



The Parish of Saint Francis of Assisi

The Cathedral Church of the Immaculate Conception

Welcome! - Bienvenido! - Mabuhay!

From wherever you have traveled or have been led on your spiritual journey, we, the Catholic communities of the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception and Saint Francis of Assisi, welcome you to our parishes.

We are located on the land of the Mohawk People of the Haudenosaunee Confederacy and the Mohican People who were the first stewards of the land upon which our Churches were built in what we now call the City of Albany.

We invite you to make yourself at home in one of our parish communities and consider joining our Christian way of life, worship and service in Jesus Christ.

Welcome College Students!

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The Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time—03 November 2024

Harvest Dinners



The upcoming harvest dinners are primarily a community-building event, with a fundraising component.

This is a grassroots effort that came out of the “coffee and conversations” group. As a volunteer with the organizing committee, I (Wayne Higdon) want to share a little more insight.

Anyone can organize a dinner, either in your home or in a public place like the parish house or St. John's Center (inquire on availability).

The host -or group of hosts - will donate all the food and drink. Hosts can prepare an elaborate meal, or order pizza... for me, the food is just an excuse to get together (but it's always awesome!)

Proceeds will benefit the parish. As you've seen in the bulletin, the weekly collection does not meet the need. The suggested donation is \$35 per person, but your contribution is totally flexible. You can give cash, check or use the PayPal link on our website, with “harvest dinner” in the memo line. You can hand it to the host, or label a plain envelope for the collection basket.

To be a host, contact Georgeann Payne at 518-462-0879 (or via email at gpayne1@nycap.rr.com)

To attend a dinner, contact the host directly. The dinner descriptions are posted in the back of the churches and the email list-serve.

Monthly Charismatic Healing Liturgy

2nd Wednesday of each month

Presented by:

Catholic Charismatic Renewal of the Diocese of Albany

Christ Our Light RC Church, 1 Maria Dr. Loudonville, NY

When: November 13, 2024

Time: 7:00 PM (Prayer and Praise)

7:30 PM (Mass & Healing Service)

A Mass of Gratitude and Thanksgiving

Presider: Fr. Martin Fisher

All are welcome... Bring a friend!

Joyful Heart Music Ministry

For More Information: www.albanyccr.org

GIVE US THIS DAY NOW AVAILABLE!

Give Us This Day is a monthly publication centered on the Word of God. Drawing inspiration from a multitude of voices, it provides a relevant and trustworthy understanding of Scripture. Whether you have five minutes or a half hour, *Give Us This Day* supports your desire to pray. Look for copies in the back of the church.

UPDATE: SAINT JAMES/ALB CAP FUND DEBT

Two weeks ago, we submitted a letter to Father Bob Longobucco, Trustee of the Diocesan Investment and Loan Trust (DILT), on behalf of Father David and Saint Francis of Assisi Parish, proposing a plan to fully eliminate the St. James/Alb Cap Fund Debt owed to the DILT. Our plan was to apply \$44,104.75 from the recent sale of Saint James school, representing 50% of the \$88,209.49 balance, and a request that the Trust consider matching the remaining 50%.

The Board of the Diocesan and Investment and Loan Trust met last week to consider our proposal, and we are pleased to announce they approved our repayment plan and authorized a \$44,104.74 match! This will completely retire the St. James/Alb Cap Fund Debt!

Congratulations, and thank you for your commitment and diligent efforts to repay the loan. The Board also recognizes and appreciates those efforts and the good work being done in the parish.



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NEXT STEP EVENTS

PRIESTHOOD INQUIRY AND DISCERNMENT

November 4, 2024 6:00-8:00 PM

Holy Trinity Church

122 Vliet BLVD Cohoes, NY 12047

Join us for prayer, dinner and discernment

PERMANENT DIACONATE INQUIRY AND DISCERNMENT

November 3, 2024 6:00 PM-8:00 PM

St. Clements Church

231 Lake Ave. Saratoga Springs, NY 12866

Join us for prayer, dinner and discernment

RSVP

Michelle.schulmerich@rcda.org or 518-920-4646

For more information
www.rcda.org/vocations

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GOINGS ON AT THE CATHEDRAL

Giving Thanks

A Fund and Friend Raiser to benefit the St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry

Wine & Cheese Reception
6 - 7 p.m.
hosted by Katrina & Jack Consiglio

An Evening of Music from the American Songbook
beginning at 7pm
David Wm. Mickiewicz, baritone
John Jurgensen, piano

November 22, 2024
St. Vincent de Paul Church
900 Madison Ave., Albany
Tickets \$50
On sale beginning Nov. 2

GOINGS ON AT SAINT FRANCIS

St. James Food Pantry Notice

The holiday season is coming soon and we will be once again collecting to provide holiday meals to the families in our community. We are looking for the following items, and they can be dropped off in the collection box at church or at the pantry during our hours of operation. (Mon & Wed 10—12:30 PM)

Items Needed:

Cranberry sauce, turkey gravy, stuffing mix (no bags of mix please), instant potatoes, brownie mix (cake mix with frosting). You can also drop off a ham or turkey to the pantry.

Your help and consideration is greatly appreciated!

COMUNIDAD HISPANA

Santa Misa: Domingo 10:30 AM

Confesiones: Domingo 10:00 AM

Primer Domingo del mes: Bendición a todos los niños y jóvenes al final de la Santa Misa

Avisos:



Santa Misa de los fieles difuntos celebrada por nuestro Obispo Edward Scharfenberger el día Sábado 02 de Noviembre a las 7:00PM.

Cathedral Financial Report
for October 27, 2024

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|---------------------------------|---------------------|
| Regular Offertory (inc. PayPal) | \$2,039.00 |
| Maintenance & Utilities | \$50.91 |
| TOTAL | \$2,088.91 |
| Average Weekly Need | \$8,200 |
| SHORTFALL | (\$6,111.09) |

The average weekly need is based on Total Expenses (2023-24)

Attendance

| | |
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| 11:00 AM | 108 |
| 5:00 PM | 124 |

There's some new faces in the Cathedral...

St. Francis Financial Report
For October 27, 2024

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| Regular Offertory (inc. PayPal) | \$3,977.80 |
| Maintenance & Utilities | \$0 |
| Food Pantry | \$0 |
| TOTAL | \$3,997.80 |
| Average Weekly Need | \$10,500 |
| SHORTFALL | (\$6,522.20) |

The average weekly need is based on Total Expenses (2023-24)

Attendance

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|---------------------|-----|
| <i>Delaware—4PM</i> | 42 |
| 9AM | 73 |
| 10:30 AM | 185 |
| <i>South End</i> | 72 |



Saint James FOOD PANTRY

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

518.414.1929

Monday & Wednesday: 10:00am—12:30pm

Saint John's/Saint Ann's Center

88 Fourth Avenue, Albany, NY 12202

518.472.9091

CENTER

Monday, Wednesday & Thursday: 10:am—12pm; 1:pm 3pm

WELCOME TABLE

Tuesday and Saturday: 11:30am—1:00pm

In need of juice and hygiene products

Reminder: We cannot accept outdated, opened or used items.

Other Area Food Pantries include:

Saint Mary

10 Lodge Street, Albany, New York

518.462.4357

Trinity Alliance

15 Trinity Place, Albany, New York

518.364.1103

www.trinityalliancealbany.org/food-pantries

FOCUS Churches of Albany

275 State Street, Albany, New York

518.443.0460

www.focuschurches.net



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The Cathedral



St. Francis

Prayers for...

Rev. Frank O'Connor, Sue Moss, Cynthia Notaro, Honey Kausar, Mary VanSchiack Agnew, Maria Aricipa, David Briggs, Mary Dolan, Charles Duffy, Church Dyer, John Fanning, Joyce Flanagan, Gina Garrison, Katherine Gilligan, Chris Godfrey, Marge Hepp, Michael Horgan, Alison Horgan-Zepeda, Rev. David Jones, Alice LaChapelle, Betty McSweeney, Joe O'Clair, Jaxson Rivera, Sr. Natalie Runfola, Michele Sloman, Rev. Paul Smith.

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Central Parish Office Hours

Monday thru Thursday, 9:00am – 3:00pm

Cathedral Church Hours

The Cathedral is open daily.

Sunday: 9:00am – 6:00pm

Monday—Saturday: 9:00am – 3:00pm

The Cathedral Church and Parish Offices will be closed on National Holidays and other days throughout the year as noted in the bulletin.

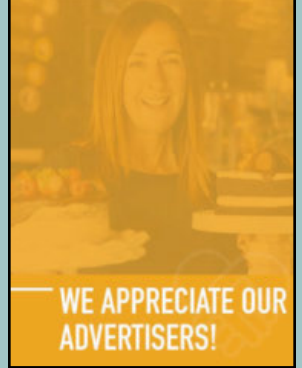


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