



# 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:** 125 Eagle Street Albany, New York 12202

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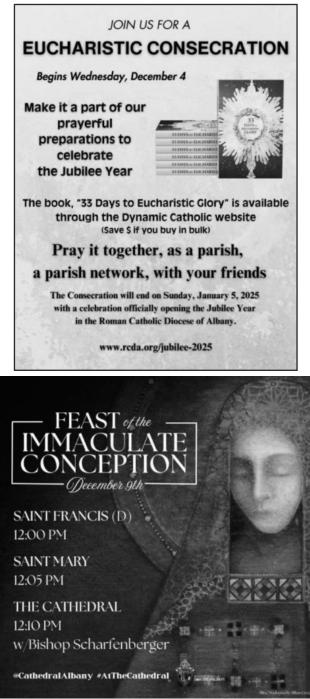
### Second Sunday of Advent - 8 December 2024



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.

## 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.





#### PILGRIMS OF HOPE: 2025 JUBILEE YEAR OPENING MASS

Join Pope Francis and Catholics around the world in celebrating the opening of the Jubilee Year in the Diocese of Albany with Bishop Scharfenberger on Sunday, January 5th, 3:00 pm, at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception.

This significant event will commence with a pilgrimage from Historic Saint Mary's to the Cathedral. More details to follow.

**Please note that the 5:00 pm Mass will be suspended this day**. We warmly invite everyone to join us for this special 3:00 pm Mass. CATHEDRAL GOINGS ON



Financial and attendance numbers for December 8<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup>, and January 5<sup>th</sup> will be printed as an insert. Thank you.

<b>Cathedral Financial Report</b> for December 1, 2024	
Regular Offertory	\$2,008.38
PayPal	\$0.00
Received in Mail	\$60.00
Maintenance & Utilities	\$118.00
TOTAL	\$2,186.38
Average Weekly Need	\$8,200
SHORTFALL	\$6,013.62
The average weekly need is based on Total Expenses (2023-24)	
Attendance	
11:00 AM	119
5:00 PM	107

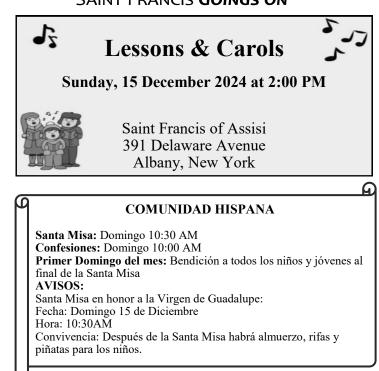


### We're on YouTube!

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

SAINT FRANCIS GOINGS ON



Saint Francis Financial Report For December 1, 2024	
Regular Offertory	\$4,842.32
PayPal	\$0.00
Received in Mail	\$130.00
Maintenance & Utilities	\$0.00
Food Pantry	\$125.00
TOTAL	\$5,097.32
Average Weekly Need	\$10,500
SHORTFALL	(\$5,402.68)
The average weekly need is based on Total Expenses (2023-24)	
Attendance	
<b>Delaware</b> —4PM	47
9AM	103
10:30 AM	157
<b>South End</b> —10:30 AM	73

## 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.



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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#### Prayers for...

Jon Collins, Nathan Williams, 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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#### **Central Parish Office Hours**

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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