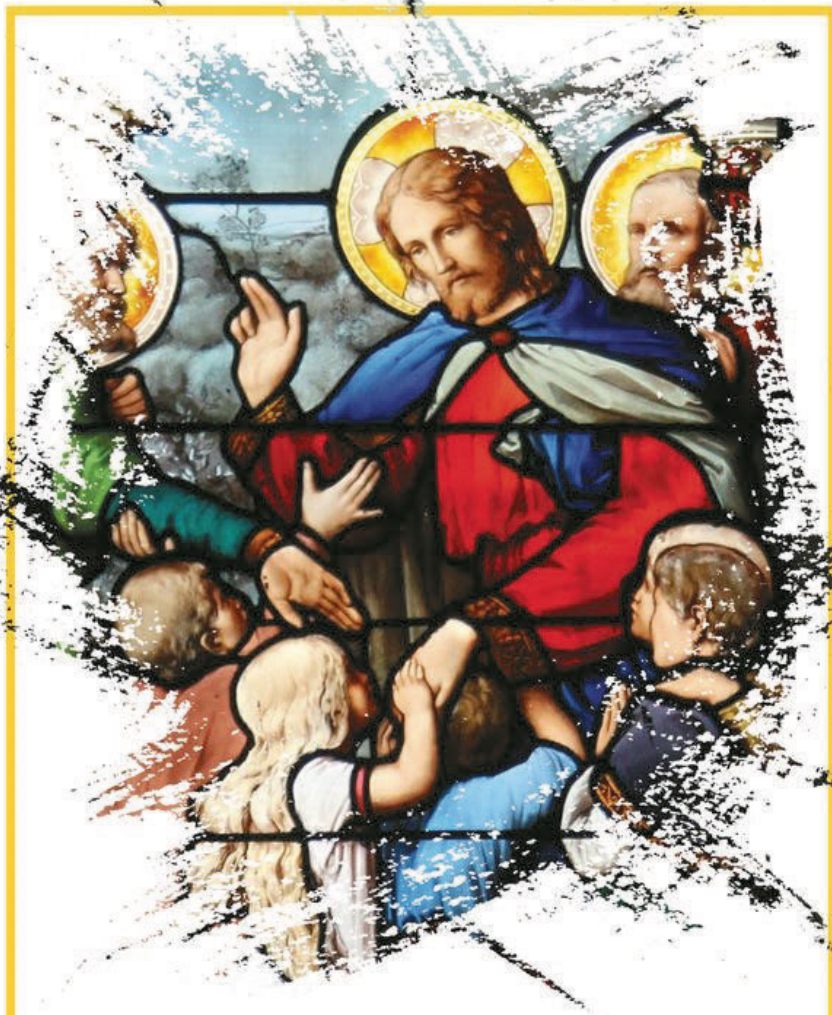


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# ST. JOSEPH'S AND ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI CHURCHES

## 24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



"WHOEVER RECEIVES ONE CHILD SUCH AS THIS  
IN MY NAME, RECEIVES ME." - MK 9:37A

25<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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### MASS SCHEDULE

#### Daily Mass

Monday | 8:30 am St. Joseph's  
Tuesday | 8:30 St Francis  
Wednesday | No Mass today  
Thursday | 8:30 am St Francis  
Friday | 8:30 am St Joseph's

#### Weekend Mass

Saturday | 4 pm St Joseph's  
6 pm St Francis (summer only)  
Sunday | 8:30 am St Francis  
10:30 am St Joseph's

#### Confession

Saturday | 3:15 pm St Joseph's  
Sunday | 8 am St Francis

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#### Our Mission

We, the Roman Catholic community of St. Francis of Assisi and St. Joseph's are called to live the Gospel message of Jesus through Hospitality, Worship, Faith Formation and Service to others.

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**St. Joseph's Mass Intentions**

**Saturday (21) 4 pm**

Rev. Ronald Matulewicz + Roberta Doblewski

**Sun (22) 10:30 am**

Barbara, John & Henry Rosenzweig + The Palmers  
Theresa Godlewski + The Collins family

**Mon (23) 8:30 am**

Loida Ganaden + Myrna Lyons

**Friday (27) 8:30 am**

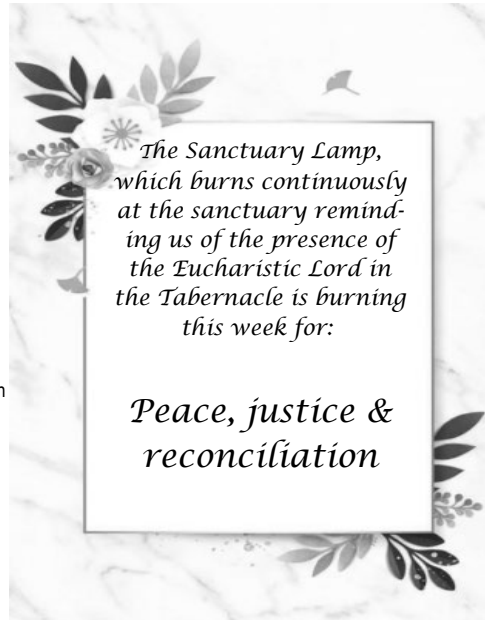
Rev. Thomas P Walsh, Rev. James E Kelly, Rev. Andrew J Lenahan

**Saturday (28) 4 pm**

Jean Marie, Frank E. & Michael J Gagliardo + Mary Pisanti

**Sun (29) 10:30 am**

Francis Motyl, Jr. + the family  
John Gibbons + Marilyn Gibbons



**St. Francis Mass Intentions**

**Sun (22) 8:30 am**

Sidney Junquera + Jackie & family  
Linda Rispoli + Rick Koval  
Living intention for Lino Cosico + Melanie Cosico

**Tuesday (24) 8:30 am**

Living intention of Lina Cosico + Melanie Cosico

**Thursday (26) 8:30 am**

Patti St. Peter + David & Yolanda Gifford

**Sun (29) 8:30 am**

Linda Rispoli + Marlene Junquera  
Raymond Bardani + Orla O'Sullivan & John Hackett  
George St. Peter + David & Yolanda Gifford  
Living intention of Rey Cosico + Melanie Cosico

**INTRODUCTION TO THE LITURGY OF THE DAY** ~ As summer transitions to fall, farmers' thoughts turn toward the coming harvest. Speaking of harvesting, in the second reading Saint James declares that those who cultivate peace will sow the fruit of righteousness. Besides the traditional fall harvest of apples and pumpkins, may we all also savor the fruit of righteousness - that is, of moral goodness and justice - which in turn brings peace to our world, our nation, and our communities. Let us sing and praise the God who makes all this possible.

**WORD OF LIFE** ~ "The truth of the Gospel of life is at the foundation of who we are as followers of Christ. In his earthly life, Jesus provided the perfect model for how we are to love our neighbor and live out the Gospel call: "Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brethren, you did it to me" (Mt. 25:40)." \* NABRE © 2010 CCD. Used with permission. USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, "Live the Gospel of Life" [respectlife.org/live-the-gospel-of-life](http://respectlife.org/live-the-gospel-of-life)

**GOSPEL MEDITATION ~ ENCOURAGING DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE** ~ When I was a wet-behind-the-ears seminarian, I was sent for an immersion with the poor. For one month, I lived in a home for adults with developmental disabilities. It was a challenge for me because the residents had significant communication issues. A 30-year-old man there named Robin was totally deaf and mute. He had Down's Syndrome. He looked like a Viking, with a shock of red hair and a fine beard. But I felt awkward and disconnected from him. All my normal ways of interacting failed. I resigned myself to the fact that we'd never connect.

Then one morning something amazing happened. He was on the living room floor quietly playing with toys. Watching him from a chair, I sensed Jesus' words float into my mind, "**Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me**" (Mark 9:37). I thought, "Jesus, you must somehow be *in* Robin." I sheepishly made sure no one else was in the room, and then I spoke in a clear voice: "Jesus, are you there?" Robin did not turn to me and say, "Hi, John. Yes, it's me, Jesus." He kept playing with his toys in silence.

But something changed in *me*. From that moment on, it was easier to just be with Robin, to joke around with him, to try sign-language with him, to let him be himself, and for me to be myself. His "disabilities" were no longer obstacles to overcome. He became just Robin, my friend.

Who in your life seems awkwardly distant or uncomfortable to be with? Next time you see him or her, quietly invoke the name of Jesus, and see how the barriers disappear in you.

~ Father John Muir

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**LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK** ~ The apostles argue, each one claiming to be the greatest of Christ's followers. But Christ shows them who is truly the greatest - a child, one who has no thought of his own importance, one who has no ambition. Let's seek to be like that child. ©LPi

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 22, 2024** ~ Sun: Wis 2:12, 17-20/Ps 54:3-4, 5, 6-8 (6b)/Jas 3:16-4:3/Mk 9:30-37, Mon: Prv 3:27-34/Ps 15:2-3a, 3bc-4ab, 5/Lk 8:16-18, Tues: Prv 21:1-6, 10-13/Ps 119:1, 27, 30, 34, 35, 44/Lk 8:19-21, Wed: Prv 30:5-9/Ps 119:29, 72, 89, 101, 104, 163/Lk 9:1-6, Thurs: Eccl 1:2-11/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b/Lk 9:7-9, Fri: Eccl 3:1-11/Ps 144:1b & 2abc, 3-4/Lk 9:18-22, Sat: Eccl 11:9-12:8/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 and 17/Lk 9:43b-45, Next Sun: Nm 11:25-29/Ps 19:8, 10, 12-13, 14 (9a)/Jas 5:1-6/Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

SJ Lector	9/28/24	J Naple	SF Lector	
	9/29/24	K Murray		9/29/24 Y Gifford

# St. Joseph's

The **Broadalbin Ecumenical Food Pantry** is always looking for non-perishable food for local eligible families. Stuffing mix, broth, corned beef hash & beef stew are needed at this time. Non food items are also welcome & pet food is also appreciated. Please drop all donations in the vestibule or the church office. Pantry distribution is Monday at 3:30-5 pm & Thursday at 9:30-11 am.

# UPCOMING EVENTS

Each Monday & Friday after SJ 8:30 am Mass - Pray the Rosary  
 1st Sundays of the Month - SF - 8 am pray the Rosary  
 1st Mondays - SF 7:30 pm Knights of Columbus meeting  
 1st Tuesdays - SF (Apr-Dec) 6:30 pm Rosary Society Meeting  
 Each Wednesday - SF 2 pm Prayer Group in John Paul II Hall  
 2nd Wednesdays - SJ 6 pm Knights of Columbus Meeting  
 Oct 4 ~ SJ 6 pm ~ Eucharistic Exposition, Adoration & Benediction  
 Oct ~ 5 & 6 Birthright Baby Bottle Boomerang  
 Oct 12 ~ SF 9-3 ~ Columbus Day Craft Fair in John Paul II Hall  
 Oct 10 ~ Finance Council Meeting ~ SF 4pm ~ SJ 7pm  
 Oct 20 ~ 6 pm ~ Teen Mass @ Holy Spirit in Gloversville  
 Oct 21 ~ 6:45-7:45pm SJ ~ Youth Ministry classes begin

# St. Francis'

**Annual Feast Day Raffle** ~ St. Francis' Annual Feast Day Raffle tickets have been distributed. Please make sure you return the ticket stubs & payment via the return addressed envelope in the mail or collection basket.

Prizes are:  
 \$1,000  
 \$500  
 two (2) \$250

As they say, "You've got to play to win..."



This weekend, the diocese will take up the National Collection for The Catholic University of America. Catholic University is a national research university, in the heart of Washington, D.C., with over 5,700 undergraduate and graduate students in more than 250 academic programs. By giving to the collection, you are supporting future Catholic leaders, both religious and lay, who are being formed by an exceptional, faith-rooted education. The University's various research and training initiatives support dioceses and parishes in responding to the most pressing needs of their faithful. A few examples of how the University serves the Church and nation include The Catholic Project, an initiative that brings together clergy and laity to address the challenges that the Catholic Church faces in the U.S. by contributing education, formation, research, events, and media; a master's program in Ecclesial Administration and Management; and a credentialing program that prepares recent graduates to serve as campus ministers. Please give generously. Scan the QR code on the provided envelopes or visit: [collection.catholic.edu](http://collection.catholic.edu).

## Diocesan Women's Conference

St. Edward the Confessor  
 Clifton Park

Saturday, Oct. 19, 2024



**Speakers:** Bishop Edward B. Scharfenberger and Laura Phelps (National Catholic Speaker, Author, Walking with Purpose Content Creation Manager, and Podcaster)

**Conference includes:** Three (3) Presentations, Adoration, Reconciliation, Rosary, Mass, lunch, and beverages.

**To register:**

[www.rcda.org/UnleashingLove](http://www.rcda.org/UnleashingLove)

## Religious Education

### Grades 1-5 (SJ):

Classes from @ 9 - 10:15 am

### Grades 6-10:

Youth Ministry Classes will begin with a Teen Mass at Holy Spirit Church on Sunday, October 20<sup>th</sup> from 6-7pm followed by refreshments in the gym 7-7:30pm. Our 1<sup>st</sup> class will be Monday, October 21<sup>st</sup> at St. Joseph's Fr. Smith Center from 6:45-7:45pm for grades 6-10. Info will be mailed soon. Questions? acll or text Ann Simonson at 518-848-1986

## Music Ministry

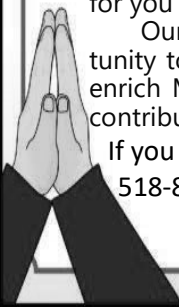
We are in need of more voices

If you have a passion for music and a heart for worship, we would love for you to join us. Whether you sing, play an instrument, or simply enjoy music, there is a place for you in our ministry.

Our Music Ministry is a wonderful opportunity to use your talents to glorify God and enrich Mass. No matter your skill level, your contribution will be valued and appreciated.

If you have any further questions, contact:  
 518-863-4736 (SF) or 518-883-3774 (SJ).

We look forward to making beautiful music together!



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*"Remember where your treasure is, your heart is also."*

Matthew 6:21

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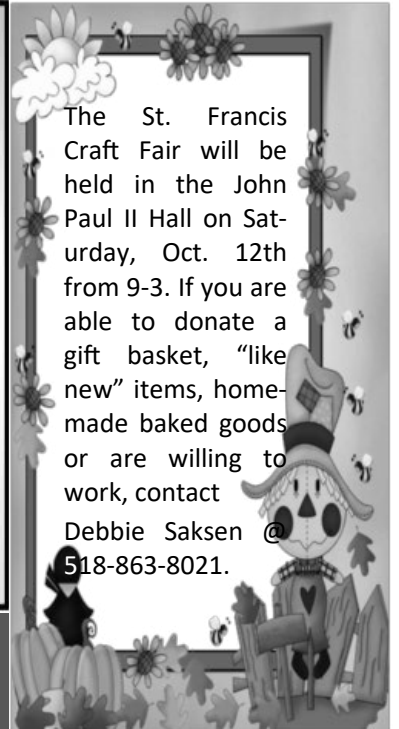
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9/8/24	SJ 4 / 10:30	SF 8:30
Attendance	62 / 143	140
Contribution	\$688 / \$1,522	\$2,344
August e-giving	\$743.40	\$887.90
Poor & Votive	n/a	\$39
Fuel Fund	\$667 / \$654	\$573



The St. Francis Craft Fair will be held in the John Paul II Hall on Saturday, Oct. 12th from 9-3. If you are able to donate a gift basket, "like new" items, homemade baked goods or are willing to work, contact Debbie Saksen @ 518-863-8021.

**St. Francis' prayer group** meets each Wednesday at 2 pm in St. Francis' St. John Paul II Hall.

All are always welcome to join us. We are happy to lift your intention in prayer.

Feel free to join us.

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