

I am the good shepherd.

The good shepherd lays
down his life for the sheep.

John 10:11



The Parish Community of

St. Lucy/St. Bernadette

(serving the Hilltowns and Altamont, NY)

P.O. Box 678
109 Grand Street
Altamont, NY 12009

4th Sunday of Easter, April 21, 2024

ST. LUCY/ST. BERNADETTE MASS SCHEDULE - SUNDAY 9:00 AM

Pastor	Rev. Rick Lesser	rick.lesser@rcda.org
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Website

Type in the web address: www.rcda.org

Marriage

Click on: **Parishes, St. Lucy/St. Bernadette, Visit our website**

Reconciliation

Contact Fr. Rick six months in advance.

Baptism

Confessions available by appointment. Please call the office to schedule.

Baptism Prep classes are held every 4 to 6 weeks as announced.

Dates for Baptism are scheduled after preparation class.

PASTORAL CARE

Please pray for our sick and homebound:

Gary Adams, Mary Caluori, Rosemary Caruso, Diane Champion, Carmella Childs, Jeff Coon, Renate Czapski, Tyler Doolittle, Lourdes Catherine Encarnacion, Miriam Flower, Ralph Fusco, Jack Gardy, Mary Gobel, Danielle Healey, Becky Heep, Mary Jones, Jane Kuon, Thomas Lanni, Francine Magoon, Jeremy Male, Lisa Matott, Maureen McCarthy, Alicia McGann, Darla Mohr, Jen Murphy, Jackie O'Rourke, Marie Phillipuk, Robert Pruzeh, Nichole Robertson, Faith Roe, Dana Sherman, Patricia Spohr, Deb Sturtevant, James Sullivan, Alice Vorwerk

Please pray for those who are serving in the military:

Luke Aulita, Zack Boughner, Angela Chaney, Emily Chaney, Mitchell Chaney, Ashton Heim, Robert Klenotiz, 3rd, John Krzemien, David Larkin, Seth Powers, Ethan Schager, Shawn Swears, Sean Teeter, Nick Tissandier, Austin Torres, Victor Trottier, Christian Viola

MINISTER:

This Week (4/21)

9:00am

Children's liturgy:

Church cleaners:

Lector

Megan Viscio

Stacey Snyder

Team #6 week of April 21-27 Holly, Sophie, and Erin Bremer

Eucharistic Minister

Chuck, Colleen (T), Eileen

Greeter

Colleen

Counters

Leslie and Colleen

Next Week (4/28)

9:00am

Children's Liturgy

Church Cleaners

Lector

Pierrette Virkler

Erin Bremer

Eucharistic Minister

Lynne (T), Tim, Louise

Greeter

Mary E.

Counters

Chuck and Sue

Team #7 week of April 28-May 4 Gabby Gorospe & Family



ANNOUNCED MASSES



April 21, 2024

9:00 a.m. Jay Chambers

Requested by Donna and Jess

April 28, 2024

9:00a.m. The well-being of the Parish

SACRIFICIAL SHARING

The Parish Budget, to better reflect expenses is based on a weekly offering of \$ 3,600.00

April 14, 2024

Offertory	2,459.75
Flowers	20.00
Easter	150.00
Fuel & Heat	60.00
Rice Bowl	60.00
Food Pantry	2,877.17

April 7, 2024

Offertory	3,665.00
Easter	286.75
Holy Land	46.75
St. Vincent	650.00
Rice Bowl	20.00
Food Pantry	30.00
Candles	3.00

April 16, 2023

Offertory	2,124.00
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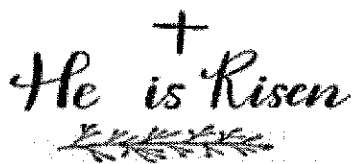
Diocesan Appeal

Diocesan Appeal 2023-2024 is underway, and it will run through June 30, 2024. Please visit the website at thediocesanappeal.org to make your pledge or your gift. If you have given in the past, please continue your support and consider increasing your contribution, if possible. If you have never participated, please join in helping us to meet our parish obligation to our diocese and the many supports they offer us in our work.

TO-DATE WE HAVE \$ 19,861 toward our goal of \$ 40,616

We thank you for your generous support!

Food Pantry needs: Canned chicken and Chicken broth



The Easter Season lasts through Pentecost Sunday. The Church says to us, “this is the perfect time of the year to celebrate life – a life that lasts forever. Enjoy! Let there be a 50-day festival. Let the Paschal Candle, lit from the Easter fire, burn brightly throughout these days. Catch the spirit in the air and let it remind you of the Holy Spirit within you.” May we all have a spirit-filled Easter Season.

Please join us in welcoming BENNETT DAVID LEONARD into our Christian Community at St Lucy/St Bernadette as he is baptized at the 9:00am Mass. Bennett is the brother of Liam and the son of Michael and Laura Leonard of Guilderland.

Upcoming Date

Thursday, May 9th Ascension Thursday – Mass at St. Lucy/St. Bernadette Church at 5:30 pm.



An additional entry for the *EASTER FLOWERS list for 2024:*

*Donated by
Doris Orsini Pulliam*

*In Memory of
Son Thomas E. Orsini &
Sister Jeanette B. Orsini*



St. Matthew's Church Faith Development

Please consider participating in Deacon Nick's doctoral research project.

Love Follows Understanding: Spiritual Formation for Lay Men and Women.

Strengthen your spiritual awareness through the spirituality of St. Catherine of Siena by exploring the spiritual practices of Self-Knowledge, Humility, Charity, and Discernment.

Sessions will be held at St. Matthew's Church

Thursday Evenings 6:00pm-8:00pm

April 25, May 2 & 9

To sign-up for more information please email
Deacon Nick at nascioti@gmail.com

All are welcome to participate.



St. Matthew's TAKE OUT BBQ Fundraiser

Tuesday, April 30, 2024 4pm-7pm Choice of Dinners:

Pulled Pork with Mac and Cheese, Coleslaw, Cornbread & Cookie AND/OR BBQ Chicken with Roasted Potatoes, Coleslaw, Cornbread & Cookie. All dinners \$15 By: Frese's Catering. Prepaid Orders only. **Deadline** for orders April 21st. Checks payable to: St. Matthew's Church 25 Mountainview Street, Voorheesville, NY 12186 Please include your dinner selection(s) with quantity.

The New York Capital District Christian Women's Connection is sponsoring our "Flowers in Bloom" luncheon on Tuesday, May 14, 2024, at the Guilderland Elks Lodge, 3867 Carman Road in Schenectady, NY 12303 beginning at 11:30am and ending at approximately 1:30pm. Please be prompt.

Your reservation is necessary no later than May 8 and cancellations a must. Please call Nancy at (518) 320-2649 or Mae at (518) 895-8977 for reservations by May 8. On the menu this month is Baked Chicken Breast / Potatoes with an alternative choice of Grilled Chicken Salad. The cost is \$17.00 inclusive (cash only).

Our Speaker is Ann Van Hine who will be sharing a message entitled: "God's Presence and Peace in Times of Pain". Peter Hilmar from Schenectady will entertain us with songs. As for the Feature, there will be a representative from Wade Tours speaking. All are welcome - bring a friend!

Calling all walkers...

Calling all walkers... Albany Crop Hunger Walk - Sunday, May 5th from St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 21 Hackett Blvd in Albany - registration starts at 12:30pm and walk begins at 1:30pm. The Altamont Community Food Pantry has a team and would love to have more people join us to walk together to help fight hunger. We can also create a St. Lucy / St. Bernadette team if people are interested. Either way, we are looking for walkers to walk that day, either a 2 mile or 1 mile loop, or you can walk on your own any time during the month of May. You can register, join the team or create your own team as well as donate at <http://www.crophungerwalk.org/albanyny>. Any questions, feel free to call or email Judy Seery, 518-861-5961, jseery@nycap.rr.com. Walkers and donations are greatly appreciated! Donations can be made online, mailed or given directly to Judy. Thanks to all who have supported in the past.

NIGHT AT THE VALLEYCATS

St. Matthew's is offering Family Night at The ValleyCats Game!

Friday, June 7th 6:30PM with Fire works! Everyone is invited to join us for this wonderful event! Premium Seats are in Section 130. Tickets are \$13 each with a \$5 loaded value you can use towards concessions and/or merchandise! Seats will be limited. Mark your calendars and send in your reservations today!

(Please also see flyers(and forms for completion if attending) for the above on the bulletin board)



CHRIST CHILD SOCIETY of ALBANY: Where love leads to action

Please see invitations in the Gathering Space for their

"Red Wagon Luncheon and Fashion Show", to be held on Saturday April 27, 2024

Weekend Masses of our Local Catholic Community:

Albany (Westmere): Christ the King 518-456-1644 Sat. - 4 pm | Sun. - 8 am, 11 am

Voorheesville: St. Matthew's 518-765-2805 Sat. - 5pm | Sun. - 9 am

Delmar: St. Thomas the Apostle 518-439-4951 Sat. - 5 pm | Sun. - 8 am, 10 am & 5 pm

Exploring the Sunday Readings

4th Sunday of Easter

April 21, 2024

1st reading Acts 4:8-12

2nd reading 1 Jn 3:1-2

Gospel Jn 10:11-18

5th Sunday of Easter

April 28, 2024

1st reading Acts 9:26-31

2nd reading 1 Jn 3:18-4

Gospel Jn 15:1-8