



**The Parish of
Saint Francis of Assisi**

**The Cathedral Church of the
Immaculate Conception**

Welcome! - Bienvenido! - Mabuhay!

*From wherever you have traveled or have been led on your spiritual journey,
we, the Catholic communities of the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception and Saint Francis of Assisi,
welcome you to our parishes.*

*We are located on the land of the Mohawk People of the Haudenosaunee Confederacy and the Mohican People
who were the first stewards of the land upon which our Churches were built in what we now call the City of Albany.*

*We invite you to make yourself at home in one of our parish communities
and consider joining our Christian way of life, worship and service in Jesus Christ.*

Welcome College Students!

Central Offices & Mailing Address:
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First Sunday of Advent – 1 December 2024


Covenanted Cathedrals

On 16 June 1987, +David S. Ball and +Howard J. Hubbard, the Episcopal and Roman Catholic Bishops of Albany signed a covenant between The Cathedral of All Saints and the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception to mutually pray for each other, work together for social justice and the common good and to grow in mutual understanding.

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE CHURCH PRESENTS:
THE VIGIL PROJECT

WAY OF THE STAR

A one-night Advent mission experience of Scripture, music, art, and Eucharistic encounter




SUNDAY DECEMBER 15, 2024 // 6:30 PM

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE CHURCH
35 ADAMS PLACE, DELMAR, NY 12054

FREE ADMISSION // DOORS WILL BE OPEN AT 6 PM FOLLOWING THE 5 PM MASS

QUESTIONS? VISIT THE PARISH WEBSITE: WWW.STTHOMAS-CHURCH.ORG

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GIVE US THIS DAY NOW AVAILABLE!


Give Us This Day is a monthly publication centered on the Word of God. Drawing inspiration from a multitude of voices, it provides a relevant and trustworthy understanding of Scripture. Whether you have five minutes or a half hour, *Give Us This Day* supports your desire to pray. Look for copies in the back of the church.

JOIN US FOR A

EUCCHARISTIC CONSECRATION

Begins Wednesday, December 4

Make it a part of our prayerful preparations to celebrate the Jubilee Year



The book, "33 Days to Eucharistic Glory" is available through the Dynamic Catholic website (Save \$ if you buy in bulk)

Pray it together, as a parish, a parish network, with your friends

The Consecration will end on Sunday, January 5, 2025 with a celebration officially opening the Jubilee Year in the Roman Catholic Diocese of Albany.

www.rcda.org/jubilee-2025

SAINT FRANCIS OF ASSISI PARISH
Greetings to the Homebound & Retired Priests

Once again this year we are sending Christmas greetings! Please take an envelope that contains names & addresses. Envelopes can be found in the back of the Church at both sites on Sunday, December 1st, 2024.

Thanks,
Georgeann



If there is a family or person you know who needs assistance, please encourage them to call the St. Vincent De Paul Society "hotline" number for assistance. **518-807-5058**

FEAST of the IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

December 9

SAINT FRANCIS (D)
12:00 PM

SAINT MARY
12:05 PM

THE CATHEDRAL
12:15 PM
w/ Bishop Scharfenberger

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CATHEDRAL GOINGS ON



ADVENT LESSONS & CAROLS

COME JOIN US FOR ADVENT HYMNS AND CHORAL MUSIC BY
MENDELSSOHN, RACHMANINOFF, WOOD AND MORE

FREE Parking is available in the East Garage
(Corner of Madison Avenue and Eagle Street)

RECEPTION TO FOLLOW

Friday
December 13
7:00 PM

The Cathedral of the
Immaculate Conception
125 Eagle St
Albany, NY 12202

SAINT FRANCIS GOINGS ON



Advent

CITY WIDE PENANCE SERVICE

December 10

6:30 pm

SAINT FRANCIS OF ASSISI PARISH
391 Delaware Avenue
Albany, NY 12209

Free parking available in church lots

Due to early submission deadlines surrounding the holidays, financial and attendance numbers for November 17th and 24th will be printed as an insert the weekend of December 1st.

Financial and attendance numbers for the month of December will be printed as an insert on December 8th, 22nd, and January 5th.

Thank you.

COMUNIDAD HISPANA

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

AVISOS:
Santa Misa en honor a la Virgen de Guadalupe:
Fecha: Domingo 15 de Diciembre
Hora: 10:30AM
Convivencia: Después de la Santa Misa habrá almuerzo, rifas y piñatas para los niños.

Advent Reflections

Join Father David as we bring in the season of hope, peace, joy, and love. Father will be sharing inspiring video messages on our social media accounts. Be sure to check us out on Facebook, Instagram and YouTube.

GIVING TREE

It's that time of year again when we ask for your help in providing gifts for the children in our community. The "Giving Tree" will be set up in church with tags for each child to receive a gift. A flyer with more details about dates and other information will be on the table next to the tree.

Thank you for your continued support.
God bless.

 **We're on YouTube!**

What can you expect on our channel? We will be introducing READS: Informing Faith and Conscience, discussing visual arts, architecture, the history of the Cathedral, and so much more! We hope that you will consider subscribing to our YouTube channel and be a part of our community.

www.youtube.com/@cathedralalbany

We had a great turnout on Sunday, November 17 with the boy scouts food drive thanks to the continued hard work and dedicated each year from Wayne Higdon and his scouts. They were able to collect 216 bags of food, a lot of which was needed to fill the holiday bags. We want to let the boy scouts know the items they've collected will feed a number of families in our community well into the month of December.

GREAT JOB WAYNE VERY MUCH APPRECIATED!



Saint James FOOD PANTRY

Corner of St. James Place & Summit Avenue, 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

CENTER

Monday, Wednesday & Thursday: 10:am—12pm; 1:pm 3pm

WELCOME TABLE

Tuesday and Saturday: 11:30am—1:00pm

In need of juice and hygiene products

Reminder: We cannot accept outdated, opened or used items.

Other Area Food Pantries include:

Saint Mary

10 Lodge Street, Albany, New York

518.462.4357

Trinity Alliance

15 Trinity Place, Albany, New York

518.364.1103

www.trinityalliancealbany.org/food-pantries

FOCUS Churches of Albany

275 State Street, Albany, New York

518.443.0460

www.focuschurches.net



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The Cathedral



St. Francis

Prayers for...

Jon Collins, Harold LaMountain, Rev. Frank O'Connor, Sue Moss, Cynthia Notaro, Honey Kausar, Mary VanSchiack Agnew, Maria Aricipa, Mary Dolan, Charles Duffy, Church Dyer, John Fanning, Joyce Flanagan, Gina Garrison, Katherine Gilligan, Chris Godfrey, Marge Hepp, Michael Horgan, Alison Horgan-Zepeda, Rev. David Jones, Alice LaChapelle, Betty McSweeney, Joe O'Clair, Jaxson Rivera, Sr. Natalie Runfola, Michele Sloman, Rev. Paul Smith.

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Monday thru Thursday, 9:00am – 3:00pm

Cathedral Church Hours

The Cathedral is open daily.

Sunday: 9:00am – 6:00pm

Monday—Saturday: 9:00am – 3:00pm

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




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