

August 21, 2022

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.

Staff

Rev. Timothy Taugher, Pastor
Deacon Stephen Blabac
Delores A. Farwell
Parish Administrative Assistant
Maria Kirk
Director of Faith Formation
Joseph Carpenter
Parish Business Administrator
Suzanne Ekstrom
Parish Media Manager
Edmund Savo
Organist
Fred Hazlett
Maintenance/Groundskeeper
Tina Silvestri
Housekeeper
Brendan Kliment
Tyler Norton
Sacristans

Office Hours:
Monday — Thursday:
7:30 am to 4:30 pm
Friday: Closed

Parish Office Phone: 722-4388
Faith Formation Office Phone:
722-4177

E-mail:
stfrancisbing@syrdio.org

Website:
www.stfrancisbing.org

Follow us on FB & Twitter:
[@stfrancisbing](https://www.facebook.com/stfrancisbing)

Please go online to
stfrancisbing.org to view
our latest weekend reflection.
We will be posting new
videos by 4:00PM on
Saturdays.

Also find the videos on our
Facebook (search
"@stfrancisbing")
Twitter (search
"@stfrancisbing")
YouTube (St. Francis of Assisi
Binghamton)



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

Sunday, August 21, Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time
 10:30 a.m. Janette Webb by St. Francis Special Sunshine Committee

Monday, August 22
 12:00 p.m. Mary O'Neil by Bernie O'Neil & Family

Tuesday, August 23
 8:00 a.m. John Nichols by Marshall & Cathie Ayres

Wednesday, August 24
 12:00 p.m. Joseph & Rita Brozovic by Family

Thursday, August 25
 8:00 a.m. Tina Vesci Farrell by the Gifford Family

Friday, August 26
NO MASS

Saturday, August 27, Vigil of Sunday
 4:00 p.m. Jim, Dorie, & Jodi Rhoades by Family

Sunday, August 28, Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
 10:30 a.m. Lorenzo Altadonna by 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.

Weekend's Offering (08-14-22)

Regular Envelopes.....	\$4,450.00
Loose Collection.....	\$185.00
Electronic Collection.....	\$1,852.00
Total Collection.....	\$6,487.00

Thank You for your generous contributions!

Faith Formation

ATTENTION PARENTS

Please check the "At-Home Faith Formation" tab under "Faith Formation" on our website stfrancisbing.org for Building Faith @ Home.

Pictured below is Danny Dundon with his family receiving his Catholic Cub Scout medal "Light of Christ." Through the process of earning this medal Danny has developed a close personal relationship with Jesus. Congratulations Danny!



Rosary and Religious Item Donations

The Sisters of St. Joseph are helping the immigrants by giving them rosaries and religious items. If anyone would like to donate your old or extra rosaries or other religious items, it would be greatly appreciated. There will be a basket on the back table of the church for those who wish to give.

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.

Church Renovation Celebration

This weekend we take an opportunity to celebrate as a parish family the completion of our church renovations. After months of celebrating our weekend liturgies in the gym, we are back in church with a new look.

So, let us talk about the improvements! The architecture of our building offered many possibilities. Fortunately, there was no need of any major repair. One of the major assets of the church is the beauty of our stained glass windows. We decided to make choices based on how to enhance the color of the stained glass. After seeing various renderings from church architects, we elected to work with Ritterbeck Painting, from Moosic, Pennsylvania. They have a long history locally and beyond with church painting and restoration. Ritterbeck saw the beauty of the stained glass windows, and offered color and design options that would make them “pop”. Also, the ability to bring a decorative ceiling look to our environment is such a wonderful contribution to the body of the church. The colors, stenciling and ornamentation offers a wonderful appreciation of our church as a sacred space, and certainly the environment lends itself to prayer.

The church hall has also been completed to include; 4 classroom areas, handicap accessible bathrooms, new woodgrain laminate flooring, new ceiling, paint, and lighting, as well as energy efficient heating and cooling, and WIFI. What a dramatic change and a beautiful space to hold events!

Thank you all for your support and thank you especially to all the companies we worked with create these beautiful spaces.

Thank You Bishop Lucia

A huge thank you to Bishop Lucia for coming to celebrate this weekend’s liturgies with us as he blesses our newly renovated church and parish hall. It is such a great opportunity to show what a marvelous change we have made. We give thanks for the gifts God has given us as a parish community.

We welcome you all to a reception in the church hall after mass!

RCIA Announcement

St. Francis Faith Community will be having an RCIA Class this year for anyone wanting to know more about the Catholic Faith and especially those who are considering joining. We already have two candidates and would like you to be part of it. What about you? Do you know someone who has been meaning to join the Church for a long time? This is your invitation! Contact the Parish office, Father Tim, or Deacon Steve if you would like to talk about it 607-722-4388.

****ATTENTION POTENTIAL ALTAR SERVERS!****

There will be a training session soon for new altar servers after we have completed the recruitment phase. Thank you. —Deacon Steve

Bottle Drive at Parish Picnic

St. Francis’ Climate Committee will be doing a bottle drive at this year’s Parish Picnic. So bring your bottles and cans with you to the Parish Picnic at **Binghamton First Ukrainian Pentecostal Grounds (143 Castle Creek Rd, Binghamton, NY) on Sunday, September 11th, from 12:30—3:30.**



Don’t forget to **RSVP** if you or your family plan on attending the picnic. (info found on next page)

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time: Justice Challenge

As summer comes to an end and with school just around the corner, there may be children in your community who are worried. They may not have the things they need to start the new school year. When we are worried about food, shelter, and other basic life issues, we aren’t always capable of doing well in school or succeeding in any of our life endeavors. Your challenge this week is to see if there is something you, your family, friends, or parish community can do to help those children in need. Are there organizations that collect school supplies, clothing, shoes, and backpacks? Do some research and find a way to get involved.

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time: Creation Care Tip

“Now, discipline always seems painful rather than pleasant at the time, but later it yields the peaceful fruit of righteousness to those who have been trained by it.”
—Hebrews 12:11

Do you get tired of the extra work of making green choices? Of hanging your laundry to dry instead of tossing it into the dryer? Of cooking from scratch instead of buying individually packaged processed foods? Of having to wash cloth napkins, handkerchiefs, rags, and dishware instead of throwing away disposable ones? Then take heart at this passage from the Hebrews today. Pat yourself on the back for the good environmental disciplines you have adopted. They are bearing fruit.

REVISION
St. Francis of Assisi Creation Care Team Meeting will be held on



Saturday, August 27th at

For Potential Godparents and Sponsors for Baptisms or Confirmation

Anyone looking to be a Godparent or Sponsor to a Confirmation Candidate **MUST** be a registered member of St. Francis of Assisi to be able to get a letter of certification. This is the only way that the Church can verify you are a practicing Catholic.

Please call Delores at the Parish Center (722-4388) for questions.

Catherine's Cupboard Volunteer Schedule

Transportation

NO TRANSPORTATION

Shelving (Mondays)

NO SHELIVING

Distribution

September 6th— J. Wyatt, K. Dotson, A. & S. Faughnan

St. Francis of Assisi Parish Picnic 2022

Sunday, September 11th, 2022

Binghamton First Ukrainian Pentecostal Grounds

(143 Castle Creek Rd, Binghamton, NY)

12:30AM—3:30PM

Meat & drinks will be provided*

Please bring item to share according to last initial.

A—D: Dessert E—G: Salad H—L: Veggies
M—Q: Snacks R—Z: Fruit

RSVP:

Please take a flyer located in the back of the church and follow the instructions to RSVP physically or scan the QR code/visit the link below to RSVP online stfrancisbing.org/parish-picnic-2022-registration



SCAN ME



BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP

A journey from grief to healing

For those who are living through the loss of a loved one, our highly successful support group provides a safe space to share ideas, thoughts and experiences that can lead to healing. This is one of life's most difficult journeys and there is no need to travel it alone. New knowledge, skills and perceptions can ease your way to move on without your loved one. The date for this 9 week program will be on Monday, September 12th from 6pm to 7:30 at the St. Francis of Assisi Parish Center. For more information and to register, please call Ginny Thompson at 607-222-1621.

Why Volunteer?

- † Lets you share your knowledge and talents.
- † Opportunities for making many new friends.
- † Brings the special fulfillment that comes only from helping others.
- † Helps you "get outside" yourself and put your own problems — even grief — in perspective.
- † Allows you to polish old skills and learn new ones.
- † Lets you "repay" an organization that has helped you or someone you love.

15th Annual Fall Fest **Fun Raiser Raffle**

Thursday, September 29th
@ Traditions at the Glen (under the tent)

6:00 PM to 9:00 PM

\$20,000 in cash prizes
(Provided all tickets are sold)
Cost is \$100 with the opportunity to win 5 cash prizes.

1st - \$10,000
2nd - \$5,000
3rd - \$3,000
4th - \$1,000
5th - \$1,000

Tickets can be purchased via:

Mail Check Payable to "The Danielle House"
160 Riverside Drive Binghamton, NY 13905

Pay Pal Online

<https://www.daniellehouse.org/fallfest.html>

Credit Card or Cash

Please call The Danielle House at **607-724-1540**

Thank you in advance for your continued support.

****Danielle House Volunteers Needed****

Danielle House, our local healthcare hospitality 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 is a charity you would love to be a part of. To learn more, please visit www.daniellehouse.org, or call 607-724-1549 to volunteer today!

ATTENTION: ALTAR SERVERS NEEDED!

Do you have a child or grandchild who has already received their First Eucharist? If so, they can be altar servers! **We are in desperate need of more altar servers** as we barely have enough to cover the masses alone week to week.



Why altar serve?

- 1.) It is a good way to get actively involved in the mechanics of mass. Some kids who find it hard to sit still may benefit from the activity that serving provides.
- 2.) It allows for kids to be a closer part of the church community and make connections.
- 3.) Direct religious education learning opportunity
- 4.) Gives kids a sense of purpose and pride in their church

Call the parish center (607)722-4388 or fill out a liturgical signup form (on table in the back of the church) and drop it in a collection basket.

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

August 27th & 28th, 2022

4:00 Mass	Altar Server	Thalia Brennan
4:00 Mass	Altar Server	Calliope Brennan
4:00 Mass	Altar Server	TBD
4:00 Mass	Lector	Marge Mangan
4:00 Mass	EM Host	Rosemary Rounds
4:00 Mass	EM Host	Jan Pandich
4:00 Mass	EM Host	Debra Carden
10:30 Mass	Altar Server	Abraham Watkins
10:30 Mass	Altar Server	Alexander Watkins
10:30 Mass	Altar Server	J D Wojnar
10:30 Mass	Lector	Catherine Shafer
10:30 Mass	EM Host	Anne Wolanski
10:30 Mass	EM Host	Mary DeNinis
10:30 Mass	EM Host	Suzanne Carr

Children's Liturgy of the Word Schedule

Children's Liturgy of the Word will resume in the fall. You can continue to watch Children's Liturgy on our website and Facebook page throughout the summer.

Please go online to
stfrancisbing.org
to view our latest Sunday mass and
Children's Liturgy.

We will continue to post new videos for
reflection by 4:00PM on Saturdays.

Also find the videos on our
Facebook (search "@stfrancisbing")
YouTube (St. Francis of Assisi Binghamton)

**You can still view children's liturgy
virtually!**

Question of the Week

Question for Children: How do you show that you are a follower of Jesus?

Question for Youth: Jesus tells us that being His disciple will be very hard. Of all the things that Jesus tells us about the way that we are to live our lives, what is the hardest thing for you to do? Why?

Question for Adults: As you wrestle with today's Gospel, what signs do you see in your own life that you are "with God."

END OF BULLETIN

CHURCH NAME: St. Francis of Assisi
CITY, STATE: Binghamton, NY
FILE NAME: 06-168
PHONE: **607-722-4388**
Contact: Delores A. Farwell or Sue Ekstrom

Comments:
Bulletin copy for **August 21st, 2022**

Deliver 250 copies to St. Francis of Assisi.