



Important Contact Information

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Deadline for Bulletin Announcement & Attachment:

Wednesdays @ Noon ~ Tammy Crasto, tmcrasto@hotmail.com ~ August

Mass Intentions: Tammy Crasto (518) 229-7345 or Confesora Franco (518) 542-4192

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time – August 8, 2021

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

August 8

9:30 am English Mass

✠ Elizabeth Sheeran by the McGinty family

12:00 pm Spanish Mass

✠ Roberto S. Perez by Nancy Girón Perez

✠ Rafael Arenas

by his daughter Alejandra Saucedo and family

✠ Ernesto Barrios Ramirez

by his wife, children and grandchildren

✠ Anastacio Bautista, ✠ Ana Villegas de Bautista,

✠ Lola Bautista Castro,

✠ Oscar Bautista Montalvo,

and for the health of Gregory Olyn Proctor

by Aldo Escalante Bautista

Mass Intentions



August 15

9:30 am English Mass

12:00 pm Spanish Mass

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 1

Regular: \$2109.00

Peter's Pence: \$41.00

Food for the Poor: \$100.00

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 8, 2021

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

Sunday August 15, 2021

Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

The queen stands at your right hand, arrayed in gold.

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 15

First Reading: Revelation 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab
Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 45:10-12, 16
Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:20-27
Gospel: St. Luke 1:39-56

Our Annual Weekend at
Pyramid Life Center, August 20-22 is full!
No more application will be accepted.

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. blessedsacramentalb@gmail.com to request an application.

“Faith on Film” – Summer Movie Series

Summer is a great time to go to the movies, and film has long been a medium through which our Christian faith has been portrayed. With that in mind, St. Vincent’s and Blessed Sacrament Parishes will begin 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). Our Catholic tradition has a universally upheld belief that storytelling is a means of conveying the Gospel, and these films carry on that tradition.

The movie series continues as follows:

August 10: “A Beautiful Day in the Neighborhood”
August 31: “My Italian Secret”

These events begin at **7:00 pm**.

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. A basket will be made available at the snack counter.

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.

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.

Children’s Corner

*“I am the living bread that came down from heaven;
whoever eats this bread will live forever;
and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the
world.” - John 6: 51*

The Bread of Life



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 has the Bread of Life helped me
in a difficult situation?*

Children:

What will I ask Jesus, the Bread of Life, to help me with?

Pope Francis’ Prayer Intention for August 2021 “The Church”

*Let us pray for the Church,
that she may receive from the Holy Spirit the grace
and strength to reform herself in the light of the Gospel.*

**NEW TO THE PARISH? Welcome! HAVE A CHANGE OF ADDRESS OR PHONE NUMBER?
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.