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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

www.cathedralic.com

First Reading:

This third of the four servant songs in Isaiah shows how the Servant has given himself to those who persecuted and beat him. In spite of his suffering, the Servant still professes the Lord is his help. Will anyone disprove the Lord's nearness and support of his Servant?

Second Reading:

Faith and works are a pair. Neither exists without the other. Faith does not belong to one person and the responsibility of demonstrating faith by works to another. Our life of faith is a life of works in response to the gift of faith. Let our faith be alive in our actions!

Gospel:

The verses from chapter 8 stand as the turning point in Mark's account of the Gospel. Jesus inquires of his disciples who people say he is. His second question is personal. He wants to know who the disciples say he is. Peter's affirmation of him as the Christ leads to a warning not to let on to others about his identity, a prediction of his Passion, and an instruction to the disciples to take up their Cross and follow Jesus.

Join the Choirs of the Cathedral!

Open enrollment is offered in all Cathedral Choirs.

The **Cathedral Choir of Adults** is open to male and female singers of high school age and older. Interested singers should have previous choral experience and the ability to read music. An informal meeting and audition with the Director of Music is required for this ensemble. The **Cathedral Choir of Trebles** is open to boys and girls from Grade 3 until voice change. No prior choral experience is necessary for this ensemble, although prospective choristers should have the ability to match pitch. An informal meeting and audition with the Director of Music is required for this ensemble. Parents/Guardians interested in enrolling their children in the Treble Choir are invited to meet with the Director of Music to discuss joining the Choir. The **Cathedral "Troubadours" Training Choir** is open to boys and girls in Kindergarten through the 2nd Grade. No prior musical experience is necessary for this ensemble. Parents/Guardians interested in enrolling their children in the Training Choir are invited to contact the Director of Music to discuss joining the Choir. For the Training Choir, prospective families are welcome to "give it a try" before deciding to join. The recommended trial period is one month, which includes 4 rehearsals and 1 liturgy.

Contact:

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TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

ROAD TO EMMAUS MEN'S CONFERENCE

Challenging Men to Walk with the Risen Lord, this Conference (cosponsored with the Vocations Office) will be held at St. Edward the Confessor, Clifton Park on October 20, 2018. The Program will begin at 9:00am and features Rev Brian Dunkle, SJ and Rev. Jeffrey Kirby, STL along with Bishop Scharfenberger who will offer mass. The day also includes confessions and Eucharistic Adoration. Registration fees (includes a box lunch) pre registration: \$55; at the door: \$65. Students: \$10. Registration begins at 8am / online at www.albany-emmaus.org.

Stewardship Treasure

The collection for September 9th was \$2,652.50.

Thank you for all you have given to the Cathedral.

SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND

CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY.

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 or purchase tickets at <https://www.eventbrite.com>

Joint Parish Picnic

September 23rd at Bethlehem Elm Ave Town Park between 12:30 and 4:00 PM. We'll have kid's games, a 50/50 drawing, volleyball, horseshoes, and much more. Hamburgers, hot dogs, beverages and paper products will be provided by the Parishes. All we need is YOU and whatever tasty salads, side dishes, or desserts you decide to bring to share!

Sign up sheets located at the entrance of Church.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER Jesus said, "Come away and rest awhile." Give your marriage new life by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next weekend is Nov 3-4, 2018 in ALBANY. For more information, call Ed & Rhonda Staats at 518-279-3243 or visit them at <https://www.womenyalb.org>.

Please pray for our sick; Jeffrey Abraham, Robert Buell, Shirley Anderson, Lucy Apisa, Stephen Beattie, Cora Butler, 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

Mass Intentions— Having a mass offered for an individual is a wonderful way to honor their memory. If you wish to request a mass intention, please call or email the rectory office at: 518-463-4447 or cicalban@rcda.org. The donation for a mass intention is \$10.00. You may enclose the filled out form below along with your donation. Just drop it in the collection basket or mail it to the rectory.

Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception Mass Intention request: If the date and time are available, I would like to request a mass intention for the following:

Date _____
Name for the intention _____
Please indicate if the intention is for living or deceased
Requested by _____
Phone number _____
Email _____

September 16, 2018

Cathedral Liturgical Celebrations, Meetings and Mass Intentions for the week of Sep- tember 15 2018 – September 23,2018

Saturday, September 15,

5:15PM Mass

Sunday, September 16,

9:00AM Mass

Intention: Marjorie Nardacci
Requested by: Don Nardacci

11:00AM Mass

5:00PM Mass

Monday, September 17,

12:15 PM Mass

Tuesday, September 18,

7:15AM Mass

12:00PM AA meeting (rectory)

Wednesday, September 19,

12:15 PM Mass

Thursday, September 20,

7:15 AM Mass

Friday September 21,

12:15 PM Mass

Saturday, September 22,

5:15PM Mass

Intention: Robert Hershey
Requested by: Eugene Tacelly

Sunday, September 23,

9:00AM Mass

11:00AM Mass

5:00PM Mass

**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).

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 (it's Cathedral is pictured here), 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. Watch upcoming bulletins for more details.