

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

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

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The Cathedral

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Saint Francis of Assisi
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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

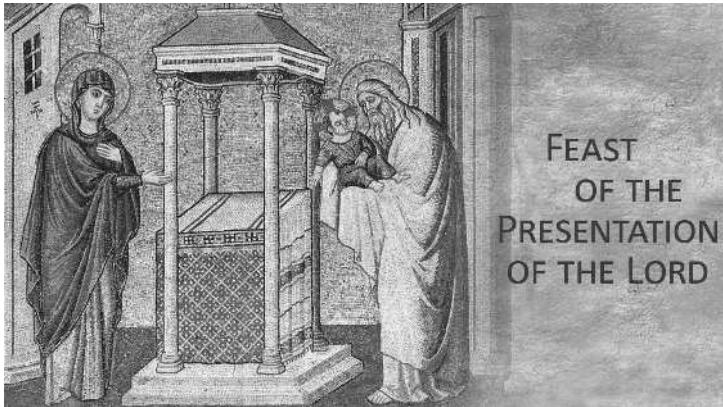
88 Fourth Avenue, Albany, NY 12202 | 518.472.9091
Monday, Wednesday & Thursday: 10:am—12pm; 1:pm 3pm
WELCOME TABLE
Tuesday and Saturday: 11:30am—1:00pm

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)



FEAST
OF THE
PRESENTATION
OF THE LORD

Forty days after Christmas, the Church celebrates the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord. Simeon, moved by the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, recognized Jesus as the Awaited One. The blessing of candles was later added to this feast to recall that Jesus is the “light to the gentiles.” Thus, this feast is also sometimes referred to as Candlemas.

<https://www.vaticannews.va/en/liturgical-holidays/feast-of-the-presentation-of-the-lord.html>

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



Mary's Mantle Consecration
(book by Christine Watkins)

Feb. 17 — April 4

Weekly Group Meetings, Tuesdays 6:30-8:00 PM
starting 2/17
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 Gillaspie)

Feb. 18 — March 25

Weekly Group Meetings, Wednesdays 6:30-8:00 pm
starting 2/18

Church of St. Mary's in Clinton Heights,
163 Columbia Turnpike, Rensselaer

In-person and remote options will be available.

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 **Den. Tim at timothy.kosto@rcda.org**.

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

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



PASTOR'S REFLECTION
(JANUARY 25, 2026, THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME)

From that time on, Jesus began to preach and say, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.” (Matthew 4:17)

Jesus's preaching calls us even today to “repent”— as St. Paul says, “be transformed by the renewal of your mind” (Romans 12:2), by encountering the living God through His words. Jesus Himself is the Word of God “spoken” by the Father. Since the Lord is alive in heaven and on earth in the Blessed Sacrament, even His silent words can touch us in His Presence, through His Holy Spirit, His Father's Love, if we allow God's grace to draw us toward His affectionate heart.

The Catholic faith has a beautiful tradition of “praying the Scriptures,” not just reading them. The second Vatican Council taught in *Dei Verbum* n. 21 that “in the sacred books, the Father who is in heaven meets His children with great love and speaks with them; and the force and power in the word of God is so great that it stands as the support and energy of the Church, the strength of faith for her children, the food of the soul, the pure and everlasting source of spiritual life.” Thus, “the word of God is living and active” (Hebrews 4:12), and “it has power to build you up and give you your heritage among all those who are sanctified” (Acts 20:32; see 1 Thessalonians 2:13).



Pope Francis established this third Sunday of Ordinary Time as the Sunday of the Word of God, “devoted to the celebration, study and dissemination of the Word of God.” Pope Francis recalled that when the resurrected Lord appeared to the disciples on the road to Emmaus, Jesus “opened their minds to understand the Scriptures” (Luke 24:27). May the same Lord and Our Lady, who fruitfully pondered His Word, open our minds to understand God's Word to us.

Peace in Jesus through Mary,

Fr. Peter R. Jones

“Today, you will read chapter fifteen of the Gospel of Saint John. I want you to read it very slowly...Read it, not only with your lips, but with your heart.” (Jesus to St. Faustina, Diary, paragraph 1757, 1765)

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.

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 25, 2026

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
Monday:	2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5 (520)/ Ps 89:20, 21-22, 25-26/Mk 3:22-30
Tuesday:	2 Sm 6:12b-15, 17-19/Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10/ Mk 3:31-35
Wednesday:	2 Sm 7:4-17/Ps 89:4-5, 27-28, 29-30/ Mk 4:1-20
Thursday:	2 Sm 7:18-19, 24-29/Ps 132:1-2, 3-5, 11, 12, 13-14/Mk 4:21-25
Friday:	2 Sm 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6a, 6bcd-7, 10-11/Mk 4:26-34
Saturday:	2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 16-17/Mk 4:35-41
Next Sunday:	Zep 2:3; 3:12-13/Ps 146:6c-7, 8-9a, 9b-10/1 Cor 1:26-31/Mt 5:1-12a

**FIRST FRIDAY AND
FIRST SATURDAY**

We invite you on to spend some time with our Lord Jesus in quiet adoration and prayer as we pray for our Church, and our World. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament begins **Friday, February 6th at 8:00am until Mass at 12:05 pm at Historic St. Mary's**, continues at the **Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception from 12:30-3:30 pm** with Benediction and the Divine Mercy Chaplet and from **7:15pm to 8:15pm at St. Francis of Assisi on Delaware Avenue**.

On **February 7th**, our Spanish-speaking community adores the Blessed Sacrament at **Saint Francis of Assisi Church on Delaware Avenue from 5:15 PM to 6:15 PM**.

If you are open to participating in this spectacular ministry to bring grace upon the world, you can sign up for 30- or 60-minute adoration times at

<https://cathedralic.weadorehim.com/en> or use the QR code.



Duc in Altum Discernment Nights

September 23, 2025 – June 23, 2026

Hosted every other Tuesday from 5:30-8:30 p.m.

St. Isaac Jogues House of Formation, 122 Vliet Blvd, Cohoes

Open to men ages 16+. Please let the office know you plan to attend prior to each specific date. Call (518) 458-6690 or email vocations@rcda.org.

STEWARDSHIP

Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception
Monthly Offering—December

Regular Offertory	\$32,722.74
Average Monthly Need	\$ 35,533.33
SHORTFALL	(\$2,810.59)

The average weekly need is based on Total Expenses (2024-25)

Historic St. Mary
Monthly Offering—December

Regular Offertory	\$37,321.11
Average Monthly Need	\$35,100.00
SURPLUS	\$2,221.11

The average weekly need is based on Total Expenses (2024-25)

St. Francis of Assisi
Monthly Offering—December

Regular Offertory	\$25,081.59
Average Monthly Need	\$45,500.00
SHORTFALL	(\$20,418.41)

The average weekly need is based on Total Expenses (2024-25)

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



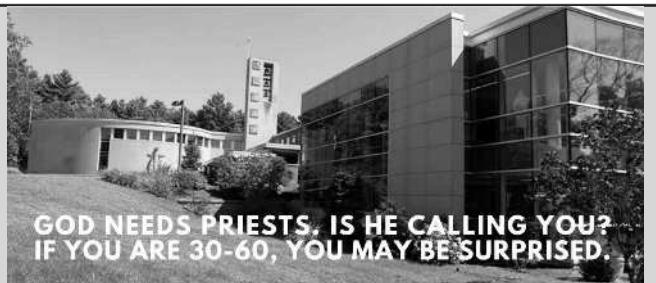
St. Francis



Historic St. Mary's

First Saturday at Blessed Sacrament Church

7:30 Adoration & Confession, 9:00 Mass Coffee Hour



**FIRST FRIDAY VISIT
HOLY HOUR AND EVENING PRAYER**

February 6, 2026 5:00 PM EST In-Person or Virtual Visit

Pope St. John XXIII National Seminary

Register: Contact Msgr. William Fay
781-899-5500 ext. 134
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Weekday Mass Intentions

Historic St. Mary's

Mon, January 26 12:05 PM	<i>Pro Populo</i>	
Tues, January 27 12:05 PM	<i>Pro Populo</i>	
Wed, January 28 12:05 PM	<i>Pro Populo</i>	
Thu, January 29 12:05 PM	<i>Pro Populo</i>	
Fri, January 30 12:05 PM	<i>Pro Populo</i>	

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.

Sunday Mass Intentions

As of January 16, 2026

Saint Francis (Delaware)

Sat, January 24 4:00 PM	<i>Pro Populo</i>	
Sun, January 25 9:00 AM	<i>Intentions of Brian Martin</i>	<i>Requested by Tom Martin</i>
Sat, January 31 4:00 PM	<i>Pro Populo</i>	
Sun, February 1 9:00 AM	<i>Pro Populo</i>	

Saint Francis (South End)

Sun, January 25 10:30 AM	<i>† Joyce Flanagan</i>	<i>Requested by Paul and Stacey Brodfuehrer</i>
Sun, February 1 10:30 AM	<i>Pro Populo</i>	

The Cathedral

Sun, January 25 11:00 AM	<i>† James Cuggino</i>	<i>Requested by Alan Perry</i>
	<i>† Michael Harrington</i>	<i>Requested by Betty Travis</i>
Sun, January 25 5:00PM	<i>Intentions of Fr. Zach Chichester</i>	<i>Requested by Skovira Family</i>
Sun, February 1 11:00 AM	<i>† Mary C. Kuchera</i>	<i>Requested by Molly Wakeman</i>
	<i>† Cristina Sales</i>	<i>Requested by Family and Friends</i>
Sun, February 1 5:00PM	<i>Pro Populo</i>	

Historic St. Mary's

Sat, January 24 4:00 PM	<i>† John McGill</i>	<i>Requested by Barbara O'Grady</i>
	<i>† Michael Herrick</i>	<i>Requested by Family</i>
Sun, January 25 8:00 AM	<i>Dolores Faith Ruby</i>	<i>Requested by Jose Antunes</i>
Sun, January 25 10:30 AM	<i>† John Flahive</i>	<i>Requested by Jack & Karen Gruber</i>
	<i>† Richard Burns and Fred Kanz</i>	<i>Requested by Rita Burns</i>
Sat, January 31 4:00 PM	<i>† Mr. & Mrs. Daniel Scarlinge</i>	<i>Requested by Sons</i>
	<i>† John Ikenhoffer, Jr.</i>	<i>Requested by Nancy Hotaling</i>
Sun, February 1 8:00 AM	<i>† Deceased Members of the Coffey Family</i>	<i>Requested by Nina Govei</i>
Sun, February 1 10:30 AM	<i>† Jan Mika, Jr.</i>	<i>Requested by Holly Hayes and Rebecca Kraz</i>

Cathedral Church Hours

The Cathedral Church will be **closed for maintenance** **Monday, January 26th and Tuesday, January 27th**. It will reopen on Wednesday, January 28th at 9:00 a.m.

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