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 FIFTH 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 23

Gloria M. Johnson, Francis R. Johnson, & Francis J. Johnson (by Gloria Moak)

Sun., September 24, Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

DEL

9:00AM St. Francis of Assisi Parishioners **SE**

10:30AM Laverna "Lee" Mooney (by Pauline Metchick & Joe Keller)

Marcia Dow (by Vera Hall)

Next Weekend- September 30-October 1, 2023

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

DEL 9:00AM St. Francis of Assisi Parishioners SE

10:30AM Members of the Memorial Enrollment



Live Stream (or review) our 9:00am & 10:30am Masses by going to our Facebook Page: St.FrancisofAssisi.Albany, or check us out on YouTube.

COLLECTION

The total collection for September 17th was \$3,948.00 (Includes Mailed in, Spanish Mass, and PayPal)

Attendance: DEL: 4:00pm- 39 9:00am- 100 (Spanish Mass): 10:30am-110 SE: 10:30am-61

<u>THIS Weekend (September 23-24)</u> the second collection will be for the Catholic University of America. Please support the Catholic University students who go on to serve the nation and transform the world. Please be generous.

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.

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI PARISH

SEPTEMBER 24, 2023



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

ST. JAMES FOOD PANTRY

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

From the Desk of Linda Cruz, Director:

The Food Pantry has changed their days and times!

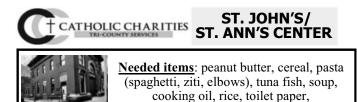
We are now open 10:00am to 12:30pm on Mondays and Wednesdays.

Food Pantry Requests: We desperately need toilet paper.

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 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



soap & shampoo.



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!



On September 27th, the Church celebrates the feast of St. Vincent de Paul, who knew that "God had sent him to bring good news to the poor." Together with your gifts, the members

of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul continue his work and mission in our parish.

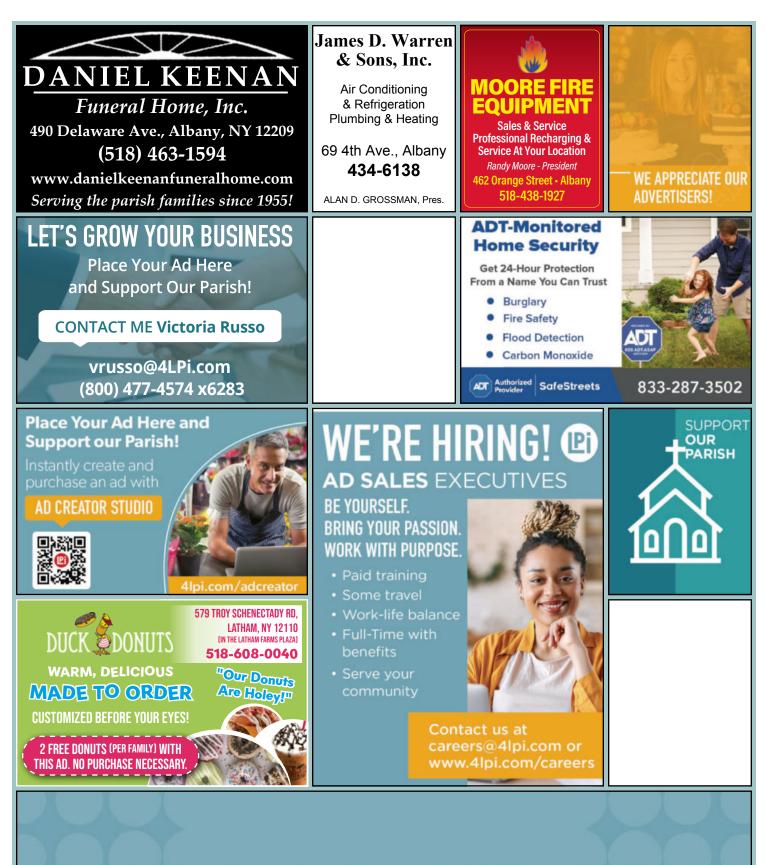
This month through your gifts to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul was able to assist families, by providing eggs and dairy and help for utility and rent bills, etc. Thank You! **<u>REMINDER</u>: If you are one of our parishioners who receive collection envelopes** and are getting ready to "fly south" this winter, please call the parish office to temporarily suspend your



<u>envelopes</u>. 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.

> Be sure to check the bulletin boards at the entrances of the Church on your way out!

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