



# SHRINE CHURCH OF OUR LADY OF THE AMERICAS

A MINISTRY OF BLESSED SACRAMENT PARISH

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**Sunday, May 12, 2024**

**Seventh Sunday of Easter**

*The Lord has set his throne in heaven.*



## MASS INTENTIONS

May 12

**9:00 am English Mass**

- ✠ *Helen McGinty* by the McGinty family
- ✠ *Maggie Gilroy* by Maureen Jeffers
- ✠ *Marion Giordano* by the Giordano family

**11:00 am Spanish Mass**

May 19

**9:00 am English Mass**

- ✠ *Frank McGinty* by the McGinty family
- ✠ *Grant* and ✠ *Alice Ford*
- ✠ *Sybil McPherson* by the McPherson family

**11:00 am Spanish Mass**

- ✠ *Domingo Antonio Rodriguez* (2018)  
by Carolina, Emely, Mercedes, Diana y Liliana

## SHARING OUR TREASURE

*~ Giving as an act of Worship ~*

*We need at least \$2,750.00 per week in the collections to break even, not counting unexpected maintenance costs.*

**Collection Information for May 5, 2024**

**Regular Offertory: \$1679    Total: \$1679**

### Mission Statement

*"We are a vibrant, welcoming, multi-cultural Catholic community in the heart of the City of Albany celebrating and ministering the presence of Jesus with our parishioners and neighbors."*

**View Masses Online on Facebook:**

<https://www.facebook.com/shrinechurchofourladyoftheamericas/>



## DIRECTORY

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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**Sunday, May 12**

**Seventh Sunday in Easter**

*The Lord has set his throne in heaven.*

**Sunday, May 19**

**Pentecost**

*Lord, send out your Spirit,  
and renew the face of the earth.*

## LECTIO DIVINA

**English:** <https://catholic.bible/category/lectio-divina/>

**Spanish:** <https://catholic.bible/lectio-divina-en-espanol/>

**Sunday, May 19 - Pentecost**

**First Reading:** Genesis 11:1-9

**Responsorial Psalm:** Psalms 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-30

**Second Reading:** Romans 8:22-27

**Gospel:** St. John 7:37-39

**Scam Alert:** If you receive an email or text from Fr. O'Connor or Fr. Dan requesting money or gift cards be sent to anyone in need, **It is a scam.**

**Hospital Visits:** Please notify our Shrine Church Office at 518-465-3685 and/or Fr. O'Connor at 518-588-2531 or Deacon Fabian or our Pastoral Associate Alejandra Saucedo about any member of our community who is in the hospital or is homebound and not able to come to church.

**In case of an emergency** requiring the ministry of a priest, outside of parish office hours, especially in danger of death, please contact the priests at (518) 482-3375. If no one answers, please leave a message.

**Catholic Charities Collection Next Weekend** – in our large 14 county diocese, Catholic Charities extends our reach to our neighbors. Please consider a donation to their work of feeding the hungry, sheltering the homeless and caring for children during our **second collection on May 18 & 19**. For more information, (or to make an online donation) visit: <https://bit.ly/CCSupport24>, text CCSupport24 to 4144.

**Food Pantry and Boutique at Blessed Sacrament**  
Our **food pantry** has once again been selected as a Hannaford “Fight Hunger” bag program partner! During May 2024, our food pantry will receive \$1 for each reusable Fight Hunger bag sold at the Hannaford store located at 5 Maple Rd., Voorheesville.

The food pantry is **open Mondays and Thursdays, 10:00-11:30 a.m.** Do you speak Spanish? Are you looking for a way to serve others in God’s love? We need Spanish speaking volunteers! Please let our parish office know if you feel called to help!

**The Boutique** is not accepting men’s suits until further notice. We are still in great need of girls clothing, though! \*The Boutique is **open Saturdays, 9 a.m.-noon**, and accepts donations on **Tuesdays and Fridays, 9 a.m.-noon**.

**Mark your calendars!!!!** Our **37th annual parish weekend at Pyramid Life Center is August 16-18th**.



Enjoy the beauty of the Adirondacks with your family and church community at an affordable price for food and lodging! Registration begins on Sunday June 23rd. We hope to see you there!!!

The movie **"Jesus Thirsts: The Miracle of the Eucharist"** is coming to Colonie Center and Crossgates theaters on **June 4th and 5th** at 4:00 pm and 7:00 pm.



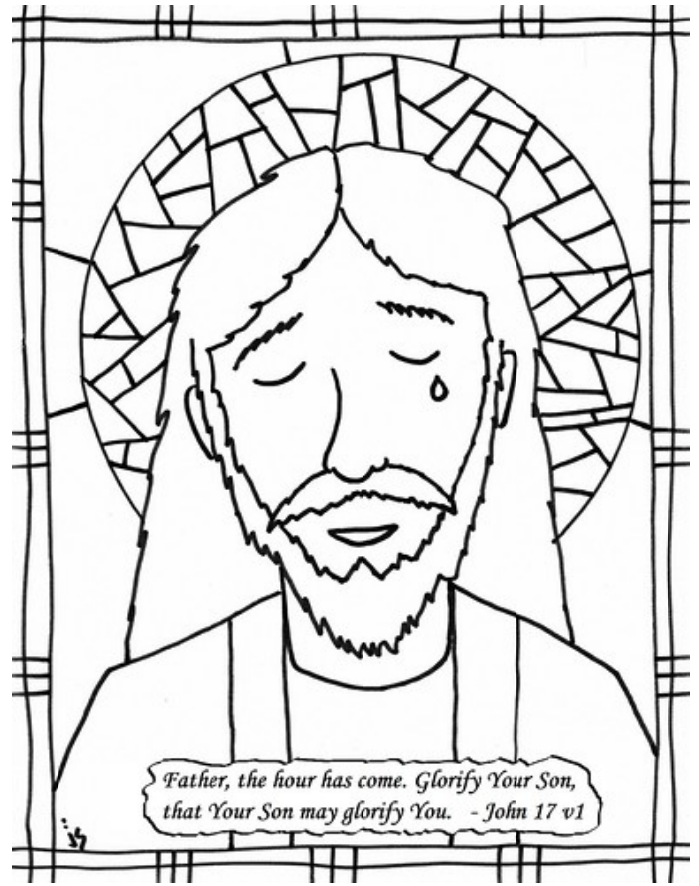
**Pennies for the Parish**

Grab a jar or use your own! Fill it with your pennies, nickels, dimes & quarters! Hand in your filled jars at any Sunday Mass. Thank you very much! "A penny saved is a penny earned", so the saying goes.

**Rosary Challenge**

Bishop Robert Barron has a Rosary Challenge for the month of May, asking Catholics all over the world to pray the rosary for fallen-away Catholics to return to the Church. You can register your participation by Googling "Word on Fire Rosary Challenge".

**CHILDREN’S CORNER**



**Albany Medical Center** is looking for **Eucharist Ministers**. The commitment could be as small or large as they want, i.e., once a month for one hour, once a week, etc. If you are not currently a Eucharistic Minister, Fr. Mali will train you. Contact him at (518) 262-3992 or [malij2@amc.edu](mailto:malij2@amc.edu).

**A Mother's Love**

*There are times when only a mother's love  
Can understand our tears,  
Can soothe our disappoints  
And calm all of our fears.  
There are times when only a mother's love  
Can share the joy we feel  
When something we've dreamed about  
Quite suddenly is real.  
There are times when only a mother's faith  
Can help us on life's way  
And inspire in us the confidence  
We need from day to day.  
For a mother's heart and a mother's faith  
And a mother's steadfast love  
Were fashioned by the angels  
And sent from God above.*

- Author Unknown