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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

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: Will God provide enough? While the widow of Zarephath worries she does not have enough to provide for herself, her son, and Elijah, the prophet announces to her that her jar of flour and jug of oil will not go empty. Her trust in the Lord's words from Elijah bore fruit as all could eat for a year.

Second Reading: The author of Hebrews reiterates Christ's "Once for all" sacrifice that we proclaimed last Sunday. The reading concludes with a statement of our belief that Christ will come a second time in order to bring salvation to those who wait for him. Christ resides in heaven, appearing before God for us, until he comes again.

Gospel: A poor widow gives to the treasury from the little she has, but the rich people give from their surplus. Which is truly giving?

Last year the **Cathedral's Pastoral Advisory Council** began with six new members and welcomed Fr. LeFort. The springboard was the Diocesan Autumn Gathering, Communicating the Joy of the Gospel: Reaching the Occasional Catholic with Bishop Coyne of the Diocese of Burlington, Vermont and readings from Divine Renovation: Bringing Your Parish from Maintenance to Mission. With this backdrop, in conjunction with the work of the prior year with moving toward a more pastoral model, the Council began transitioning to the leadership of Fr. LeFort as our new Rector and becoming familiar with the Re-Igniting Our Faith Campaign. During the year, the need to continue the transition of the Council and the importance of preparing for the approaching Re-Igniting Our Faith Campaign was recognized. This culminated in a Resolution that the next annual discernment take place in June 2019, all terms of office be extended by one year, and that two council vacancies be filled to serve the remaining term as done in the past. We start this year with council members Carol Baechler, Craig Gallagher, Joyce Grogan, Tom Killeen, Dale King, Maureen Gross, Gerry Johnson, Darryl Michael, Tim O'Connor, Kim Springsteen, Joe Strodel, and Brian Walden. In keeping with our Council dedication, we pray that the Blessed Mother, our patron of the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, will guide us to witness the loving person of Jesus Christ and help us to respond to the needs of our Cathedral community.



**Remembering Cathedral Parishioners
Who Served in World War I:
November 11, 2018 – 100th Anniversary of
the Armistice**

Sunday, November 11, 2018 – 11:00 a.m. – At this moment, the world will be commemorating the centennial of “the eleventh hour, of the eleventh day, of the eleventh month” when the Armistice was declared bringing to a close the four years of bloody conflict of World War I. Here at the Cathedral, we ask our parishioners, visitors and guests to take a moment to remember the parishioners who went before us and served our nation in 1917-18.

Our records show 481 parishioners served in the United States armed forces during the hostilities. 18 were killed in battle or died of sickness contacted while on duty. Three Cathedral parishioners received the Distinguished Service Medal and one, PFC Parker F. Dunn, posthumously received the Congressional Medal of Honor. The names of all Cathedral parishioners who served in World War I have been added to our Book of the Dead—and we ask you to remember them in your prayers.

Please take a moment to learn more about the Diocesan and Cathedral experience in World War I in the historical display in the rear of the Cathedral and visit the World War I & II Memorial Plaques located on the back wall of the Cathedral, where we remember the souls of those who served and sacrificed in protecting freedom.



**Come as a Guest
Leave as a Friend**

Please join us for **Hospitality** after the 9:00 am and 11:00 am mass on Sunday, November 18th.

If you would like to assist in this hospitality by either serving, baking or purchasing baked goods, please contact **Judy Gilligan** at 518-439-6395.

Save the Date
December 7th at 7:30 PM
Cathedral Choir In Concert

THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

The Strength of Our Prayer

Over the last several months, we have again been thrust into the dark and terrible reality that the Church is not immune from the effects of evil at work in her members. And this reality has sparked various emotions in so many of us: anger, disgust, shame, and the like. As a people of faith, one of our most blessed responses to such evil is prayer—delving into that wellspring of a vital and personal relationship with the living and true God. This relationship—strengthened in prayer—can be the buoy that our faith life needs when we sense we may be tossed about by the storm. Not in weakness, but rather, emboldened by God and His grace, we turn to the Lord time and again for intercession, for heart-felt pleas, with longing souls and sorrowing consciences.

The Catholic bishops of the United States will be meeting as a group this Monday through Thursday. During those meetings, the bishops will be making critical decisions in response to the current clergy sexual abuse crisis. This is a critical time for our Church; therefore, Father LeFort will offer a Holy Hour with the Blessed Sacrament in the Cathedral on Wednesday, November 14, from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. His intentions will be four-fold: for the healing and support of all victims of clergy sexual abuse; for the conversion and repentance of the perpetrators and concealers of sexual abuse; for renewed holiness in all members of the Church; and for the strength of the bishops to be holy shepherds in protecting and leading their flocks from all harm. Please join Father LeFort and our parish community in prayer that evening for as much or as little time as you would like. The power of prayer and the grace of the presence of the Most Blessed Sacrament will surely enliven our hearts with the Lord's love.

Prayer is crucial in this critical time; let us entrust our deep concerns to God, who alone can truly heal them.

Stewardship Treasure

The collection for November 4th was \$3,629.56. The second collection was \$1,441.24. The Holy Day Collection was \$886.00

Thank you for all you have given to the Cathedral.

SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND

CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT .

Thanksgiving Baskets

Advertisements are reminding us that Thanksgiving is just around the corner. This year we estimate that 125 families will request food baskets. We are once more appealing to you for your generous support. This year we are asking for \$10.00 Price Chopper gift cards so that we can give each family a gift card to purchase a desserts that is not included in the Thanksgiving food baskets we give out.

This Year we will be filling the Thanksgiving Baskets on Monday, November 19th at 1:00 pm and Tuesday, November 20th at 9:30 am. If you would like to help, please contact Mark at the food pantry 518-463-2279.

Please pray for our sick; Jeffrey Abraham, Robert Buell, Shirley Anderson, Lucy Apisa, Stephen Beattie, Judi Barlow, Carol Bruce, 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, Janette Fusco, 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, Donald Law, Gayle Leonard, Rebecca Leno, Therese Lenz, Diane Lo Prete, Maria Marchio, Marie-Ann Melenfant, 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, Mark Roman, Matthew Rosato, Megan Ruthman, Elaine Spoor, Jane Strodel, Adam Ventura, Sebastian Vicencio, Richard Warner, Raphael Warner, Rosa Maria Santos

November 10, 2018

Cathedral Liturgical Celebrations, Meetings and Mass Intentions for the week of Octo- ber 10 2018 – November 18,2018

Saturday, November 10,

5:15PM Mass

Intention: Constance Below

Intention: Margaret Schumacher

Sunday, November 11,

9:00AM Mass

10:00AM **No Faith Formation**

11:00AM Mass

Intention: Joseph Aguece

5:00PM Mass

Monday, November 12, **Office&Food Pantry
Closed.**

12:15 PM NO Mass

Tuesday, November 13,

7:15AM Mass

12:00PM AA meeting (rectory)

Wednesday, November 14,

12:15 PM Mass

Intention: Carol Moneymaker

6:00 PM Holy Hour

Thursday, November 15,

7:15 AM Mass

Intention: Richard Powers Jr.

Friday November 16,

12:15 PM Mass

Intention: Antonia Pasciak

Saturday, November 17,

5:15PM Mass

Sunday, November 18,

9:00AM Mass

10:00AM Faith Formation

11:00AM Mass

5:00PM Mass

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For Our Veterans from Fr. LeFort



This weekend, our minds are brought to recall the countless veterans of our generations, and to thank them—and Almighty God—for the great sacrifices they have made on behalf of our citizenry. For our freedom and our many cherished rights,

they have not only witnessed the tragedies of war and extreme conflict, but they placed themselves into those horrific scenes knowing that they were serving the good of citizens who would be grateful for their offering. Although I have never personally engaged in such terror, many have shared with me their sorrows and pain and I have been blessed time and again with the trust they have placed in me as they continue to live with their memories and their grief. Brothers and sisters do not let this day come to an end without offering a heart-felt prayer of gratitude to God for the veterans of our parish, neighborhood and diocese; they offered the gift of their lives for our good; we must offer them the gifts of our gratitude and love.

Anniversary of the Dedication of the Cathedral

Our beloved Cathedral was dedicated on November 21, 1852. This year we mark the 166th anniversary of that solemnity. Generations have prayed; thousands upon hundreds of thousands have been baptized and celebrated the many sacraments of our faith here at the Cathedral. Join with us as we mark our anniversary at all Masses next weekend, November 17th and 18th.

The parish family of the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception extends sincere condolences to the family of those who have died, especially

Angelo Frattianni

(Brother of Josephine Razanousky)

“Grant them, O Lord, we pray, and all who sleep in Christ, a place of refreshment, light and peace.”