



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!

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The Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time—27 October 2024

Harvest Dinners



The upcoming harvest dinners are primarily a community-building event, with a fundraising component.

This is a grassroots effort that came out of the “coffee and conversations” group. As a volunteer with the organizing committee, I (Wayne Higdon) want to share a little more insight.

Anyone can organize a dinner, either in your home or in a public place like the parish house or St. John’s Center (inquire on availability).

The host -or group of hosts - will donate all the food and drink. Hosts can prepare an elaborate meal, or order pizza... for me, the food is just an excuse to get together (but it’s always awesome!)

Proceeds will benefit the parish. As you’ve seen in the bulletin, the weekly collection does not meet the need. The suggested donation is \$35 per person, but your contribution is totally flexible. You can give cash, check or use the PayPal link on our website, with “harvest dinner” in the memo line. You can hand it to the host, or label a plain envelope for the collection basket.

To be a host, contact Georgeann Payne at 518-462-0879 (or via email at gpayne1@nycap.rr.com)

To attend a dinner, contact the host directly. The dinner descriptions are posted in the back of the churches and the email list-serve.

Diocesan Charismatic Prayer Meeting

All are Welcome to Join us in Praising the Lord in Song and Prayer

Where: Christ the Light-RC Church-Chapel
1 Maria Drive, Loudonville

Time: 11:00am Sharp to 12:30pm

Date: October 26th 2024

Come Holy Spirit Fill the Hearts of our Faithful.

More Information: Call Diane S @ 518-663-5125

Monthly Charismatic Healing Liturgy

2nd Wednesday of each month

Presented by:
Catholic Charismatic Renewal of the Diocese of Albany

Christ Our Light RC Church, 1 Maria Dr. Loudonville, NY

When: November 13, 2024

Time: 7:00 PM (Prayer and Praise)
7:30 PM (Mass & Healing Service)

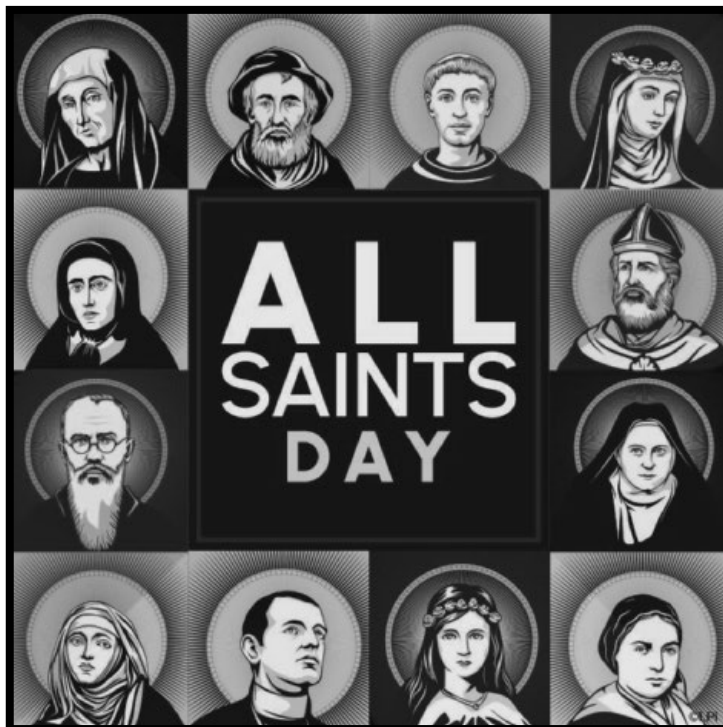
A Mass of Gratitude and Thanksgiving
President: Fr. Martin Fisher

All are welcome... Bring a friend!
Joyful Heart Music Ministry

For More Information: www.albanyccr.org

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.



All Saints Day

Date: Friday, November 1st

Location:

Saint Francis of Assisi Parish

12:00 pm

Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception

12:15 pm w/ Bishop Edward Scharfenberger


UPDATE: SAINT JAMES/ALB CAP FUND DEBT

Two weeks ago, we submitted a letter to Father Bob Longobucco, Trustee of the Diocesan Investment and Loan Trust (DILT), on behalf of Father David and Saint Francis of Assisi Parish, proposing a plan to fully eliminate the St. James/Alb Cap Fund Debt owed to the DILT. Our plan was to apply \$44,104.75 from the recent sale of Saint James school, representing 50% of the \$88,209.49 balance, and a request that the Trust consider matching the remaining 50%.

The Board of the Diocesan and Investment and Loan Trust met last week to consider our proposal, and we are pleased to announce they approved our repayment plan and authorized a \$44,104.74 match! This will completely retire the St. James/Alb Cap Fund Debt!

Congratulations, and thank you for your commitment and diligent efforts to repay the loan. The Board also recognizes and appreciates those efforts and the good work being done in the parish.

GOINGS ON AT THE CATHEDRAL



Voices from the Torah
 Poetry by Bertrand Fay
 Presented by
 The Very Rev'd David Wm. Mickiewicz

Explore the inner thoughts of people from our most ancient stories, Adam, Cain and Seth, Isaac, Eve...

Sunday, 3 November 2024 at 3:00pm
The Church of Christ the King
20 Sumpter Avenue, Albany, NY

The Publication of Mass Intentions, an explanation

A number of people have inquired why the mass intentions are no longer printed in the bulletin. The answer is two-fold theological and practical.

Theologically, every Eucharist is offered for all of the dead and all of the living. Thus there really is no need for stipended/announced Masses. Each person who attends the Eucharist prays and offers their own intentions to God throughout the Eucharist. The practice of paying a priest to pray for a person's intention came about when people were not able to attend the Eucharist for whatever reason. It is a personal contract between the person and the priest and only by custom came to be made public.

On a practical level, all intentions for the dead on a given weekend are listed in the Universal Prayers at *all* Masses not just the specific time requested. So it doesn't make a difference which Eucharist you attend; all names are proclaimed. Also with the bulletin now being shared by two parishes and a Spanish section, room in the bulletin is limited.

In other words your prayers are just as efficacious at every Mass as the that of the priest...Fr. David

Cathedral Financial Report <i>for October 20, 2024</i>	
Regular Offertory (inc. PayPal)	\$2,110.10
Maintenance & Utilities	\$122.00
TOTAL	\$2,232.10
Average Weekly Need	\$8,200
SHORTFALL	(\$5,967.90)
<i>The average weekly need is based on Total Expenses (2023-24)</i>	
Attendance	
11:00 AM	N/A
5:00 PM	116

GOINGS ON AT SAINT FRANCIS

SAINT FRANCIS RECTORY NEWS

We are thrilled to share an exciting development with you! Our vibrant Hispanic community will soon embark on a new journey of faith formation within the walls of our parish rectory. Starting this month, the 2nd and 3rd floors of the rectory will become a dedicated space for their spiritual growth and learning. This new home provides a safe haven and a consistent learning environment for children and parents. Our rectory is not merely a building; it is a testament to our commitment to stewardship. By repurposing this space, we honor that responsibility. Let us extend our warmest support to our Hispanic community. Their faith enriches our entire parish family, reminding us that unity transcends language and culture.

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 de los fieles difuntos celebrada por nuestro Obispo Edward Scharfenberger el día Sábado 02 de Noviembre a las 7:00PM.

St. Francis Financial Report <i>For October 20, 2024</i>	
Regular Offertory (inc. PayPal)	\$3,929.56
Maintenance & Utilities	\$0
Food Pantry	
TOTAL	\$3,929.56
Average Weekly Need	\$10,500
SHORTFALL	(\$6,570.44)
<i>The average weekly need is based on Total Expenses (2023-24)</i>	
Attendance	
Delaware	
South End	55



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...

Sue Moss, Cynthia Notaro, Honey Kausar, Mary VanSchiack Agnew, Maria Aricipa, David Briggs, 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, Patricia Reno, & Sandy Spulnick.

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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.

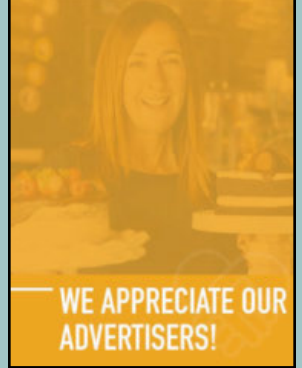


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