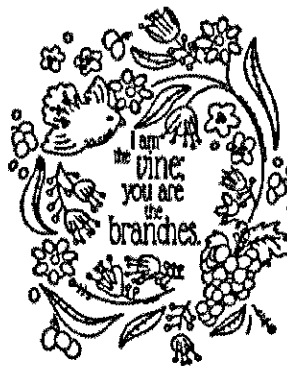


The Parish Community of
St. Lucy/St. Bernadette
(serving the Hilltowns and Altamont, NY)



P.O. Box 678
 109 Grand Street
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5th Sunday of Easter, April 28, 2024
ST. LUCY/ST. BERNADETTE MASS SCHEDULE - SUNDAY 9:00 AM

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Website Type in the web address: www.rcda.org
 Click on: **Parishes, St. Lucy/St. Bernadette, Visit our website**
Marriage **Contact Fr. Rick six months in advance.**
Reconciliation **Confessions available by appointment. Please call the office to schedule.**
Baptism **Baptism Prep classes are held every 4 to 6 weeks as announced.**
Dates for Baptism are scheduled after preparation class.

PASTORAL CARE

Please pray for our sick and homebound:

Gary Adams, Mary Caluori, Rosemary Caruso, Diane Champion, Carmella Childs, Jeff Coon, Renate Czapski, Tyler Doolittle, Lourdes Catherine Encarnacion, Miriam Flower, Ralph Fusco, Jack Gardy, Mary Gobel, Danielle Healey, Becky Heep, Mary Jones, Jane Kuon, Thomas Lanni, Francine Magoon, Jeremy Male, Lisa Matott, Maureen McCarthy, Alicia McGann, Darla Mohr, Jen Murphy, Jackie O'Rourke, Marie Phillipuk, Robert Pruzeh, Nichole Robertson, Faith Roe, Dana Sherman, Patricia Spohr, Deb Sturtevant, James Sullivan, Alice Vorwerk

Please pray for those who are serving in the military:

Luke Aulita, Zack Boughner, Angela Chaney, Emily Chaney, Mitchell Chaney, Ashton Heim, Robert Klenotiz, 3rd, John Krzemien, David Larkin, Seth Powers, Ethan Schager, Shawn Swears, Sean Teeter, Nick Tissandier, Austin Torres, Victor Trotter, Christian Viola

MINISTER:

<u>This Week (4/28)</u>	<u>Lector</u>	<u>Eucharistic Minister</u>	<u>Greeter</u>	<u>Counters</u>
9:00am	Pierrette Virkler	Lynne (T), Tim, Louise	Mary E.	Nick and Marie
Children's Liturgy	Erin Bremer			
Church Cleaners	Team #7 week of April 28-May 4 Gabby Gorospe & Family			
<u>Next Week (5/5)</u>	<u>Lector</u>	<u>Eucharistic Minister</u>	<u>Greeter</u>	<u>Counters</u>
9:00am	Erin Bremer	Minda, Nancy, Valerie (T)	Tami	Chuck and Sue
Children's liturgy:	Eileen Borden			
Church cleaners:	Team #1 week of May 5-11 Stephen Terplak, Judy Reed			

 ANNOUNCED MASSES 

April 28, 2024
9:00 a.m. The well-being of the Parish

May 5, 2024
9:00a.m. Carole Hubbard
Requested by Donna and Jess

SACRIFICIAL SHARING

The Parish Budget, to better reflect expenses is based on a weekly offering of \$ 3,600.00

April 21, 2024
Offertory 2,224.75
4/6 Craft Fair 590.00

April 23, 2023
Offertory 2,607.70

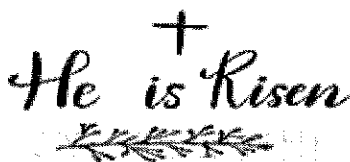


Diocesan Appeal 2023-2024 is underway, and it will run through June 30, 2024. Please visit the website at thediocesanappeal.org to make your pledge or your gift. If you have given in the past, please continue your support and consider increasing your contribution, if possible. If you have never participated, please join in helping us to meet our parish obligation to our diocese and the many supports they offer us in our work.

TO-DATE WE HAVE \$ 20,261 toward our goal of \$ 40,616

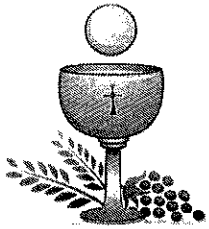
We thank you for your generous support!

Food Pantry needs: Hearty Soup and canned chicken



He is Risen

***The Easter Season* lasts through Pentecost Sunday. The Church says to us, “this is the perfect time of the year to celebrate life – a life that lasts forever. Enjoy! Let there be a 50-day festival. Let the Paschal Candle, lit from the Easter fire, burn brightly throughout these days. Catch the spirit in the air and let it remind you of the Holy Spirit within you.” May we all have a spirit-filled Easter Season.**

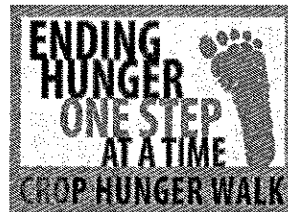


On Saturday May 4th, Aurora, Bobby, Gwen, and Iain will attend the First Reconciliation Workshop here, in preparation for their First Holy Communion. Please keep each of them and their families in your prayers.

Upcoming Dates

Saturday, May 4th First Reconciliation Workshop, 10 am – 12 noon

Thursday, May 9th Ascension Thursday – Mass at St. Lucy/St. Bernadette Church at 5:30 pm.



Calling all walkers...

Calling all walkers... Albany Crop Hunger Walk - Sunday, May 5th from St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 21 Hackett Blvd in Albany - registration starts at 12:30pm and walk begins at 1:30pm. The Altamont Community Food Pantry has a team and would love to have more people join us to walk together to help fight hunger. We can also create a St. Lucy / St. Bernadette team if people are interested. Either way, we are looking for walkers to walk that day, either a 2 mile or 1 mile loop, or you can walk on your own any time during the month of May. You can register, join the team or create your own team as well as donate at <http://www.crophungerwalk.org/albanyny>. Any questions, feel free to call or email Judy Seery, 518-861-5961, jseery@nycap.rr.com. Walkers and donations are greatly appreciated! Donations can be made online, mailed or given directly to Judy. Thanks to all who have supported in the past.

“Living by the Light” The Albany chapter of the Catholic Medical Association is hosting an event on June 22nd at the Shrine of the North American Martyrs in Auriesville. If you have questions, or would like information, you can click on the link below or contact Fr. Stephen Yusko. <https://stbernards.regfox.com/living-by-the-light-2024>

Please also check out the flyer on the bulletin board for additional information.



The New York Capital District Christian Women's Connection is sponsoring our "Flowers in Bloom" luncheon on Tuesday, May 14, 2024, at the Guilderland Elks Lodge, 3867 Carman Road in Schenectady, NY 12303 beginning at 11:30am and ending at approximately 1:30pm. Please be prompt.

Your reservation is necessary no later than May 8 and cancellations a must. Please call Nancy at (518) 320-2649 or Mae at (518) 895-8977 for reservations by May 8. On the menu this month is Baked Chicken Breast / Potatoes with an alternative choice of Grilled Chicken Salad. The cost is \$17.00 inclusive (cash only).

Our Speaker is Ann Van Hine who will be sharing a message entitled: "God's Presence and Peace in Times of Pain". Peter Hilmar from Schenectady will entertain us with songs. As for the Feature, there will be a representative from Wade Tours speaking. All are welcome - bring a friend!



NIGHT AT THE VALLEYCATS

St. Matthew's is offering Family Night at The ValleyCats Game!

Friday, June 7th 6:30PM with Fire works! Everyone is invited to join us for this wonderful event! Premium Seats are in Section 130. Tickets are \$13 each with a \$5 loaded value you can use towards concessions and/or merchandise! Seats will be limited. Mark your calendars and send in your reservations today!

(Please also see forms for completion in the gathering space if attending)

Weekend Masses of our Local Catholic Community:

Albany (Westmere): Christ the King 518-456-1644 Sat. - 4 pm | Sun. - 8 am, 11 am

Voorheesville: St. Matthew's 518-765-2805 Sat. - 5pm | Sun. - 9 am

Delmar: St. Thomas the Apostle 518-439-4951 Sat. - 5 pm | Sun. - 8 am, 10 am & 5 pm

Exploring the Sunday Readings

5th Sunday of Easter

April 28, 2024

1st reading Acts 9:26-31

2nd reading 1 Jn 3:18-4

Gospel Jn 15:1-8

6th Sunday of Easter

May 5, 2024

1st reading Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48

2nd reading 1 Jn 4:7-10

Gospel Jn 15:9-17