



The Parish of
Saint Francis of Assisi

The Cathedral Church
of The Immaculate
Conception

Historic St. Mary's
Church

Welcome! - Bienvenido! - Mabuhay!

Parish Network Mass Times			
Historic St. Mary's	Sat 4:00 PM	Sun 8:00 AM 10:30 AM	M-F 12:05 PM
St. Francis Delaware Ave	Sat 4:00 PM	Sun 9:00 AM 10:30 AM (Spanish)	
St. Francis South End		Sun 10:30 AM	
The Cathedral		Sun 11:00 AM 5:00 PM	

Confession Times	
Historic St. Mary's	Sat: 3:15 PM Mon, Wed, Fri before Mass Tues & Thurs (after Mass by request)
St. Francis Delaware Ave	Sat: 3:15 PM
St. Francis South End	Before or after Mass (by request)
The Cathedral	Sun: 10:30 AM-10:50 AM 4:15 PM—4:50 PM

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125 Eagle Street
Albany, New York 12202

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The Cathedral

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Saint Francis of Assisi

Delaware Site:
391 Delaware Avenue
Albany, New York 12209

South End Site:
93 Fourth Avenue
Albany, New York 12202

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Historic Saint Mary's (518) 462.4254

10 Lodge Street,
Albany, New York 12207

www.hist-stmarys.org
www.facebook.com/historicstmarychurch
Open daily

Cathedral Church Hours

The Cathedral is open daily.
Sunday: 9:00 AM—6:00 PM
Monday—Saturday: 9:00 AM—3:00 PM

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

Saint James Food Pantry

St. James Place, 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
Monday, Wednesday & Thursday: 10:am—12pm; 1:pm 3pm

WELCOME TABLE

Tuesday and Saturday: 11:30am—1:00pm

St. Mary's Food Pantry

10 Lodge Street, Albany, New York 12207 | 518.462.4357
Tuesday & Friday, 9:00—11:30 AM



Our Lady of the Rosary by Luca Giordano

The month of October is dedicated to the Most Holy Rosary.

With the Rosary, the Christian people sits at the school of Mary and is led to contemplate the beauty on the face of Christ and to experience the depths of his love.

Pope John Paul II
Apostolic Letter Rosarium Virginis Mariae, n. 1.

To learn how to recite the Rosary, visit
<https://marian.org/mary/rosary/how-to-pray>

Order of Christian Initiation for Adults (OCIA)

Order of Christian Initiation for Adults (OCIA) and adult faith formation classes will begin will be held weekly on Mondays 6:30 – 8:00 PM in person in the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception rectory and by Zoom meeting. You can register at <https://forms.office.com/r/bp94pSgUDc> or for more information email ffcica@rcda.org or contact our Historic Albany Parish Network office at **518-463-4447**.

Lay Ministers Retreat

All readers, extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion, and altar servers from the Historic Albany Parish Network (Cathedral, St. Mary's, St. Francis of Assisi) are invited to a retreat held at St. Mary's Church on 10 Lodge Street in Albany on **Saturday, November 15th from 8:30 AM – 2 PM**. The day includes coffee, a presentation by Father Torres, as well as Adoration, Confession, Ministry Practice, Commissioning of Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, and Blessing of Readers and Altar Servers. Lunch will be provided by our hospitality ministries. Please join us for this day of prayerful reflection and fellowship. **To register, email Patrick.Buonacore@rcda.org or call 518 463-4447.**



Consecration to Mary Retreat

Join us for a Marian Consecration retreat starting Tuesday October 28th at 6:30-8 PM for seven consecutive weeks at St. Mary's Church Clinton Heights 163 Columbia Turnpike, Rensselaer, NY. We will be reading Mary's Mantle Consecration: A

Spiritual Retreat for Heaven's Help by Christine Watkins. Anyone is welcome to attend. The Consecration Mass will be on Friday December 12th at 6:30 PM at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception. Please sign up using the QR code.

For questions or more information, email marys.mantle.2025@gmail.com



My Parish NFP

My Parish NFP is a one stop shop for engaged couples, married couples, single women, and families to discover more about natural family planning and fertility awareness, in line with the teachings of the Catholic Church. It is a hub for classes, information, and resources in both English and Spanish. Find out more at www.myparishnfp.org

PASTORAL REFLECTION

October 19, 2025

Jesus told his disciples a parable about the necessity for them to pray always without becoming weary... The Lord said, "Pay attention to what the dishonest judge says. Will not God then secure the rights of his chosen ones who call out to him day and night? Will he be slow to answer them? I tell you, he will see to it that justice is done for them speedily. But when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?" (Luke 18:1-8)

Jesus encourages His disciples to pray with faith. Pope Benedict XVI said, "The power that changes the world and transforms it into the Kingdom of God, in silence and without fanfare, is faith—and prayer is the expression of faith.

"When faith is filled with love for God, recognized as a good and just Father, prayer becomes persevering, insistent, it becomes a groan of the spirit, a cry of the soul that penetrates God's Heart. Thus, prayer becomes the greatest transforming power in the world. In the face of a difficult and complex social reality, it is essential to strengthen hope which is based on faith and expressed in unflagging prayer.

"It is prayer that keeps the torch of faith alight. Jesus asks, as we heard at the end of the Gospel: 'When the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?' (Lk 18:8). It is a question that makes us think. What will be our answer to this disturbing question?"

May we answer, "Jesus I trust in You; have mercy on us and on the whole world."

Fr. Richard R. Jones

"Mankind will not have peace until it turns with trust to My mercy... I desire to grant unimaginable graces to those souls who trust in My mercy... The more a soul trusts, the more it will receive." (Diary, 300, 687, 1578).



MORNING PRAYER is recited each Monday at 8:30 am at St. Francis of Assisi's South End site (93 Fourth Ave., Albany). It's a way to unite our prayers with the universal Church and offer praise to God at the start of our day/week. No experience necessary! Come join us!

COMUNIDAD HISPANA
391 DELAWARE AVE
ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI

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
*** Hora Santa:** Todos los primeros Sábados de cada mes a

Health Care Worker and Respect Life Month Mass
Saturday, October 25, 2025, at 4:00 PM
St. Edward the Confessor Church, Clifton Park, NY

All healthcare professionals, including doctors, nurses, technicians, therapists, students, and administrators are encouraged to attend, along with family and friends and the general public. This mass gathers under the patronage of St. Luke, to ask for blessings for patients and care givers alike.

October is Respect Life Month, and this Mass provides Catholics across the diocese to witness to the inherent equality and transcendent value of every human being, and to give thanks to God for the gift of human life.

All are invited. There is a reception following Mass.

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Please welcome **Barbara Koerner-Fox** as our Operations Manager, a new position serving all three parishes across in our Historic Albany Parish Network (the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, Historic Saint Mary's, and Saint Francis of Assisi parishes). She will blend strategic oversight with daily management, hospitality, and mission-driven support.



Thank you for your generous support!

If you would like to make a financial contribution to your parish through your smartphone, please point your camera at the QR codes below and tap the link.



The Cathedral



St. Francis



Historic St. Mary's

STEWARDSHIP

Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception
Weekly Offering—October 18-19

Regular Offertory	\$4,513.35
PayPal	\$390.00
Maintenance & Utilities	\$0
TOTAL	\$4,903.35
Average Weekly Need	\$8,200.00
SHORTFALL	(\$3,296.65)
<i>The average weekly need is based on Total Expenses (2024-25)</i>	
Attendance	
11:00 AM 175	5:00 PM 110

Saint Francis of Assisi
Weekly Offering—October 18-19

Regular Offertory	\$4,720.81		
PayPal	Not Available		
Maintenance & Utilities	\$0		
Food Pantry	\$0		
TOTAL	\$4,720.81		
Average Weekly Need	\$10,500.00		
SHORTFALL	(\$5,799.19)		
<i>The average weekly need is based on Total Expenses (2024-25)</i>			
Attendance			
<i>Delaware</i>	<i>4:00 PM</i> <i>Not Available</i>	<i>9:00 AM</i> 80	10:30AM 182
<i>South End</i>	<i>10:30 AM</i> 65		

Historic St. Mary's
Weekly Offering—October 18-19

Regular Offertory	\$3,805.00		
Online Giving	Not Available		
Maintenance & Utilities	\$0		
TOTAL	\$3,805.00		
Average Weekly Need	\$8,100.00		
SHORTFALL	(\$4,295.00)		
The average weekly need is based on Total Expenses (2024-25)			
Attendance			
	4:00 PM 87	8:00 AM 119	10:30AM 147



Historic Albany Parish Network

The Most Rev'd Edward B. Scharfenberger, D.D.
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Jobs with the Historic Albany Parish Network

Part-Time Custodian – Salary Range \$17.00 to \$20 per hour.

Maintain cleanliness and safety in network churches, parish offices, and rectory. General duties include dusting, vacuuming, trash removal, bathroom cleaning, etc.

Part-Time or Full-Time Maintenance & Groundskeeper

– Salary Range \$18 to \$22 per hour. Maintain and arrange repairs at all network properties for plumbing, electrical, carpentry, mechanical, painting, etc. Provide light snow removal, lawn care, landscaping, etc.

Bookkeeper – Salary Range \$24-27 per hour, about 30 hours per week. Bookkeeping and reporting financial matters for our three-parish network (St. Francis of Assisi, Historic St. Mary's, and the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception). May include administrative and clerical tasks as needed.

For full details or to apply go to <https://www.rcda.org/offices/human-resources/employment-opportunities>.

Mass Intentions

Saint Francis (Delaware)

Sat, October 18
4:00 PM

Pro Populo

Sun, October 19
9:00 AM

Pro Populo

Saint Francis (South End)

Sun, October 19
10:30 AM

Pro Populo

The Cathedral

Sun, October 19
11:00 AM

Pro Populo

Sun, October 19
5:00 PM

Pro Populo

Historic St. Mary's

Sat, October 18
4:00 PM

† Gloria M., Francis R. and Francis J., Johnson

Requested by Gloria Moak

Sun, October 19
8:00 AM

† Rev. James Lefebvre

Requested by A Friend

† Anthony Elacqua

Requested by A Friend

Sun, October 19
10:30 AM

† Richard Burns

Requested by Rita Burns

Mon, October 20
12:05 PM

† Philip Lynch

Requested by A Friend

Tues, October 21
12:05 PM

† Christopher Saranelli

Requested by Bob Wolfgang

Wed, October 22
12:05 PM

† John Bellamy Taylor

Requested by Leo and Mary Wong

Thurs, October 23
12:05 PM

† Harriet McMahon

Requested by Ed and Joan McMahon

† Carol Ann Mahar

Requested by Brother

Fri, October 24
12:05 PM

† Filomena Palumbo

Requested by Family

Why request Mass intentions? The Catechism of the Catholic Church says, "From the beginning, the Church has honored the memory of the dead and offered prayers in suffrage for them, above all the Eucharistic sacrifice [the Mass], so that, thus purified, they may attain the beatific vision of God" (CCC 1032). To request a Mass intention call 518-463-4447 or send an email to CICAlban@rcda.org. We allow normally one intention per Mass, except that two Masses per week may have two intentions.

BE A PRAYER PARTNER WITH POPE LEO

For those who have made the commitment to pray everyday for the monthly intentions of Our Holy Father, Pope Leo: For October he invites the faithful to join in praying the Rosary every day during the month to invoke God's gift of peace especially in war-torn lands.

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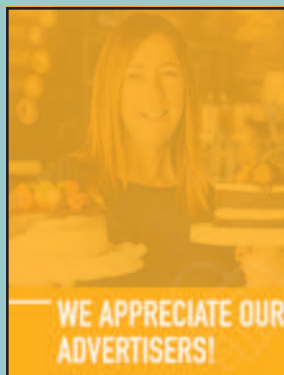


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