



# SHRINE CHURCH OF OUR LADY OF THE AMERICAS

A MISSION OF BLESSED SACRAMENT PARISH

274 Sherman Street, Albany, NY 12206 (Rear Entrance)  
(518) 465-3685, Ext. 12 English; Ext. 13 Spanish

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**Sunday, July 31, 2022**

**Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

♪ *If today you hear his voice,  
harden not your hearts.* ♪



## MASS INTENTIONS

July 31

9:30 am English Mass

12:00 pm Spanish Mass

August 7

9:30 am English Mass

✠ *Elizabeth Sheeran* by the McGinty family

12:00 pm Spanish Mass

✠ *Roberto S. Perez* by Nancy Girón Perez

✠ *Virgilio Tomas Vasquez*

## 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.*

**Information from July 24, 2022**

**Regular Offertory: \$1680.00**

**Pennies for Parish: \$243.97**

**Total: \$1923.97**

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

### 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:

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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**Sunday, July 31, 2022**

**Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

*If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.*

**Sunday, August 7, 2022**

**Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

*Blessed be the people the Lord has chosen to be his own.*

## LECTIO DIVINA

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

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

**Readings for Sunday, August 7**

**Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**First Reading:** Wisdom 8:6-9

**Responsorial Psalm:** Psalm 33:1, 12, 18-19, 20-22

**Second Reading:** Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19

**Gospel:** St. Luke 12:32-48

*Do you know of any homebound parishioners that  
would like to receive a copy of the bulletin and Father  
O'Connor's homily? Contact Michael Fredette at  
[mfredette103@gmail.com](mailto:mfredette103@gmail.com) or at 518-465-3685.*

### 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."*

## The Sacraments: Reconciliation (Penance)



Not only does it free us from our sins but it also challenges us to have the same kind of compassion and forgiveness for those who sin against us. We are liberated to be forgivers. We obtain new insight into the words of the Prayer of St. Francis: "It is in pardoning that we are pardoned." Jesus entrusted the ministry of reconciliation to the Church. The Sacrament of Penance is God's gift to us so that any sin committed after Baptism can be forgiven. In confession we have the opportunity to repent and recover the grace of friendship with God. It is a holy moment in which we place ourselves in his presence and honestly acknowledge our sins, especially mortal sins. With absolution, we are reconciled to God and the Church. The Sacrament helps us stay close to the truth that we cannot live without God. "In him we live and move and have our being" (Acts 17:28).

~ *United States Catholic Catechism for Adults*

**Our second collection this week is for Peter's Pence** which unites us and Catholics around the world more closely with the Holy Father in two ways: it supports the structures of the Holy See through which the Pope governs the Church as well as his charitable efforts to assist victims of war, oppression, natural disasters, and others most in need. Please be generous in next week's Collection supporting the Holy Father as a witness of charity to those who are suffering.

Our 35<sup>th</sup> annual parish weekend at **Pyramid Life Center is August 19-21. Registration is closed.** If you have any photos of past years you are willing to share for a video of our 35 years, contact Don Klose, [dklose@nycap.rr.com](mailto:dklose@nycap.rr.com). We hope to see you there!!

**Cursillo 3-Day Weekends** – Cursillo is a movement of the Church that promotes Catholic ideals, fellowship, and spiritual growth in daily living. There are two upcoming weekend encounters: **for men, August 25-28, 2022, and for women, September 29-October 2, 2022.** For more information, please contact Rich Athens at (518) 482-2446 or email [richathens@gmail.com](mailto:richathens@gmail.com). Visit [www.albanycursillo.org](http://www.albanycursillo.org).

## CHILDREN'S CORNER



### Summer at the Saint Kateri National Shrine

Looking for a summer day trip, visit the Shrine Grounds are open sunrise to sunset daily. Saint Peter's Chapel and Native American Exhibit open Sun.-Fri. 9:00am-4:00pm and Sat. 8:00am-6:00pm. The Gift shop is open Sat. 10:00am-6:00pm and Sun.-Wed. 9:00am-5:00pm. There is a Saturday Vigil Mass at 4:30pm and a Sunday Mass at 10:30am. The Candle Chapel, Caughnawaga Village site, Kateri Spring and grotto, outdoor sanctuary, and hiking trails are open sunrise to sunset year-round.



**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.