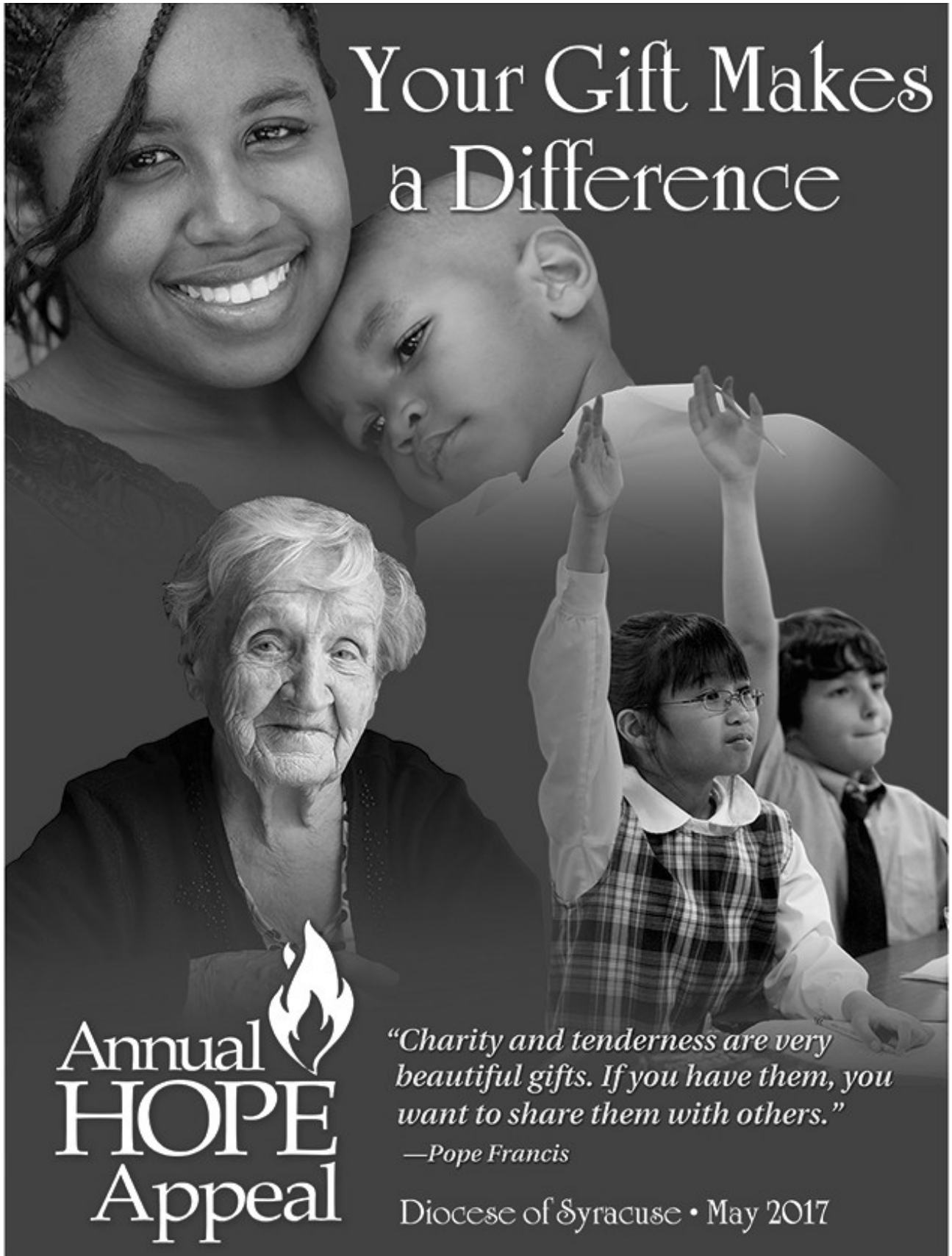


May 14, 2017

St. Francis of Assisi Parish

1031 Chenango Street, Binghamton, New York 13901



Your Gift Makes
a Difference

Annual
HOPE
Appeal

“Charity and tenderness are very beautiful gifts. If you have them, you want to share them with others.”

—Pope Francis

Diocese of Syracuse • May 2017



Saturday, May 13, Vigil of Sunday
 4:00 p.m. Vincent Grace by Family

Sunday, May 14, Fifth Sunday of Easter
 8:00 a.m. Deceased members of the Legos & DeNinis Families
 By Vince & Mary DeNinis
 11:00 a.m. Liturgy for the People

Monday, May 15
 8:00 a.m. Joe Sardella by Michael Cordisco

Tuesday, May 16
 8:00 a.m. Richard & Dolores Hayes by the Brady & Lindsey Families

Wednesday, May 17
 8:00 a.m. John & Mary Pollock by Son, John

Thursday, May 18
 8:00 a.m. Pauline Lucey by Estate

Friday, May 19
NO MASS

Saturday, May 20, Vigil of Sunday
 4:00 p.m. Liturgy for the People

Sunday, May 21, Sixth Sunday of Easter
 8:00 a.m. 17th Anniv. Mary Legos by Suzanne & Don Carr
 11:00a.m. Msgr. James Kane by the Paske Family

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, Marjorie Parkhurst, Dorothy Linehan, and Chris McDonald.

Weekend's Offering (05-07-17)

Regular Envelopes.....	\$6,418.00
Easter Envelopes.....	\$5.00
Loose Collection.....	\$449.75
Electronic Donation.....	\$1,920.00
Total Collection.....	\$8,792.75

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

Thank you to all who donated to the CRS Rice Bowl! As a parish we collected \$2,207!

Faith Formation

No Faith Formation. See you in September!

Looking Ahead:

Parents are invited to a "Listening" Session on Wednesday, May 17th at 6:30 PM in the Parish Hall. This meeting is your opportunity to discuss how Faith Formation is presented at our parish. I am looking for honest feedback on how we can work together to provide you and your family a lasting encounter with Christ. Babysitting will be provided in the Emmaus room; please contact Maria Kirk ahead of time.

Save the Date!

Baccalaureate Mass will be celebrated on Sunday, June 18th at the 11 AM Mass. Information has been mailed to graduating seniors. If you did not receive a letter, contact Maria Kirk at the Parish Center.

Protecting God's Children

The initial 3 hour Safe Environment Training Session will be held on Saturday, May 13th at 2 PM in the Faith Formation Office at the Parish Center, 1031 Chenango Street. If you need this initial training, go to Syrdio.org to sign up. If you do not have a computer, call Maria Kirk to register at 722-



The Biggest VBS

Adventure Yet!

SAVE THE DATE!

June 26-30, 2017 ~ 6:15-8:30 pm

Binghamton Church of the Nazarene

1282 Chenango ST

NOCTURNAL ADORATION SOCIETY

Nocturnal Adoration Society will meet at St. Patrick's Church on Saturday, May 20th from 7:00 pm to 8:00 pm. All members meet at the same time.

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

Happy Mother's Day!

As I look back on my life
I find myself wondering...
Did I remember to thank you
for all that you have done for me?



For all of the times you were by my side
to help me celebrate my successes
and accept my defeats?
Or for teaching me the value of hard work,
good judgement, courage, and honesty?

I wonder if I've ever thanked you for the simple things...the
laughter, smiles and quiet times we shared...

If I've forgotten to express my gratitude for any of these things, I
am thanking you now and want to express my love for you!
And I'm hoping that you've known all along
how very much you are appreciated!



**The Ordination of Rev. Mr. Matthew Lyons
to the Priesthood of Jesus Christ**

Saturday, June 3rd

Holy Cross Church

4112 E Genesee Street Syracuse, NY 13214

Congratulations to Matthew Lyon on his Ordination and pray
for him as he begins his Ministry.

FUNDRAISER FOR PANTRY

Date: 06/04/2017

Time: 8am to 1pm

JIMAY'S Flea Market

50-50 raffle all day for Pantry

8 am to 1:30 pm

**WOULD YOU LIKE TO
HELP? Call 725-7645 for
details**

**1766 Conklin Rd Conklin \$5 parking many many
vendors changes weekly....**

Health Update on Mary Ellen Meskell

Our long-time, faithful parishioner, Mary Ellen Meskell is now making progress in her physical therapy rehab program near Rochester, where her cousins live. She greatly appreciates our prayers and "get well" wishes. If you would like to send her a card, her address is:

3062 County Complex Drive
Room 231 B
Canandaigua, NY 14424

Congratulations, First Eucharist Class!

Congratulations to the children in our parish who received First Eucharist last weekend. It was a special day, and they were given a special gift which we know they will hold in a special way.

Sr. Karen's Farewell Reception

Our parish is planning to have a farewell reception for Sr. Karen after all the Masses the weekend of June 3rd & 4th. This is your opportunity to take a moment to visit with Sr. Karen and wish her well as she moves on to the Provincial House in Latham. If anyone would like to help with the receptions or bake cookies, please call Delores at the Parish Center so your name can be given to the committee that is planning the receptions.

Catherine's Cupboard Volunteer Schedule

Transportation

Week of May 14th — George & Pat Clark

Week of May 21st — Marie Giordano

Shelving (Mondays)

May 15th — P. Turnbull, A. Hanley

May 22nd — C. Woodruff & M. Ryder

Distribution

May 16th — M. Walsh, P. Peters, M. Turna,
K. Dotson, M. Ryder & C. Woodruff

Co-Garden Volunteer Sign-up

As we get back into the business of growing our garden for Catherine's Cupboard, we need your help! The spring and summer will be a busy time, and many hands help our Co-Garden grow. Here are some opportunities for students, adults, and families of the church to get involved.

Please mark any activity you are interested in.

- Planting the Garden**
- Watering and harvesting the Garden; this may be a family opportunity that can be rotated**
- Putting up the fence**
- Selling plants at the vegetable plant sale in May**

Name: _____

Contact info: _____

Phone or email- _____

**Please return in offering basket
or to
Maria Kirk**

Last Call

100th Anniversary Pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Fatima 10 Day Pilgrimage to Portugal offered over three dates in October 2017. We can be departing your airport and at the all land inclusive cost of \$2,149.00 in twin accommodations, with single accommodations also available. Call for the special air price from your city. We will be visiting Lisbon, Fatima, Santarem (Portugal), Lourdes (France) and Barcelona (Spain). For information please call James Adair at 1-855-564-1008 or email jimadair@thecatholictour.com

HOPE Appeal 2017

You will receive a letter this week from Bishop Cunningham asking for your support of the HOPE Appeal. Please be generous with your pledge. We ask that all pledge forms and gifts be returned next weekend to the parish. You can also make a secure online gift or pledge at www.syrdio.org. Your support helps many in our diocese.



**WE ARE ALL
CALLED TO BE**

Merciful

Keuka Lake Lunch & Winery Tour

Sponsored by The Young at Heart Seniors Group of
St. Vincent de Paul Blessed Sacrament Church

**Lunch and Tasting at Bully Hill
plus two other tastings (Dr. Frank's & Heron Hill)**

June 29th, 2017 (Thursday) Cost: \$80.00/person

8:45 a.m. Board the bus at St. Vincent de Paul Church

9:00 a.m. Depart for Keuka Lake and Lunch , arrive by 11:00 a.m.

1:15 p.m. Board bus for next two tastings at Dr. Frank's and Heron Hill

4:00 p.m. Board bus for home with approx. arrival in Vestal at 6:00 p.m.

Choices for Lunch:

A) Angus Cheeseburger

B) Pulled Pork Sandwich

C) Bully Hill Salad with Grilled Chicken

All entrees served with mixed greens and iced tea. All can be gluten free.

All reservations must be paid in full with menu choice for lunch. Cost per person is \$80.00. Payment must be received by June 14, 2017. Make checks payable to Anne Marie Abdelazim and mail to 120 East Hamton Road, Binghamton, NY 13903. Please complete the bottom of the sheet and include with payment. Let's fill up the bus. Any questions call Anne Marie at 724-7732.

Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

Menu Choice: _____

Rummage Sale

Turn your unwanted or gently used items into charity and good deeds. The Binghamton El Charcon Sister City Project is looking for items for their annual garage sale. The money goes to help our sister community in El Salvador.

They will even come to you to pick them up! Please gather your items (no shoes or clothes, please) and call Suzanne at 798-0787 or Beth at 785-0869. They will be collecting items from now until September 1st, so you have plenty of time to gather and donate.

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

May 20th & 21st, 2017

4:00 P.M. Mass

Lector	Catherine Shafer
EM Host	Joan Storer
EM Host	Barb Brozovic
EM Host	
EM Cup	Terry Hanifin
EM Cup	Teresa Creeden
EM Cup	Judy Murphy
EM Cup	John Pierce
Altar Server	Dominic Lomonaco
Altar Server	Mikey Schultz
Altar Server	Logan Lomonaco

8:00 A.M. Mass

Lector	Maureen Mizzoni
EM Host	Ed White
EM Host	Denise Baxter
EM Host	Tim Vaverchak
EM Cup	Mary Ellen Vaverchak
EM Cup	Ede Blabac
EM Cup	Debbie Davis
EM Cup	Steve Baxter
Altar Server	Kathryn White
Altar Server	Lauren White
Altar Server	Brigid Birtch

11:00 A.M. Mass

Lector	Mary Lou Ekstrom
EM Host	Steve Guth
EM Host	David Gill
EM Host	Chris Gill
EM Cup	Rose O'Neil
EM Cup	Jules Furrer
EM Cup	Sue Jones
EM Cup	Jim Lewis
Altar Server	John Michael Frissora
Altar Server	Brendan Heaney
Altar Server	Zachary Carr

Question of the Week

Question for Children: What are some ways that you can act like Jesus would if he were in your situation?

Question for Youth: Jesus is “the way, the truth, the life” and he asks us to do as he does. How do you try to follow Jesus’ way?

Question for Adults: How are the promises of this Gospel passage made real in your own life? How do you experience yourself doing greater works than even Jesus did?

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