. One such opportunity will be coming up on March 23-26th. Our network will be having a four day/Lenten Mission and Retreat in which each parish will host a session on at least one of the days. This subcommittee met January 8th, and we hope the Holy Spirit will help surface our theme and general outline/flow for the retreat. Be on the lookout for more details.



FAITH FORMATION & YOUTH MINISTRY

There's still time to start your new year with Faith Formation! Our first large group session of 2026 will be Sunday, January 25. Preparation for First Reconciliation, First Eucharist and Confirmation will be stepping up these next few months as we look forward to upcoming retreats and ceremonies.

Large group sessions begin with 9am mass, then gathering and breakfast in the gym, then smaller breakout sessions until 11:30am, including a session for parents. Sacramental preparation requires some additional meetings. New registrants are always welcome.

To register, please visit the website www.bsc-ffym.org register and complete the online form. Or, if you prefer, call or e-mail our office: (518) 438-5854; faithformationbsc@gmail.com. We would love to have your family join us!



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!



SHRINE CHURCH OF OUR LADY OF THE AMERICAS

A MISSION OF BLESSED SACRAMENT PARISH

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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: "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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-On Tuesday, January 6th this past week we had the blessing of the school doors for the Epiphany

-Catholic School week is Sunday, January 25th through Saturday, January 31st!

-Bishop of Albany, Mark O'Connell, will be the primary celebrant at our school Mass on Wednesday, January 28th! Please join us!

-We are working on a brand new School Website! We will announce when it's up and running!



SCHOOL BUCKS



Hanging out at the mall? Maybe you're finding the perfect gift for someone, 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!

Please submit all eligible receipts for purchases at Colonie Center no later than January 15. Receipts must be submitted within 60 days of purchase. If you would like us in the parish office to submit them, please have them to the office no later than close of business 1/13. Don't forget that purchases made at the post office, BJ's Brewhouse and the other shops in the separate building, Whole Foods and temporary/kiosk purchases in the mall are all eligible. Your support over the years has been so wonderful that we have been able to receive the grand prize many times and hope to do so again this year.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday (1/10/26)

† Jennifer Alicea
† Diane Guiry
† John Constantini

Sunday (1/11/26)

♥ Bozena Kolodziej
† Darlene Skadra
† Jolanta Rydzak

Monday (1/12/26)

† Msg James Hart
† Edwin C Kunkel

Tuesday (1/13/26)

♥ Michael Anthony Sparks
† Helen Neilon (80th Ann)
† Rosario Balarin
† Robert Mittler

Wednesday (1/14/26)

♥ Gregg Noss

Thursday (1/15/26)

♥ Bill C
♥ David Seamen
† Joseph & Frances Bologna

Friday (1/16/26)

NO MASS

Saturday (1/17/26)

† Ruth Panunzio
† Susan Rooney

Sunday (1/18/26)

† Daniel Lamphere Sr.
♥ Tammy & James Forster & Family

*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.*

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Riley Cameron

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Sr. Maureen Joyce Outreach Center

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THE BOUTIQUE

*“The Boutique” is Blessed Sacrament Church’s thrift store! **Shopping hours** are 9 a.m. to noon on Saturdays.

Donation drop offs are Tuesday & Friday, 9 a.m. to noon.

*Due to space constraints, please hold summer clothing items until spring and Christmas items until Fall.

FOOD PANTRY

*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, tea, toilet paper, personal & feminine hygiene products, and household cleaning products.**

BLANKET MINISTRY

*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”. Thank you for your generous response to our urgent request. We will always have a need for the blankets and will accept them at any time.