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## CATHEDRAL OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

in the city and Diocese of Albany

Established 1848 • Corner of Eagle Street and Madison Avenue (at the Empire State Plaza), Albany, NY

### Mission Statement

We, the worshipping community of the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Albany, rooted in the Gospel and the celebration of the Eucharist, seek to make known God's love in the world through serving one another, sharing our faith and welcoming all.

#### Schedule of Liturgical Celebrations

##### *The Holy Eucharist (Mass)*

##### Sunday Masses:

(Anticipated Mass) 5:15 p.m. on Saturday

9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. on Sunday

*Weekdays:* Monday-Wednesday-Friday 12:15 p.m.

Tuesday-Thursday 7:15 a.m.

*Holy Day Masses:* Please check the bulletin and

Website for Holy Day mass times.

##### *The Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)*

**Monday-Wednesday-Friday:**

**11:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.**

**Saturday: 4:00 - 5:00 p.m.**

**and by appointment**

##### *The Sacrament of Holy Baptism*

Call the church office to make arrangements for appointment and instructions.

**Please pass the bulletin on to a neighbor or friend.**

##### *The Sacrament of Holy Matrimony*

Couples should contact the parish office six to eight months in advance of the proposed marriage.

##### *The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick*

If you are anticipating surgery, please contact the parish office.

##### *Religious Education*

To register, and for information, call: **518-463-4447**

##### **Parish Food Pantry**

**93 Park Avenue; Basement, Entrance at north side of building**

Food and personal care items collected on the last Sunday of the month. Food distributed Monday-Friday 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon.

##### *Pastoral Visits*

At home or in the hospital, please call the parish office.

**Contact the rectory office to schedule a tour.**

Tours of the Cathedral available by appointment

Personal amplifying units for the hearing impaired are available in the sacristy.

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**First Reading:**

Consequences always follow from sin. Embarrassment, fear, shame, and guilt follow, too. We know we should not have sinned. Adam knows this, which is why he hides from God and tries to pass the blame on to Eve for his eating the fruit of the forbidden tree. Eve, too, knows serious consequences will follow for her consumption of the fruit. Yet she passes the blame onto the serpent. God punishes the serpent, but also puts enmity between the serpent and humanity. Evil causes separation and broken relationships. The devil at work in serpent has harmed humanity, yet God in Jesus Christ will ultimately triumph forever.

**Second Reading:**

One of Paul's major themes in his second letter to the Corinthians is the transitory nature of our earthly life. We should look at everything we do here as a preparation for eternal life. While we might sense discouragement because even our bodies change with age, if our focus is on our internal self, we know that God in Jesus will help us continually renew our spirits. We live in hope that by virtue of our faith we will share in Jesus' Resurrection.

**Gospel:**

Evidently the scribes are confused for they attribute Jesus' power to exorcise demons to the devil, Beelzebul. Jesus' response to the accusations is to tell a parable. The message of the parable is that division has no place in relation to God's will. Divided homes and kingdoms continue to exist. This is why God forgives sins, even blasphemies. Yet no one is ever to speak against the Holy Spirit for that would mean a demonic spirit possesses him or her. A relative of Jesus does God's will.

**Fr. Paul J. Mijas**

Friends in Miedzierza, a village of about 600 Catholics, 165 miles southwest of Warszawa, Poland, where he was born and raised as the third son of Jozef Mijas and Leokadia Basiak, called Fr. Paul, "Maciek".

As a schoolboy, he was both an excellent student and an athlete who biked, played soccer and tennis.

The Mijas' were strict Catholics. Paul and his family lived in a five-room house about 300 yards from the church, where the family attended every Sunday Mass and often during the week. When Paul was a little boy his father worked for the church as a custodian. In that time he became an altar server. Because he was so close to God and to priests as an altar server probably in his heart was sown the first seed of vocation to the priesthood.

After graduating from elementary school, he attended high school in Konskie, a small nearby city of 30,000 people.

The wondering and thinking about what he should do in his life, led him to search for answers. As a result, he developed a natural interest in theology. It was during his studies that Paul began his serious personal search for God. Throughout his journey, he not only realized a deep love of God, but he discovered that God is Love. Therefore, his decision to enter the priesthood became simple; he was answering his call to Love. So after four years in high school he began studying at the seminary in Sandomierz and then in Radom, Poland.

He was ordained in 1985 in Konskie, and spent five years as an associate pastor in the Diocese of Radom, Poland. Then he came to the United States in 1990 where he began his new life on the other side of the Atlantic Ocean. So now Fr. Paul is a long way from home.

His first stop in this country was St. Isidore in Riverhead in the Diocese of Rockville Centre, NY, a beautiful town circled by farms. There he spent six years serving the people of God, especially Polish immigrants. Next he served at St. Hyacinth in Glen Head, the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary in Centereach, St. Hedwig in Floral Park, Our lady of the Assumption in Copiague and St. Joseph's in Kings Park. Last twelve months he served as an administrator at St. Joseph's in Worcester, NY, in the Diocese of Albany.

What Fr. Paul loves most is celebrating liturgies. In his spare time Fr. Paul enjoys bike riding but electronics is his hobby. And as time permits, he travels to Europe, especially to Poland where his family and friends live.

## TENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### From Sister Margaret Mary

You might be interested in knowing that during May at our Food Pantry we served : 40 infants; 223 children and 74 seniors. Therefore your continued support both financially and with donations of food is needed. 99% of our food comes from the Regional Food Bank where we have a large grants from both the Food Bank and the Food Pantries of the Capital District. Twice a month two volunteers go to the Food Bank and pick up about 1000 pounds of fresh fruits and vegetables. These items are greatly appreciated. So why does the food Pantry need your help? To supply balanced meals to each family according to the number in the family. During May we spent \$1,033.46 at the Food Bank from the monthly donations you have so generously provided. We appreciate your help either in food or in cash. The New Testament says, "I was hungry and you gave me food to eat." Mathew 25:35. Thank you!

### 2018 BISHOP'S APPEAL

If you have not yet made your contribution, there are appeal envelopes at the entrances to the church. You can just fill it out and drop it into the basket at the Offertory.

As always, your generosity is remarkable and both we at the Cathedral and the various diocesan ministries are most grateful.

**Sage Gators' Summer Basketball Camp** for boys ages 7-15: June 25-29 @ Sage College of Albany. Register online at [Sagegators.com](http://Sagegators.com) or contact Brian Barnes at 518-292-1969 or by email [barneb@sage.edu](mailto:barneb@sage.edu) for more information.

### **K of C Father's Day "All You Can Eat" Breakfast**

Sunday, June 17, 2018

8:30 AM – 12:30 PM

Treat dad to breakfast on his special day!

Menu includes: juice, coffee, tea or hot chocolate, fruit cup, scrambled eggs, pancakes with hot syrup, French toast, home fries, corned beef hash, bacon, sausage, cereals & banana, Danish pastries, bagels, toast plus an OMELET STATION.

Come relax and let us do the cooking!

All you can eat for only \$9.00, children 5-10

\$4.00 under 5 free.

Free gift for Dad while supplies last.

Latham Colonie Knights of Columbus

### Stewardship Treasure

The collection for June 3rd was \$4,139.40.

The attendance was 431.

**Thank you for all you have given to the Cathedral.**

**The Cathedral offers on-line giving.** You can make your charitable donations online. Just go to the Cathedral website at [www.cathedralic.com](http://www.cathedralic.com). It is quick, easy and secure! Thank you to all who demonstrate such generous care for our Cathedral parish.

### **SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND**

### **CATHOLIC COMMUNICATION CAMPAIGN**

### **Cathedral Classic Golf Outing**

We have finalized preparations for our 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Cathedral Classic Golf Outing to be held at Wolferts Roost Country Club on Monday, June 25<sup>th</sup>. All are welcome to join us for a wonderful time of lunch, golf, antics, fun, drinks and dinner...with lots of prizes, including 2 tickets to the Metropolitan Opera in New York City!

Whether you golf or simply want to enjoy a social event and dinner with us, please consider joining us! Visit [cathedralic.com/cathedral-classic/](http://cathedralic.com/cathedral-classic/) or call 518-463-4447 for more information and/or registration.

**Please pray for our sick;** Rosemarie Abitz, Jeffrey Abraham, Robert Buell, Shirley Anderson, Lucy Apisa, Stephen Beattie, Grace Isabelle Caruso, Carmella Cervera, Mary Faith Colvin, Theresa Cooney, Sr., Gertrude Cosenke, RSCJ, Marc Daniels, John Dare, Jr., Denise Degasparis, Michael Dolan, Ann Doherty, JoAnn DeLucia, Diane Fontanelli, Angelo Frattianni, Janette Fusco, Michael Gilman, Bernice Girma, Karen Goral, Carol Greenshields, Jean Gutbrodt, Bryan Hanley, Sophie Hanley, Jacqueline Heisler, Kenneth Hockeson; Douglas Hoffeler, Dorothy Jordan, Reny Jose, Bill Keane, Amy Keegan, James Laung, Mary Lauria, Donald Law, Gayle Leonard, Rebecca Leno, Therese Lenz, Diane Lo Prete, John McGrath, Mary Grace Meneses Sr., Maria Mercurio, CSJ, Stephanie Merenda, Diane Mueller, James Murphy, Mary Murphy, Shane O'Donnell, Josephine Pitcherale, Marcia Pedone, Catherine Rappazzo, Mary Rose Robolatto, Mark Roman, Matthew Rosato, Megan Ruthman, Joe Shea, Elaine Spoor, Jane Strodel, Adam Ventura, Sebastian Vicencio, Richard Warner, Raphael Warner, Rosa Maria Santos

## ***June 10, 2018***

### **Cathedral Liturgical Celebrations, Meetings and Mass Intentions for the week of June 10,2018 – June 17,2018**

#### Saturday, June 9,

5:15PM Mass  
Intention: Matthew Manzella  
Requested by: Alan Perry

#### Sunday, June 10,

9:00AM Mass  
Intention: Jeffrey Black  
Requested by: Blake& Jennifer Washington  
Intention: Reine Kassundaho  
Requested by: Children

11:00AM Mass– Eucharistic Procession  
Intention: Robert Scanell  
Requested by: Jack, Carla, Ian and Ann

5:00PM Mass

#### Monday, June 11,

12:15 PM Mass

#### Tuesday, June 12,

7:15AM Mass  
12:00PM AA meeting (rectory)

#### Wednesday, June 13,

12:15 PM Mass  
Intention: John Soffey  
Requested by: Maura&Rich Moneymaker

#### Thursday, June 14,

7:15 AM Mass  
Intention: Mary Fontane  
Requested by: Paul Fontane

#### Friday, June 15,

12:15 PM Mass

#### Saturday, June 16,

5:15PM Mass  
Intention: Jane Gurley  
Requested by: Lucy&Don McHenry

#### Sunday, June 17,

9:00AM Mass  
Intention: Rev. Robert Condon  
11:00AM Mass  
5:00PM Mass

**The Gift of Faith**

**To those who have been Baptized, made their First Communion or Confirmation this year:** we hope you always feel at home here at the Cathedral and in the Catholic Church. The Church needs you, your passion for life and your sharing of your personal gifts and talents. The Holy Spirit gives to you a gift today to renew the world around you. God's power now lives in you and you need only to ask for His help and He'll give it. Congratulations; you will always have our support!

**To those who were Baptized and made their First Communion and/or Confirmation some time ago:** as you witness first communicants or confirmandi and their renewed faith, understand that the same power of God that dwells in them today and that dwelt in the Apostles at the first Pentecost still dwells within you now. Ask the Holy Spirit for aid, to renew your life and your faith, and the Holy Spirit will surely enliven you!

**To those who were never Baptized or made their First Communion or Confirmation:** it is never too late to seek out the Sacraments of initiation! Every year we have people of all ages and walks of life prepare for these sacraments. Reach out to us today and this time next year, these gifts can be shared with you as well!

**To those who may be here with us today and might not believe:** thanks for supporting those people in your life who possess the gift of faith; we hope your relationship with them is filled with mutual love and support. If you have questions about what we believe, there are many here who would love to share with you their thoughts and their faith. They'd also love to listen to you, your ideas and experiences. If you've been hurt by Christians in the past, we offer you sincere apologies, and we hope that we can do our part to heal that hurt. You are always welcome here!

**To those Christians who are here with us but who aren't Catholic:** we're so grateful to have you here with us, united in our faith in Jesus Christ through the Word and the Sacrament of Baptism. Let's always be united in prayer, confessing Jesus as our Lord and Savior. If you'd like to know more about our Tradition and its sacraments, many of us would love to share with you what we believe from our Catholic perspective. Still, we are most grateful to share our prayer and worship with you.