



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

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Sunday, January 29, 2023

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

♪ *Blessed are the poor in spirit;
the kingdom of heaven is theirs!* ♪



MASS INTENTIONS

January 29

9:00 am English Mass

✠ *Rita Mary Nolan* (3rd anniv) by her sisters

11:00 am Spanish Mass

✠ *Heriberto Morillo* by his mother Mercedes Lara

February 5

9:00 am English Mass

✠ *George and Mary Barber*
by the Giordano family

✠ *Elizabeth Anne Linzey*
by Rosario Balarin and Carol Clarke

✠ *Helen McGinty* by the McGinty family

11:00 am Spanish Mass

✠ *Victor Hugo de la Vega Urina* (9th anniv.)
by his mother, Laura Urina

✠ *Eligió Morillo* by his wife Mercedes Lara

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 January 22, 2023

Regular Offertory: \$1719 Fuel: \$85

Black & Native Americans: \$5 Total: \$1809

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

View Masses Online on Facebook:

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

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."

DIRECTORY

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday, January 29

*Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Blessed are the poor in spirit;
the kingdom of heaven is theirs!*

Sunday, February 5

*Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
The just man is a light in darkness to the upright.*

LECTIO DIVINA

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

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

Sunday, February 5

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Isaiah 58:7-10

Responsorial Psalm: Psalms 112:4-5, 6-7, 8-9

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 2:1-5

Gospel: St. Matthew 5:13-16

Scam Alert: If you receive an email from Fr. O'Connor or Fr. Dan requesting money or gift cards be sent to anyone in need, **It is a scam.**

Hospital Visits:

If you or someone you know is in the hospital, let hospital admissions know that you are a Catholic and what your parish is. Then Father O'Connor or another priest can visit and bring communion to you

Blessed Sacrament School Open House

Please join us for our next open house today, January 29th from 10 to 11 a.m.! Why Blessed Sacrament School?

- PreK-Grade 8
- Safe school environment
- Busing available
- School day: 7:15am-2:45pm
- Aftercare available
- Hot breakfast and lunch available
- Excellent teachers
- STEM focused
- Financial aid available

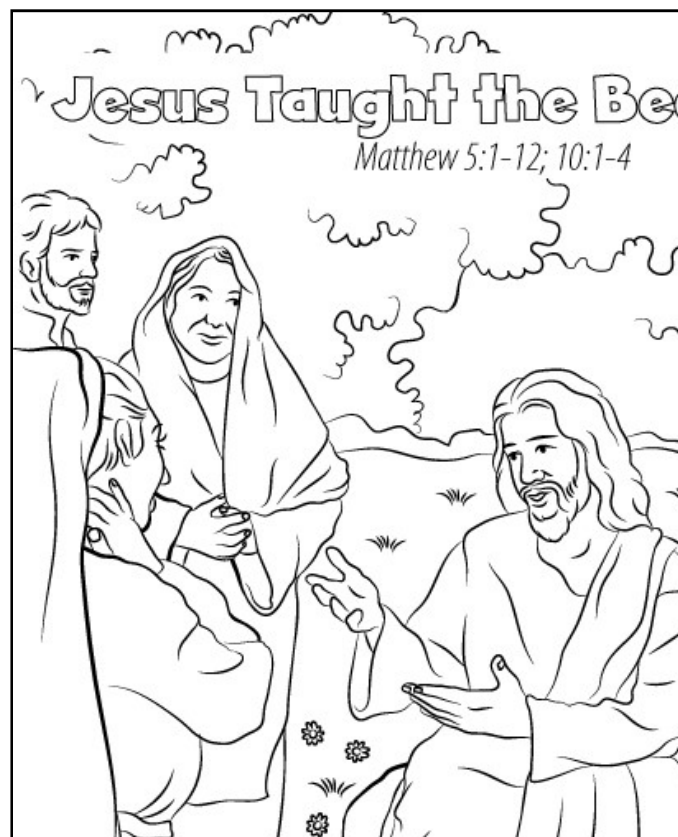
If you would prefer a personalized tour, however, no problem! Just send an e-mail to info@blessedsacramentschool.net or give us a call (518) 438-5854 to set up your tour.

Confirmation Classes for 2023 will begin on Friday, January 27. Classes meet each Friday, 7:00 - 8:00 pm in the Meeting Room. For registration and more information, see Owen Glenn after the 9:00 English Mass or Confesora Franco after the 11:00 Spanish Mass.

Candlemas, St. Blaise and Blessing of the Throats

February 2 is the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord, also known as "Candlemas." It is traditional to bless candles on this day. This day marks the presentation of Jesus in the Temple forty days after His birth, and in some places is considered the official end of the Christmas season. The liturgy for this day includes rites for a procession and blessing of candles. For this reason, the feast became known popularly as "Candlemas" – the Mass of Candles. Candlemas is known as the "Feast of the Presentation of Christ in the Temple" in many eastern churches. Other traditional names in the western churches include the "Feast for the Purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary" as well as the "Meeting of the Lord". Candlemas Celebrations Around The World: France and Belgium Candlemas Day is celebrated with a specific method of preparing crepes. Mexico Candlemas Day is celebrated with tamales. Puerto Rico Bonfires and singing mark the end of Candlemas Day. Luxembourg Children roam the streets singing. In Puno, Peru, Candlemas Day is marked by a "costume dance" featuring 20,000 dancers and 5,000 musicians.

CHILDREN'S CORNER



Tax Statements: If you would like a 2022 tax statement for your donations, please call the Shrine office or email your request to mfredette103@gmail.com.

Tea and Short Reads

This 6-week series of discussions (and tea!) will explore a different short story or poem each week. They take place at the Pine Hills Library on Wednesdays from March 8 thru April 12 at 12:30 pm. The writings involve the themes of patience, the environment, commitment, life and death, childhood, and war. Discussion will be facilitated by Rev. Daniel Quinn. For more information and links to the readings, go to:

<https://albanypubliclibrary.libcal.com/event/10230048>

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.