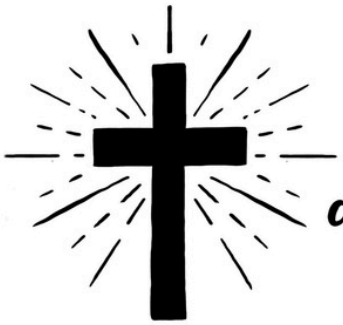
BLESSED SACRAMENT CHURCH

607 Central Ave., Albany, NY 12206



Blessed are those
who fear the Lord
and walk in his ways.
-Psalm 128

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November 15
2026

Thirty Third Sunday in Ordinary Times

FROM LISANNE JENSEN

On Friday, November 13th, the Church celebrated the feast of St. Frances Xavier Cabrini, also known as “Mother Cabrini.” As the first U.S. citizen to become a saint, she reminds us that extraordinary things can happen when we place our trust in God and open our hearts to serving others. (Side note: St. Elizabeth Ann Seton was the first American-born saint; Mother Cabrini was born in Italy.)

Mother Cabrini felt called from an early age to dedicate her life to God. Although she dreamed of becoming a missionary in China, Pope Leo XIII encouraged her to travel to the United States instead, where thousands of Italian immigrants were struggling to build new lives. Trusting that God had a plan greater than her own, she embraced this unexpected mission with courage and determination.
Throughout her life, Mother Cabrini worked tirelessly to care for immigrants, orphans, the sick, and those living in poverty. She established schools, hospitals, and orphanages, offering not only practical assistance but also dignity, hope, and the reassurance that every person is precious in God's eyes. Despite facing poor health, financial difficulties, and countless obstacles, she remained steadfast in her faith.

Mother Cabrini's mission began with a simple willingness to say "yes" to God, even when His plans were different from her own. How often do we hesitate when God calls us to something unfamiliar or uncomfortable? How often do we overlook opportunities to share His love because we feel too busy, too uncertain, or simply not up to the task?

Mother Cabrini reminds us that holiness is not reserved for those who accomplish extraordinary things. It begins in the ordinary moments of our lives: welcoming someone who feels alone, offering encouragement to someone who is struggling, showing compassion to a stranger, or extending a helping hand to a neighbor in need. Each of these small acts can become a powerful expression of Christ's love.

As we remember Mother Cabrini, may we be inspired by her unwavering trust in God's providence and her generous heart for others. May we have the courage to recognize Christ in the people we encounter, especially those who are vulnerable, forgotten, or searching for a place to belong.

May we also remember that God does not ask us to do everything, but He does invite each of us to do something. With faith, love, and a willingness to serve, even our smallest efforts can make a lasting difference! St. Frances Xavier Cabrini, pray for us!

MASS SCHEDULE

DAILY MASS
Monday | 7 am
Tuesday & Thursday | 12 **pm**
Wednesday | **9:00 am**

SATURDAY VIGIL
4 pm

SUNDAY
9 am & 6 pm Urdu

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION
Tuesday | **12:30 pm**
Saturday | **3 pm**

ADORATION
Tuesday | **12:30 pm**

1ST SATURDAY OF EACH MONTH
Adoration & Reconciliation | **7:30 am**
Mass | **9 am**

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MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday (11/14/26) 4:00 pm
✝ Cassie Crouchley
✝ Anthony & Mary Nardiello
✝ Antoinette Robbins

Sunday (11/15/6) 9:00 am
Pro Populo
For the People

Monday (11/16/26) 7:00 am
♡ Simon Kim

Tuesday (11/17/26) 12:00 pm
♡ Bill C
✝ Linda Langdon
✝ Maria Denitto

Wednesday (11/18/26) 9:00 am
✝ Joseph P Faragon

Thursday (11/19/26) 12:00 pm
✝ Robert Mittler
✝ Jennifer Goronsky
✝ Luz Mercader
♡ Michael Anthony Sparks

Friday (11/20/26) NO MASS

Saturday (11/21/26) 4:00 pm
♡ Soon Sja Kim
✝ Thomas Warner

Sunday (11/22/26) 9:00 am
♡ Bill C
✝ Carmela DeCarlo
✝ Mary Mantica
✝ Michael & Kathleen Buff

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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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.

FOOD PANTRY

*Items currently needed at our food pantry: reusable shopping bags (do not need to be new), diapers, personal and feminine hygiene, household cleaning products, coffee, men's warm coats, cranberry sauce, gravy and bread.

ROSARY GUILD

Our meeting is Thursday, November 19 @ 12:30 pm in the Church Basement. We will be collecting sanitary products for the Food Pantry. We'll be taking reservations and money ($30) for our Christmas Brunch on December 5. We will also be passing out Christmas Cards to be sent to homebound and nursing homes. We'll be having pizza for lunch. All women of the Parish are welcome. Hope tosee you all then!

HOLY NAME SOCIETY

Holy Name Society's November $1 Raffle Winners: $275 - First = Elmo Kearsing, $75 - Second = Linda Loparco, $25 - 3rd to 6th Prizes = Sam Syrotynski, Flo Borter, David Kearsing and C. Bittner. December's Drawing will have additional $25 Prizes for Christmas, a Total of 9 Winners, selected at HNS Meeting on Wednesday, Dec. 2nd, at 7pm in the Church Basement's Foreman Room. All parish men, are invited to attend. Monies assist the church & school programs. God Bless and thank you for your supporting this Raffle Program and Donations.

THIS WEEKEND'S MASS READINGS (11/15/26)

FIRST READING: Proverbs 31:10-13,19-20, 31-31
RESPONSORIAL PSALM: 128
SECOND READING: Thessalonians 5:1-6
GOSPEL: Matthew 25:14-30

NEXT WEEKEND'S MASS READINGS (11/22/26)

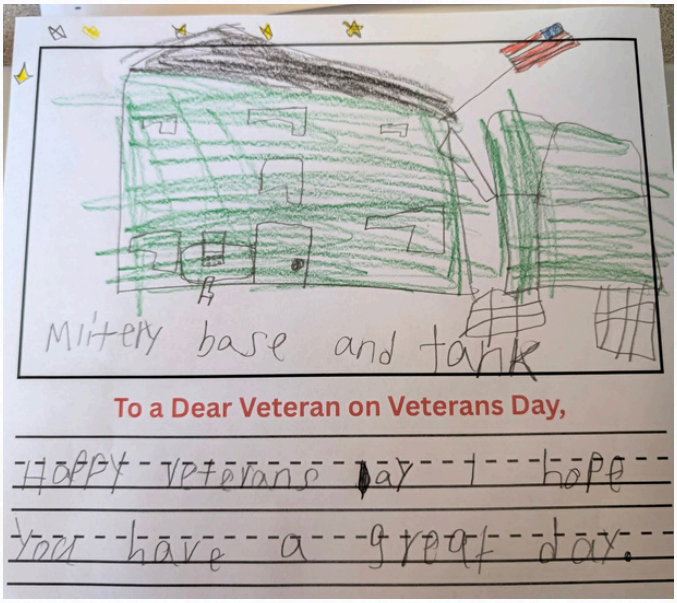
FIRST READING: Ezekiel 34:11-12, 15-17
RESPONSORIAL PSALM: 23
SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 15:20-26, 28
GOSPEL: Matthew 25:31-46

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:

Are you available to help in the parish office 2 hours per day for 2-3 days a week? If so, please call the office.

Do you consider yourself a friendly, welcoming person? If so, we are looking to create a team of greeters to welcome people before the weeknd Masses.

We are in need of a few people to visit our homebound once a month. We are also looking for volunteers to visit our homebound and nursing home folks for Christmas.





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!

November Bonus Points

3x Points -Boxlunch, Lids, Regal, Claire's
4x Points -Sephora, H&M, Famous Footwear & Victoria's Secret

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- Congratulations to Kendrick, a kindergarten student this year at BSS, for earning the Student of the Month award! His hard work, kindness, and positivity really shines through, and we are so proud of you!

- In religion classes this past Monday, students talked about the importance of serving others. They wrote letters, decorated pictures, and prayed for veterans -- and their creations were dropped off at Albany's Stratton VA Medical Center. They were thrilled to receive these special gifts and will have them on display at the VA throughout the month!

- Just a reminder that there is no school on Wednesday, November 26th through Friday, November 28th in honor of the Thanksgiving holiday.

- Check out our website for multiple ways in which you can help support our school: https://blessedsacramentschool.net/donate

FAITH FORMATION & YOUTH MINISTRY

Blessed Sacrament's Faith Formation program was created to help families grow deeper in their faith and love for God. It also serves as a pathway for children to receive the sacraments of First Reconciliation (Confession), First Eucharist, and Confirmation.

Please continue to pray for our candidates who will receive the gifts of the Holy Spirit at the Sacrament of Confirmation on December 2 at St. Vincent De Paul Church:

Kinslee, Narkie, Sabrina, and Roman

May the Lord strengthen them to live as faithful witnesses of Christ and active members of our parish community.

Our next large-group Faith Formation session is this Sunday, November 15th in the school gym after the 9 a.m Mass. It's still not too late to sign up!

To register, visit blessedsacramentalbany.org/, click on "Programs, " then "Faith Formation. " If you have any questions, please call or e-mail our office: (518) 438-5854; faithformationbsc@gmail.com. We would love to have your family join us!

CHRISTMAS GIFT GIVING Sign up for our Christmas Giving program began in early October. Food Pantry clients & eligible school families can sign up to receive one gift certificate for each child in the household who is 12 years of age or younger, along with a gift certificate to a local supermarket. Our goal this year is to serve 160 children. Your generous support in previous years has helped hundreds of families. If you can help, please drop your donation in the collection, at the Church Office table in the parking lot vestibule, at the rectory or in the mail. Indicate that the donation is for the Christmas program. Monetary donations only please. Specific stores have offered us discounts for their certificates. Thank you.

GIANTS TICKETS PACKAGE FUNDRAISER



Tickets are now on sale for a chance to win 4 tickets to the NY Giants vs The Cleveland Browns on December 20, 2026 1:00 p.m. kickoff. Reserved parking is included. Tickets are $25 each, 5 for $100. This is a real value for all those NY Giant fans. The raffle is benefit of our school so please promote this in your workplace, your club, your family. Posters are available in the rectory. Tickets are available by scanning the QR code to the left, office annex desk, rectory or school. You **must** include a phone number where you can be reached.

EXPENSES

Total Cost/Still needed

A/C Repair ..... $15,000/$8,800

From the contractor: "You need a replacement coil, which is taller than you, Fr. Dan." This is the first major A/C repair since it was installed around 2010.

Diocesan Lawsuit Settlement.....$1,510,000/$1,490,000

We're looking for donors to help with these expenses. Thank you for your prayerful consideration!

OFFERTORY: SHARING OUR TREASURE

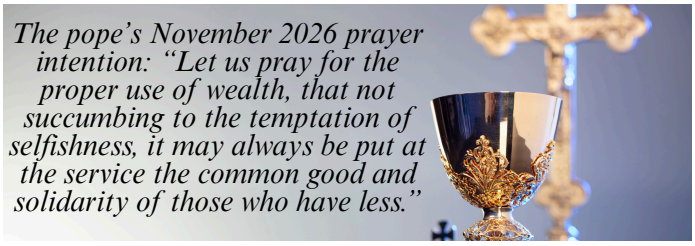
Regular: $ *Will report next week*

2nd collection: School Support 11/15
Campaign for Human Development 11/22

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.

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Memorial Mass for Deceased Priests Saturday, November 21, 2026 at 10:30 AM, Siena College Friary Chapel, 515 Loudon Road, Loudonville. Celebrant: Father Julian Davies, OFM. Sponsored by the Community of Mary, Mother of Mercy

RCDA WEBSITE - A NEW GROWING IN FAITH WEBPAGE

Whether you teach the faith, want to learn more, or find topics for faith group discussions, this page is for you. The Growing in Faith webpage https://www.rcda.org/growing-faith includes Bishop Mark Teaches videos, The Power of One Hour video series, the State of the Saints video series, The Called to Serve podcast, a link to Franciscan University's FREE Catechetical Institute, and links to special webpages we have created teaching about Reconciliation, Adoration, and Prayer.

Mary, Our Lady of Light Rosary Group

When: every second and fourth Wednesday
Time: 5:30 pm (next meeting: 11/25)
Where: Blessed Sacrament Church
All are welcome!
Contact: text/call (518) 637-6311
or e-mail rosarylight@aol.com



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Mass Schedule: Sundays,9a.m. (English) and 11 a.m. (Spanish):Mass & Adoration on the 1ª 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."

FROM OUR URDU SPEAKING COMMUNITY

Every Sunday evening at 6 p.m. at Blessed Sacrament, we offer Mass in Urdu. All are welcome to join us!