

February 05, 2017

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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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, February 4, Vigil of Sunday
 4:00 p.m. Ken Munney by St. Francis Special Sunshine Committee

Sunday, February 5, Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
 8:00a.m. Lloyd Woodruff by Dave & Louise Martin
 11:00 a.m. Liturgy for the People

Monday, February 6
 8:00 a.m. Don Smith by Family

Tuesday, February 7
 8:00a.m. 28th Anniv. Joseph Peters by Wife, Arlene & Family

Wednesday, February 8
 8:00 a.m. Edwin Moll by Family

Thursday, February 9
 8:00 a.m. Joseph Sardella by Lucille Marsili

Friday, February 10
NO MASS

Saturday, February 11, Vigil of Sunday
 12:00p.m. Ethan Murphy (Memorial Mass) by Family
 4:00 p.m. 29th Anniv. Frances Hazen by Family

Sunday, February 12, Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
 8:00 a. m. Liturgy for the People
 11:00 a.m. Jean Adagio by Jim & Rose O'Neil

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.

Prayers . . .

Please remember all of our parishioners who are in hospitals and nursing homes and our home-bound. Also, please pray for our deceased parishioners and loved ones especially Daniel Berry and Steve Van Dyke.

Weekend's Offering (01-29-17)

177 Regular Envelopes.....	\$10,649.00
Loose Collection.....	\$243.00
Electronic Donation.....	\$440.00
Total Collection.....	\$11,005.00

**Thank you to everyone for their donations.
 They are greatly appreciated!**

Faith Formation

Faith Formation for grades K-Confirmation will meet today in the school.

First Eucharist Mini-Retreat will be next Saturday, February 11th at 8:30 a.m. in the Hall. Parents are asked to be on time; we have a very tight schedule.



Confirmation Class Collection for Homeless

The Confirmation Class is collecting items for Binghamton Homeless Coalition kits between now and April 2nd.

These are the needed items: Drawstring bags, Bottles of Water or Gatorade, Insulated Socks, Thermal Underwear (L/XL), Warm Gloves, Warm Hats, Hand/Foot Warmers, Ponchos, Toothbrushes, Wipes, Bus Pass, Fast Food Gift Card, Clif Bars, Cracker Sandwiches, Oranges, Ziploc Bags. All clothing must be men's sizes, since women can wear them, too; and must be new.

Cash donations are also gratefully accepted.

We have a box just inside the front door of the school on Sundays during Faith Formation. There is also a box at the church and another at the Parish Center. THANK YOU to all the parishioners who have been contributing items and cash to our collection! We greatly appreciate your generosity! We were able to provide 7 complete kits and 17 partial kits to the Homeless Coalition on January 20. They told us they could fill in the partial kits with the supplies remaining from what we donated in December. And, our timing was good since they were doing the point-in-time surveys, when they go out to where homeless people are located to identify them, bring them kits, and encourage them to come to shelters where other resources are available. This parish is amazing! Thank you!!

Altar Server Training

There will be an altar server training for new servers on Saturday, February 25th from 9:00 a.m. until 10:00 a.m. Any child who has received his or her First Communion is welcome to become a server. If you have any questions, please call Deacon Steve at 648-215.

St. Francis of Assisi Homebound Outreach

Currently, our parish is ministering to 63 homebound parishioners and 31 nursing home parishioners. Are you aware of any other parishioners who are homebound or in a nursing home that we are not visiting? If so, please call Sister Karen at 722-4388 with their names, addresses and phone numbers, and we will be very glad to visit and bring Communion to them. Also, if you would like to be a part of this beautiful ministry to the sick and/or elderly, please let us know!

Ladies of Charity Scholarships

The Ladies of Charity will award three \$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 May 5, 2017.

31st Annual World Marriage Day

The 31st Annual World Marriage Day will be celebrated on Sunday, February 12th, 2017, 2:30p.m. at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, Syracuse. The Most Reverend Robert J. Cunningham will celebrate the Mass. All couples will be invited to renew their commitment to holy marriage. Bishop Cunningham will specifically honor those couples celebrating their 25th (Silver Anniversary), their 50th (Golden Anniversary), and those celebrating beyond their 50th year in 2017. Families of those celebrating are also welcome and encouraged to attend.

Please contact the parish office to register for this event!

February Fundraising for Food Pantry

In 2016, 1200 families visited us when we opened the 1st and 3rd Tuesday each month. So many times we are operating on the edge. Our budget last year ran over \$25,000 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 5th "Souper Bowl of Caring" weekend... Faith Formation students will be collecting cash or checks at the entrance after Mass.
- #2 February 12th and 19th weekends BONTON coupons booklets will be available. \$5.00 a booklet gives you coupons to purchase items in the store, February 23—25th. We keep the entire \$5.00 donations, plus get a bonus check from the store (last year it was over \$800 total received).
- #3 Envelopes are attached to the flyer or in the pews February 12th—19th or use your own during the month to drop in a cash or check (tax deductible) or go online at your own convenience.

Thank You for all you have done in the past and for whatever you can do in the future.

CYO Boys Basketball Upcoming Games
PLAYOFFS/CHAMPIONSHIP GAMES

Big Gifted Give

The Big Gifted Give event to help those in need in our community is on **Saturday, February 11th.** It's an evening of family entertainment, with performers using their gifts to entertain the audience and raise financial support for families and friends in need within our community. Cost of admission is a money or food donation.

The Chenango Valley School District is once again sponsoring The Big Gifted Give that The Dance Connection began in 2006. There will be entertainment, raffle baskets and concessions, with 100% of all proceeds going back to the community.

The recipients of 2017 Big Gifted Give:

CV Warrior Fund – This program provides support to families in the CV Community throughout the year. This support is given in the way of food, clothing, emergency needs, etc.

Catherine's Cupboard: St. Francis of Assisi Food Pantry

"G" Bucci: The Bucci family is a great local CV family that is very active within the community, have three wonderful kids, a dog, a cat, etc! Matt and Wendy's seven yr old daughter "G" was diagnosed with NF1 when she was two.

This disease causes tumors to grow, and G has tumors on both optic nerves and they extend to her hypothalamus as well. Needless to say, there have been, and will continue to be, many treatments for G.

Although NF does not have a cure, G and her family have been bravely battling the disease and considering future treatments. The options may require chemotherapy and surgery. G is a member of The Dance Connection family and an inspiration to them.

Pam Ondrusek: Pam has been a friend of the community and for many years has served as President of SRO PRODUCTIONS III, a prominent community theater troupe in the Triple Cities.

Pam was diagnosed with Uterine Cancer in 2016. Pam has always been the generous giver and support system for the area. It's now Pam's turn to be the receiver, to help with mounting medical bills.

It's the 'Big Gifted Give' on Saturday at the Chenango Valley High School Gymnasium on Saturday, February 11th from 6-9pm. You can't make it but you want to help? You still have time to donate a raffle basket.

Donate baskets as a family, work group, individually.....however you choose.

Catherine's Cupboard Volunteer Schedule
Transportation

Week of February 5th — Ann Wilcox
Week of February 12th — George & Pat Clark

Shelving (Mondays)

February 6th — J. & K. Brady
February 13th — K. Mohney

Distribution

February 7th — R. & P. Scales, R. O'Neil, K. Dotson, R. Serafini, S. Orband, B. Grace

Children's Home "Thank You"

Thank you for the church's recent donation of wish list gifts for 50 children to the Children's Home to help brighten the holiday for children and families in our care. At the Children's Home we partner with children, families, and communities to inspire hope, develop skills, and cultivate healthy relationships for positive futures. Thank you for joining in this important task. Your support helps ensure that we can continue to provide safety and care for children and families. Our thanks to Bev Krinik and all involved in making this happen every year. We are very grateful! —Margaret Tatich

Memorial for Sister Kathleen Duncan

There will be a Memorial Mass to honor Sister Kathleen Duncan on Saturday, February 18th at 1:00 p.m. at St. Patrick's Church in Binghamton. Sister Kathleen so generously served the people of the Southern Tier for many years in education and at the Samaritan House.

During Sister Kathleen's ministerial life, she was called to be teacher and principal, speech and language therapist, superintendent of schools, development director and regional superior. All of these gifts came together when she founded Samaritan House, a resource and assistance center in Binghamton. Sister Kathleen frequently referred to Samaritan House as her "dream," and it also became the dream of dozens of volunteers, friends and supporters.

Food Pantry Thank You!

Thank you to the Chenango Valley Moms who partied on January 21st, participating in "Bad Moms Unite", for selecting our food pantry to be the recipient of food, cash and personal care items. Such generosity is greatly appreciated.

Knights of Columbus 11403

Save the Date

March 11th, 2017
Hooley in Hillcrest



Fenton Free Library
Doughnut Fundraiser

Scholarship Funds for High School Graduates

PRE-ORDER Krispy Kreme Doughnuts

Orders due by Wednesday, Feb 15th

Pickup on Saturday, Feb 18th, 8 am to 4 pm

5 Choices to Pre-Order

ORDER FORM

Name _____

Phone # _____

<u>Variety</u>	<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Amount Due</u>
Glazed (\$7/dozen)	_____	_____
Chocolate Iced Glazed (\$6/half doz)	_____	_____
Glazed / Lemon filled (\$6/half doz)	_____	_____
Glazed / Rasbery filled (\$6/half doz)	_____	_____
Glazed / Cream filled (\$6/half doz)	_____	_____
Additional Donation to Library		\$ _____
Total Due		\$ _____

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

PARISH REGISTRATION

Our warmest welcome to all! We extend our hands and hearts in Christian fellowship to you here, celebrating with us, whether you're a long-time resident or newly arrived in the Parish. Please check the appropriate box and place in the collection basket or return to the Parish Center.

We thank God that you are with us.

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ Zip _____

Home Phone _____

Cell Phone _____

- New Parishioner? Send registration form
- Change of address or phone number?
- Temporarily away? Stop envelopes
- Moving? Please remove from Parish Roster

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

February 11th & 12th, 2017

4:00 P.M. Mass

Lector	Rick Allabaugh
EM Host	Dc. Steve
EM Host	Kelly Benjamin
EM Host	Debby Carden
EM Cup	Marge Mangan
EM Cup	Mary Lou Ekstrom
EM Cup	Mary Frances Charsky
EM Cup	Larry Koch
Altar Server	Mary Katherine Doyle
Altar Server	Mikey Schultz
Altar Server	Sarah Shafer

8:00 A.M. Mass

Lector	Kurt & Kelly Mohney
EM Host	Dc. Steve
EM Host	Katie Ginalski
EM Host	Shirley McCray
EM Cup	Donna Iglar
EM Cup	Scott Iglar
EM Cup	Debbie Davis
EM Cup	Ede Blabac
Altar Server	Sarah Bush
Altar Server	James Bush
Altar Server	Mary Bush

11:00 A.M. Mass

Lector	George Clark
EM Host	Dc. Steve
EM Host	Sue Jones
EM Host	Jules Furrer
EM Cup	Steve Church
EM Cup	Karyn Church
EM Cup	Pat Clark
EM Cup	David Hanzes
Altar Server	Katelyn Church
Altar Server	Brendan Heaney
Altar Server	John Michael Frissora

Question of the Week

Question for Children: What can you do to bring the light of Jesus into the lives of your family, friends, and people you meet?

Question for Youth: How do you feel when Jesus says that YOU are the salt of the earth and that YOU are called to be the light for others?

Question for Adults: What specific efforts do you take to maintain your light? Do you let your light dim? Why?

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