

Mass Intentions for the Week

1/19 Mon 9:00 AM All Deceased Parishioners
 1/20 Tues 9:00 AM Mary D'Angelo
 By Gloria Papastrat
 1/21 Wed 9:00 AM Bradley Lathan – For The Health
 By The Barber Family
 1/22 Thurs 9:00AM Pat Materazzo
 By Josephine Materazzo & Family
 1/23 Fri 9:00 AM Communion Service
 1/24 Sat 4:00 PM All Deceased Parishioners
 1/25 Sun 10:30 AM Ray & Raymond Jr. Keckeisen
 By Keckeisen Family

The Evangelist

Missionary on the Move

Pope Leo ~ “As for trips, nothing is certain yet. I hope to make a trip to Africa. That would possibly be the next trip. I hope to go to Algeria and visit the places from the life of St. Augustine. “Other places under consideration are Latin America, Marian sites of Fatima & Guadalupe...”

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Votives

Please take caution when lighting candles & votives as we have found a tipped over candle and wax drippings. Your co-operation is very much appreciated.

Wisdom of the Saints

God is a spring of living water which flows unceasingly into the hearts of those who pray.

~St. Louis de Montfort

Christmas Cards

You can upcycle your Christmas cards by placing the front cover of your cards in the vestibule. They will be turned into next year's tags for the Giving Tree.

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time: Witnessing to Christ in Our Daily Lives

With the Christmas season now concluded, we return to Ordinary Time, a season that quietly invites us to deepen our faith and walk more closely with Jesus Christ. Far from being “ordinary,” this period offers us a sacred space for steady spiritual growth, renewed holiness, and a more attentive embrace of the Lord's mission in our daily lives.

This Sunday's readings draw our attention to the identity and mission of Jesus. They remind us that God calls each of us with purpose, and asks for our faithfulness, our listening hearts, and our willing obedience. In Jesus, we see the perfect model of obedience to God's will, and through His example we learn how to embrace our own calling with trust, humility, and love.

He is the figure described by the prophet Isaiah in the first reading, the Suffering Servant chosen to bring light to the nations and salvation to all people. Jesus fulfills this mission completely. He is the radiant light for all who dwell in darkness and the sure path to eternal salvation. In perfect obedience, He embraced His Father's will and offered Himself for our sins.

In the Gospel, John the Baptist proclaims Jesus as the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. John does not draw attention to himself; instead, he directs every gaze to Jesus, the One who teaches, heals, restores, and offers Himself for all. Even, when we stumble and fall back into sin, Jesus never withdraws His love. Through the sacraments, He continues to cleanse, heal, and strengthen us.

Saint Paul, in the second reading, reflects on his own call to holiness and service. Chosen as an apostle, he devoted his life to proclaiming the Gospel and tending to the spiritual and physical needs of the Gentiles, offering them the peace and grace of Christ. His example reminds us that we, too, are entrusted with the mission of revealing Christ to the world-sharing His light, His love, and His truth. We are called to build up the church by offering our unique gifts in love and service, strengthening one another as members of the Body of Christ.

As we journey through the Ordinary Time, may we embrace our baptismal calling with renewed zeal. Let us strive to reveal Christ to others in all we say and do, and may the words of the psalmist become our daily prayer: “Here I am, Lord; I come to do your will.”
 Fr. Dr. Ben, Pastor.

Weekend of January 24th & 25th 2026

First Reading- Isaiah 8:23 -9:3

Second Reading- 1 Corinthians 1:10-13,17

Saturday 4:00 PM

Celebrant:

Father Ben

Lector

Jane Artis

Eucharistic Ministers

Carole Ostrander, Bill Babbage, Jane Artis

Altar Servers

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Gospel: Matthew 4:12-23

Sunday 10:30AM

Father Ben

Bill Babbage

Kristin Reuter, Lorraine Keckeisen, Terry Maggio
 Anderson, Garret, and Ayla Gronwall

Offerings from Jan 11th, 2026: Regular \$2213.00.00; Fuel \$ 110.00; Repairs \$20.00; Solemnity of Mary \$30.00;
 Initial Offering \$80.00; Votives \$12.00



Religious Education 2026-2027

Classes for Pre-K-10th grade
1/25 9:00-10:15 AM

2026 Calendars

Calendars are available to be picked up at each of the exits after Mass. Thank you to C.H. Landers and Mirabito Energy Products for generously sponsoring our 2026 calendars.



Mass Intentions

The 2026 Mass Intention book has arrived. If you have Masses that you would like scheduled for 2026 please call or stop by the office or send your requests in writing to the Parish Office.

Question of the Week

I myself did not know him; but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel. (John 1:31)

Adults: We witness to Christ as John did, by living lives full of generosity, forgiveness, and mercy towards others. When do you find it most difficult to do this?

Kids: Who has surprised you by doing something kind for you when you did not expect it?

Old Church Repairs

Since the pipe break during Columbus Day weekend, the damaged materials have been removed, the areas have been dried out, contractors and suppliers have submitted their bids. We met with the insurance adjuster 12/16 Tuesday, and all repairs have been approved and scheduling will soon begin to sign contracts. We are hoping for completion between February and March 2026.

Greetings for Bishop Mark

Please make sure to sign the card in the vestibule for Parishioners to wish Bishop Mark well on his new appointment. See Paula for any questions.

January Bulletin Quotes

"Through the incarnation and birth of Christ, God reveals to us the dignity of all human life. Human life, as a gift of God, is sacred and inviolable. The Son of God has united himself with every human being and desires for us to share eternal life with him....Each of us is made in the Image and likeness of the God, and we reflect his glory in the world."

Diocesan Appeal 2026 - Update

If you have not received your Diocesan Appeal mailing at home, there are envelopes at each of the exits for you to use to make your pledge/donation. Our assessment increased \$8,658.00 this year to \$19,152.00. We have collected as of 11/19/25 \$11,706.00. Please prayerfully consider how you can support Sacred Heart in meeting our assessment. Please be aware that all donations to the Diocesan Appeal should be mailed Directly to Albany. Donations are no longer processed through individual parishes.

2026 Envelopes

After January 1, 2026 all remaining boxes are in the office. **If your number changed please do not begin using the new number prior to January 1, 2026 in order to properly credit donations.** A contribution of \$5.00 in the initial offering envelope will help defray the cost of the envelopes.

March For Life

This year's March for Life is hosted by St. Paul the Apostle Church in Schenectady on January 23, 2026
For more information please flyer in vestibule.

Share the Bounty

This month's Share the Bounty Dinner is Jan. 29th.
4:30 – 6:30 pm
All are welcome!

Please pray for the following people, who have requested our prayers: Gussie Shifflett, Joe LaFave, Ginni Roe, Gabi Bakeman, Kimberlee Roe, Kevin, Michael Bell, Barbara Bennett,

Grady Charles Weigand, Daniel Rickard, Mark & Andrea, Kim Sumski, Dorothy Kashuda, Alyson Sabillon, Linda Falk, Debra Barnard, Diane, Bonnie La Voie, Doug Williams, Faith Williams, Don Butler, Debra Patterson, Ed Nicol, Dawn Maruszewski, Carey, Madlyn Sumski, Alex Roberts, Paul J. Hamilton, Sr., Mary Munetz, Jazmers Moore, Bruce Allen, Kimberly Basket, David Rivera, Jackie Bargher, Matthew Baxter Darline Smith, Joseph Dermody, Alice Anderson, Sandy Kemp, George Walters Lorraine Keckeisen, Maria LaBar, Patrick, John McCann, Natalie Stone, Marian Heeps, Mary Kolermous, Terri Cristofaro, Liliana, Nancy Daugherty, Mark Moratwe, Sharon Guenther, Kira Cronk, Terry Yackel, Jack Yackel, Jim Mylotte, Alice Walters, Rev. Steve Deckard, Terry Nicolini, Nick Gibson, Andy Woods, Bob Jenks, Jane, Dolores Storzinger, Alexis Spencer, Ines Warlock, Susan Chidester, Bob Oliver, Rose LoCasci, Eugene & Yvonne Cutler, Timothy Bell, Ruth Glaum, Holly North, Dixy Pflug, Celeste Hartman, Aidan Burns, Bill, James Jennings, Marge Suriano, Marlena Keath, Marian Agyemang, Frank Holley, Nicholas Gaedeke, Gary Maraia, Rachel Feyh, Marge LaFave, Olivia Ross & family, Joe Maggio, Eric Roll, Barbara Haynes, Renee Joseph, Susan Pondolfino, Charlie Washburn, James Rattrie, Sean Granan, Marge Ramsey, Beverly Pierce, Fran Groshans, Marion Kiselic, a dear friend, Pat Nabinger, James Stanley, Chris Smith, Bonnie De Salvo, Lori White, Ellen Reuter, Jaxson Beadle, Francis Duguay, Joan Rice, John MacDonald, Rowan DeCocker, Stephanie Soldingier, Bonnie Tabone, Daniel, John Gilmore, Will Sterchak, Donna Khan, Anthony Barber, Jr., Payton Lakin, Joan & Tony Barber, Mathias Mietzelfeld Maggie Hoffman, Marybeth Modinger, Jacqueline Richardson, Celeste Aber, Teri Frallich, Andrea Emilia Bernabey, Bill Babbage, Sarah Pressler, Bobbie August, Chris West, Dawn Cronin, Stephen, Josephine Materazzo, Avery Maggio, Barb & Jerry Patrick, Paisley Halbert, John MacDonald, Anne Klopchin, Gloria Parsons, Anthony Naple, Ruling Family, Cumming Family, Danielle Spry, Ellen Hogan, BradleyLathan

Please Note: All names will remain on our list and will be prayed for unless our office is notified to remove an individual