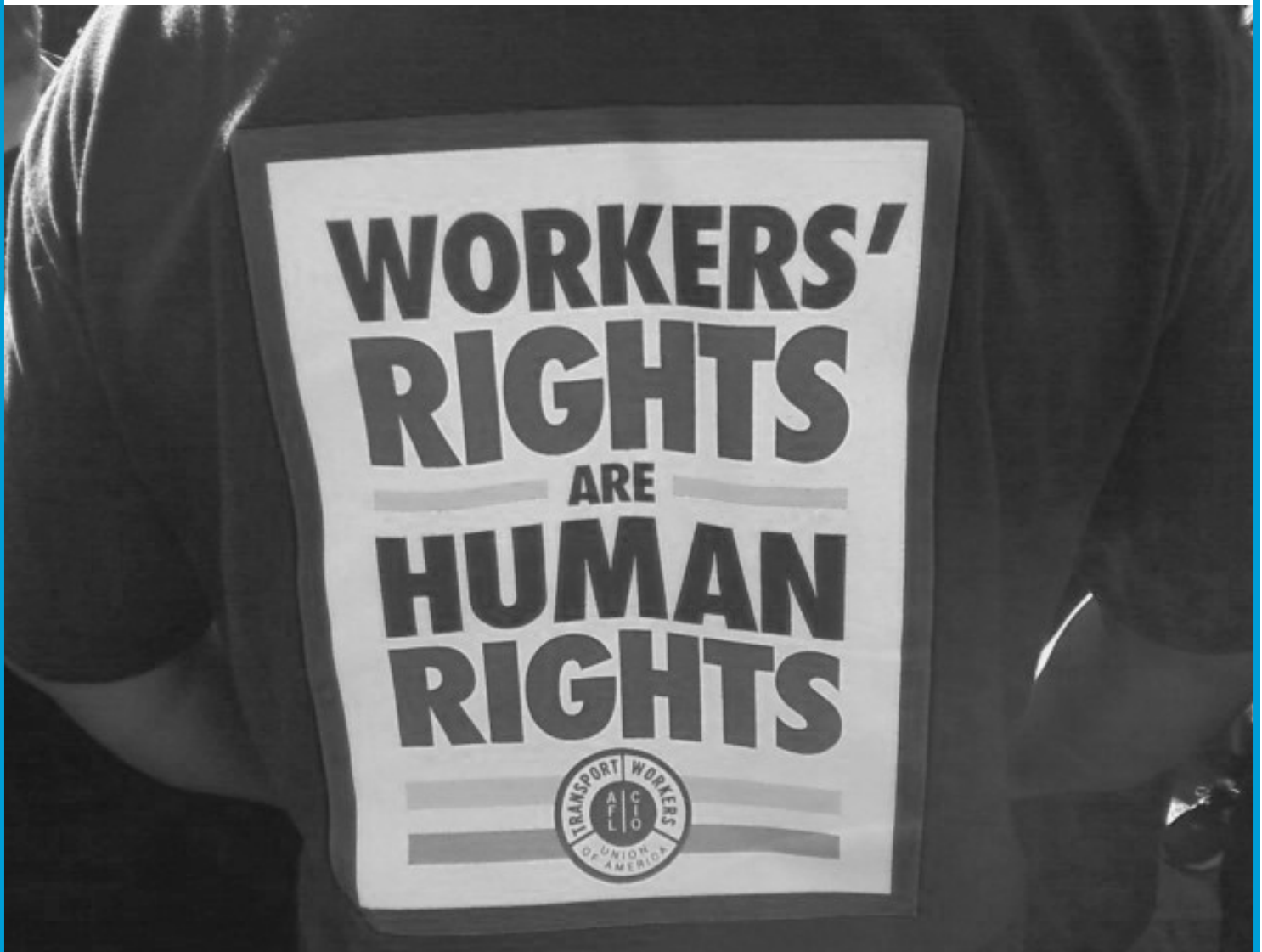


September 03, 2017

St. Francis of Assisi Parish

1031 Chenango Street, Binghamton, New York 13901



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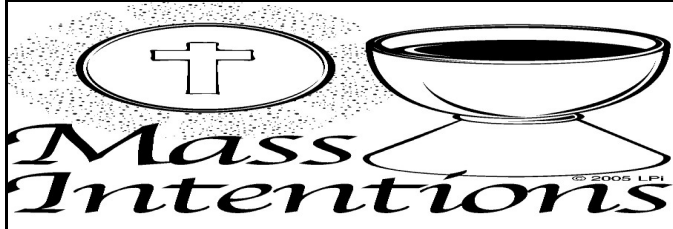
Mass Schedule

Monday-Thursday
8:00 am at the Parish Center
Chapel

Saturday Evening
4:00 pm

Sunday Morning
8:00 am & 11:00 am

Confession:
2nd & 4th Saturday of every
month at 3:00 pm at the
Church



Saturday, September 2, Vigil of Sunday
 4:00 p.m. Mannino Vita by Daughter, Fina & Family

Sunday, September 3, Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
 8:00 a.m. Liturgy for the People
 11:00 a.m. Antonino De Luca by Family

Monday, September 4, Labor Day
NO MASS

Tuesday, September 5
 8:00a.m. Patricia Claudia by Husband, Fred

Wednesday, September 6
 8:00 a.m. Mr. & Mrs. George Wida by Nick & Rosalie Roth

Thursday, September 7
 8:00 a.m. Souls in Purgatory by Nick & Rosalie Roth

Friday, September 8
NO MASS

Saturday, September 9, Vigil of Sunday
 4:00p.m. Dorie & Jimmy Rhoades by Family

Sunday, September 10, Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
 8:00a.m. Robert Garrett by Cecilia Cermak
 11:00a.m Christopher Snyder by St. Francis Choir

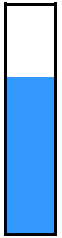
Catherine's Cupboard

Our parish pantry is open to anyone in need of food. We are open on the **1st & 3rd Tuesday of the month, 5:30 to 7:00 p.m.** No requirements except to show ID showing who you are. A person can come as often as needed. We are here to help, not to judge. So please pass the word to anyone you think may need assistance. Canned or dry goods, plus paper & personal care products (**toothpaste, shampoo, conditioner, deodorant, soap, baby diapers, women's personal items**) are always needed and welcome. Drop off in the barrel at the church foyer or leave the items in the Parish Center.

Weekend's Offering (08-27-17)

Regular Envelopes.....	\$4,773.00
Loose Collection.....	\$205.00
Electronic Collection.....	\$529.00
Total Collection.....	\$5,507.00

Hope Appeal this week we added \$150
Our total donations so far are \$29,461 from 183 donors. We are at 65.5% of our goal.
We are 13 weeks into this year's Hope Appeal and over halfway to this year's commitment!
\$15,400 LEFT TO GO



Faith Formation

There will be a **Catechist Meeting, Sunday, September 3rd at 9:15 AM** in the Library of the School.

Faith Formation Registrations have been mailed. If you have misplaced your mailing there are extra packets on the usher's tables. All the information is available online and you may register online if you prefer.

Faith Formation for Grades K-9 will begin next week, **September 10th, at 9:30 AM** in the church. We will begin with a Prayer Service followed by dismissal to the classes. The children will return to church for dismissal. I will have a Parent's Meeting while the children are dismissed to heir classes to discuss this years curriculum and expectations for Faith Formation. We will commission our Catechists at the 11 AM Mass on September 10th as well.

Our **Confirmation Service Project Expo** will take place **Sunday, September 17th at 9 AM** in the Parish Hall, please stop by and look at how our candidates have served our community this past year.

The **Confirmation final class, rehearsal and luncheon** will take place **Sunday September 17th** after the Service Project Expo. Be sure to RSVP to Maria Kirk if you expect more than 5 in your family. Also let Maria Kirk know if anyone is gluten intolerant.

Our parish will celebrate the **Sacrament of Confirmation on Sunday, September 24th at the 11 AM Mass.** Bishop Cunningham will be here. the front pews on both sides of the church will be reserved for Confirmation Candidates and Sponsors. Mass will take longer than usual, please plan accordingly.

Danielle House

Danielle House, our local healthcare hospitality guest home, is in need of volunteers. If you are looking to invest a few hours each week to serve families in a medical crisis, Danielle House may be the charity that you would love to be a part of. To learn more, please visit our website www.daniellehouse.org, or call 724-1540.

Choir Practice Starts: Thursday, September 14th at 6:30PM in the Emmaus Room

Prayer for Labor Day

God of Creation, help us celebrate Labor Day by recalling the Church's teaching on work and workers' rights as well as by praying for all workers and those seeking work.

We celebrate the Church's long history defending workers' rights and the right to unions.

We acknowledge that we are all called to work as co-creators Of the Kingdom of God, as Blessed John Paul II has instructed us, And as builders of the common good.

We affirm that work is central to the development of the human person and can enable them to contribute to the common good.

We know that work is first for the good of workers for their own human flourishing and not primarily for profits.

We recognize that all workers have dignity and that all workers must be treated with respect.

We call for a just minimum wage so all families can have decent living conditions.

We support the calls for workers' health and safety in all working environments.

As we reflect on our Church's teachings, we pray for all those currently employed and ask that they enjoy the dignity of work and all the rights to which workers are entitled.

We especially pray for those who are unemployed and seeking work; may they know the support of our communities and may they be graced by solace and hope so they do not despair.

We pray that our local, state, and Federal government leadership work together to find solutions so that all who seek work may find a decent position in workplaces that uphold the dignity of the worker.

Give us all the gift of good work and the satisfaction of jobs well done.

God of creation, hear our prayer. Amen.

Prayer of Blessing for Students and Teachers

Lord our God, in your wisdom and love you surround us with the mysteries of the universe.

In times long past you sent us your prophets to teach your laws and to bear witness to your undying love. You sent us your Son to teach us by word and example that true wisdom comes from you alone.

Send your Spirit upon these students and their teachers and fill them with your wisdom and blessings.

Grant that during this academic year they may devote themselves to their studies and share what they have learned from others.

Grant this through Christ our Lord. Amen

Faith on Fire: Parish Mission (September 30—October 4th)

An exciting event is taking place beginning on Saturday, September 30th with our parish mission, "Faith on Fire". Is the flame of your faith smoldering or hardly at all vibrant? We all need at times to fan the flame of faith so that we can live our faith with passion, and our lives be a light to the world. Through the work of Faith on Fire Missions with music, preaching, fellowship, and prayer parishes have rekindled the flame.

For 40 years and after 600+ parishes Faith on Fire Missions have provided unforgettable weeks of preaching, music and inspiration for tens of thousands of parishioners across the United States. Fr. Ken Beale, who will be leading the mission often uses quotes such as "Jesus came singing love and He lived singing love. He died singing love. He arose in silence. For the love to go on we must make it our song You and I be the singers."

Our parish mission is going to be a shared event with our neighboring parishes of St. Mary's and St. Paul's. In the coming weeks a letter is going to be mailed to all parishioners, a sign-up sheet for volunteers to assist, and more information in the bulletin.

So, set the time aside to participate, and have your faith rekindled. One critical way to prepare is to pray for the mission. Printed below is a prayer. I invite you and your family to pray regularly so that our hearts and spirits can be open to receive the grace of this mission.

"Go into the World" Parish Mission Prayer for Our Mission

Lord, Jesus, we are your people, the Church.

Through our Parish Mission, may we deepen our faith and commitment to you and our Parish Community.

Help us to share more fully in your mission to spread the Good News.

Through our time of renewal, may we come to know Christ's presence

In each person we encounter.

Send your Spirit to renew our hearts

That together we help to build the Kingdom of God. Amen

Fellowship!

Mission!

Music!



Catherine's Cupboard Volunteer Schedule

Transportation

Week of September 3rd — **Labor Day**

Week of September 10th — Pat & George Clark

Shelving (Mondays)

September 4th — **Labor Day Closed**

September 11th — K. Mohny

Distribution

September 5th — M. Peters, K. Dotson, A. Smilnak,
R. Serafini, A. Short, S. Orband

School Supplies Thank You!

School supplies were given out this week to 70 students. Thank You to all who donated to this project. It makes a difference in making sure a student starts off their 1st day feeling positive and prepared.

Parish Picnic - Thank You

Our **Parish Picnic** proved to be a tremendous success this past Sunday. We had a wonderful turnout of people and food for this special day. **Thank You** to all those who spent time to set-up, coordinate the day, and clean-up especially **Bev Krinik!** Your efforts and time are deeply appreciated! It was a great time to visit with one another and to enjoy a beautiful summer day! Congratulations to Pauline Angelo, winner of \$86.50 from the 50-50 drawing.

Safe Environment Training

A reminder to all church volunteers, that the United States Council of Catholic Bishops requires everyone who volunteers or is employed by any church organization to be screened. Our diocesan upcoming Safe Environment Training will be held at these locations. Screening is required every 5 years. If you have been contacted to be screened or to have your certification renewed please take advantage of these opportunities. If you have questions you can contact Maria Kirk at the parish office, 722-4177. Register online at www.syrdio.org.

Initial Safe Environment Training (PGC)

Wednesday, September 13th at 1:00 PM

Catholic Charities, Binghamton
(limited seating available)

Recertification Training (EPDR)

Wednesday, October 25th at 5:30 PM

Church of the Holy Family, Endwell
Call Holy Family 754-1266 to register

Wednesday, November 8th at 6:00 PM

SS John & Andrew Parish, Binghamton

Wednesday, November 8th at 1:00 PM

Catholic Charities, Binghamton
(limited seating available)

Hurricane Harvey

It is truly hard to comprehend 50" of rain in one storm, but that is what we have been hearing and seeing on the news this past week. Hurricane Harvey when reaching land brought enormous destruction and it continues to afflict a large population in Texas and Louisiana.

While the threat continues, please pray for those still in danger and those doing the heroic work of helping those in need.

Catholic Charities USA (CCUSA), the official domestic relief agency of the Catholic Church, is working in conjunction with the local Catholic Charities agencies to assist families and individuals impacted by the hurricane.

Here is how you can help:

Pray:

God of hope and mercy, we lift up to you all victims of Hurricane Harvey, and those responding with assistance and aid. Protect all who are in any form of danger; provide practical help to all those in need; strengthen the weary; console the grieving and heal the suffering; and bless those engaged in disaster relief efforts with safety and courage. Help all people of goodwill to respond with compassion and generous hearts. Amen.

Give:

Help relief efforts in wake of Hurricane Harvey by texting CCUSADISASTER to 71777. You can also give by calling 1-800-919-9338 or by mail: PO Box 17066 Baltimore, MD 21297-1066 and put "Hurricane Harvey" in the memo line of the check. Funds raised will go towards Catholic Charities agencies' efforts to assist families and individuals with shelter, food, and other immediate and long-term recovery needs.

We thank you for your time, prayers, and generosity!

Rite of Christian Initiation For Adults

The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults will begin on Sunday, September 10 after the 8 am Mass. The session will last from 9:15 am until 10:15 am. We are fortunate to welcome Paul back to complete his Catechumenate and we also welcome Jacob, a new Catechumenate to the Process. All are welcome to meet with us whether you have questions about the Catholic Faith, about the RCIA process or just want to talk about your Faith. Please contact Deacon Steve if you have any questions.

XC Warrior Challenge

4k Community Cross Country Race

September 16th, 2017

@ 11:00 A.M.

Chenango Valley High School

Commemorating the 50th McDaniel-Baxter Invite

To register go to: cvwarriors.com/xc4k/

Sponsored by:

Chenango Valley Warriors Athletic Club

**St. Francis of Assisi Lectors,
Eucharistic Ministers & Altar Servers**
September 9th & 10th, 2017

4:00 P.M. Mass

Lector	Sally Orband
EM Host	Bob Grace
EM Host	Peggy Munson
EM Host	Marge Mangan
EM Cup	Bea Grace
EM Cup	Bob Parke
EM Cup	Shirley Parke
EM Cup	Mary Lou Ekstrom
Altar Server	Dominic Lomonaco
Altar Server	Sarah Shafer
Altar Server	Logan Lomonaco

8:00 A.M. Mass

Lector	Michael Stricek
EM Host	Nancy Oliver
EM Host	Suzanne Tierno
EM Host	Debbie Davis
EM Cup	K or K Mohny
EM Cup	Maureen Mizzoni
EM Cup	Mary DeNinis
EM Cup	Tom Phalen
Altar Server	James Bush
Altar Server	Sarah Bush
Altar Server	Mary Bush

11:00 A.M. Mass

Lector	Brian Sirgany
EM Host	Joseph Frissora
EM Host	Lindsey LoPiccolo
EM Host	Steve Church
EM Cup	Pat Clark
EM Cup	Jules Furrer
EM Cup	Karyn Church
EM Cup	Steve Guth
Altar Server	Nolan Sirgany
Altar Server	Katelyn Church
Altar Server	Quinn Sirgany

****Attention Eucharistic Ministers,
Altar Servers, & Lectors****

It's time to begin work on the next quarter's schedule for the Eucharistic Ministers, Altar Servers, and Lectors. This schedule covers October, November, and December. If you have any special requests, please let us know before **September 15th** by calling Lynda and Joe Carpenter at 607-772-6732 or via email at joseph.carpenter28@gmail.com. We will be completing and submitting the schedule on **September 20th**. We also have some good news, there were 8 new altar servers trained this summer. Thank you to those young people and also Maria Kirk and Steve Blabac for coordinating the training. Thank you!

END OF BULLETIN

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