

Pastor

Fr. David Mickiewicz

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Mass Schedule

Saturday: 4:00PM at Delaware Site

Sunday : 9:00AM at Delaware Site
10:30AM at South End Site

SPANISH MASS: 10:30AM at Delaware Site

Parish Office

391 Delaware Ave., Albany, New York 12209

Phone: (518) 434-4028

HOURS: 9:00AM-3:00PM Monday-Thursday
Closed Fridays

****CALL TO MAKE AN APPOINTMENT****

Website: parishes.rcda.org/stfrancisofassisi

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St. James Food Pantry

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

Linda Cruz, Director

(518) 414-1929

Tuesday 11:00am—2:00pm / Thursday 10:00am-12noon

St. John's/St. Ann's Center

88 Fourth Avenue

Albany, NY 12202

Fr. Sean O'Brien, O.F.M., Director

Kathy Engel, Program Assistant

(518) 472-9091, ext. 14

Monday, Wednesday & Thursday-10am-Noon AND 1pm-3pm

Friday-10:00am-Noon

Welcome Table: Tuesday and Saturday-11:30am-1:00pm

Trustees:

Pastoral Council Chair: Angie Robilotto

Prayer & Worship Committee Chair: Georgeann Payne

Finance Committee Chair: Wayne Higdon

St. Francis of Assisi Parish (Delaware Site)

391 Delaware Avenue

Albany, NY 12209

St. Francis of Assisi Parish (South End Site)

Fourth Avenue @ Franklin Street

Albany, NY 12202

Mission Statement

St. Francis of Assisi is a welcoming and compassionate Parish, united in the Love of Christ, reaching throughout the community to serve the people of God.

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) at Delaware Ave. Site:

Saturday—3:15pm (before the 4:00 p.m. Mass)

Sacrament of Baptism:

Call the parish office to make arrangements for appointment & Baptism preparation class.

Sacrament of Marriage:

Couples should contact the parish office at least 6 to 8 months in advance of the proposed marriage date and before finalizing reception plans. All couples will take part in a Marriage Preparation Program.

Faith Formation and Religious Education:

Faith Formation will be offered at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception Church, Albany, NY for all ages: from elementary grades to High School.

The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick:

Each Spring and Fall, a communal service of the anointing of the sick will take place; the date and time will be announced through the bulletin.

For individual Sacrament, please call the Parish Office, or see one of the Priests after the weekend Liturgy.

For Pastoral Visit to homebound:

If you are preparing to enter the hospital for surgery, please call the Parish Office.



St. Vincent de Paul Society:

We are dedicated to helping those struggling financially. If you or someone you know needs assistance, please contact the Parish Office, and ask to be referred to a member of the St. Vincent dePaul Society.

Feel free to share this bulletin with a neighbor or friend

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Mass Intentions - May 20-21, 2023

4PM DEL Vigil: Saturday, May 20

Edna Kahlert (Jean Abatto)
Nicholas Elacqua-Birthday (by Children)
Gloria M. Johnson, Francis R. Johnson, & Francis J.
Johnson (by Gloria Moak)

Sun., May 21st, Seventh Sunday of Easter

DEL

9:00AM James & Helen Curry, William & Anne Fox, Frances
Moran & Mary Lansing (by Judy Curry)
Thomas McCormack (by Wife Joan)

SE

10:30AM Otis Hall (by Wife Vera)
George & Margaret Payne-Wedding Anniversary
(by Daughter Georgeann)

Next Weekend- May 27-28, 2023

4PM DEL Vigil: Saturday, May 27

Robert J. & Robert M. Keegan (by Barbara Keegan)
Robert & Catherine Frank (by Barbara Keegan)
Richard & Masako (by Barbara Keegan)
Dominick F. & Anna T. Allegretta (by Diane Biernacki)
Frederick W. Biernacki (by Diane Biernacki)
Cheryl Biernacki Evola (by Diane Biernacki)

Sun., May 28th, Pentecost Sunday

DEL

9:00AM NO Intentions

SE

10:30AM NO Intentions

COLLECTION

The total collection for May 14th was \$4,562.00
(Includes Mailed In, Spanish Mass, & PayPal)

Attendance:

DEL: 4:00pm - 60

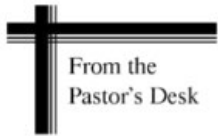
9:00am - 93

(Spanish Mass) 10:30am - 125

SE: 10:30am - 61

Please make checks payable to St. Francis of Assisi Parish

Next Weekend (May 27-28) we will take up a collection for the Church in Central & Eastern Europe. This collection supports the Church in over 20 countries that are still struggling to recover from communist rule. Funds collected from this collection support pastoral care, catechesis, renovations, and seminary formation. Please be generous!



From the
Pastor's Desk

A new Inter-Parish Pastoral Council announced

The Historic Albany Network of parishes consists of the Cathedral, Historic Saint Mary and Saint Francis of Assisi. How do these parishes serve and carry out the mission of the Church in this part of the City of Albany?

While remaining three canonical parishes a broader overview is required to address the pastoral needs of our area. This will mean setting new and different priorities in a time of limited resources of people, clergy, and finances.

With the reality of only one priest-pastor for all three communities, a more united manner is called for to address our changing situation. I invited members of all three parish councils to enter into a series of sessions of education and discernment to form one inter-parish pastoral council for the network. Though not all were able to participate, the Spirit continues to work through the process. Where there were three councils there will now be one council.

The Church defines a pastoral council as a consultative body that investigates some aspect of the church's life, ponder it, and recommends its conclusions to the pastor.

Ultimately is it a search for wisdom, a value that is needed in our changing times.

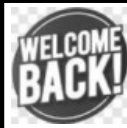
I am grateful to the parishioners of the three parishes who have served on councils in the past and to those who were able to enter the process of education and discernment. I am grateful to Elizabeth Simcoe, Parish Life Director for Saint Vincent DePaul, for leading these sessions and allowing us to use their parish facilities.

The members of the inter-parish pastoral council for the Historic Albany Network of parishes that were discerned are: Robert Wolfgang, Elizabeth Scholl-Hess, Brandon Moores-Sibbles, Ed McMahon, Geraldine Johnson, Amanda Torelli, Joanne DeLisle, Arlene Rappoccio, Angie Robilotto and Teresa O'Toole.

To the larger communities of Saint Francis, Saint Mary and Cathedral, I request your prayers for an openness to the movement of the Holy Spirit on all our parts as we move forward into uncharted waters.

Sincerely,

The Very Rev'd. David Wm. Mickiewicz



We welcome Fr. Joe Falletta, who will celebrate our 9:00am & 10:30am Masses this weekend.



Maria Aricipa, Amy Atwood, Ralph Balfourt, Nick Casullo, Mary Dolan, Bob Doody, Charles Liam Duffy, Chuck Dyer, John Fanning, Gina Garrison, Katherine Gilligan, Chris Godfrey, Marge Hepp, Fr. David Jones, Jean Kane, Betty McSweeney, Joe O'Clair, Patricia Polan, Jaxson Rivera, Sr. Natalie Runfola, Carolyn Samuels, Nancy Shanno, Mary & Ron Sontz, Nathan Williams

If you are aware of any of the above having been restored to good health, please call the Parish Office. Thank you!



We welcome into the life of God and the Church

James Henry Villasenor

Baptized on Saturday, May 13, 2023



In the Gospel today we are reminded that Christ's saving work on earth continues through his disciples...and now through us.

Is there a family you know who needs assistance? Please call the Society of St. Vincent de Paul so that together we can bring peace to those who are hungry.

ST. JAMES FOOD PANTRY

Open: Tuesday 11am-2pm & Thursday 10am-12noon 518-414-1929

From the Desk of Linda Cruz, Director:

We will be collecting used ink cartridges that can be used as a credit at Staples to purchase new ones. There will be a collection box on the table in Church, or you can drop them off at the pantry any time we are open.

Food Pantry: We can really use spaghetti sauce and peanut butter, PAPER BAGS, crackers, soup and canned meats (ravioli, hash, etc.) as these things are still not available at the Food Bank.

We always need hygiene items, mainly soap, shampoo and toothpaste.



ST. JOHN'S/ ST. ANN'S CENTER

With the help of Mrs. Sela from the Academy of the Holy Names, senior Allie Lasch painted a colorful mural at the St. John's/St. Ann's Outreach Center the last weekend of April.



Throughout the day many locals stopped and commented on how grateful they were to have someone paying attention and bringing beauty to their neighborhood. Children stopped to smile and chat, and cars honked as they passed. It was a happy event!

Way to go Allie, and thanks to her fellow seniors who joined in the effort!

WANT TO BE KEPT UP-TO-DATE?

Have you changed your home address, e-mail address, or phone number lately?

If you have, please call the Parish office at 518-434-4028 so we can update your information.

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