**Pastor** 

Fr. David Mickiewicz

Email: david.mickiewicz@rcda.org

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Father Sean O'Brien, O.F.M.

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Mass Schedule

Saturday: 4:00PM at Delaware Site

Sunday: 9:00AM at Delaware Site

10:30AM at South End Site

SPANISH MASS: 10:30AM at Delaware Site

**Parish Office** 

391 Delaware Ave., Albany, New York 12209

Phone: (518) 434-4028

HOURS: 9:00AM-3:00PM

Monday-Thursday (Closed Fridays)

\*\*CALL TO MAKE AN APPOINTMENT\*\*

Website: parishes.rcda.org/stfrancisofassisi

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St. James Food Pantry

Corner of St. James Place & Summit Ave, Albany, NY 12209

Linda Cruz, Director

(518) 414-1929

Monday 10:00am—12:30pm / Wednesday 10:00am—12:30pm

St. John's/St. Ann's Center

88 Fourth Avenue

Albany, NY 12202

Fr. Sean O'Brien, O.F.M., Director Kathy Engel, Program Assistant

(518) 472-9091, ext. 14

Monday, Wednesday & Thursday-10am-Noon AND 1pm-3pm

Friday-10:00am-Noon

Welcome Table: Tuesday and Saturday-11:30am-1:00pm

Trustees: Vincent Franconere, Jo-Ann Garrison Pastoral Council Chair: Angie Robilotto

Prayer & Worship Committee Chair: Georgeann Payne

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

#### **SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

#### **Opportunities for Spiritual Growth**

#### **Spiritual Resources**

New Pilgrim's Path

www.newpilgrimpath.ie

New Pilgrim Path is a website aimed at introducing fellow Christians of all denominations to the great wealth of online spiritual resources. Links to a variety of valuable websites on spirituality are provided. In addition to the permanent pages of Daily Prayer, Sacred Music, Inspiration, and Online Retreats, each week we feature a different Website of the Week, Poem of the Week and Music of the Week.

#### The Center for Action and Contemplation

www.cac.org

Franciscan Richard Rohr founded the Center for Action and Contemplation (CAC) in 1987 to integrate both action and contemplation—the two are inseparable. Contemplation is a way of listening with the heart while not relying entirely on the head. Contemplation is a prayerful letting go of our sense of control and choosing to cooperate with God and God's work in the world. Prayer without action, as Father Richard says, can promote our tendency to self-preoccupation, and without contemplation, even well-intended actions can cause more harm than good. The site includes Daily Meditations – Podcasts - Books

#### Looking for a 5 minute daily spiritual pickup?



Try the YOUCAT App. YOUCAT stands for Youth Catechism BUT don't let that chase you away. A daily picture, biblical passage, Q&A from the Catholic Catechism and an inspirational quote might be just what you are

looking for to raise your spirits by the Holy Spirit. Go to the app store on our phone and put in YOUCAT App.

#### The Word Explored

Fr. David's Sunday Homilies

www.davidwmmickiewicz.wordpress.com

#### Catholic Women Preach

www.catholicwomenpreach.org

Following the liturgical year, Catholic women reflect on how the texts relate to all Catholics today with a special emphasis on the lives of women, their apostolic call, and their roles in the Church and the world.



Maria Aricipa, 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, Janet Rundle, Sr. Natalie Runfola, Carolyn Samuels, Michele Sloman, Fr. Paul Smith, Mary & Ron Sontz, Nathan Williams



4PM DEL Vigil: Saturday, January 13

St. Francis of Assisi Parishioners

Sun., January 14, Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00AM Francisco Tovar (by Phyllis Cardona)

In Honor of Mary Dolan (living) (by Family)

Giacomo Giglio (by Wife & Children)

10:30AM

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Peter Williams-8th Anniversary (by Lucille) Timothy J. & Margaret O. Horgan (by Family) William V. Canale (by Jaclyn Brilling)

Next Weekend- January 20-21, 2024

4PM DEL Vigil: Saturday, January 20

Fr. Dominic Ingemie (by Nick Elacqua) Gloria M. Johnson, Francis R. Johnson, & Francis J. Johnson (by Gloria Moak)

Sun., January 21, Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

**DEL** 9:00AM

James & Helen Curry, William & Anne Fox, Francis Moran, & Mary Lansing (by Judy Curry)

Aurelio & Teresa Giglio (by Daughter)

10:30AM

St. Francis of Assisi Parishioners SF

#### COLLECTION

The total collections for December 24th was \$4,899.00

(includes PayPal, Mailed in, Spanish Mass)

Attendance: 4:00pm: 51

9:00am: 69

10:30am: 53

(Spanish Mass): 10:30am: 105

The total collections for December 25th was \$6,572.00

(includes PayPal, Mailed in, Spanish Mass)

Christmas Flowers: \$324.00

Attendance: 4:00pm: 292

9:00am: 53

(Spanish Mass): 10:30am 113

The total collections for December 31st was \$5,538.00

(includes PayPal, Mailed in, Spanish Mass)

Christmas Flowers (additional): \$95.00

Maintenance: \$105.00

Attendance: 4:00pm: 48

9:00am: 115

(Spanish Mass): 10:30am: 175

#### ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI PARISH

#### **JANUARY 14, 2024**



Coffee & Conversation Group Saturday, February 3, 2024 2:00pm—3:00pm Professor Java's Coffee Sanctuary 145 Wolf Road (Shopper's Plaza) Albany, NY 12205

Please join us for coffee & fellowship as part of this "parishioner-led social group".

This is an opportunity to build community, share our faith, and discuss topics of interest to the St. Francis community. One possible goal for these gatherings is to discern what sort of other opportunities for service, social/fellowship, and/or spiritual education might be of interest to our faith Community.

#### THIS IS A DROP-IN GROUP, ALL ARE WELCOME!

(hoping to meet monthly on the first Saturday of the month)



In the Gospel today, Jesus asks "What are you looking for"? Often, we are looking for happiness in very selfish ways, but we find that when we look for ways to make others happy, it is then that we truly become happy.

As you place your gift in the Society of St. Vincent de Paul poor box, know that you are a sign of God's love to those who are suffering, and you give them reason to believe and to trust.



The Parish Office, St. James Food Pantry, and the St. John's/St. Ann's Center will be closed on Monday, January 15th in observance of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday.

#### **ST. JAMES FOOD PANTRY**

Open: Monday: 10am-12:30pm & Wednesday: 10am-12:30pm 5-414-192

#### From the Desk of Linda Cruz, Director:

Happy New Year!

The Food Pantry would not be able to provide for the families in our community without the support and assistance from our parishioners, friends, and family and we are so grateful!



#### ST. JOHN'S/ ST. ANN'S CENTER



PHONE: 518-472-9091 ext. 14

OPEN: Monday, Wednesday & Thursday
10am-Noon & 1pm-3pm
Friday-10:00am-Noon

Welcome Table: Tuesday and Saturday 11:30am-1:00pm

# CHRISTMAS CARDS TO VETERANS We delivered 262 cards to the V.A. Hospital. I want to THANK the parishioners and volunteers who collected the cards for me, and "the person" who drove me over to the V.A. Hospital for delivery of the cards. Without all of your help, this event would not have been a success! Many Thanks!!! Georgeann

## Thank You

I want to thank everyone who participated in the quilt raffle.

To Darlene, for her time and talents.
To Leo, Peggy, Lucille, Pauline, and Millie, for bringing the raffle to fruition.

To Everyone...THANK YOU for purchasing the tickets, which allowed us to raise \$3,266.00.

Congratulations to the winner of the quilt Jessica Martinez, who is associated with the Spanish Community.

Angie

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