

# BLESSED SACRAMENT CHURCH

607 Central Ave., Albany, NY 12206



Divine  
Mercy  
Sunday



April 12<sup>th</sup>  
2026

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## WHAT IS DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY?

In the year 2000, Pope John Paul II canonized Saint Maria Faustina Kowalska and added the Feast of Divine Mercy to the Church's official calendar. Saint Faustina, who died in 1938, was a member of the Congregation of Sisters of Our Lady of Mercy in Krakow, Poland. She came from a simple and poor family of farmers, had only three years of rudimentary education, and performed the humblest of tasks in her convent. But she also was a mystic who was privileged to have many private revelations from our Lord. In obedience to her superior and spiritual director, she recorded these private revelations in six notebooks. Those notebooks are known today under the title: Divine Mercy in My Soul: Diary of Saint Maria Faustina Kowalska. The messages contained within her diary present profound communications from God for our day and age. Though the messages are many, there are several new ways that God is calling us to a new form of devotion.

This is a short reflection from the New Harbor Press website.

Want to read more of the article? Here is the link:  
<https://mycatholic.life/catholic-prayers/triduum-and-easter-prayers/divine-mercy-sunday/>

## SPECIAL DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY SCHEDULE

1pm-3pm: Adoration & Confession  
3pm: Divine Mercy Chaplet  
3:30pm: Mass



## MASS SCHEDULE

### DAILY MASS

Monday | 7 am  
Tuesday, Thursday & Friday | 12 pm  
Wednesday | 8:15 am (with School)

### SATURDAY VIGIL 5 pm

### SUNDAY 9 am & 6 pm Urdu

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Tuesday & Thursday | 12:30 pm  
Saturday | 4 pm

### ADORATION

Tuesday & Thursday | 12:30 pm

### 1<sup>st</sup> SATURDAY OF EACH MONTH

Adoration & Reconciliation | 7:30 am  
Mass | 9 am

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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.*

Our offertory envelope company, Cathedral Letter Solutions, sent us an email last week that their machinery has broken and they are awaiting a delivery for parts, therefore, the next set of envelopes will be delayed. The last envelope in the set was Easter. Please feel free to use a plain envelope and, if you know it, put your envelope number on it. If you don't know it, your name and address will be helpful.

## MASS INTENTIONS

### Saturday (4/11/26)

† David Tenney  
† William Stevens  
† Theresa Rourke  
† Patricia A. Arras  
† V. Joseph Zell

### Sunday (4/12/26)

♥ Virginia Cromie  
♥ Michael Anthony Sparks  
† Darlene Skadra  
† Janet Skinkle  
† Faith Stark  
† Hope Scheppers

### Monday (4/13/26)

♥ James Couch  
♥ Bill C.  
♥ Michael Anthony Sparks  
♥ Matsui Cromie Family

### Tuesday (4/14/26)

† Robert Mittler & Nancy Campbell  
† Mary & John Lynch  
† Donald Partyka  
† Katie Lynch Farrell  
† Casey Ryan Lynch

### Wednesday (4/15/26)

♥ Sara Hollo  
♥ Kayla Grace Charles  
† Ian Merrill

### Thursday (4/16/26)

† Helen C. Ingersoll (26th Anniversary)  
† Luigi & Elvira Cosentino

### Friday (4/17/26) NO MASS

### Saturday (4/18/26)

♥ Kayla Grace Charles  
† Virginia & V. Joseph Zell  
† Sandra Weir  
† Cathryn Blair  
† Ryan Connelly

### Sunday (4/19/26)

Pro Populo: Mass for the People

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*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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BAPTISMS

WEDDINGS

FUNERALS

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## WORKS OF MERCY

**Sr. Patricia Lynch, Food Pantry Coordinator**  
**Jean Huber, Heidi Stack, Michelle Syrotynski,**  
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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, laundry detergent and household cleaning products.**

Food Pantry numbers: Households - 213, Children - 151, Adults - 322, and Seniors - 84

## THIS WEEKEND'S MASS READINGS (4/11-4/12)

**FIRST READING:** Acts 2:42-47

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM:** 118

**SECOND READING:** 1 Peter 1:3-9

**GOSPEL:** John 20:19-31

## NEXT WEEKEND'S MASS READINGS (4/18-4/19)

**FIRST READING:** Acts 2:14, 22-33

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM:** 16

**SECOND READING:** 1 Peter 1:17-21

**GOSPEL:** Luke 24:13-35

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## FAITH FORMATION & YOUTH MINISTRY

Today we celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday! Jesus told St. Faustina that His mercy is greater than our sins.

The message is simple: God loves us, wants us to recognize His mercy, and desires us to let it flow through us to others. As we celebrate this Second Sunday of Easter, let us trust in His infinite mercy and receive His graces

Please continue to pray for Valentina, Anaya, Emilio, Madelyn, Vera, Jaemario and Landen who continue to prepare for their upcoming First Communion on May 3 at the 9am mass.

Our LAST large group session for the academic year is Sunday, April 19. Please watch your email for additional sacramental preparation sessions.

To register for next year, please visit the website [www.bsc-ffym.org/register](http://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](mailto:faithformationbsc@gmail.com). We would love to have your family join us!



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- School starts back up this week after they had Spring Break this past week!
- Wednesday, April 15<sup>th</sup> & Thursday, April 16<sup>th</sup> there is NYS ELA Testing for Grades 3-6.
- Friday, April 17<sup>th</sup> is the end of the Third Quarter.
- Thursday, April 23<sup>rd</sup> we have spring school portraits, makeup photos, and report cards go home.
- Wednesday, April 29<sup>th</sup> & Thursday, April 30<sup>th</sup> there is NYS Math Testing.



### 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

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 & Adoration on the 1<sup>st</sup> Fridays of each month 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."

## SCHOOL BUCKS

*Hanging out at the mall? Maybe you're 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!*

### April Bonus Points

#### 3x Points

-Sephora, Box Lunch, Simply Beautiful, Paul Michell Salon & Spa

#### 4x Points

-Foot Locker, Express, Torrid, Bath & Body Works

### OFFERTORY: SHARING OUR TREASURE

Easter: \$11,029  
Holy Land: \$814



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](http://secure.myvanco.com/YHAN/home).**

## TOWN HALL MEETING

Please join us for a town hall meeting to discuss the RCDA settlement with the victims. We will talk about how it will affect our parish relative to our responsibility and finances.

It will be in the School Gymnasium on Sunday, April 19<sup>th</sup> at 10 AM.

## THE APRIL HNS RAFFLE WINNERS, ARE:

\$275 1st = Mike Strycharz

\$75 2nd = Brumilda Munoz

FOUR \$25 Prizes = Stephan CDTA, Joe Dobek, Barbara Maynard and Carok Ferlazzo.

Next drawing at HNS meeting on May 6th. All parish men are invited to attend (7 PM).

# Tea & Short Reads

Wednesdays at 12:30 PM  
All Saints Parish Office "Upper Room"  
12 Rosemont St  
Albany NY 12208

Apr 15 Easter Sunday Homily 2025  
*by Pope Francis*



Apr 22 The Open Window  
*by Saki*



Apr 29 The Blessed Virgin Mary Compared  
To a Window  
*by Thomas Merton*



May 6 The Hitchhiker  
*by Roald Dahl*



May 13 Dear One Absent This Long While  
*by Lisa Olstein*



May 20 Charles  
*by Shirley Jackson*



Read the selected story then join us for lively discussion  
and a cup (or two) of tea!

### STAY CONNECTED

#### "Like" us on Facebook:

(Sunday Masses are live streamed here)

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#### Parish Website:

<https://blessedsacramentalbany.org/>



## Living by the Light:

GenderDysphoria: Justiceand Compassionate Care

Please join us for our annual Catholic Professionals Conference and Mini-Retreat: *Living by the Light* at St. Pius Catholic Church in Loudonville, NY. Our conference theme is: *Gender Dysphoria: Justice and Compassionate Care*.

The **morning professional program** will explore the medical, legal, and theological dimensions of gender dysphoria, featuring expert presentations and Q&A sessions. The **afternoon retreat** will focus on the role of gender in the spiritual life with reflections allowing for personal contemplation and prayer, followed by Confession, Adoration, and Mass with Bishop Mark O'Connell.

### LEARN MORE & REGISTER:

[STBERNARDS.REGFOX.COM/LIVING-BY-THE-LIGHT-SPRING-2026](http://STBERNARDS.REGFOX.COM/LIVING-BY-THE-LIGHT-SPRING-2026)

SATURDAY, APRIL 18TH, 2026,  
8:30AM - 6:00PM  
ST. PIUS CATHOLIC CHURCH  
IN LOUDONVILLE, NY



# Rachel's Vineyard

Healing the trauma of abortion, one weekend at a time

### Hope and Healing After Abortion

*Rachel's Vineyard* is a ministry that focuses on healing and hope for those grieving the loss of a child from an abortion

**DATE: May 29-31, 2026**

**PLACE: Dominican Retreat & Conference Center, Niskayuna, NY**

**COST: \$195.00 Financial assistance available, if needed**

**For information or to register, contact:**

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**Participation is strictly confidential.**

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