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Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time – August 22, 2021

♪ ♪ Taste and see the goodness of the Lord. ♪ ♪

<p>August 22 9:30 am English Mass † Mary Engel <i>For our parishioners vacationing at Pyramid Lake</i></p> <p>12:00 pm Spanish Mass † Basilia Correa by her daughter Elena Dominguez † Rosendo Frías by his grandchildren <i>For our parishioners vacationing at Pyramid Lake</i></p>	<p>Mass Intentions</p> 	<p>August 29 9:30 am English Mass</p> <p>12:00 pm Spanish Mass</p>
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Sharing our Treasure
 ~ Giving as an act of Worship ~
 We need at least \$2,500.00 per week in the collections to break even, not counting unexpected maintenance costs.

Collections as of August 15
Regular: \$6214.39
Assumption: \$311.00
Peter's Pence: \$15.00

If you are unable to attend Mass, please mail checks:
 274 Sherman Street, Albany, NY 12206. *Do not mail cash.*

Thank you, each and all, who share your Time, Talent & Treasure with our community

Calendar of Events
Sunday August 22, 2021
Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time
Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

Sunday August 29, 2021
Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time
The one who does justice will live in the presence of the Lord.

To View Masses Online:
 Go to the Live Mass on Facebook for All Masses Held at the Shrine Church
<https://www.facebook.com/shrinechurchofourladyoftheamericas/>

Mass during Coronavirus pandemic:
Procedures: Face masks must be worn at all times. Six feet social distancing must be observed. During *Holy Communion*: to maintain appropriate “social distancing”, our ambassadors will direct those going to Communion. Persons sitting on the Blessed Mother’s side will go first; THEN, persons on the St. Joseph side of the church. Those in the front of the church will receive in the front of the center aisle. Receive the Body of Christ in your hand. As you turn away, lower your mask, consume the Body of Christ, and then raise your mask again. This helps protect you and those who distribute the Holy Eucharist.

Lectio Divina

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

Readings for Sunday, August 29

First Reading: Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-8
Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 15:2-5
Second Reading: James 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27
Gospel: St. Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

Covid Update from Bishop Scharfenberger
We should **continue to wear face masks and social distance during Mass.** This is important for vulnerable people. We are now called and expected to a true, active, live and in person participation in Sunday Mass. If you are sick or suffering from serious illness or in a vulnerable category or experiencing anxiety about returning to Mass in person, you are not obliged to attend Sunday Mass in person.

Shrine Church Administrative Assistant (part-time)

Seeking part-time Administrative Assistant to support the Chaplain and Pastoral Associate. The Administrative Assistant extends hospitality and welcome to all in the parish and in the community. Assist with communications, maintain records, oversee financial donations, and assist the Chaplain and Pastoral Associate as needed. Bilingual in English and Spanish preferred; 15 hours per week; availability for 2 hours on Sunday preferred, not required. blesseedsacramentalb@gmail.com to request an application.

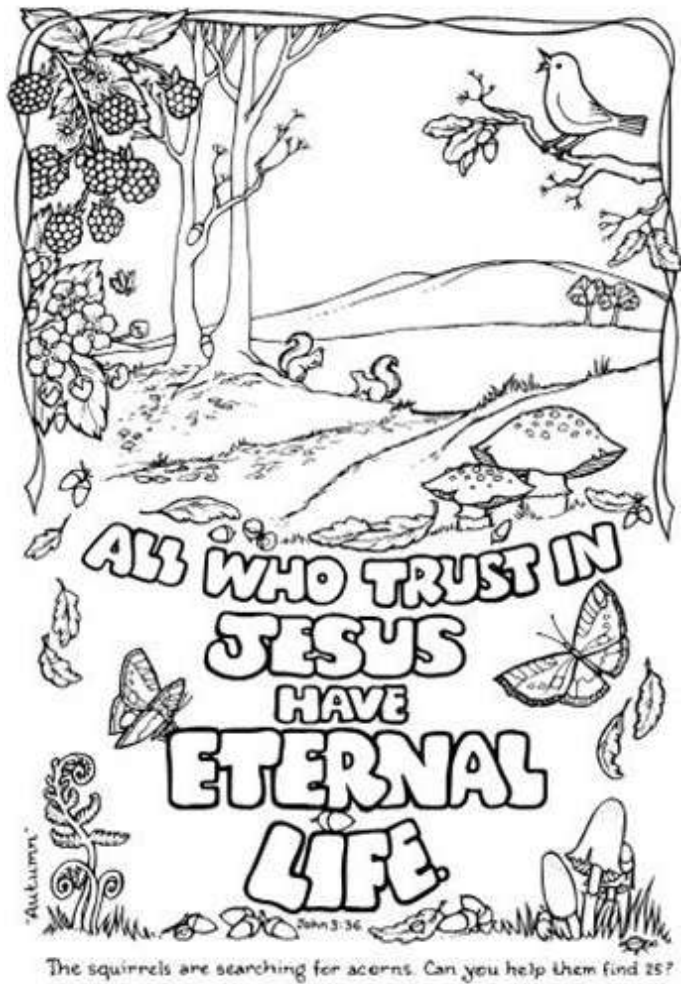
“Faith on Film” – Summer Movie Series

St. Vincent’s and Blessed Sacrament Parishes are hosting a film series called “Faith on Film” at the newly-renovated Madison Theatre in Albany. Films chosen for this series are challenging, inspiring, and sometimes just straight entertaining (with a subtle message). The last movie will be on **August 31 at 7:00 pm:** “My Italian Secret” There will be a short introduction to each film. Parking is available in the St. Vincent’s lot (a block from the theatre – don’t park in the Price Chopper lot!). The price of admission is a voluntary contribution to the food pantry.

Online Ministry: volunteers for livestream Sunday Masses. Contact *Teresa Crasto-Donnelly*: 518-210-9524 or teresacrasto@gmail.com for 9:30 Mass, and *Fausto Franco*: 518-330-8120 or fausto_franco@hotmail.com 12:00 Mass.

This week our second collection is for the Catholic Home Missions Appeal. Home mission dioceses are those in the United States, its territories and former territories that cannot provide basic pastoral services - the sacraments, religious education and ministry training - without outside help. Over 40% of dioceses in the United States and its territories are considered home missions. *Please support this causes generously.*

Children’s Corner



The **Albany Capital Center** will host an exhibit **Michaelangelo - A Different View** of over 50 pieces of Michaelangelo’s work, including the ‘*Last Judgement*’. This exhibit will run from July 29 through August 23. Tickets are \$8-\$17 with group and family discounts. Contact Albany Capital Center for tickets.

Question of the Week

Adults:

How does the love between a husband and wife help me understand Christ’s relationship to his Church?

Children:

What can I do for my family to show them Jesus’ love?

Do you have a body? Then the upcoming event at St. Clement’s in Saratoga is right for you! Christopher West and Mike Mangione lead **an evening of music and conversation exploring why we were made by God and what we were made for and God’s design of us, body and soul.** Christopher and Mike are insistent that we were Made for More. Thursday, Sep. 23, 2021, 7:00-9:30. Tickets are available at Blessed Sacrament office, \$25. TOBINstitute.org

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Please fill in your information below and drop in the collection. Date: _____

Name: _____ () I am new to the parish.
Address: _____ () Send me “The Evangelist.”
Phone: _____ Email: _____ () Please send church envelopes.