



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			
<b>Historic St. Mary's</b>	Sat 4:00 PM	Sun 8:00 AM 10:30 AM	M-F 12:05 PM
<b>St. Francis Delaware Ave</b>	Sat 4:00 PM	Sun 9:00 AM 10:30 AM (Spanish)	
<b>St. Francis South End</b>		Sun 10:30 AM	
<b>The Cathedral</b>		Sun 11:00 AM 5:00 PM	

Confession Times	
<b>Historic St. Mary's</b>	Sat: 3:15 PM Mon, Wed, Fri 11:30-11:55 am Tues & Thurs (after Mass by request)
<b>St. Francis Delaware Ave</b>	Sat: 3:15 PM
<b>St. Francis South End</b>	Before or after Mass (by request)
<b>The Cathedral</b>	Sun: 10:30 AM-10:50 AM 4:00 PM—4:50 PM

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**Saint Francis of Assisi**

**Delaware Site:**

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Albany, New York 12209

**South End Site:**

93 Fourth Avenue  
Albany, New York 12202

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**Historic Saint Mary's** (518) 462.4254

10 Lodge Street,  
Albany, New York 12207

www.hist-stmarys.org  
www.facebook.com/historicstmarychurch  
**Open daily**

**Cathedral Church Hours**

Sunday: 9:00 AM—6:00 PM  
Monday—Saturday: 9:00 AM—4:30 PM

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

**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

**St. Mary's Food Pantry**

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

**Holy Hours of Adoration:**

**Thursday** 6:30 pm—7:30 pm with The Most Holy Rosary at St. Mary's  
**First Friday** 8:00 am—Noon at St. Mary's | 11:30 am—3:30 pm at  
Cathedral | 7:30 pm—8:30 pm at St. Francis—Delaware  
**First Saturday** 5:15 pm-6:15 pm at St. Francis—Delaware (Spanish)

**Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children**



The General Instruction of the Roman Missal (GIRM) designates **January 22 as a particular day of prayer and penance**, called the “Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children.” *It shall be observed as a particular day of prayer for the full restoration of the legal guarantee of the right to life and of penance for violations to the dignity of the human person committed through acts of abortion.*  
<https://www.usccb.org/january-22>

**Go Deeper Spiritually this Lent by Consecrating Yourself to Jesus through Mary!**



**Mary's Mantle Consecration**  
(book by Christine Watkins)

**Feb. 17 — April 4**

Group meetings, Tuesdays 6:30-8:00 PM  
Historic St. Mary's 10 Lodge Street Albany, NY

**St. Louis de Montfort's Original Approach:  
Total Consecration to Jesus**

**Christ through Mary** (book by Fr. Hugh Gillespie)

**Feb. 20—March 25**

Weekly Group Meeting Days, Time to be announced  
Church of St. Mary's in Clinton Heights,  
163 Columbia Turnpike, Rensselaer

In-person and remote options will be available.  
Purchase your book online or email

[Marys.Mantle2025@gmail.com](mailto:Marys.Mantle2025@gmail.com) to sign up for a book and for more information.



**God is Calling Facilitators from Among us!**

Do you have experience organizing and facilitating conversations? Our parish will soon begin a new series of synodal small group conversations, where members of our community can share their experiences, hopes, and ideas for the future of our local Church in Albany. To make these gatherings fruitful, we are looking for parishioners with a gift for listening, guiding conversations, and creating an open, welcoming environment.

If you have experience facilitating groups—or simply a desire to help others feel heard—please consider serving in this important ministry. All facilitators will receive formation and training to help you feel confident and prepared.

If you are interested or would like more information, please email **Dcn. Tim** at [timothy.kosto@rcda.org](mailto:timothy.kosto@rcda.org).

Thank you for reflecting on how you might support our parish as we discern a vibrant future together.

**St. Vincent de Paul Society**

The St. Vincent de Paul Society provides emergency assistance to our neighbors struggling with rent, utilities, and other bills. Founded by Blessed Frederick Ozanam, a 19th-century scholar and journalist, and inspired by St. Vincent de Paul, we are part of the Vincentian family, which includes the Congregation of the Mission and the Daughters of Charity. All of our “clients” are local; almost all of them live within blocks of our three parishes. What distinguishes us is our highly personal approach. No money is allotted without first visiting someone in their home, which enables us to really listen to their story and then serve them in the best possible way.

You can help through a monetary contribution. Either place your gift in one of the poor boxes near the church entrance, or place a check made out to “The St. Vincent de Paul Society” in the collection basket.

You can also help by joining us. **Call the Cathedral at 518.463.2279 for more information.**

**PASTOR'S REFLECTION**

(JANUARY 18, 2026, SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME)

**John the Baptist said, “Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world. He is the one of whom I said, ‘A man is coming after me who ranks ahead of me because he existed before me.’... Now I have seen and testified that he is the Son of God.” (John 1:29-31, 34)**

John the Baptist recognizes that Jesus “ranks ahead of me because He existed before me.” This would sound strange to anyone who knew that John was six months older than Jesus. But before the entire universe was created, the divine person of Jesus already existed as the eternal Son of God, the Father's Word Who later became flesh in the virgin Mary and “made His dwelling among us” (John 1:14).

If the first man and woman had never disobeyed God and committed the original sin that brought death to humanity, would the Word of God still have become flesh as Jesus? Father Gabriele Amorth said that Sacred Scripture recognizes Jesus as the “the firstborn of all creation” (Colossians 1:15), so “everything was created for him ... Christ is the center of creation.”

Before creation God the Father also planned to create Mary as His masterpiece of mercy, whom He saved perfectly by her immaculate conception so that she would be His sinless loving Mother. Father Amorth said “from this stems Mary's unique relationship with the Holy Trinity” and her “Because God chose freely relationship with us as our Blessed Virgin Mother. to humble Himself and come to us through His mother Mary, it is most Godlike for us to go to God through His mother Mary as well.”



Peace in Jesus through Mary,

*Fr. Ruden R. Jones*

*“O inconceivable goodness of God, which shields us at every step, may Your mercy be praised without cease. That You became a brother to humans, not to angels, is a miracle of the unfathomable mystery of Your mercy. All our trust is in You, our first-born Brother, Jesus Christ, true God and true Man.” (St. Faustina, Diary, paragraph 1584)*

**Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day**

“Dr. King's sermon encouraged people to be leaders in the priorities that Christ gave us: to feed the hungry, give drink to the thirsty, welcome the stranger, clothe the naked, care for the sick, and visit those in prison. Through the social service and charitable ministries of the Catholic Church, we strive to embody the Gospel mandate at the local and community levels. But just as important is the challenge to help the faithful to authentically live out this call.”

Archbishop Paul S. Coakley, president of the USCCB

*The office for Historic Albany Parishes of the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, Historic St. Mary, and St. Francis of Assisi will be closed Monday, January 19th.*

**MEET AND WELCOME BISHOP MARK!**

Please join us in welcoming Bishop Mark as he celebrates Mass at Albany's Historic Churches!

**Sunday, January 25, 2026**

8:00 a.m. Historic St. Mary

11:00 a.m. Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception



## COMUNIDAD HISPANA

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 las 5:15pm.

### Readings for the week of January 18, 2026

Sunday:	Is 49:3, 5-6/Ps 40:2 and 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10/ 1 Cor 1:1-3/Jn 1:29-34
Monday:	1 Sm 15:16-23/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/Mk 2:18-22
Tuesday:	1 Sm 16:1-13/Ps 89:20, 21-22, 27-28/ Mk 2:23-28
Wednesday:	1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51/Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10/Mk 3:1-6
Thursday:	1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7/Ps 56:2-3, 9-10a, 10b-11, 12-13/Mk 3:7-12
Friday:	1 Sm 24:3-21/Ps 57:2, 3-4, 6 and 11/ Mk 3:13-19
Saturday:	2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27/Ps 80:2-3, 5-7/Mk 3:20-21
Next Sunday:	Is 8:23-9:3/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/1 Cor 1:10-13, 17/Mt 4:12-23 or 4:12-17

## A Day of Healing and Hope



A Retreat for Women Experiencing  
Miscarriage, Stillbirth or Infant Loss

Find comfort, connection and renewal in Christ's love

This retreat, led by Eileen Tully, offers a sacred space for mothers to grieve, pray and honor the lives of their children.

- guided prayer and reflection
- small group sharing and support
- meals provided
- childcare available upon request



January 24, 2026

9 am-4 pm

St. Clement's Church

Saratoga Springs, NY

\$10 per person

For additional information visit  
[www.eileentully.com](http://www.eileentully.com)  
Access QR code to register or  
call 518-584-6122 ext. 3



"Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted". Matthew 5:4

Women who have experienced the loss of a child through miscarriage, stillbirth, or death at any age from infancy to adulthood are welcome to register and attend this time of teaching, discussion, and prayer. The retreat will focus on Our Lady of Sorrows as an example for mothers suffering this uniquely difficult loss. **To ask questions or volunteer to help with the retreat, contact Annamaria at [sccpastoralcare@gmail.com](mailto:sccpastoralcare@gmail.com) or by calling St. Clement's parish office at (518) 584-6122.**

## STEWARDSHIP

Due to an early submission deadline the monthly stewardship information for December 2025 will appear in a later edition of the January 2026 bulletin.



### MARCH FOR LIFE BUS

HOSTED BY ST. PAUL THE APOSTLE PARISH  
SCHENECTADY, NEW YORK

FRIDAY, JANUARY 23, 2026

#### NEW LOWER COST PER TICKET!

(If you have already registered at the higher price someone will contact you regarding a refund.)

**COST PER PERSON: \$26 CHECK, CASH or ONLINE PAYMENT BY ACH, CREDIT OR DEBIT CARD. PLEASE MAIL CHECKS TO:**

**ST. PAUL THE APOSTLE CHURCH (ADDRESS ON BULLETIN COVER)  
TO REGISTER ONLINE: VISIT [SPACNY.ORG](http://SPACNY.ORG) AND CLICK LINK.**

#### DEPARTURE TIMES AND LOCATIONS:

**WADE TOURS 1:00 AM**

**CROSSGATES MALL COMMONS (PETSMART) 1:20 AM**

**CATSKILL PARK AND RIDE EXIT 21 2:10 AM**

**DEPARTING WASHINGTON, DC 5:00 PM TO RETURN HOME**

**WE WILL NEED TO TAKE PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION. PLEASE PURCHASE A METRORAIL PASS IN ADVANCE AT [WMATA.COM](http://WMATA.COM).**

"THUS SAYS THE LORD WHO MADE YOU, WHO FORMED YOU FROM THE WOMB, AND WILL HELP YOU: FEAR NOT FOR I HAVE REDEEMED YOU; CALLED YOU BY NAME, YOU ARE MINE."  
Is 44:2

**FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO REGISTER CONTACT KATIE GROGAN  
AT [GROGAN.K@TIUCATHOLIC.ORG](mailto:GROGAN.K@TIUCATHOLIC.ORG) OR 518-377-8886 EXT 106.**

### BE A PRAYER PARTNER WITH POPE LEO



January's intention is for prayer with the Word of God. Let us pray that praying with the Word of God be nourishment for our lives and a source of hope in our communities, helping us build a more fraternal and missionary Church.

### Thank you for your generous support!

If you would like to make a financial contribution to your parish through your smartphone, please use the QR code below, camera at the QR codes below and tap the link.



The Cathedral



St. Francis



Historic St. Mary's



## Historic Albany Parish Network

The Most Rev'd Mark O'Connell, JCD

*Bishop of Albany*

### Clergy

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Linda Cruz, Director

### Weekday Mass Intentions

Historic St. Mary's		
<b>Mon, January 19</b> 12:05 PM	<i>Pro Populo</i>	
<b>Tues, January 20</b> 12:05 PM	<i>Pro Populo</i>	
<b>Wed, January 21</b> 12:05 PM	<i>Pro Populo</i>	
<b>Thu, January 22</b> 12:05 PM	<i>The Legal Protection of Unborn Children</i>	
<b>Fri, January 23</b> 12:05 PM	<i>Pro Populo</i>	

Mass intentions are as of Tuesday, January 13, 2026.

### Sunday Mass Intentions

Saint Francis (Delaware)		
<b>Sat, January 17</b> 4:00 PM	<i>Pro Populo</i>	
<b>Sun, January 18</b> 9:00 AM	† Teresa and Aurelio Giglio	<i>Requested by Daughter</i>
<b>Sat, January 24</b> 4:00 PM	<i>Pro Populo</i>	
<b>Sun, January 25</b> 9:00 AM	<i>Intentions of Brian Martin</i>	<i>Requested by Tom Martin</i>
Saint Francis (South End)		
<b>Sun, January 18</b> 10:30 AM	† Benjamin Chesser	<i>Requested by Lucille Williams Pauline Metchick</i>
<b>Sun, January 18</b> 10:30 AM	† Joyce Flanagan	<i>Requested by Paul and Stacey Brodfuehrer</i>
The Cathedral		
<b>Sun, January 18</b> 11:00 AM	† Jeanne M. Connors	<i>Requested by Mary Kinery</i>
	<i>Intentions of Fr. Zach Chichester</i>	<i>Requested by Skovira Family</i>
<b>Sun, January 18</b> 5:00PM	† Samuel Kawola	<i>Requested by Family</i>
<b>Sun, January 25</b> 11:00 AM	† James Cuggino	<i>Requested by Alan Perry</i>
<b>Sun, January 25</b> 5:00PM	<i>Intentions of Fr. Zach Chichester</i>	<i>Requested by Skovira Family</i>
Historic St. Mary's		
<b>Sat, January 17</b> 4:00 PM	† Maureen McGill	<i>Requested by Barbara O'Grady</i>
	† Bruce Scaro	<i>Requested by Friend</i>
<b>Sun, January 18</b> 8:00 AM	† Gloria Emminger	<i>Requested by Emminger Family</i>
<b>Sun, January 18</b> 10:30 AM	<i>Pro Populo</i>	
<b>Sat, January 24</b> 4:00 PM	† John McGill	<i>Requested by Barbara O'Grady</i>
	† Michael Herrick	<i>Requested by Family</i>
<b>Sun, January 25</b> 8:00 AM	<i>Dolores Faith Ruby</i>	<i>Requested by Jose Antunes</i>
<b>Sun, January 25</b> 10:30 AM	† John Flahive	<i>Requested by Jack &amp; Karen Graber</i>

## MORNING PRAYER

**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!



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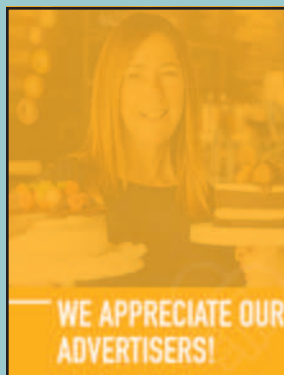


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