



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

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Sunday, December 12, 2021

Third Sunday of Advent

Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe

♪ *Cry out with joy and gladness: for among you
is the great and Holy One of Israel.* ♪



MASS INTENTIONS

December 12

11:00 am Bilingual Mass

✠ *McGinty* and ✠ *Sheeran* families
by the McGinty family

December 19

9:30 am English Mass

12:00 am 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 December 5, 2021

Regular: \$2970.00

Miscellaneous: \$205.00

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!*

To View Masses Online:

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

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

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Deadline: Wednesdays@ Noon to:
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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday, December 12, 2021

Third Sunday in Advent

Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe

*Cry out with joy and gladness:
for among you is the great and Holy One of Israel.*

Sunday, December 19, 2021

Fourth Sunday in Advent

*Lord, make us turn to you;
let us see your face and we shall be saved.*

Donations for All Souls in Memory of:

Lydia Vazquez	Hector M Vazquez
Frank Ruemmele	Agustin Ruemmele
Enriqueta Pabien	Paula Pabien
Crispin Pabien	Catalina Garcia

Christmas Flower Donations in memory/honor of:

<i>Michael Fazio</i>	<i>Millie Turcotte</i>
<i>Margaret Schumacher</i>	<i>Rocco & Yolanda Benfatto</i>
<i>Edward P. Nolan, MD</i>	<i>Rita Mary Nolan</i>
<i>Franco Dali</i>	<i>Domenica Casale</i>
<i>Autony Giuzejjua Nicita</i>	<i>Jim Yager</i>
<i>Phyllis Gooding</i>	<i>Whitfield Gooding</i>
<i>Auntie Angela</i>	<i>Salvatore Rosario Cannavo</i>
<i>Marion Ford</i>	<i>Grant Ford Sr.</i>
<i>Matilda M. Brown</i>	<i>Justice Marfosau</i>
<i>Auntie Judy-Ohio</i>	<i>Auntie Angela</i>
<i>Melita Family</i>	<i>Margaret & Erenez LaPointe</i>
<i>John Felts</i>	<i>Mary & Charlie DeJulio</i>
<i>Catalina Garcia</i>	<i>Lydia Vazquez</i>
<i>Hector Vazquez</i>	<i>Frank Ruemmele</i>

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.

LECTIO DIVINA

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

Readings for Sunday, December 19
Fourth Sunday of Advent

First Reading: Micah 5:1-4a
Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19
Second Reading: Hebrews 10:5-10
Gospel: St. Luke 1:39-45

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

The **Diocesan Appeal** year has begun. 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. Our Hispanic communities have benefit strongly from the Diocesan Appeal. I know you will be generous.

Gratefully,
Fr. O'Connor

CHILDREN'S CORNER



The Candles of Advent
Third Sunday ~ Candle of Joy
(Shepherd's Candle)

The angels announced to the shepherds in the field, "good news of great joy to all people." This candle is pink because, in Christian history, the color rose signifies joy.

Advent and Christmas Schedule

December 16-23~Posadas in Church
Held from 7:00-8:30 pm each night
Friday, December 24~Christmas Vigil
4:30 pm Carol Singing & 5:00 pm Bilingual Mass
Saturday, December 25~Christmas Day
9:30 am English Mass & 12:00 pm Spanish Mass
Saturday, January 1~Solemnity of Mary
11:00 am Bilingual Mass

You are invited to an **Advent Evening of Reflection:** The Incarnation and Other Love Poems from God. Join us for an evening of song, readings, and quiet reflection to open our hearts in a new way to the mystery of the Incarnation. **Monday, December 20th, 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.** at St. Vincent de Paul Church For more information contact Joan Horgan at horganj@strose.edu or 518-454-5296.

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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.