

February 03, 2019

St. Francis of Assisi Parish

1031 Chenango Street, Binghamton, New York 13901



St. Francis of Assisi Parish is a Eucharistic faith community committed to living and sharing the Gospel life.

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Office Hours:
7:30 am to 4:30 pm
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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



Weekend's Offering (01-27-19)

Regular Envelopes.....	\$6,630.00
Loose Collection.....	\$421.00
Electronic Collection.....	\$667.00
Total Collection.....	\$7,718.00

Thank You for your generous contributions!

Saturday, February 2, Vigil of Sunday
4:00 p.m. Mary Wilson by Selma Vinci & Family

Sunday, February 3, Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. Robert Taugher by Family
11:00 a.m. Earl Brooks by Carol Tabor

Monday, February 4

8:00 a.m. Antonio DeLuca by Family

Tuesday, February 5

8:00 a.m. 30th Anniv. Joseph Peters by Wife, Arlene & Family

Wednesday, February 6

8:00 a.m. Vita Mannino by Daughter, Fina & Family

Thursday, February 7

8:00 a.m. Edwin Moll by Marge & Family

Friday, February 8

NO MASS

Saturday, February 9, Vigil of Sunday

4:00 p.m. 31st Anniv. Frances Hazen by Family

Sunday, February 10, Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. Liturgy for the People
11:00 a.m. Bette Sessler by Mirtie & Nelson Sessler

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.

Faith Formation

Faith Formation for grades K-Confirmation this weekend. Grades K-9 Meet in the church at 9:30 AM for opening prayer and announcements, dismissal from the school as usual at 10:45 AM. Confirmation Students meet in Room 103.

Looking Ahead:

First Eucharist Parent Information Meeting, Sunday, February 10th at 9:45 AM in Room 103.
Confirmation Service Day, Friday, February 15th. Parent Drop off at the Parish Center at 8 AM for Mass. Pick up at 2 PM.

Congratulations to :

- Isabella Blaise
- Kaitlyn DeBetta
- Avery Forst
- Skylar Forst
- Fletcher Lasicki
- Madalena McKeon
- Kyra Podhayski
- Porter Sirgany
- Madelyn Tallant
- Josie Wojnar

who received the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time this weekend.
May God Bless you always.

Children's Liturgy

February 2/3

- 4:00 PM Mass**— Maria Kirk/Sue Lee
- 8:00 AM Mass**— Kelly Wood/Katie Ginalski

February 9/10

- 4:00 PM Mass**— Roberta Cushing/Catherine Shafer
- 8:00 AM Mass**— Shirley McCray/Marie Iobst

Prayers . . .

Please remember all of our parishioners who are in hospitals and nursing homes and our homebound. Also, please pray for our deceased parishioners and loved ones especially, Sister Bernardus Dwyer.

All are invited to participate...

In Living the Eucharist. How are we called to live the Eucharist? What does it mean for us to live the Eucharist?

Questions such as these and others can be answered with our upcoming Lenten program we will be having in March.

Living the Eucharist is a dynamic, parish-based program designed to help revitalize parish life and mission through a more profound experience of Sunday Mass. It helps the entire parish---adults, teens and families----grow in their Catholic faith and live more fully as missionary disciples of Jesus. For the next three years during lent we will participate in Living the Eucharist. Parishioners can take part in adult and teen faith-sharing groups, family activities, devotional and catechetical Lenten readings, and a prayer campaign.

“Living the Eucharist made this my best Lent ever. I was able to live in the presence of God every day and share my faith at home and at work” (parishioner, West Hempstead, N.Y.)

Keep your eyes open for more details to come!

Living the Eucharist Sign-Up Sunday

Today and next week are Sign-Up Sunday for *Living the Eucharist*. For the six weeks of Lent, we invite you to join a small group, and/or participate with your family. Please support this important ministry by praying the Living the Eucharist prayer. Try using the Lenten devotional booklet, *From Exodus to Easter: My Daily Journey Through Lent*. The Sign-Up Sunday brochures, along with sign-up cards, are at the front of the Church, at all the Masses today. For more information, contact our *Living the Eucharist* small group coordinators Nora Bush at 343-6189 and Mary Guditis at 651-5977. Please join us!

Poster Found in a Church in France

“When you enter this church it may be possible that you hear ‘the call of God’. However, it is unlikely that he will call you on your mobile. Thank-you for turning off your phones. If you want to talk to God, enter, choose a quiet place and talk to him. If you want to see Him, send Him a text while driving.”

Family Movie Night at St. Francis of Assisi

Please join us for Laughter & Love! Free family movie, pizza, and sundaes- Saturday February 9th (after mass) 5:15-8:00PM at St. Francis of Assisi parish hall. Featuring -“Zootopia”- RSVP to Delores at 722-4388.



4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 3rd

“Love is patient, love is kind...” Today’s reading is a favorite at weddings, but it is the theme song of religious vocations, as well. St. Therese, the Little Flower, proclaimed, “I have found my vocation, and it is love.” What is your calling? For help with discernment, contact the vocation office at 315-470-1468.

Upcoming Safe Environment Trainings

(You must be trained before you may work or volunteer in or around any Catholic parish. EPDR every 5 years.)

Initial Safe Environment Training (PGC)

Tuesday, **February 5th at 6:00 PM**, St. Mary of the Assumption, Binghamton

Saturday, **February 23rd at 9:30 AM**, St. Francis of Assisi Parish Center, Binghamton

Recertification Training (EPDR)

Saturday, **February 16th at 10:00 AM**. St. Mary’s Church, Kirkwood

Tuesday, **February 26th at 1:00 PM**, Catholic Charities of Broome County, Binghamton

Tuesday, **March 26th at 6:00 PM**, The Parish of Sts. John & Andrew, Binghamton

A Sad Day for New York State

Bishop Robert J. Cunningham offered the following statement in response to the Jan. 22 passing of the Reproductive Health Act:

“Today, New York State has failed women and their unborn babies by passing and signing the Reproductive Health Act. As Catholics, we must continue to preach the Gospel of life. We must also continue to work towards policies that protect and uphold the dignity of all human life, from the moment of conception to natural death. Here in the Diocese of Syracuse, we will continue to offer resources, services, and support for any woman experiencing an unplanned pregnancy. Today, I not only call upon the faithful to pray, but to assist me in spreading the word about the resources available to any woman considering an abortion. I am grateful to pro-life New Yorkers who made their voices heard in an effort to stop the expansion of our state’s already far too expansive abortion laws. Please join me in prayer for a conversion of hearts for those celebrating this horrific moment in history.”

“Only with prayer-prayer that storms the heavens for justice and mercy, prayer that cleanses our hearts and souls– will the culture of death that surrounds us today be replaced with a culture of life”

—Pastoral Plan for Pro-life Activities, U.S. Catholic Bishops

Catherine's Cupboard Volunteer Schedule
Transportation

Week of February 3rd — Michelle Warne
 Week of February 10th — George & Pat Clark

Shelving (Mondays)

February 4th — C. & B. Danoski
 February 11th — J. & K. Brady

Distribution

February 5th — C. Woodruff, M. Ryder, K. Dotson,
 R. Rounds, B. Grace, M. Lyons

**FEBRUARY FUNDRAISING
 FOR FOOD PANTRY**

In 2018, 1200 families visited us when we opened the 1st & 3rd Tuesday each month. Our budget last year ran over \$35,000 in purchased food or personal care items for these visitors. In order to continue our pantry outreach, we will be doing a major fundraiser during the month of FEBRUARY.

#1 Feb 2nd-3rd - "Super Bowl of Caring" weekend ... Faith Formation students will be collecting cash or checks at the entrance after mass.

OR

#2 Envelopes attached to the flyer or in the pews for your own use during the month to drop in cash or checks or you can donate online (stfrancisbing.org) at your convenience.

This year, more than ever, we see just how many people are living on the edge. With the Gov shut down going on 30 days + we hear daily the hardship people affected by this are feeling. Just think of those who got their SNAP payments early but now have to stretch it till March. We are planning on an increase of visits this month. Whatever help you can give us is greatly appreciated. Thank you so much!!!!!!!

2018 Tax Contribution Statements

Tax contribution statements are being prepared. Drop a self-addressed, stamped envelope in the collection basket, and they will be mailed to you when they are completed. You may also call Joe at the Parish Center at 722-4388 and request your statements. They will be either mailed to you or available for you to pick up, as per your request.

Ladies of Charity Scholarships

The Ladies of Charity will award two \$500 scholarships to high school seniors who plan to pursue a service-oriented career which specifically makes a difference in someone's life. The scholarship is based on academic achievement, financial need, and service to school, Church and community. Please see your school guidance counselor for an application.

Deadline is April 26, 2019

**Potential Godparents and Sponsors
 for Baptism or Confirmation**

If you are down to be a Godparent or Sponsor you MUST be a registered and practicing member of St. Francis of Assisi to be able to get a letter of certification. Newly married couples must complete a new census form. Previous registration forms under parent's names are not valid. This is the only way that the Church can verify you are a practicing Catholic. Canon law requires you are to be a practicing Catholic to be a sponsor. Please call Delores at (722-4388) for questions.

**Fenton Free Library
 Doughnut Fundraiser**

Funds Raised will be used for Children's Programming
PRE-ORDER Krispy Kreme Doughnuts



**Orders due by Wednesday, Feb 14th
 Pickup on Saturday, Feb 16th, 8 am to 4 pm
 FIVE Choices to Pre-Order**

ORDER FORM

Name _____

Phone # _____

<u>Variety</u>	<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Amount Due</u>
Glazed (\$8/dozen)	_____	_____
Chocolate Iced (\$7/half doz)	_____	_____
Glazed/Lemon filled (\$7/half doz)	_____	_____
Glazed/Rasp. filled (\$7/half doz)	_____	_____
Glazed/Cream filled (\$7/half doz)	_____	_____

Additional Donation to Library \$ _____

Total Due \$ _____

**Make checks payable to "Fenton Free Library"
 Drop off or mail form to Library,
 1062 Chenango St, Binghamton, NY 13901**

**Chenango Valley High School Theatre Guild
 Presents...**

The Addams Family

**March 1st, 2nd, & 3rd
 Friday & Saturday: 7:00PM
 Sunday: 2:00PM Matinee
 CV Auditorium**

**\$10/Adult & \$8/Child, Student, or Senior(62+)
 To reserve seats please call 607-762-6827**

Hooley in Hillcrest 2019!

Save the Date: 03/09/19

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**St. Francis of Assisi Lectors,
Eucharistic Ministers & Altar Servers**

February 9th & 10th, 2019

4:00 P.M. Mass

Lector Barb Brozovic
EM Host Dc.Steve
EM Host Peggy Munson
EM Host Ron Scales
EM Cup Paulette Scales
EM Cup Terry Hanifin
EM Cup Debby Carden
EM Cup Dom Lomonaco
Altar Server Tyler Norton
Altar Server Mikey Schultz
Altar Server Calliope Brennan

8:00 A.M. Mass

Lector Michael Stricek
EM Host Dc.Steve
EM Host Ede Blabac
EM Host Ed White
EM Cup Steve Baxter
EM Cup Denise Baxter
EM Cup Donna & Scott Iglar
EM Cup Kurt or Kelly Mohney
Altar Server Kathryn White
Altar Server Lauren White
Altar Server Brigid Birtch

11:00 A.M. Mass

Lector George Clark
EM Host Dc.Steve
EM Host Pat Clark
EM Host Sue Jones
EM Cup Steve Church
EM Cup Karyn Church
EM Cup Lyndsey LoPiccolo
EM Cup Stephanie Stracuzzi
Altar Server Nolan Sirgany
Altar Server Abraham Watkins
Altar Server Alexander Watkins

Question of the Week

Question for Children: What ways do you show God's love to someone who is lonely or hurting?

Question for Youth: Who are the people in your life who mean the most to you? How do you show them how important they are to you?

Question for Adults: What is a way you show members of your family your love for them?

END OF BULLETIN

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