

*Fifth Sunday of Easter — 3 May 2026*



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

Confession Times	
<b>Historic St. Mary's</b>	Sat: 3:15 PM Mon, Wed, Fri 11:30-11:55 am Tues & Thurs (after Mass)
<b>St. Francis Delaware Ave</b>	Sat: 3:15 PM Sun: 8:15 AM
<b>St. Francis South End</b>	Before or after Mass (by request)
<b>The Cathedral</b>	Sun: 10:30 AM-10:50 AM 4:00 PM—4:50 PM

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**Saint Francis of Assisi**

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**South End Site:**

93 Fourth Avenue  
Albany, New York 12202

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**Historic Saint Mary's** (518) 462.4254

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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**

391 Delaware Ave. (rear), 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)

### 45th Annual CROP HUNGER WALK May 3rd



Today is the official day of our Albany CROP Hunger Walk! If you plan on walking on May 3rd, walkers will register at St. Paul's Church, Hackett Blvd., Albany at 12:30PM in the church hall. The official start of

the walk is at 1:30PM. A group of us will be walking at the Crossings later on in May.

There is still time to sponsor a Walker! You can either donate on line ([www.crophungerwalk.org/albany](http://www.crophungerwalk.org/albany)) and look for our team - St. Francis of Assisi. Or, if you prefer, you can write a check made out to: CWS/CROP. Thanks to all the Walkers and their sponsors for participating!

### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

#### Spring Cleanup

Once again, we will be gathering for our Spring cleanup at our parish churches on Saturday, May 9th. We'll start at 9 am at St Francis South End, move to the Delaware site by 10:30 (lunch will be provided there) and finish at the Cathedral and St. Mary's by 12:30. It's not hard work, but many hands will make it all go smoother. Please bring your favorite garden tools and gloves.

**May 9th, starting at 9 am at St Francis South End**

### RACHEL'S VINEYARD RETREAT

Hurting from an abortion? Experience the healing love of Jesus Christ on a Rachel's Vineyard weekend retreat, **May 29-31, 2026** at the  **Dominican Retreat & Conference Center in Niskayuna**. The weekend will combine discussions, spiritual exercises, the Sacrament of Reconciliation, a Memorial Service and a Mass of Entrustment. Participation is strictly confidential and offers a beautiful opportunity to experience God's love, forgiveness, and compassion. The cost is \$195. Financial assistance is available. For more information or to register contact: Pat Mousaw, 518-222-1160 or Katie Bolibaugh or e-mail: [rachelsvineyardalbany@yahoo.com](mailto:rachelsvineyardalbany@yahoo.com).

### Adoration at the Cathedral Beginning in June

We desire to increase weekly Adoration in the city of Albany, initially at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception with 40 hours of Adoration per week beginning June 4, every Thursday through Sunday.

Just as a loving mother shares everything with her children, and just as a heart pumps fresh blood to every part of the body, the graces from Adoration at the Cathedral will benefit every parish in the 10,000 square miles of our Diocese of Albany!

Pope Leo wrote in his message for World Day of Prayer for Vocations: "Only the one who pauses, listens, prays and welcomes the Shepherd's gaze can say with confidence: 'I trust him; life with him can truly be beautiful. I want to walk this path of beauty.' ...In becoming his disciple, one truly becomes "beautiful"; his beauty transforms us. ... The Christian vocation reveals itself in all its depth as a participation in the life of Jesus, by sharing in his mission and reflecting his beauty."

More information is here: <https://cathedralic.com/adoration-at-the-cathedral/>, and if you are interested to sign up, please go to this website: <https://cathedralic.weadorehim.com/en>

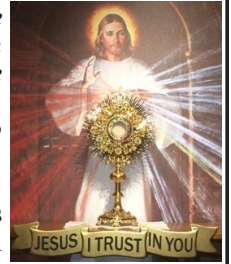


**ADORATIO**  
IN HIS PRESENCE

### PASTOR'S REFLECTION

MAY 3, 2026, FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

**Jesus said: "Do not let your hearts be troubled. You have faith in God; have faith also in me. In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If there were not, would I have told you that I am going to prepare a place for you?" (John 14:1-2)**



"The Father's House" describes heaven, eternal life with the Father. We can experience a taste of dwelling in the Father's House whenever we sit with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament during Eucharistic Adoration. Jesus is with the Father in heaven, so sitting with Him in Adoration is sitting in the invisible dwelling place that Jesus prepares for us in the Father's house.

We hope to host Adoration at the Cathedral every week in an Adoration chapel being prepared, so that our city, Diocese, and world may receive God's mercy, but we need at least one person Adorer at every hour to guard the Blessed Sacrament while He is exposed in the monstrance, so that He is not stolen or profaned or abandoned. Adoration also offers prayers of reparation for the world and for the sins and crimes of people in the Church. During the first two weeks of May, I invite you especially to pray about being a "guardian Adorer" of Jesus for one hour a week at the Cathedral; we also will have substitutes in case you ever need coverage.

We plan to start on June 4 and continue every week until the end of time. For more information, please go to our Cathedral home page and click on "Adoration at the Cathedral" or go to this link: <https://cathedralic.com/adoration-at-the-cathedral/> Please also pray and offer sacrifices and penances so that this Adoration initiative begins fruitfully and smoothly, for the glory of God and the salvation of souls.

Peace in Jesus  
through Mary,

*Fr. Richard R. Jones*

*"Once, the image was being exhibited over the altar during the Corpus Christi procession. When the priest exposed the Blessed Sacrament, and the choir began to sing, the rays from the image pierced the Sacred Host and spread out all over the world. Then I heard these words: **These rays of mercy will pass through you, just as they have passed through this Host, and they will go out through all the world.** At these words, profound joy invaded my soul." (St. Faustina, Diary, n. 441).*

**Please Note:** The delivery of collections envelopes for Historic Albany Parish Network is delayed.

### Bring Your Mom to Breakfast!

The Latham-Colonie Columbiettes are hosting our Mother's Breakfast Buffet on Sunday, May 10th, 2026 from 8:30 am to 12 Noon at the Latham-Colonie Knights of Columbus Council, 328 Troy-Schenectady Road, Latham, N.Y. 12110.

Menu includes; Scrambled Eggs, an Omelet Station, Home Fries, Corned Beef Hash, Bacon and Sausage, Pancakes and French Toast served w/Warm syrup, A Variety of Cereals and Juices, Fruit and Hot Tea, Coffee or Hot Chocolate.

\$15 Adults, \$6 Children (5-10) and under 5 Free!

### Sacred Heart Mass and May Crowning

In Memory of Fr. Leo P. O'Brien

Monday, May 11 \*\*\* 5:30 Rosary \*\*\* 6:00 Mass

Sacred Heart of Jesus Church

33 Walter Street, Albany

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**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 las 5:15pm.

**Readings for the Week of May 3, 2026**

**Sunday:** Acts 6:1-7/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19/1 Pt 2:4-9/  
Jn 14:1-12

**Monday:** Acts 14:5-18/ Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 15-16/Jn 14:21-26

**Tuesday:** Acts 14:19-28/ Ps 145:10-11, 12-13ab, 21/  
Jn 14:27-31a

**Wednesday:** Acts 15:1-6/ Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5/Jn 15:1-8

**Thursday:** Acts 15:7-21/ Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 10/Jn 15:9-11

**Friday:** Acts 15:22-31/ Ps 57:8-9, 10 and 12/Jn 15:12-1

**Saturday:** Acts 16:1-10/ Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 5/Jn 15:18-21

**Next Sunday:** Acts 8:5-8, 14-17/Ps 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16 and 20/1  
Pt 3:15-18/Jn 14:15-21

**St. Vincent de Paul Society**

In the Gospel today, Jesus says "...whoever believes in me will do the works that I do, and will do greater ones than these, because I am going to the Father."

**Through your almsgiving you are performing a good work; far greater than you think. The money placed in the St. Vincent de Paul Poor Box brings Christ's love and compassion to the poor.**

You, too, can help those in need through 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.*



**Join Fr. Rendell Torres  
On A Spiritual Pilgrimage in  
Mexico**

Fr. Rendell Torres will be leading a spiritual pilgrimage-retreat to Our Lady of Guadalupe's Shrine in Mexico City, along with other important spiritual sites this October 19-24. Sites include the Basilica of Our Lady of Guadalupe, the Metropolitan Cathedral, the ancient Pyramids of Teotihuacan, and the ministry sites of priest martyr Blessed Miguel Agustin Pro.

Trip cost is \$2699 with travel included from Albany to Newark Airport. Limited to 33 pilgrims. For more information see [www.nativitypilgrimage.com/fr-rendell](http://www.nativitypilgrimage.com/fr-rendell). If you need help, contact Mary: [mmkeniry@gmail.com](mailto:mmkeniry@gmail.com).

**St. Mary's Outreach is in need of the following:**

Laundry detergent and/laundry pods, Dish soap, Tea bags, Cookies, Cereal, and Mac & Cheese microwave bowls.

**STEWARDSHIP**

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

Regular Offertory	\$25,907.77
Average Monthly Need	\$34,000.00
<b>SHORTFALL</b>	<b>(\$8,092.23)</b>

*The average weekly need is based on Total Expenses 2025*

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

Regular Offertory	\$31,611.12
Average Monthly Need	\$33,000.00
<b>SHORTFALL</b>	<b>(\$1,388.88)</b>

*The average weekly need is based on Total Expenses (2024-2025)*

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

Regular Offertory	\$17,564.20
Average Monthly Need	\$27,000.00
<b>SHORTFALL</b>	<b>(\$9,435.80)</b>

*The average weekly need is based on Total Expenses 2025*

**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**

**Book Retreat: 33 Days to Eucharistic Glory!**

We are distributing books "33 Days to Eucharistic Glory" to help you to give yourself completely to Jesus, our Lord our God, in the Eucharist. You can start reading on May 4 and offer yourself anew to Jesus in the Eucharist on Corpus Christi Sunday, June 7.

We will be organizing group meetings as well for those who desire the blessings from group sharing and listening. I hope that this may inspire many to sign up for weekly Eucharistic Adoration at our Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception starting June 4; please pray that we do God's will especially in this endeavor.



**BE A PRAYER PARTNER WITH POPE LEO**

**That everyone might have food**

Let us pray that everyone, from large producers to small consumers, be committed to avoid wasting food, and to ensure that everyone has access to quality food.



## Historic Albany Parish Network

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### Weekday Mass Intentions

As of April 28, 2026

Historic St. Mary's		Requested by:
Mon, May 4 12:05 PM	† William Raciborski	Family
Tues, May 5 12:05 PM	<b>Pro Populo</b>	
Wed, May 6 12:05 PM	<b>Pro Populo</b>	
Thurs, May 7 12:05 PM	† Joseph Hickney	Ed and Joan McMahon
Fri, May 8 12:05 PM	<b>Pro Populo</b>	

Please send announcements for the bulletin to [networkbulletin@rcda.org](mailto:networkbulletin@rcda.org) by noon the Monday before.

### Sunday Mass Intentions

As of April 28, 2026

Saint Francis (Delaware)		Requested by:
Sat, May 2 4:00 PM	† Arnold Snide	Pat and Bob Benac
Sun, May 3 9:00 AM	† Teresa and Aurelio Giglio	Daughter
Sun, May 3 10:30 AM	<b>Pro Populo</b>	
Sat, May 9 4:00 PM	<b>Pro Populo</b>	
Sun, May 10 9:00 AM	For All Mothers	
Sun, May 10 10:30 AM	<b>Pro Populo</b>	
Saint Francis (South End)		Requested by:
Sun, May 3 10:30 AM	Lucy and Paul Tudico	Daughters
Sun, May 10 10:30 AM	For All Mothers	
The Cathedral		Requested by:
Sun, May 3 11:00 AM	Linda Marie Payne Schrom	Mary Wong
Sun, May 3 5:00 PM	<b>Pro Populo</b>	
Sun, May 10 11:00 AM	For All Mothers	
Sun, May 10 5:00 PM	<b>Pro Populo</b>	
Historic St. Mary's		Requested by:
Sat, May 2 4:00 PM	† William L. Keller	Family
	† Edward and Katherine Zeronda	Daughter
Sun, May 3 8:00 AM	† Edward Finnerty	Emminger Family
Sun, May 3 10:30 AM	† Daniel Flahive	Jack and Karen Graber
	† Prazmark Family	Family
Sat, May 9 4:00 PM	<b>Pro Populo</b>	
Sun, May 10 8:00 AM	For All Mothers	
Sun, May 10 10:30 AM	<b>Pro Populo</b>	

### Join Our HALLOW Community

Everyone is invited to connect with others in our Historic Albany Parish Network through prayer. It couldn't be easier, you can just use this link — <https://hallow.app.link/I00vmXXEg1b> — to join others in our community on our HALLOW page. It's free!

Explore over 10,000 different sessions on contemplative prayer, meditation, Catholic Holy Bible readings, music, and more.

Now you can join us in our current prayer challenge: the I AM meditations starting on April 21st to the 29th.



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