



**SHRINE CHURCH OF  
OUR LADY OF THE AMERICAS**  
A MISSION OF BLESSED SACRAMENT PARISH

274 Sherman Street, Albany, NY 12206 (Rear Entrance)  
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**Thirtieth Sunday in  
Ordinary Time ~ October 24, 2021**  
*The Lord has done great things for us;  
we are filled with joy.*



**MASS INTENTIONS**

**October 24**

**9:30 am English Mass**

✠ John, ✠ Helen and ✠ Frank McGinty  
by the McGinty family

**12:00 pm Spanish Mass**

Open for Intentions

**October 31**

**9:30 am English Mass**

Open for Intentions

**12:00 pm Spanish Mass**

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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 October 17, 2021**

**Regular: \$2319.00**

**Fuel: \$70.00**

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

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

**This weekend's second collection is for World  
Mission Sunday. Please be generous. Thank you!**

**To View Masses Online:**

Go to the Live Mass on Facebook  
for All Masses held at the Shrine Church

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

**DIRECTORY**

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**BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS & ATTACHMENTS:**  
Deadline: Wednesdays @ Noon to:  
*Tammy Crasto - [tmerasto@hotmail.com](mailto:tmerasto@hotmail.com) ~ October*

**MASS INTENTIONS :** *Tammy Crasto (518) 229-7345*  
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**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

**Sunday, October 24, 2021**

*Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
*The Lord has done great things for us;*  
*we are filled with joy.*

**Sunday, October 24: 1:00 – 2:30pm**

**Covid Vaccine Clinic** - Capital District Latinos  
160 Central Ave, Albany, NY 12206 - (518) 898-9438

**Sunday, October 31, 2021**

*Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
*I love you, Lord, my strength.*

**Monday, November 1 – All Saints Day**

**Spanish Mass** – 7:00 pm at the Shrine Church  
**English Masses** - 7:00 am and 9:00 am  
at Blessed Sacrament

**Tuesday, November 2 – All Souls' Day**

**Spanish Mass** – 7:00 pm at the Shrine Church  
*During this Mass we remember all our deceased loved  
ones. All are invited to join us as we pray for all our  
family members and friends who have gone to the Lord.*  
**English Masses** - 7:00 am, 12:00 pm, and 5:30 pm  
at Blessed Sacrament

**Sunday, November 7, 2021 at 2:00 pm**

**Sacrament of Confirmation** will be held at Cathedral  
of the Immaculate Conception. Please pray for our  
Confirmation candidates as they complete their  
preparation.

# CORONAVIRUS MASS PROCEDURES

**General Procedures:** Face masks must be worn at all times. All will be escorted to a place to sit; directions will be given for receiving communion and dismissal. Six feet of social distancing must be observed. Do not gather in groups before or after Mass.

**Holy Communion:** To maintain appropriate distancing, those in the front of the church will receive in the front of the center aisle. Those in the back will receive in the Gathering Area. 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.

**Attendance:** 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.

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## LECTIO DIVINA

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

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

### Readings for Sunday, October 31

**First Reading:** Deuteronomy 6:2-6

**Responsorial Psalm:** Psalm 18:2-4, 47, 51

**Second Reading:** Hebrews 7:23-28

**Gospel:** St. Mark 12:28B-34

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### Shrine Church Administrative Assistant (part-time)

Seeking a 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, assists with communications, maintains records, oversees financial donations, and assists 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. Applications are available at [blessedsacramentalb@gmail.com](mailto:blessedsacramentalb@gmail.com).

# CHILDREN'S CORNER



Dear Sisters and Brothers,

The **Diocesan Appeal** year has begun and a mailing will arrive at your home this month. As you contemplate your investment, please consider the role of the Catholic Church in your life and your family. Your support of both your parish offertory and the Diocesan Appeal are the most fundamental ways to ensure the health and vitality of our entire Catholic community of 126 parishes in 14 counties, serving you in the day-to-day milestone moments of your life. Our Hispanic communities have benefited strongly from the Diocesan Appeal. I know you will be generous.

Gratefully,  
*Fr. O'Connor*

The **folding chairs** which are stored in the small room inside the Central Ave entrance nearest No. Lake Ave. are **available for the asking**. You may make a donation. Please limit yourself to 10 chairs at first. **The tables are needed by the parish and may not be removed.**

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**NEW TO THE PARISH? WELCOME! OR 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.