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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:

Joy marks the return of a remnant— a large throng—from exile in the desert. The Lord has delivered his people. Their tears of departure contrast with the happiness upon their return. One point could not be clearer: the Lord has always been and will always be the Father of Israel.

Second Reading:

Jesus Christ is the Son of the Father from whom his high priesthood comes. The Father glorifies Christ and makes him a priest forever in the order of Melchizedek. Christ deals patiently with our sins because he shares in the fullness of our humanity. He offers himself for our sins because he also shares in the fullness of divinity.

Gospel:

Despite the rebuke of many, the blind beggar, Bartimaeus, would not stop calling out to Jesus for pity. Jesus does not ignore his cries, but rather calls him near and asks him what he desires. Bartimaeus simply wants to see. Jesus heals the blind man, noting that his faith saved him. Bartimaeus responds to his newly-gained sight by following Jesus.

Catholic Social Teaching: Welcome the Stranger

November 4, 2018 Parish of Mater Christi

TEEN EVENT

Mass – 4:00 PM Presentation – 5:00 PM
 Rev. Robert Longobucco, Vicar for Faith Formation
 Mr. Fred Boeher, Co-Director Emmaus House

International Simple Sampling Supper following the Presentation

For more information contact Thomas Fowler, DRE at 463-4447 or FFCICa@rcda.org

Emergency Collection

An emergency collection will be taken up the weekend of November 10th for humanitarian aid and the needs of Churches devastated by the storms in the South and Southeast regions of the United States in September and October. This emergency collection is intended to cover needs created by future 2018 domestic storms/ calamities. To donate, make your check payable to the parish— in the memo portion write: **2018 Disasters Emergency Collection.** Our parish will send one check to Catholic Charities and 100% of the donations will go to the 2018 Disasters Collection.

FEAST OF ALL SAINTS

Thursday, November 1st, is the Feast of All Saints. It is a holy day of obligation. The Masses at The Cathedral are at 7:15am, 12:15pm and 5:15pm.

Solemn Mid-Afternoon Prayer

On the Feast of All Saints—Thursday, November 1st—Fr. LeFort will celebrate solemn mid-afternoon prayer at 3:00pm. During prayer, we will also deposit additional relics of saints that have been secured from area altars no longer in use during the sacred liturgy. All are welcome to participate in this prayer which will be held in the sanctuary and choir of the Cathedral.

All Souls Day Evening Mass

On Friday, November 2nd, all are invited to commemorate the faithful departed at 6:00pm Mass at the Cathedral. We will be remembering parishioners and other family members who have died since November 1, 2017. Each name will be proclaimed and a candle lit during the liturgy. Parishioners who, during that period, have lost loved ones who were not buried from the Cathedral are invited to call the Cathedral Office, (518) 463-4447 or email the office at CICAlban@rcda.org by Monday, October 29th, to have loved ones included in this remembrance.

DIACONATE INFORMATION NIGHT

On Wednesday, November 14th, the Diocese of Albany will hold an Information Night for men interested in learning more about the ministry of the Diaconate from 7-9pm at the Diocesan Pastoral Center at 40 North Main Ave, Albany. Go to initial.formation@rcda.org or call Sarah at 453-6690 by Nov 1st .

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Food Pantry

We are making preparations for Thanksgiving Food Baskets to be distributed to our guests and would greatly appreciate the donation of \$10.00 Price Chopper Gift Cards. We put one card in each basket so that the guest may purchase something festive for the occasion as our baskets do not contain any desert items.

Why Catholic?

Too many of us cradle Catholics can't answer the above question in a substantial way but just ask a convert. They know why they entered the Church. "Convinced" is a video about converts. They tell us why they came in, and, for us, it's a short course on Catholicism that we need. You won't be bored. Join us on Friday evening, November 9th, at 7:00pm at The Cathedral Of The Immaculate Conception Rectory (125 Eagle Street, Albany) to get to know more about your Faith. The exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and benediction will follow.

Save the Date

On Tuesday, November 13 from 6pm to 7:30pm, all are invited to stop by for an open house to reveal the renovations taking place in our former Cathedral Convent. Our building at 93 Park Avenue (next door to Bishop Maginn High School) is the new site for the diocese's "St. Isaac Jogues House of Discernment". Visitors will have a chance to see the different ongoing projects, future plans, learn what happens in such a house and the hoped-for benefits to our parish, neighborhood and diocese. Also, some of the new residents will be on hand to greet us. All are welcome.

ALBANY DIOCESE MARIAN CONSECRATION

RCDA Marian Consecration & Renewal with 33 Days to Morning Glory or a Marian Consecration book of your choice – Bishop Ed is inviting everyone in the diocese to join him in a 33- day preparation period beginning around Monday, November 5, 2018. The preparation will be culminated with the renewed Consecration to Jesus through Mary at the Cathedral on the holy day of obligation, the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Saturday, December 8th at 11:00 AM. This Consecration Mass fulfills the holy day obligation. Please check out www.rcda.org/marianconsecration for more information.

Stewardship Treasure

The collection for October 21st was \$3,721.80. The second collection was \$1084.32. **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. It is quick, easy and secure! Thank you to all who demonstrate such generous care for our Cathedral parish.

FAITH FORMATION

The new season of Faith Formation has begun. We offer formation from Kindergarten through high school and sacramental preparation for First Eucharist, First Reconciliation and Confirmation. Classes meet on Sunday, 10:00am to 10:50am in the rectory across the street from the Cathedral.

SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND

UTILITIES .

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, Angelo Frattianni, 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, Mary Lauria, 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, Nancy Robilatto, Mark Roman, Matthew Rosato, Megan Ruthman, Joe Shea, Elaine Spoor, Jane Strodel, Adam Ventura, Sebastian Vicencio, Richard Warner, Raphael Warner, Rosa Maria Santos

October 28, 2018

Cathedral Liturgical Celebrations, Meetings and Mass Intentions for the week of Octo- ber 27 2018 – November 4,2018

Saturday, October 27,

5:15PM Mass

Sunday, October 28,

9:00AM Mass

Intention: Thomas Riley

Requested By: Family

10:00AM Faith Formation

11:00AM Mass

5:00PM Mass

Monday, October 29,

12:15 PM Mass

Intention: John Sulzman

Tuesday, October 30,

7:15AM Mass

12:00PM AA meeting (rectory)

6:00PM PAC meeting

Wednesday, October 31,

12:15 PM Mass

Intention: Harold Major

Requested By: Colleen Rockwell

Thursday, November 1, All Saints Day

7:15 AM Mass

12:15PM Mass

5:15PM Mass

Friday November 2,

12:15 PM Mass

6:00PM Mass

Saturday, November 3,

5:15PM Mass

Intentions For: Laura Ceron and Shirley Riley

Sunday, November 4,

9:00AM Mass

10:00AM Faith Formation

11:00AM Mass

Intention: Tricia Dougherty

Requested By: Edith Brady

5:00PM Mass

October 28, 2018

Food Pantry News: New Director

Just this past week, our parish staff celebrated Sister Margaret Mary Hohl, DC with a dinner party, as we wished her well in her retirement. After 10 years of directing the social services ministry at our food pantry, Sister has earned a special place in all our hearts. And just a few weeks ago, we welcomed our new Director of Social Services – Food Pantry: Mark **Ciavardoni** is excited to begin this new ministry. Our volunteers have been gracious in their welcome and they have been supportive of Mark and his efforts as they enter a new chapter for our Food Pantry. Welcome Mark!

The Great East Window of Our Cathedral

We have received updated information from our architects: the restoration of the Great East Window in the façade of our Cathedral should be completed in mid- to late-November. We will all be happy to see its majesty once again!

Italian Pilgrimage

Have you ever dreamed of visiting Italy? Join Fr. David LeFort of the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception (Albany) and Father Anthony Barratt of Holy Trinity Parish (Hudson) as they lead us through Siena, Assisi and Rome **May 19-31, 2019**. We'll visit stunningly beautiful cities and



towns like Orvieto, Siena, San Gimignano, Cortona, Assisi, Spoleto, Montefalco, and of course...Rome. Both priests have spent a

combined 12 years in Rome and have led over a half-dozen such tours. You won't be disappointed. Cost, including r/t airfare and transfers, is \$4,399/person (for single occupancy—extremely limited—add \$800). This tour is limited to 40 participants. For more information, call Holy Trinity Parish 518-828-1334. **If you would like to make your reservation, please stop by the sacristy and pick up a brochure and reservation form.**