

ST. JOSEPH AND ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI CHURCHES

AUGUST 2, 2026

“EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME”



18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

He said the blessing, broke the loaves, and gave them
to the disciples, who in turn gave them to the crowds.
They all ate and were satisfied. - Mt 14:19c-20

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MASS SCHEDULE

Daily Mass

Monday & Friday | 8:30 am St. Joseph's
Tuesday & Thurs. 8:30 am St. Francis

Weekend Masses

Saturday | 4 pm St. Joseph's
6:00 pm St. Francis - July 4—Labor Day
Sunday | 8:30 am St. Francis
10:30 am St. Joseph's

Confession

Saturday | 3:15 pm St Joseph's
Sunday | 8:00 am St Francis
Or by appointment

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Our Mission

We, the Roman Catholic community of
St. Francis of Assisi and St. Joseph's, are
called to live the Gospel message of
Jesus through Hospitality, Worship,
Faith Formation and Service to others.

Trustees

SJ	SF
Sheila Bleyl	Judy Morrison
Carm Greco	William D. Saksen III

ST. JOSEPH'S MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday (August 1)

Theresa Ferguson by Lou & Pat Mannion
Marion Ferlazzo by Barb Jones

Sunday (August 2)

Souls in Purgatory by Anonymous
Laurel Corby by The Corby Family
Theresa Ferguson by S.J. Thrift Store Workers

Monday (August 3)

Parish Family of St. Joseph

Friday (August 7)

Rev. Thomas Driscoll

Saturday (August 8)

Theresa Ferguson by SJ Altar Rosary Society

Sunday (August 9)

Theresa Ferguson by Penny Szumowski
Wanda Marie Daly by Joan Raven
Malcolm Bowler by SJ Thrift Store Workers

*The Sanctuary Lamp
which burns
continuously in
the sanctuary
reminding us of
the presence of
Jesus in the Tabernacle
can be memorialized for
your loved one. This
week the candle is burn-
ing for:
Rev. John VanLeeuwen*



ST. FRANCIS MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday (August 1)

Parish Family of St. Francis

Sunday (August 2)

Jacqueline Katherine Mead
by the Capobianco Family

Tuesday (August 4)

Birthday Intention for Blanche Serena
by Mary Pisanti
Ruth Whitney by Julie & Todd Whitney

Thurs. (August 6) Rev. Ronald Green

Saturday (August 8)

Parish Family of St. Francis

Sunday (August 9)

Parish Family of St. Francis

INTRODUCTION TO THE LITURGY OF THE DAY: Jesus takes us outside again today, to a deserted place where the thousands of people followed him. Despite having only five loaves and two fish, Jesus is able to feed the entire crowd. We gather here every Sunday, a crowd perhaps only in the dozens or hundreds, but where we can all be fed, now with Jesus' own body, offered and multiplied to satisfy us all. We can imagine that we are here with Jesus as he speaks to us and feeds us as he did on that wonderful day, for indeed this is what he does.

GOSPEL MEDITATION: In his song, "Lose Yourself," the artist Eminem raps, "the mood all changed." We all know that moment when the mood changes, when life turns from lighthearted to deadly serious. That happens in today's Gospel. Jesus has just heard that John the Baptist, his cousin, forerunner, and friend, has been murdered. As Matthew tells us, "When Jesus heard of it, he withdrew in a boat to a deserted place by himself." Until now, he had been teaching in parables and healing quietly. But John's death signals a new phase. The shadow of the Cross begins to fall. Evil shows its teeth. And how does Jesus respond? Not with rage or despair. He goes to a lonely place to go into deep communion with his Father. From that silence comes action. He feeds the multitude. Out of grief comes generosity. Out of sorrow, life. This is the rhythm of every disciple's life. When tragedy or violence breaks our hearts, we face a choice. We can react, or we can retreat into prayer — like and with Christ. This is the hidden place where pain becomes compassion and compassion becomes self-gift.

Lord Jesus, when life intensifies, draw me into Your quiet strength. In that hidden place with You and the Father, turn my heartbreak into the bread of love for the world. Amen. — Father John Muir ©LPi

LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK: When Jesus multiplied the loaves and fishes, he didn't create only what was needed — there were leftovers that could be saved and shared again. God is lavish in bestowing His grace upon us. He always gives enough to share. ©LPi



**EUCCHARISTIC
ADORATION AND
BENEDICTION
OF THE BLESSED
SACRAMENT**

6:00 pm

SAINT FRANCIS

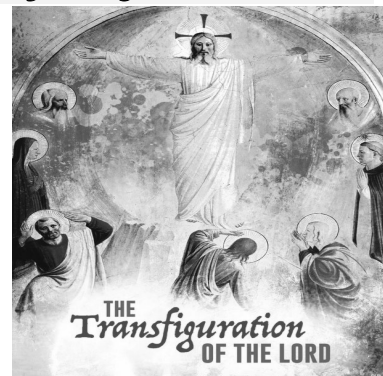
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SAINT JOSEPH

AUGUST 7

Thursday, August 6

And he was
transfigured
before them; his
face shone like
the sun and his
clothes became
white as light.
Matthew 17:2



St. Joseph

Mass Intentions: Those wishing to honor a loved one during the celebration of Mass at St. Joseph's or St. Francis of Assisi may do so by calling or stopping in to the parish office. *Mass cards are available for the living, deceased, healing, and special occasions.*

The Power of a Simple Action

I remember seeing a story on a morning news program about a little girl who wanted to give an elderly man in a grocery store a hug. She had no way of knowing that this man had just lost his wife of many years and now felt so very alone and depressed. Her reaching out to the man seemed odd to her mom at first, but the girl was so insistent about giving a hug she moved the shopping carts close together so the exchange could take place. No one knew that from that moment on the little girl would ask to visit her new friend at least once a week for the next four years until he passed away. In an interview soon after the initial encounter, the man said, "I haven't been this happy in some time." Imagine the joy that relationship brought to them both over the years! It was just a moment. It was a simple gesture. Yet, it had a large impact that no one could have predicted. You never know what will result when we give just a little of ourselves. That uncertainty too often leads us to hold back or refrain from the simple actions of love or gestures of generosity that could come so easily for us if we wanted. We should never doubt the power of a simple random act of kindness. Generosity does not need to be grand to make a big difference. The time is now, and the opportunity presents itself often to plant a small seed that God can water and nourish so that something beautiful can grow.

— Tracy Earl Welliver ©LPi

UPCOMING EVENTS

Each Monday & Friday after SJ 8:30 am Mass - Pray the Rosary
1st Sundays of the Month - SF - 8 am pray the Rosary
1st Mondays - SF 7:30 pm Knights of Columbus meeting
1st Tuesdays - SF (Apr-Dec) 1 pm Rosary Society Meeting
2nd Wednesdays - SJ 6 pm Knights of Columbus Meeting
Each Wednesday-SF 2 pm Prayer Group, John Paul II Hall
July 4 to Labor Day - SF Saturday Mass 6 pm
August 6—Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord
August 7—SJ Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 6:00 pm
August 8—SF KofC Sturgess Chicken BBQ, \$16, Noon - 4 pm
Sat., August 15—Feast of the Assumption, not obligation this yr.
* Save the Dates* - July 16, 17, 18, 2027 St. Joseph Festival

The Annual Diocesan Marriage Jubilee Celebration will be held on Sunday, September 27, 2026, at 3 PM, at Christ Our Light Catholic Church, 1 Maria Drive, in Loudonville. Couples marking any special wedding anniversary are invited to attend this celebration, which honors the enduring bond of love and strengthens the sense of community among couples within the Albany Diocese! Bishop Mark will celebrate the Liturgy and greet couples and their guests at a reception in the Parish Hall immediately following Mass, with an opportunity for photos with each couple. Please register through your parish office or you may email Marriage.Jubilee@rcda.org. **Deadline is September 20.**

St. Mary's Institute in Amsterdam is offering the **Constantino Scholarship which will be offered to 50 new community students in grades Kindergarten-8th grade and 50 children of Sticker Mule employees grades K-8 who would like to attend SMI.** To apply, send the student's most recent report card, along with a one hundred word essay on "Why I want to attend SMI" and email it to apply@smik8.org. Your application will be reviewed by the scholarship committee.

*"Remember where your treasure is,
your heart is also." Mathew 6:21*



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July 12	SJ 4:00 / 10:30	SF 6:00/8:30
Attendance	90 /137	38 /177
Contribution	\$921.00 / \$1,792.00	\$389.00 / \$2,990.00
7/6—7/10 E-Giving	\$ 233.10	\$ 76.35
Votive Candles	-	\$ 43.00

St. Francis

Pastoral Care:

If you know of someone who is ill & would like to receive communion at home or in the hospital, please call the office, so a pastoral minister knows to visit them.

St. Francis' office

518-863-4736

St. Joseph's office

518-883-3774

Thank you to all who participated in our "Christmas in July" food drive for our food pantry here in Northville. We were very successful!! The pantry helps numerous families throughout our community with putting food on their table. If you would like to continue donating at any time, the green pantry closet is located behind the BCONN center (across from the Five and Dime); or, you could send a check to the Baptist Church of Northville, 111 First North Street, Northville NY 12134 (in the memo write "pantry")

Sturgess Chicken Barbecue sponsored by The Knights of Columbus #8846 will be held this Saturday, **August 8, from noon to 4:00 p.m.** Meal includes a half chicken, baked potato, corn, roll, and cole slaw. **Tickets are \$16 each** & are being sold after Mass. Get your pre-sale ticket before we sell out! Questions? Call Bob Jones, 518-257-0282

St. Francis of Assisi is selling raffle tickets after both Masses. \$2,000 in prizes will be given away with one \$1,000, one \$500, and two \$250 prizes. Drawing will be held October 4.

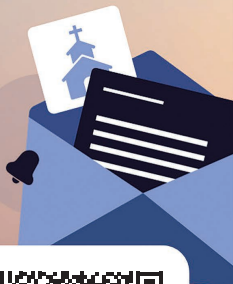


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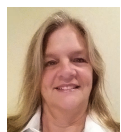
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