

BLESSED SACRAMENT CHURCH

607 Central Ave., Albany, NY 12206



Repent &
believe
in the
Gospel.
-Mark 1:15



11th Sunday in
Ordinary Time

June 14, 2026

FROM LISANNE JENSEN

God loves us more than we can ever possibly imagine.
But also: God *is* love.

During the month of June, I've been talking with my religion students at Blessed Sacrament School about the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Many recognize the beautiful Sacred Heart statue that sits next to our church building because they see it on their way into, and out of school each day. I asked them the question, "What does the word sacred mean? How do we – or can we – have sacred hearts, too?"

One day as I was leaving the school building, I thought that I would snap a quick picture of the beautiful purple irises in front of the Sacred Heart statue. Later, when I looked more closely at the photo I took, I noticed that a ray of sunlight was streaming down right through the middle of Jesus's Sacred Heart! He truly is the Light of the World.

"Sacred" means holy and set apart – specifically, set apart for a purpose. We hear in this weekend's second reading from St. Paul's letter to the Romans, "... God proves his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us." You can't get much more holy and sacred than that! We are chosen, special, made in the image of God, and loved unconditionally. Each of us is sacred and has a unique purpose.

Also, this weekend's Gospel message from Matthew illustrates the incredible empathy and compassion residing in Jesus's heart: "At the sight of the crowds, Jesus' heart was moved with pity for them because they were troubled and abandoned, like sheep without a shepherd." He is always with us and never leaves us, especially through the power of the Holy Spirit that guides us continually.

If our Faith Formation children and Blessed Sacrament School students come away with anything from this year of exploring their faith, I pray that they will always know of God's infinite love for them and forever hold on to their love of learning about their faith!



MASS SCHEDULE

DAILY MASS

Monday | 7 am

Tuesday & Thursday | 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

1st SATURDAY OF EACH MONTH

Adoration & Reconciliation | 7:30 am

Mass | 9 am

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MASS INTENTIONS
Saturday (6/13/26) - 5:00 pm

† Yvonne Catalano
† Millie Rapello
† Luz Mercader
♡ Michael Anthony Sparks
♡ Bill C

Sunday (6/14/26) - 9:00 am

† Rose Tenenini (1st Ann)
† Luz Mercader
♡ Virginia Cromie
♡ Bill C

Monday (6/15/26) - 7:00 am

† Luz Mercader
♡ Michael Anthony Sparks
♡ Christina Kim

Tuesday (6/16/26) - 12:00 pm

† Luz Mercader
♡ Kayla Grace Charles
♡ Simon Kim
♡ Michael Anthony Sparks

Wednesday (6/17/26) - 8:15 am

† Luz Mercader
† James Smith
♡ Sarah Hollo
♡ Michael Anthony Sparks

Thursday (6/18/26) - 12:00 pm

† Luz Mercader
† Thomas Mittler
† John Mooney
♡ Michael Anthony Sparks
♡ Fr. Stephen Yusko (5th Ann of Ordination)

Friday (6/19/26) NO MASS

Saturday (6/20/26) - 5:00 pm

For the People
Pro Populo

Sunday (6/21/26) - 9:00 am

† Darlene Skadra
† Paul Marchand
† Jack & Brian Cromie
† Jennifer Alicea
† Victor Alicea, Sr.
† Leonard Anthony Liuzzi

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.*

BAPTISMS

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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 fall/winter clothing items until end of summer, 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.**

May Statistics: Households- 177, Children- 118, Adults- 259, and Seniors- 84

NEXT WEEKEND'S MASS READINGS (6/13-14)

FIRST READING: Exodus 19:2-6a

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: 100

SECOND READING: Romans 5:6-11

GOSPEL: Matthew 9:36-10:8

THIS WEEKEND'S MASS READINGS (6/20-21)

FIRST READING: Jeremiah 20:10-13

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: 69

SECOND READING: Romans 5:12-15

GOSPEL: Matthew 10:26-33

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THANK YOU FOR TAKING US OUT TO THE BALLGAME!!



The reports are in the weather was perfect and so were our students. So proud of the way they represented Blessed Sacrament School & Fr. Stephen was able to 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

Rev. Francis O'Connor, Chaplain
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Mass Schedule: Sundays, 9 a.m. (English) and 11 a.m. (Spanish); Mass & Adoration on the 1st 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!

June Bonus Points

3x Points

- H&M, Foot Locker, Ulta Beauty, Carter's

4x Points

- J. Crew, Famous Footwear, Express, Zales

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OFFERTORY: SHARING OUR TREASURE

Regular: \$4,924

Catholic Communications: \$933

Next 2nd collection:
6/21 - School Support



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.

HOLY NAME SOCIETY

Next meeting is Wednesday July 1st @ 7 pm; all parish men are invited. Raffle tickets are \$1 each and are available at the office annex before Mass and the parish office. If you would like to have tickets mailed to you, please let us know.

Correction: In honor of our nations 250th birthday, July's 1st prize will be \$250, second prize \$50 and there will be three third prizes of \$25 each.

FAITH FORMATION & YOUTH MINISTRY

Regular sessions will resume in September.

To register for next year, 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!

HANNAFORD FIGHT HUNGER BAGS

During the month of June at the Wolf Road Hannaford for every Fight Hunger reusable bag purchased Blessed Sacrament Food Pantry will receive \$1.00. If you were thinking about replacing your current grocery bags, now is a good time to do it and support our food pantry at the same time.

MISCARRIAGE MINISTRY

Thank you to everyone who responded so generously with food and care packages (a "meal train") for the parishioners who recently experienced the trauma of a miscarriage. Anyone else who would like to be included on the distribution list to help with this ministry by signing up for even just one meal, or who would like to help in other ways, is asked to send their contact information to the parish office.

Additionally, if anyone is in need of the helps our miscarriage ministry offers, please contact the office.

MEN!

There are a number of Catholic Men's groups in town:

- Holy Names Society - 7:00 PM - 1st Wed. monthly Blessed Sacrament Forman Room
- All Saints Men's Assn. - 6:30 - 3rd Mon. monthly All Saints Church or the Italian American Club
- Ancient Order of Hibernians - 7:00 PM - 1st Wed. 375 Ontario St.
- Knights of Columbus - 7:30 PM - 3rd Wed. monthly 375 Ontario St.
- That Man Is You - 6:00 AM - Fridays, St. Pius X

CARDINAL McCLOSKEY / BISHOP MAGINN / ALL SAINTS ACADEMY

Calling Alumni of the above schools! The tabernacle that has been at the center of the chapel of these institutions is being donated to Holy Trinity Church in Aksam, Lanuza, Suriago del Sur, Philippines. We'd like to send it off with a blessing for its new owners, and let our brothers and sisters there know its history and also of our prayers for them. Contact the coordinator of this effort through our parish office.

