#### Pastor **Parish Office** Fr. David Mickiewicz 391 Delaware Ave., Albany, New York 12209 Email: david.mickiewicz@rcda.org Phone: (518) 434-4028 HOURS: 9:00AM-3:00PM Monday-Thursday (Closed Fridays) \*\*CALL TO MAKE AN APPOINTMENT\*\* Sacramental Minister Father Sean O'Brien, O.F.M/ Website: parishes.rcda.org/stfrancisofassisi Like us on our Facebook Page: **Parish Staff** www.facebook.com StFrancisOfAssisiParishAlbanyNY Parish Secretary: Lisa Bonomo (ext.10) Email: stfrancisparishsec@gmail.com St. James Food Pantry Operations Administrator: Matt Castiglione Corner of St. James Place & Summit Ave, Albany, NY 12209 Email: mcastiglione@rcda.org Linda Cruz, Director (518) 414-1929 Project Manager: Jasper Stoller Monday 10:00am-12:30pm / Wednesday 10:00am-12:30pm Email: Jasper.Stoller@rcda.org St. John's/St. Ann's Center Pastoral Associate for Liturgical Music: Kristen Witham 88 Fourth Avenue Konstantin Tsykun, Pianist Albany, NY 12202 Daniel Persico, Organist Fr. Sean O'Brien, O.F.M., Director Vince Forte, Guitar Kathy Engel, Program Assistant (518) 472-9091, ext. 14 Monday, Wednesday & Thursday-10am-Noon AND 1pm-3pm Buildings and Grounds/Maintenance: Tim Balfe Friday-10:00am-Noon Welcome Table: Tuesday and Saturday-11:30am-1:00pm Mass Schedule Saturday: 4:00PM at Delaware Site Trustees: Vincent Franconere, Jo-Ann Garrison Sunday: 9:00AM at Delaware Site Pastoral Council Chair: Angie Robilotto 10:30AM at South End Site Prayer & Worship Committee Chair: Georgeann Payne SPANISH MASS: 10:30AM at Delaware Site Finance Committee Chair: Wayne Higdon

St. Francis of Assisi Parish (Delaware Site) 391 Delaware Avenue Albany, NY 12209

St. Francis of Assisi Parish (South End Site) Fourth Avenue @ Franklin Street Albany, NY 12202

**Mission Statement** 

St. Francis of Assisi is a welcoming and compassionate Parish, united in the Love of Christ, reaching throughout the community to serve the people of God.

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) at Delaware Ave. Site: Saturday-3:15pm (before the 4:00 p.m. Mass)

#### Sacrament of Baptism:

Call the parish office to make arrangements for appointment & Baptism preparation class.

#### Sacrament of Marriage:

Couples should contact the parish office at least 6 to 8 months in advance of the proposed marriage date and before finalizing reception plans. All couples will take part in a Marriage Preparation Program.

#### Faith Formation and Religious Education:

Faith Formation will be offered at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception Church, Albany, NY for all ages: from elementary grades to High School.

#### The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick:

Each Spring and Fall, a communal service of the anointing of the sick will take place; the date and time will be announced through the bulletin. For individual Sacrament, please call the Parish Office, or see one of the Priests after the weekend Liturgy.

#### For Pastoral Visit to homebound:

If you are preparing to enter the hospital for surgery, please call the Parish Office.

## St. Vincent de Paul Society:

We are dedicated to helping those struggling financially. If you or someone you know needs assistance, please contact the Parish Office, and ask to be referred to a member of the St. Vincent dePaul Society.

*Feel free to share this bulletin with a neighbor or friend* 

## TWENTY SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

#### **Faith Formation This Year**

Parents and guardians of Saint Francis, Cathedral and Saint Mary's

To be formed in Jesus Christ is the lifetime endeavor of the Christian. This formation occurs through listening and embodying the Word, encountering Jesus in our sacramental life and service to the world. In this endeavor, the Church supports parents and guardians in their role and responsibility as the first teachers of their children in the ways of faith.

Combined with the new parish network model, the retirement of Roberta Grieco at Saint Francis, and the passing of Tod Fowler at Cathedral, we are still in the process of creating and seeking a new pathway for Faith Formation for our parish communities.

So that our children can continue in their formation and proper preparation be made for the Sacraments of Reconciliation, Holy Eucharist and Confirmation, we encourage families to seek out faith formation programs in their area. Please note, that even though your child goes to these programs, they are still able to receive their Sacraments here at their home parishes.

Below is information for other Albany city parishes Faith Formation programs:

All Saints – www.allsaintscc.org/faith-formation-k-11 Blessed Sacrament – www.blessedsacramentalbany.org k-6 faith-formation/ Mater Christi- https://www.mcalbany.org/religious education Saint Vincent DePaul – www.stvincentalbany.org elementar-faith-formation

**Please Pray For...** Maria Aricipa, Amy Atwood, Ralph Balfoort, Nick Casullo, Mary Dolan, Bob Doody, Charles Liam Duffy, Chuck Dyer, John Fanning, Joyce Flanagan, Gina Garrison, Katherine Gilligan, Chris Godfrey, Marge Hepp, Michael Horgan and Family, Alison Horgan-Zepeda, Fr. David Jones, Jean Kane, Betty McSweeney, Joe O'Clair, Patricia Polan, Jaxson Rivera, Sr. Natalie Runfola, Carolyn Samuels, Michele Sloman, Fr. Paul Smith, Mary & Ron Sontz, Nathan Williams



#### 4PM DEL Vigil: Saturday, September 30

Peter Schissler (by Conklin Family) Robert J. & Robert M. Keegan (by Barbara Keegan) Robert & Catherine Frank (by Barbara Keegan) Dominick F. & Anna T. Allegretta (by Diane Biernacki) Frederick W. Biernacki (by Diane Biernacki) Cheryl Biernacki Evola (by Diane Biernacki)

#### Sun., October 1, Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

St. Francis of Assisi Parishioners
Members of the Memorial Enrollment

#### Next Weekend- October 7-8, 2023

**4PM DEL Vigil: Saturday, October 7** St. Francis of Assisi Parishioners

Sun., October 8, Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time DEL 9:00AM Thomas McCormack (by Wife Joan & Family) SE

**10:30AM** Members of the Memorial Enrollment

## COLLECTION

Due to early transmittal, the total collection for September 24th will be in the October 8th's bulletin.

**PLEASE NOTE:** We use PayPal to accept donations online. Go to: parishes.rcda.org/StFrancisofAssisi, click DONATE, then "Donate with a Debit or Credit Card". You can schedule a single or recurring donation.

The Nocturnal Adoration Society meets the first Friday of each month from 7:15 p.m. to 8:15 p.m. in St. Francis of Assisi Church (Delaware Ave.) Next gathering is on Friday, October 6th. (Please use the side entrance.)

## ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI PARISH



Fr. Joe Falletta, who will celebrate our 4:00 p.m. Mass this weekend.

**REGISTER NOW FOR THE NYS EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS:** Catholics from across New York State are planning to come together at Our Lady of Martyrs Shrine in

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Auriesville on **October 20-22, 2023** to celebrate the real presence of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ in the Eucharist. The Congress will feature inspiring talks, Mass, Eucharistic adoration, opportunities for confessions, inspiring music and more. For details and to register

#### (EVERYONE ATTENDING MUST REGISTER)

For more info, log onto: https://nyseucharisticcongress.org



## CAR WASH TICKETS ARE BACK!!

and available after Mass OR at the Parish Office during the week.

\*\* <u>EXTERIO</u>R: \$14 FULL SERVICE: \$44

(with 50% supporting the Parish)

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI!



The Gospel today is a great example of saying, "actions speak louder than words." As you put your gift in the Society of St. Vincent de Paul's poor box, know that you are putting your faith into action.

## **ST. JAMES FOOD PANTRY**

Open: Monday: 10am-12:30pm & Wednesday: 10am-12:30pm 518-414-1929

From the Desk of Linda Cruz, Director:

In the next couple of weeks we will be sending out notices for the gift card fund raiser giving you dates and other information. Please keep in mind this fund raiser benefits the food pantry, and with the continued increase in families we assist, these funds are a tremendous help. We will also provide dates and needed items to fill baskets for the holidays.

**Food Pantry Requests:** They need toilet paper right now and can always use paper bags, spaghetti sauce, peanut butter, crackers, soup and canned meats (ravioli, hash, etc.), as these things are not available at the food bank. Hygiene products such as soap, shampoo, toothpaste are needed too.





<u>Needed items</u>: peanut butter, cereal, pasta (spaghetti, ziti, elbows), tuna fish, soup, cooking oil, rice, toilet paper, soap & shampoo.

#### **<u>REMINDER</u>:** If you are one of our parishioners who receive collection envelopes and are getting ready to "fly south" this winter, please call the parish office to temporarily suspend



your envelopes. These get returned back to the Parish Office and we must pay postage on them. If you let us know when you plan on returning, we will let the Envelope Company know when to start sending them to you again.



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