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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.



Handicapped-Accessible

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First Reading:

God created human beings for companionship with all of creation and with each other. Husband and wife become one flesh. God created them as partners in their relationship.

Second Reading:

We are brothers and sisters of Christ, for God made him holy just as he, in turn, consecrates us. God perfected Jesus through his suffering and death so that having shared fully in our humanity, he might be the high priest who makes us holy.

Gospel:

The Pharisees and the disciples both question Jesus about the legality of a husband divorcing his wife. What God has joined, Jesus says, human beings must not separate. The longer form of the Gospel reading includes Jesus' instruction to his disciples who were turning back the people bringing their children to him, to let the children come.

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.**

FABULOUS FATHERS PRIEST TALENT SHOW and fundraiser, sponsored by Regina Caeli Academy, hosted by Emcee, Fr. Rick Lesser. **Friday, November 9, 2018 at Key Hall** (off Proctors arcade) from 6-11pm. The evening includes local priest entertainment, dinner, and auctions. Tickets can be purchased by visiting **RCAhybrid.org**. For more info call **(518) 232-6070**.

ST. KATERI TEKAKWITHA NATIONAL SHRINE in Fonda is very excited to be celebrating its 80th anniversary. To mark the special occasion, this historical landmark will be hosting a Gala Celebration honoring the Most Reverend Edward B. Scharfenberger, Bishop of Albany, on October 17th at the River Stone Manor in Glenville from 6-9pm. Please consider joining us or becoming an event sponsor! Details are available at www.katerishrine.com; Call the Shrine office (518) 853-3646

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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 8th, at 7:00pm at The Cathedral Of The Immaculate Conception (125 Eagle Street, Albany) to get to know more about your Faith. The exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and benediction will follow.

BISHOP'S APPEAL

To date we have received \$65,633.26 in outright gifts and pledges from 169 donors for an average gift of \$388.36 per donor. This constitutes 86% of the Cathedral's assessment of \$76,511. If you have not yet made your contribution, there is still time. The Stewardship Office will not close the books on this year's appeal until March 15, 2019. Please contact Thomas Fowler at 518-463-4447 if you have any questions. As always we thank you for your generous support.

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (R.C.I.A.)

Christian initiation is accomplished by three sacraments together: Baptism which is the beginning of new life; Confirmation which is its strengthening; and the Eucharist which nourishes the disciple with Christ's Body and Blood for one's transformation in Christ. At some point in their lives, many people find themselves interested in the Catholic Church. Whatever the reason, know that there are many people who desire a closer relationship with Christ and a community in which to thrive and worship to help deepen that relationship. The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults helps individuals journey to a deeper understanding of Jesus and the Catholic faith. It is a life-changing journey. To inquire about the R.C.I.A. here at the Cathedral, please contact the Parish Office (by telephone, 518.463.4447, or by email: CICALban@rcda.org).

Stewardship Treasure

The collection for September 29th was 3,888.05. **Thank you for all you have given to the Cathedral.**

Please join us for **Hospitality** after the 9:00 am and 11:00 am mass on Sunday, October 14th. 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.

In observance of Columbus Day the Cathedral Office and Food Pantry will be closed Monday, October 8th. There will be no 12:15 pm Mass.

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

Stephanie Laffin

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

Please pray for our sick; Jeffrey Abraham, Robert Buell, Shirley Anderson, Lucy Apisa, Stephen Beattie, Judi Barlow, 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 7, 2018

Cathedral Liturgical Celebrations, Meetings and Mass Intentions for the week of Octo- ber 6 2018 - October 14,2018

Saturday, October 6,

5:15PM Mass

Sunday, October 7,

9:00AM Mass

11:00AM Mass

2:00PM Marriage Jubilee

5:00PM Mass

Monday, October 8, -Office Closed.

12:15 PM NO Mass

Tuesday, October 9,

7:15AM Mass

12:00PM AA meeting (rectory)

Wednesday, October 10,

12:15 PM Mass

Thursday, October 11,

7:15 AM Mass

Friday October 12,

12:15 PM Mass

Saturday, October 13,

5:15PM Mass

Intention: Edward FitzGerald (County Wexford)

Requested by: Mary Anne Lanni

Sunday, October 14,

9:00AM Mass-Hospitality Following Mass

10:00AM Faith Formation

11:00AM Mass-Hospitality Following Mass

5:00PM Mass

October 7, 2018

A Letter from Father LeFort

Just this week, readers of The Evangelist (our diocesan newspaper) received Bishop Scharfenberger's invitation to recite together the Prayer of St. Michael the Archangel at each celebration of Masses for The Lord's Day and Holy Days. I am pleased to receive and accept this invitation on behalf of our Cathedral parish. Beginning this weekend, we will be asked to pray together the following prayer after we have been sent and responded, "Thanks be to God.":

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle;
be our defense against the wickedness and
snares of the devil.
May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do
you, O prince of the heavenly host,
by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan
and the other evil spirits
who prowl about the world for the ruin of
souls. Amen.

For the sake of ease, please find the text of this prayer on the last page of your service leaflet. Finally, thanks to so many of you for receiving the Bishop's invitation to be united in our prayer during these turbulent times.

Faithfully yours,
Fr. David LeFort



OPEN HOUSE 10.17.18 6-8PM