

September 22, 2024 - 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

## We Are God's People



Loving and Generous God,  
it is You who call us by name  
and ask us to follow You.  
Help us to grow in the Love  
and Service of our Church  
as we experience it today.

Give us the energy and courage  
of Your Spirit  
to shape its future

Grant us faith-filled leaders  
who will embrace Christ's Mission  
of love and justice.

Bless the Church of Our Lady of Fatima  
by raising up dedicated  
and generous leaders  
from our families and friends  
who will serve Your people as  
Sisters, Priests, Brothers,  
Deacons and Lay Ministers.

Inspire us to know You better  
and to open our hearts  
to hear Your call.

We ask this through our Lord.

Amen

### Our Lady Of Fatima

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Saturday Vigil Mass - 4:00 PM  
Sunday Mass - 11:00 AM  
Tuesday - 9:00 AM  
Office Hours:  
Mon - Thurs 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

### Our Lady of the Valley

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Wednesday - 9:00 AM  
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Mon - Thurs 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

### Pastoral Staff

#### Pastor

Father Thomas Zelker – tomzelker@gmail.com

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#### Faith Formation— GIFT

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#### Music Director

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Liturgy Schedule

**Saturday**

**September 21, 2024 - 4:00 PM**

✠ Madeleine and Armand Hebert

By: Kim & Linda Balfour

✠ Jonathan Rice and Justin Cestra - By: Arelys Cestra

**Sunday**

**September 22, 2024 - 11:00 AM**

✠ War Torn Countries

**Tuesday**

**September 24, 2024 - 9:00 AM**

✠ Mentally Ill

**Saturday**

**September 28, 2024 - 4:00 PM**

✠ Armand and Madeleine Hebert - By: The Family

**Sunday**

**September 29, 2024 - 11:00 AM**

✠ Madeline Rapant - By: O L F Parishioners

**Tuesday**

**October 1, 2024 - 9:00 AM**

✠ Walter Balfour - By: Janet Ingro

**Beatitudes of Christian Living**

*"Happiness can only be achieved by looking inward & learning to enjoy whatever life has and this requires transforming greed into gratitude." ~ St. John Chrysostom*

We thank God for our many blessings. We must always show love and kindness to each other and share our blessings.

**Blessing of Animals**

Saturday, October 5th, at 1:30 PM, St. Francis of Assisi, Blessing of the Animals, on the front lawn of the church.

9/14/24 - 9/15/24	
Candles	\$ 75.50
Collection	\$ 4,134.85
Religious Education	\$ 1,010.85
<b>Thank you for your contributions</b>	

**This week at Our Lady of Fatima...**

Date	Event	Time	Place
9/23	Friendship Café	Closed	Hall
9/24	Mass	9:00 AM	Church
9/25	Friendship Café	11:00 AM - 1:30 PM	Hall
9/27	Friendship Cafe	11:00 AM - 1:30 PM	Hall
9/28	Mass	4:00 PM	Church
9/29	Mass	11:00 AM	Church

**Please Pray for our Sick and Homebound**

Bella Stuart, Charlotte Marks, Joan Williams, Lorraine Duffy, Mary Brewer, Bill Tindale, Ken Chrinian, Robin Bunnell, George Tallman, Paul Reveal, Ron Fagan, Jack Finn and Diane McCulloch

**Prayer Ministry** prays for anyone in need of prayer. You can request prayers or join in this ministry. Call James Keller at (518) 295-7970 or e-mail him at jamesakeller@msn.com. From our lips to God's ears. Give your concerns to God and join your parish family in faith and love.

**Pray for our Confirmands**

Please pray for our young people who will be celebrating Confirmation at St. Madeleine Sophie Catholic Church in Schenectady, Monday, November 4th - 6:30 PM Mass

Caroline Borst	Maria Patino
Jane Koller	Josh Ringuette
Connor Kropp	Brady Stemmler
Tiaa Manikai	Robby Stemmler
Allison Okyay	

**Parish Picnic**

This Sunday, Sept 22, after the 11:00 AM Mass the Knights of Columbus are having a parish picnic in the pavilion and hall to celebrate the 1st day of Fall. Come and enjoy good food and company.

**Monday, October 21** at 6:00 PM in Our Lady of the Valley Hall they will be viewing the movie "Black Robe", an action film about the Native Americans and their interaction with the French Jesuit Missionaries.

WEEKEND MINISTRY SCHEDULE	
Saturday, Sept. 21	Saturday, Sept. 21
<b>LECTOR</b>	<b>LECTOR</b>
Joe Oehler	Lew DeFilippo
<b>EUCARISTIC MINISTERS</b>	<b>EUCARISTIC MINISTERS</b>
Mary Ann Conway	John Hochmuth
Lew DeFilippo	Dianne Church
Ruth Kulesa	Mary Ann Conway
Sunday, Sept. 15	Sunday, Sept. 29
<b>LECTOR</b>	<b>LECTOR</b>
Allen Thesier	Pat Van Slyck
<b>EUCARISTIC MINISTERS</b>	<b>EUCARISTIC MINISTERS</b>
Sandi DiNicola	Josephine Errichetto
James Keller	Sandi DiNicola
Noel Luby	Kris Zedaker
<b>COUNTERS</b>	<b>COUNTERS</b>
Charles Mack	Janet Korwan
Kathleen Mack	Noel Luby
Janet Ingro	Ellen Snowdon

**Welcome, Autumn**, arms full of summer's blessings,  
carrying the seeds of life for next year's planting.  
Come, enter my home with your golden wisdom;  
be my guest and share my table.

Welcome, Old Wise One,  
may I be your student in the school of gratitude .  
Guide me in reflecting upon the summer now gone,  
that I might give thanks for all the many gifts  
that have enriched me in that season of growth.

I greet you, spirits of darkness  
that dwell in the night and within me.  
While you are frightening, you are also a source of power;  
may I not fear you  
but learn to live in holy harmony with you;  
you are not evil unless you dominate me.  
Night within me, I welcome you as well;  
may all your spirits that reside in me  
live in harmony with the Spirit of the Holy.  
Amen

Autumn begins this Sunday, September 22 at 8:44 AM

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### We Pray

Our worship space is adorned with flowers and fruits of the season. The "Glory to God" is the simple "Gloria, in excelsis Deo, Alleluia." Our response to the Hebrew Scripture is Psalm 118; "This day was made by the Lord, let us rejoice, let us be glad; let us rejoice in salvation." Our Gospel, acclamation is the ancient chant, "Laudate Dominum laudate Dominum. omnes gentes Alleluia! (Praise the Lord, all you peoples, Alleluia!). Our Eucharistic songs are from "The Land of Rest" inspired by early American music. We sing our Mystery of Faith: "Save us Savior of the world, for by your Cross and Resurrection you have set us free". As Church Ordinary Time continues, we become extraordinary in our living at, Christ's Love for all...forever!

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### Save The Date

On Saturday, Oct 5, Building and Grounds will be having a clean up day. More details to follow.

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### Cider Making

On Friday October 4th , at 3:30 PM there will be cider making at O L V Church hall. Any apples would be appreciated. We will be serving cider donuts and apple cider.

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### Women's Conference

Saturday, October 19, at St. Edward the Confessor in Clifton Park. For more information go to <https://www.rcda.org/unleashing love>.

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### Thinking of You.

If you know of anyone in our parish or your family, that is in need of sunshine (Birthday, Get Well, Thinking of You) Contact Barb Willoughby at (518) 469-4073. She will get a card out to them.

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### Our Lady of Fatima Mission Statement

At Our Lady of Fatima, Delanson, we are God's people sharing a responsibility to witness God's unconditional love and to bring God's healing presence to our world through our service to our community and beyond.



**GIFT** Please note: Fall Season brochure is now available out-lining GIFT sessions for October, November and December. Also our website is updated with GIFT information, prayer intentions by Pope Francis each month, links for parents, saint of the month links, weekly liturgy of the word and information regarding registering families for faith formation.

Our first GIFT sessions will be held on Sunday, October 20<sup>th</sup> at Our Lady of Fatima Hall at 9:30AM.

Save the date: Join us for pizza and soda at OLV Hall on Saturday afternoon, October 19<sup>th</sup> at 1PM. We will watch "Heaven Is For Real", a little boys' encounter with Jesus.

Kits are available for our young disciples to draw and color during the service. It includes first liturgy reflection and readings, art activities, coloring pages as well as a few jokes here and there! Please keep the papers and return bag and crayons Thank you.

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### Consider Your Gifts

The Diocese of Albany has begun to implement a renewed Called by Name program to foster priestly vocations.

As pastors, administrators, and sacramental ministers we know our parish communities, the specific needs of the people and the ministerial demand that we work tirelessly to provide day after day. A single or few ministers alone are being stretched more and more to continue to be present to the people, take on additional ministries and witness to Christ, to them in the way that they need when we are called upon.

It's time for us to ask for help!!! It's time for us to ask the people for a specific type of coworker in the vineyard. "Many hands make light work" as they say, however the role of the priest is unique in our Catholic Church. Please pray and think about people who might consider serving our parish communities. Remember we are all God's People; we each have important roles to play as the Body of Christ. May God's Love abound in us all.

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### Parish Sacramental Information

#### Sacraments of Healing

- ◆ **Reconciliation** - 2:00 PM Saturday
- ◆ **Anointing of the Sick** - Please contact the office
- ◆ **Visitation of the Sick and Homebound** - Please contact the office if you know of someone in need of visitation

#### Sacraments of Initiation

Congratulations as you continue your initiation. These three sacraments provide the foundation for a life of Christian faith. Preparation begins with forming faith. Join us for GIFT as we journey together as a parish family.

- ◆ **Baptism** is available for any age
- ◆ **Eucharist** candidates must be at least age 7 by Dec. 1st and be participating in ongoing GIFT gatherings.
- ◆ **Confirmation** candidates must be at least age 15 by Sept. 1st and be participating in ongoing GIFT gatherings.

#### Sacrament of Commitment

**Marriage** - Congratulations on your engagement! Please contact the Parish Office as soon as you are engaged, to allow us to help you plan to live out the Sacrament of Marriage that will begin on your wedding day.

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