

Mass Intentions for the Week

9/22 Mon 9:00 AM George & Linda Harper
By Paula Ciborowski
9/23 Tues 9:00 AM No Morning Mass
9/23 Tues 11:00 AM Funeral Mass for Pat Elbrecht
9/24 Wed 9:00 AM All Deceased Parishioners
9/25 Thurs 9:00 AM Alicia Consuleo & Family
By Alex
9/26 Fri 9:00 AM Communion Service
9/27 Sat 4:00 PM Frances Gregory
By The Family
9/28 Sun 10:30 AM Patricia Houghton
By Terry Watkins

Diocesan Appeal 2026

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. Please prayerfully consider how you can support Sacred Heart in meeting our assessment. As of September 17, 2025 \$150.00 in pledges and donations have been made.

Church Beautification

Have you noticed how nice the doors and outside look? We have 3 Angels to thank – Dan Brandt, Gene Walsh, and Frank Messina! Thank you!!!

Catholic University of America

Next weekend, the diocese will be taking up the National Collection for the Catholic University of America. By giving to the collection, you are supporting future Catholic Leaders, both religious and lay who are being formed by an exceptional, faith-rooted education. Visit collection.catholic.edu to learn more and give easily online.

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time: Catechetical Sunday-Living as Wise Stewards

This weekend, we celebrate Catechetical Sunday, a grace-filled occasion to recognize and commission our catechists and teachers who generously dedicate themselves to the faith formation of our children, youth and adults. We also give thanks for parents and guardians, first catechists, who nurture faith at home. This day is a personal call to each of us. As baptized Christians, we are entrusted with the mission to share the faith and witness to the Gospel in word and deed.

This year's theme drawn from **1 Peter 3:15**, calls us to: "Always be ready to give an explanation...for a reason for your hope."

The liturgy reminds us that all we have, our time, talents, and resources are gifts from God. We are called to use these gifts wisely and generously, in service and solidarity.

In the first reading, the prophet Amos confronted a society rich in wealth yet steeped in injustice. He condemned the exploitation of the poor, the neglect of the vulnerable, and hollow religious practices. His message is clear: God sees the suffering of the poor and will not ignore injustice.

The prophetic warning speaks to our time, where possessions often take precedence over people, and profit overshadows prayer.

The responsorial psalm proclaims God's care for the lowly, urging us to mirror His compassion in our daily lives.

In the Gospel, Jesus praised the dishonest steward, not for his deceit but for his foresight. Facing dismissal, the steward acted shrewdly to secure his future. Jesus uses this parable to challenge us to be wise and faithful stewards. Our time, talents, and treasure are not meant for fleeting gain, but for eternal life. As children of light, we are called to live with integrity and purpose, building up God's kingdom here and now.

In the second reading, Saint Paul urges us to pray for all people, especially those in authority that may govern with justice and promote the common good.

He reminds us that God desires everyone to be saved and calls us to live with integrity and compassion. Let us ask the Lord for wisdom to use His gifts well, and hearts generous enough to serve those most in need. May we be faithful stewards, sharing our blessings, lifting the lowly, and living for God and one another.

God bless,

Fr. Dr. Ben

Weekend of September 27th & 28th, 2025

First Reading- Amos 6:1a, 4-7

Second Reading- 1 Timothy 6:1-16

Saturday 4:00 PM

Celebrant:

Father Ben

Lector:

Nancy Kahane

Eucharistic Ministers

Dorothy Yaiser, Carole Ostrander, Jane Artis

Altar Servers

Ayla Gronwall, Gabriel Harris

Priesthood Sunday

Gospel- Luke 16:19-31

Sunday 10:30AM

Father Ben

Matthias Mietzelfeld

Pat Smith, Lorraine Keckeisen, Kathy Saludo

Offerings from September 13th & 14th: Regular, \$3093.00; Fuel, \$720.00; Religious Education – Formed Textbooks, \$50.00; Religious Education, \$10.00; Catholic University of America \$10.00



Religious Education 2025-2026

9/21/2025 9:00-10:15 AM Classes for Pre-K-10th grade
 9/28/2025 9:00-10:15 AM Classes for Pre-K-10th grade

Harvest Festival 2025



The Harvest Festival this year is on October 10th & 11th! We need crafts for the Craft Booth, items for the Farmer's Market, Treasure Chest, soups and baked goods. Please bring your donations for the Treasure Chest and Craft booth to the Parish Center before October 3rd so the items can be priced. All donations must be brought in a week before the festival, donations brought in after the 3rd will not be accepted.

- **NO CD's, DVD's, and VHS** (donate to the Nex-to-New)
- **Paperback books only, no cookbooks**
- **No stuffed animals** (donate to local ambulance squads)
- **No clothing** (donate to Nex-to-New)
- **No electronics (computers, printers, tape players, etc.)**
- Donations of glassware, ceramics, and dishes must be **CLEAN** and should be chip free.
- Small kitchen appliances and all electrical items must be clean and in working order.
- Holiday decorations especially; Halloween, Thanksgiving, Christmas and Easter would be most appreciated.
- Donations of uniquely crafted handmade items are needed for the Craft Booth.
- Treasure Chest and Craft Booth **donations should be brought inside** the Parish Center during office hours. Please contact the Parish Office, 563-1591, if you are unable to come during office hours to arrange for a time to bring in your donations.
- **Donations left outside the Parish Center cannot be accepted per Catholic Mutual guidelines. Please do not leave items outside the doorways or inside the hallways. This is so we are in compliance with fire and safety codes.**

Sign-up sheets for volunteers for this year's Harvest Festival will be in the vestibule of the church beginning September 13th and 14th.

September Bulletin Quotes

"We pray to you, O Lord, that we always recognize each member of this human family as being made in your image and beloved by you, with worth and dignity.
 USCCB, "Prayer to Heal Racial Division"

Question of the Week

The Value of Honesty

Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much; and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. (Luke 16:10)

Adults: Can cheating and deception ever be justified?

Kids: If someone treats you unfairly, do you have the right to do the same to them?

Parish Center

Beginning Monday September 22nd the Parish Center will be closed in order for the Harvest Festival committees to begin setup.

Golden Age Party

The Golden Age Party will be held for parishioners 75 years of age at the Anointing of the Sick Mass on this Sunday, September 21, 2025 at 2:00 PM. We will be serving cake and beverages following the Mass.

Share the Bounty Dinner

September 26, 2025, 4:30 – 6:30 pm
 All are welcome!!

Virtual Book Club

The book club finishes on Thursday: September 25th from Noon to 1:30PM in the Parish Center.

Wisdom of the Saints

"When you have pity on the poor, you lend to God; and whoever gives to the least, gives to God – a – sweet-smelling spiritual sacrifice to him."

~St. Cyprian of Carthage

Duc in Altum Discernment

This 20-week discernment program at the St. Isaac Jogues House of Formation is designed to aid men in the Diocese of Albany as they discern a possible call to the Priesthood. For More Information see the flyer on Bulletin Board.

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, Jazmiers Moore, Bruce Allen, Kimberly Bosket, 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 Morotwe, 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, Pat Elbrecht, Bonnie De Salvo, Lori White, Ellen Reuter, Jaxson Beadle, Francis & Alfredine Duguay, Joan Rice, John MacDonald, Rowan DeCocker, Stephanie Soldinger, 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, Michael and Christopher Doi, Barb & Jerry Patrick, Joan Barnes, John MacDonald, Anne Klopchin, Patricia Houghton, Gloria Parsons, Anthony Naples

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