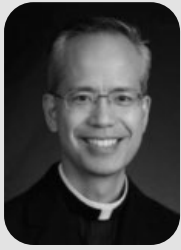


The Eight Sunday in Ordinary Time — 2 March 2025



We welcome Reverend Rendell Torres...
as the 14th Rector of the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception. Fr. Torres will be installed by Bp. Edward Scharffenberger next Sunday, 2 March 2025 at the 11:00am Eucharist.

A reception will follow the Installation Rite.

The Little Black Book/El Librito Negro



Six minutes a day/Seis minutos al día... that is all we are asking! A reflection on Scripture, and a fun fact about Catholic traditions. This Lent/Cuaresma, we are providing *Little Black Books/El Librito Negro of the Diocese of Saginaw* as a way to journey through the season. Spending time with the Lord Jesus in Scripture... and a little learning, too. Free copies are located in the back of all three churches. **Available in both English and Spanish editions!**

Palms to Ashes

Please bring the palm branches you may have in your homes from last Palm Sunday and leave them in the marked containers in church. They will be burned for the ashes needed for Lenten sign of repentance and conversion on Ash Wednesday. Containers will be out from 2 February thru 16 February 2025. Thank you.

Ash Wednesday, 5 March 2025

- 7:00 AM** Saint Mary
- 12:05 PM** Saint Mary
- 12:15 PM** The Cathedral
- 5:00 PM** Saint Francis (Delaware)

All services will take the form of a **Liturgy of the Word and the Blessing and Imposition of Ashes**

Prayer for Pope Francis

O God, shepherd and ruler of all the faithful, look favorably on your servant Francis, whom you have set at the head of your Church as her shepherd;

Grant, we pray, that by word and example he may be of service to those over whom he presides so that, together with the flock entrusted to his care, he may come to everlasting life.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

Amen.



The Church of St. Clare
1947 Central Ave.
Albany, NY 12205

Monday, March 10 at 6:30PM
Monday, March 24 at 6:30PM
Monday, April 7 at 6:30PM

church of
Saint Clare

Christ Our Light
1 Maria Drive
Loudonville, NY 12211

Monday, March 17 at 6:30PM
Monday, March 31 at 6:30PM



Please join us for an evening of song, scripture, and silence.

The service will be an hour in length. All are welcome!

For more information, contact Justine Rodriguez, Director of Music, Christ Our Light 518-459-6635



A Ministry to Catholic Women

Gentle Woman of Praise Chapter Meal

Saturday, March 15, 2025

9:00 am to 12:00 pm

Wolferts Roost Country Club
120 Van Rensselaer Blvd., Albany, NY 12204

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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.

Charismatic Mass & Healing Service

Come and join us at the Monthly Charismatic Healing Liturgy

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

Date: Wednesday, March 12, 2025
Time: 7:00 pm Prayer & Praise Music by Joyful Heart
7:30 pm Liturgy, Healing Prayer to follow

There will be individual prayer teams available after Mass.

For more information about the Charismatic Renewal
Check out the website: www.AlbanyCCR.Org



JOIN US FOR CRS RICE BOWL'S 50TH ANNIVERSARY!

CRS Rice Bowl is celebrating 50 years of helping Catholic faith communities bring Lent to life and encounter God through our global family. During the 40 days of Lent, let us journey together through CRS Rice Bowl to meet people in Nigeria, Guatemala and Bangladesh who are rising above the challenges of hunger and malnutrition. Pick up your rice bowl at the entrance of the Cathedral. **Visit crsricebowl.org/join** to share your Lenten prayer intentions.

Albany Pro Musica
Considering Matthew Shephard



Albany Pro Musica proudly presents the Capital Region premiere of *Considering Matthew Shephard*, an evocative choral drama by acclaimed composer Craig Hella Johnson.

This transformative work reflects on the life, death, and legacy of Matthew Shephard, a young man whose brutal murder in 1998 became a catalyst for social change and a pivotal moment in the fight for LGBTQIA+ rights.

Sunday March 9 at 3:00 PM
Troy Savings Bank Music Hall
30 2nd Street
Troy, NY 12180

with special guests from the Albany Gay Men's Chorus, Albany Voices of Pride, and APM's High School Choral Festival Honor Choir

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Regular Offertory	\$2,448.60
PayPal	\$0.00
Maintenance & Utilities	\$86.00
TOTAL	\$2,534.60
Average Weekly Need	\$8,200
SHORTFALL	(\$5,665.40)

The average weekly need is based on Total Expenses (2023-24)

Attendance

11:00 AM 122	5:00 PM 84
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Saint Francis of Assisi
Weekly Offering—February 22 & 23

Regular Offertory	\$5,242.60
PayPal	\$0.00
Maintenance & Utilities	\$0.00
Food Pantry	\$0.00
TOTAL	\$5,242.60
Average Weekly Need	\$10,500
SHORTFALL	(\$5,257.40)

The average weekly need is based on Total Expenses (2023-24)

Attendance

Delaware	4:00 PM 42	9:00 AM N/A	10:30AM 168
South End	10:30 AM 35		



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Saint John's/Saint Ann's Center

88 Fourth Avenue, Albany, NY 12202

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WELCOME TABLE

Tuesday and Saturday: 11:30am—1:00pm

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Trinity Alliance

15 Trinity Place, Albany, New York

518.364.1103

www.trinityalliancealbany.org/food-pantries

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The Cathedral



St. Francis

Prayers for...

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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.

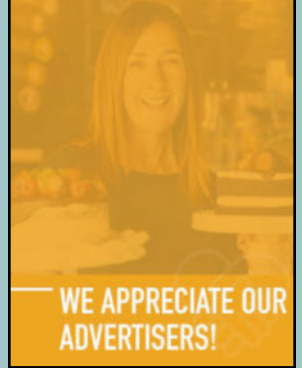


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