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Saint Francis of Assisi

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of The Immaculate
Conception

Historic St. Mary's
Church

Welcome! - Bienvenido! - Mabuhay!

Parish Network Mass Times				Confession Times	
Historic St. Mary's	Sat 4:00 PM	Sun 8:00 AM 10:30 AM	M-F 12:05 PM	Historic St. Mary's	Sat: 3:15 PM Mon, Wed, Fri 11:30-11:55 am Tues & Thurs (after Mass)
St. Francis Delaware Ave	Sat 4:00 PM	Sun 9:00 AM 10:30 AM (Spanish)		St. Francis Delaware Ave	Sat: 3:15 PM Sun: 8:15 AM
St. Francis South End		Sun 10:30 AM		St. Francis South End	Before or after Mass (by request)
The Cathedral		Sun 11:00 AM 5:00 PM		The Cathedral	Sun: 10:30 AM-10:50 AM 4:00 PM—4:50 PM

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Cathedral Church Hours

Sunday: 9:00 AM—6:00 PM
Monday—Saturday: 9:00 AM—4:30 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

Holy Hours of Adoration:

Thursday 6:30 pm—7:30 pm with The Most Holy Rosary at St. Mary's
First Friday 8:00 am—Noon at St. Mary's | 11:30 am—3:30 pm at Cathedral | 7:30 pm—8:30 pm at St. Francis—Delaware
First Saturday 5:15 pm-6:15 pm at St. Francis—Delaware (Spanish)

Awesome Lenten Opportunity:

Go Deeper Spiritually this Lent by Consecrating Yourself to Jesus through Mary! Our baptismal vows were to reject Satan, all his works, and all of his empty show, but how well do we live out those vows? God says, "Be holy, because I am holy" (Leviticus 11:44-45), and St. Peter says, "As he who called you is holy, be holy yourselves." (1 Peter 1:15).

Saint Louis de Montfort says that an easy, short, perfect, and secure way of attaining union with Jesus is through Mary: "We make more progress in a short period of dependence on Mary than in years of relying on ourselves." Mary always leads us surely to Jesus.

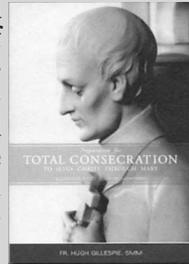
This Lent, we are offering two options for consecrating yourself to Jesus through Mary.



One option is a 46-day preparation for Marian consecration that runs until the consecration day on Easter Sunday. It uses the book *Mary's Mantle* by Christine Watkins. If you wish to join the group meetings, the **meetings are on Tuesdays at 6:30 – 8 pm, at Historic St. Mary's, 10 Lodge St., Albany.**

Another option uses St. Louis de

Montfort's original approach, with a consecration day on the Solemnity of the Annunciation, which St. Louis considered the principal feast day of Marian consecration, as the event when God entrusted Himself to the womb of the Virgin Mary and became her human and divine Son. This 33-day consecration preparation has readings from Feb. 20-Mar. 25, and the group meetings are on **Wednesdays at 6:30-8 p.m. at the Church of St. Mary's in Clinton Heights, 163 Columbia Turnpike, Rensselaer.** The book for this retreat is *Total Consecration to Jesus Christ through Mary* (by Fr. Hugh Gillespie).



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For info, email marys.mantle.2025@gmail.com
Purchase your book online or email Marys.Mantle.2025@gmail.com to sign up for a book and for more information; you can also use the QR code to sign up.

St. Vincent de Paul Society

The St. Vincent de Paul Society provides emergency assistance to our neighbors struggling with rent, utilities, and other bills. Founded by Blessed Frederick Ozanam, inspired by St Vincent de Paul, all of our "clients" are local; almost all of them live within blocks of our three parishes. What distinguishes us is our highly personal approach. No money is allotted without first visiting someone in their home, which enables us to really listen to their story and then serve them in the best possible way.

You can help through a almsgiving. Either place your gift in one of the poor boxes near the church entrance, or place a check made out to "The St. Vincent de Paul Society" in the collection basket.

You can also help by joining us. Call the Cathedral at 518-463-4447 for more information.

Believing as we do that all people are equally recipients of God's ravishing love, The St. Vincent de Paul Society does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, creed, gender, sexual orientation or immigration status.

PASTOR'S REFLECTION

FEBRUARY 22, 2026, FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

The tempter approached and said to Jesus, "If you are the Son of God, command that these stones become loaves of bread." Jesus said in reply, "It is written: One does not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes forth from the mouth of God." (Matthew 4:1-4)



In sacred Scripture God speaks to us and communicates grace that can change our lives. I know a man who had been away from the church for decades, but through reading a bit of Scripture every day, initially out of curiosity, he was touched by God and drawn back into practicing his Catholic faith. After several years, he was drawn into the priesthood at age 54.

God's Word has power, if we allow Him to speak to us through the Scriptures. If we devote 1% of our day, 15 minutes, to reading and reflecting on the Scriptures, asking God what He desires to say to us, He will nourish our souls. St. Jerome said, "Ignorance of Scripture is ignorance of Christ," but by reading Scripture prayerfully, we come to know the living God, especially in the Eucharist.

Pope Leo XIV wrote in his Lenten message to us, "In the midst of the many voices present in our personal lives and in society, Sacred Scripture helps us to recognize and respond to the cry of those who are anguished and suffering. In order to foster this inner openness to listening, we must allow God to *teach us how to listen as he does*. We must recognize that *'the condition of the poor is a cry that, throughout human history, constantly challenges our lives, societies, political and economic systems, and, not least, the Church.'*"

Peace in Jesus
through Mary,

Fr. Rudolph R. Jones

"Today, My daughter, for your reading you shall take chapter nineteen of St. John's Gospel, and read it, not only with your lips, but with your heart." (Jesus to St. Faustina, Diary, paragraph 1765)

Lenten Opportunities

+ Bishop Mark celebrating Mass at the Cathedral, 5 p.m., March 1, followed by light hospitality and synodal gathering; please join us!

Mondays: Morning Prayer, 8 a.m., Cathedral

Tuesdays: "Mary's Mantle" Consecration Retreat Meeting, 6:30-8 pm, Historic St. Mary's, 10 Lodge St.

Christian Initiation and Adult Faith Formation, 6:30-8 pm, Cathedral

Wednesdays: "Total Consecration" Retreat Meeting, 6:30-8 pm, Church of St. Mary's, 163 Columbia Turnpike, Clinton Heights (Rensselaer)

Thursdays: Eucharistic Holy Hour and Benediction, 6:30-7:30 pm, Historic St. Mary's

Fridays: Stations of the Cross, 5:15, Eucharistic Exposition and Confessions, 6-7 pm; Cathedral

Readings for the Week of February 22, 2026

Sun: Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 17/ Rom 5:12-19 or 5:12, 17-19/Mt 4:1-11

Mon: Lv 19:1-2, 11-18/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/Mt 25:31-46

Tues: Is 55:10-11/Ps 34:4-5, 6-7, 16-17, 18-19/ Mt 6:7-15

Wed: Jon 3:1-10/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19/ Lk 11:29-32

Thur: Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8/Mt 7:7-12

Fri: Ez 18:21-28/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-7a, 7bc-8/ Mt 5:20-26

Sat: Dt 26:16-19/Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8/ Mt 5:43-48

Next Sunday: Gn 12:1-4a/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22/ 2 Tm 1:8b-10/Mt 17:1-9

Synod Get-Togethers

As the season of Lent has begun, please consider joining your fellow parishioners for Mass and one or several of our six planned Synod sessions.

We are at an important crossroad in the life of our Diocese and Parishes, where reflecting on our mission and God's call is needed to be able to continue to provide Mass and the many church services that we have had available in the past. There are many challenges and opportunities to strengthen and improve our parish life.

Your insight and wisdom are essential to making good decisions to discern and meet the needs of our believing community.

The focus of the Synod get-togethers is prayerful listening together to God and to parishioners including you. Please join us for a brief, open discussion and some light refreshments at one or more of these sessions. The discussion topics will change from session to session, so attending more than one will increase your opportunity to reflect on God's call with us.

The schedule of sessions is as follows:

Sunday, March 1, after 5:00 PM Mass with Bishop Mark - at Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception

Friday, March 6, after 6:30 PM Mass - at St. Francis of Assisi, Delaware Avenue

Sunday March 8, after 10:30 AM Spanish Mass - at St. Francis of Assisi, Delaware Avenue

Monday, March 16, after 6:00 PM Mass - at St. Francis of Assisi, South End

Sunday, March 22, after 11:00 AM Mass, Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception

We hope you will join us in prayer, listening, and discernment of our parishes' missions!

MORNING PRAYER is recited each **Monday at 8:00 am at the Cathedral** (at the corner of Madison Ave. and Eagle St., 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!



STEWARDSHIP

**Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception
Monthly Offering—January, 2026**

Regular Offertory	\$11,068.58
Average Monthly Need	\$29,000.00
SHORTFALL	(\$17,931.42)
<i>The average weekly need is based on Total Expenses 2025</i>	

**Historic St. Mary
Monthly Offering—January, 2026**

Regular Offertory	\$27,977.44
Average Monthly Need	\$35,100.00
SHORTFALL	(\$7,122.56)
<i>The average weekly need is based on Total Expenses (2024-2025)</i>	

**St. Francis of Assisi
Monthly Offering—January, 2026**

Regular Offertory	\$16,048.02
Average Monthly Need	\$29,000.00
SHORTFALL	(\$12,951.98)
<i>The average weekly need is based on Total Expenses 2025</i>	

Thank you for your generous support!

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



The Cathedral



St. Francis



Historic St. Mary's

A Note to Parishioners About Our Finances

Our three parishes have been navigating many transitions over the past year and can look ahead to a great deal more on the horizon. These have included a greater consolidation of our shared network and a large turnover of staff and personnel responsible for administering it. Those of us now charged with that responsibility intend to bring as much constancy as we can to the process, and to be present and transparent throughout. The changing reports of our operating needs each month reported in the bulletin will reflect some of these changes as we get a grasp of all that our parishes confront. We ask especially for your patience and your prayers that we can be prudent in attending to all we have been tasked with.

Yours in Christ, the Historic Parish Network team

BE A PRAYER PARTNER WITH POPE LEO



For children with incurable diseases:

Let us pray that children suffering from incurable diseases and their families receive the necessary medical care and support, never losing strength and hope. Amen



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Weekday Mass Intentions

As of February 17, 2026

Historic St. Mary's

Mon, February 23 12:05 PM	† Daniel Trivison	Requested by Lavinna Trivison
Tues, February 24 12:05 PM	<i>Pro Populo</i>	
Wed, February 25 12:05 PM	† Mitchel J. Goroski	Requested by His Wife, Jane First Anniversary
Thu, February 26 12:05 PM	<i>Pro Populo</i>	
Fri, February 27 12:05 PM	<i>Pro Populo</i>	

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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 las 5:15pm.**

Sunday Mass Intentions

As of February 17, 2026

Saint Francis (Delaware)

Sat, February 21 4:00 PM	<i>Pro Populo</i>	
Sun, February 22 9:00 AM	<i>Pro Populo</i>	
Sun, February 22 10:30 AM	<i>Pro Populo</i>	
Sat, February 28 4:00 PM	† Grace D. Mokhiber	Requested by Great-Grandchildren
Sun, March 1 9:00 AM	<i>Pro Populo</i>	
Sun, March 1 10:30 AM	<i>Pro Populo</i>	

Saint Francis (South End)

Sun, February 22 10:30 AM	<i>Pro Populo</i>	
Sun, March 1 10:30 AM	† GeorgeAnn Payne	Requested by Paul and Stacy Brodfuehrer

The Cathedral

Sun, February 22 11:00 AM	<i>Special Intention</i>	Requested by Betty Travis
Sun, February 22 5:00PM	† Reynaldo Y. Torres	Requested by Fr Rendell Torres
	Family of Tom and Carolyn Burns	Requested by Fr Rendell Torres
Sun, March 1 11:00 AM	† Mary Elizabeth Bachman	Requested by Molly Wakeman
Sun, March 1 5:00PM	<i>Pro Populo</i>	

Historic St. Mary's

Sat, February 21 4:00 PM	† Judith Allyn	Requested by Family
Sun, February 22 8:00 AM	† Rocco Memole Sr.	Requested by Family
	† Reynaldo Torres	Requested by The Skovira Family
Sun, February 22 10:30 AM	† Richard Burns	Requested by Rita Burns
	† James Lindsay	Requested by Mark Burke
Sat, February 28 4:00 PM	† Mr. & Mrs. Daniel Scaringe	Requested by Sons
Sun, March 1 8:00 AM	† Rocco Memole Sr.	Requested by Family
Sun, March 1 10:30 AM	† Deceased Members of the Schilova Family	Requested by Family

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



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