



The Parish of
Saint Francis of Assisi

The Cathedral Church
of The Immaculate
Conception

Historic St. Mary's
Church

Welcome! - Bienvenido! - Mabuhay!

Parish Network Mass Times				Confession Times	
Historic St. Mary's	Sat 4:00 PM	Sun 8:00 AM 10:30 AM	M-F 12:05 PM	Historic St. Mary's	Sat: 3:15 PM Mon, Wed, Fri before Mass Tues & Thurs (after Mass by request)
St. Francis Delaware Ave	Sat 4:00 PM	Sun 9:00 AM 10:30 AM (Spanish)		St. Francis Delaware Ave	Sat: 3:15 PM
St. Francis South End		Sun 10:30 AM		St. Francis South End	Before or after Mass (by request)
The Cathedral		Sun 11:00 AM 5:00 PM		The Cathedral	Sun: 10:30 AM-10:50 AM 4:15 PM—4:50 PM

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The Cathedral

125 Eagle Street
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www.cathedralic.com
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Cathedral Church Hours

The Cathedral is open daily.
Sunday: 9:00 AM—6:00 PM
Monday—Saturday: 9:00 AM—3:00 PM

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

Saint Francis of Assisi

Delaware Site:
391 Delaware Avenue
Albany, New York 12209

South End Site:
93 Fourth Avenue
Albany, New York 12202

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Saint James Food Pantry

St. James Place, 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
Monday, Wednesday & Thursday: 10:am—12pm; 1:pm 3pm

WELCOME TABLE

Tuesday and Saturday: 11:30am—1:00pm

Historic Saint Mary's (518) 462.4254

10 Lodge Street,
Albany, New York 12207

www.hist-stmarys.org
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Open daily

St. Mary's Food Pantry

10 Lodge Street, Albany, New York 12207 | 518.462.4357
Tuesday & Friday, 9:00—11:30 AM

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time — 26 October 2025



Our Lady of the Rosary by Luca Giordano

The month of October is dedicated to the Most Holy Rosary.

With the Rosary, the Christian people sits at the school of Mary and is led to contemplate the beauty on the face of Christ and to experience the depths of his love.

Pope John Paul II
Apostolic Letter Rosarium Virginis Mariae, n. 1.

To learn how to recite the Rosary, visit
<https://marian.org/marv/rosary/how-to-pray>

Welcome to Bishop Mark W. O’Connell!

On May 20 the Holy Father, Pope Leo XIV, announced that he has named Bishop Mark O’Connell, JCD as the 11th Bishop of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Albany. Please see the Diocesan home page for more information!

Lay Ministers Retreat

All readers, extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion, and altar servers from the Historic Albany Parish Network (Cathedral, St. Mary’s, St. Francis of Assisi) are invited to a retreat held at St. Mary’s Church on 10 Lodge Street in Albany on **Saturday, November 15th from 8:30 AM – 2 PM**. The day includes coffee, a presentation by Father Torres, as well as Adoration, Confession, Ministry Practice, Commissioning of Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, and Blessing of Readers and Altar Servers. Lunch will be provided by our hospitality ministries. Please join us for this day of prayerful reflection and fellowship. **To register, email Patrick.Buonacore@rcda.org or call 518 463-4447.**



Consecration to Mary Retreat

Join us for a Marian Consecration retreat starting Tuesday October 28th at 6:30-8 PM for seven consecutive weeks at St. Mary’s Church Clinton Heights 163 Columbia Turnpike, Rensselaer, NY. We will be reading Mary’s Mantle Consecration: A

Spiritual Retreat for Heaven’s Help by Christine Watkins. Anyone is welcome to attend. The Consecration Mass will be on Friday December 12th at 6:30 PM at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception. Please sign up at <https://forms.office.com/r/jgtLHGGTD9> or use the QR code.



Celebrate ALL SAINTS DAY at the Cathedral on Saturday, November 1, at 9:00 a.m. It is not a holy day of obligation this year, but it is still a major feast day to ask the Lord for the grace to become holy. Sacramental Confession will be offered 8:00-8:45 a.m.

MORNING PRAYER is recited each Monday at 8:30 am at St. Francis of Assisi’s South End site (93 Fourth Ave., Albany). It’s a way to unite our prayers with the universal Church and offer praise to God at the start of our day/week. No experience necessary! Come join us!

PASTORAL REFLECTION
(OCTOBER 26, 2025, THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME)

Jesus said, “The one who humbles himself will be exalted.” (Luke 18:13-14)

In this Sunday’s parable, two people are praying. Jesus says that Pharisee “spoke this prayer to himself, ‘O God, I thank you that I am not like the rest of humanity—greedy, dishonest, adulterous—or even like this tax collector.’” The tax collector, however, did not just speak to himself but truly opened his Heart to the Lord’s mercy: “O God, be merciful to me a sinner.”

Only the second person went home “justified,” that is, at peace with God, because he was repentant and called upon the Lord’s mercy. Jesus affirms this to St. Faustina: “Souls that make an appeal to My mercy delight Me. To such souls I grant even more graces than they ask.”

Some people may have died in God’s friendship but before being completely purified of the consequences of their sins, and this perfection of their souls must be completed before entering heaven; as Sacred Scripture says in the book of *Revelation*, “nothing unclean will enter it.” (21:27) Thus, we pray on All Souls Day next Sunday, November 2 for the holy souls still suffering in purgatory. We can help them especially with plenary indulgences, offering certain “works” combined with the other conditions for obtaining a plenary indulgence (confession within 20 days, Holy Communion, and prayers for the Holy Father’s intentions). Eligible “works” include praying the Rosary in a church, adoring the Blessed Sacrament for at least 30 minutes, meditating on Scripture for half an hour, or visiting our Cathedral during the Jubilee Year of 2025 and praying to receive a plenary indulgence, which applies the merits of Christ toward remitting the remaining punishments due to sins whose guilt has already been forgiven.



Peace in Jesus through Mary,

The Lord said to me, “Enter into purgatory often, because they need you there.” (St. Faustina, Diary, n. 1738).

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391 DELAWARE AVE
ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI

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

* **Hora Santa:** Todos los primeros Sábados de cada mes a

ADORERS NEEDED! FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTIONS

You are heartily invited to adore and guard Jesus in the Eucharist once a month at our first Friday Adoration.

We expose the Most Blessed Sacrament at Historic Saint Mary's Church on 10 Lodge St. from 8:00 AM to 12 noon (right before 12:05 PM mass), at the Cathedral from 11:30 AM until 3:30 PM, and at St. Francis of Assisi church on Delaware Avenue from 7:15 PM to 8:15 PM. On first Saturdays, our Spanish-speaking community also adores the Blessed Sacrament at Saint Francis of Assisi Church on Delaware Avenue from 5:15 PM to 6:15 PM. We would like to have at least two people adoring the Lord in the Eucharist every hour. If you are open to participating in this spectacular ministry to bring grace upon the world, please sign up at

<https://cathedralic.weadorehim.com/en/schedule?week=2025-11-02> or use the QR code.



The Nicene Creed turns 1700: Annual Bible Symposium
November 1, 2025 | 9:30 AM-1:30 PM
The Cathedral of All Saints, 62 South Swan Street, Albany, NY
Our keynote speaker is Fr. Khaled Anatos, who is the Chair of the Department of Theology and the John A. O'Brien professor of theology at the University of Notre Dame. He is a convert from Islam and a priest of the Byzantine Rite. He is the author of numerous books including *Retrieving Nicaea, The Development and Meaning of Trinitarian Doctrine*. Tickets are \$40. For more information and to register, visit <https://www.cathedralofallsaints.org/classes-and-workshops/2025-bible-symposium>

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

To help our parish communities run more efficiently we are asking for volunteers for the following: sextons, office help, cleaning, computer data input. If you would like to share your God given gifts and talents **Please email or call:**

barbara.koernerfox@rcda.org or 518-463-4447

Thank you for your generous support!

If you would like to make a financial contribution to your parish through your smartphone, please point your



The Cathedral



St. Francis



Historic St. Mary's

STEWARDSHIP

Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception
Weekly Offering—October 18-19

Regular Offertory	\$1,854.65
PayPal	\$919.37
Second Collection	\$1,034.75
TOTAL	\$3,808.77
Average Weekly Need	\$8,200.00
SHORTFALL	(\$4,391.23)
<i>The average weekly need is based on Total Expenses (2024-25)</i>	
Attendance	
11:00 AM 126	5:00 PM 115

Saint Francis of Assisi
Weekly Offering—October 18-19

Regular Offertory	\$2,313.68		
PayPal	\$0		
Second Collection	\$1,231.00		
Food Pantry	\$0		
TOTAL	\$3,544.68		
Average Weekly Need	\$10,500.00		
SHORTFALL	(\$6,955.32)		
<i>The average weekly need is based on Total Expenses (2024-25)</i>			
Attendance			
Delaware	4:00 PM 60	9:00 AM 84	10:30AM Not Available
South End	10:30 AM N/A		

Historic St. Mary's
Weekly Offering—October 18-19

Regular Offertory	\$4,214.00		
Online Giving	\$320.00		
Second Collection	\$1,401.00		
TOTAL	\$5,935.00		
Average Weekly Need	\$8,100.00		
SHORTFALL	(\$2,165.00)		
<i>The average weekly need is based on Total Expenses (2024-25)</i>			
Attendance			
	4:00 PM 89	8:00 AM 137	10:30AM 116

Historic Albany Parish Network



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Jobs with the Historic Albany Parish Network

Part-Time Custodian – Salary Range \$17.00 to \$20 per hour.

Maintain cleanliness and safety in network churches, parish offices, and rectory. General duties include dusting, vacuuming, trash removal, bathroom cleaning, etc.

Part-Time or Full-Time Maintenance & Groundskeeper–Salary Range \$18 to \$22 per hour.

Maintain and arrange repairs at all network properties for plumbing, electrical, carpentry, mechanical, painting, etc. Provide light snow removal, lawn care, landscaping, etc.

Bookkeeper – Salary Range \$24-27 per hour, about 30 hours per week. Bookkeeping and reporting financial matters for our three-parish network (St. Francis of Assisi, Historic St. Mary's, and the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception). May include administrative and clerical tasks as needed.

Please Email Resumes To: barbara.koernerfox@rcda.org

For full details or to apply go to <https://www.rcda.org/offices/human-resources/employment-opportunities>.

Mass Intentions

Saint Francis (Delaware)

Sat, October 25 4:00 PM	Pro Populo	
Sun, October 26 9:00 AM	† Nora Nixon	Requested by Family

Saint Francis (South End)

Sun, October 26 10:30 AM	Pro Populo	
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The Cathedral

Sun, October 26 11:00 AM	David McCloy	Requested by Arthur Mullin
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Sun, October 26 5:00 PM	Pro Populo	
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Historic St. Mary's

	† Edward and Katherine Zeronda	Requested by Daughter
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Sat, October 25 4:00 PM	† Deceased Members of the Anthony Kelly Family	Requested by Joseph Kelly
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	† Frank Lorica	Requested by Celeste Costa
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Sun, October 26 8:00 AM	† Deceased Members of the Govel Family	Requested by Family
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Sun, October 26 10:30 AM	† Donald Dunn and Sons	Requested by Family
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	† Doreen Truesdell	Requested by Christine, Mary Lynn, and Billy
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Mon, October 27 12:05 PM	† Richard J. Melita	Requested by Leo and Mary Wong
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Tues, October 28 12:05 PM	† John Nelligan	Requested by Family
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Wed, October 29 12:05 PM	† Barbara Robinson Mahar	Requested by Brother
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	† John Sulzman	Requested by Susannah Sulzman
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Thurs, October 30 12:05 PM	Pro Populo	
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Fri, October 31 12:05 PM	† Edna Earl James	Requested by Susan Harder
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Why request Mass intentions? The Catechism of the Catholic Church says, "From the beginning, the Church has honored the memory of the dead and offered prayers in suffrage for them, above all the Eucharistic sacrifice [the Mass], so that, thus purified, they may attain the beatific vision of God" (CCC 1032). **To request a Mass intention call 518-463-4447 or send an email to CICAlban@rcda.org.** We allow normally one intention per Mass, except that two Masses per week may have two intentions.

BE A PRAYER PARTNER WITH POPE LEO

For those who have made the commitment to pray everyday for the monthly intentions of Our Holy Father, Pope Leo: For October he invites the faithful to join in praying the Rosary every day during the month to invoke God's gift of peace especially in war-torn lands.

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