

August 25, 2019

St. Francis of Assisi Parish

1031 Chenango Street, Binghamton, New York 13901

Parish Picnic

THIS Sunday, Aug. 25th, 12:30—3:30



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

Staff

Rev. Timothy Taugher, Pastor
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Office Hours:

Monday — Thursday:

7:30 am to 4:30 pm

Friday: 8:00 am to 12:00 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



Saturday, August 24, Vigil of Sunday
 4:00 p.m. Alberta Anderson by St. Francis Bible Babes

Sunday, August 25, Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time
 8:00 a.m. Patrick Nannery by Louise & Dave Martin
 11:00 a.m. Lorenzo Altadonna by Family

Monday, August 26
 8:00 a.m. Irene Anderson by Bill Ryan

Tuesday, August 27
 8:00 a.m. Patty Ellis by Bob & Bea Grace

Wednesday, August 28
 8:00 a.m. Peg Feheley by Bob & Betsy Shields

Thursday, August 29
 8:00 a.m. Rob Loftus by Wife, Sheila

Friday, August 30
NO MASS

Saturday, August 31, Vigil of Sunday
 4:00 p.m. Jodi Rhoades by Family

Sunday, September 1, Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
 8:00 a.m. Liturgy for the People
 11:00 a.m. Vita Mannino by Daughter, Fina & 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 (08-18-19)

Regular Envelopes.....	\$5,519.00
Loose Collection.....	\$224.00
Assumption Collection.....	\$836.00
Electronic Collection.....	\$534.00
Total Collection.....	\$7,113.00

Thank You for your generous contributions!

\$16,000 still needed for the HOPE Appeal



2019 Confirmation will be held, **Sunday, October 6th at 11 AM Mass** with Bishop Lucia.

Faith Formation for Grades K-9 will begin **Sunday, September 15th at 9:30 AM**. Registration information has been mailed to family's involved in Faith Formation. If you were expecting a packet and did not receive it you can pick up a registration information packet on the ushers table, on-line, or if you prefer call Maria Kirk at the Parish Office and a packet will be mailed to you. You are asked to fill out a registration form each year to update information. This registration serves as the official yearly parish record. You do not need to register candidates who will be confirmed on October 6, 2019. There will be a parent meeting in the church on September 15th after the Opening Prayer Service.

Formation for Ministry Courses

The Office of Formation for Ministry provides education and training to lay adult Catholics to prepare them to share the Gospel as lay ecclesial ministers and deacons and offers faith formation opportunities to all adults in the diocese. Those interested in more information about our lay ecclesial ministry formation program and/or preparation for the diaconate should contact: formation@syrдио.org or (315)470-1479. We are currently accepting applications for 2019-20. In addition, any three courses may be taken for Personal Enrichment. You can learn more about our program as well as online learning options at: formationforministrysyr.org

Children's Liturgy

No children's liturgy for August

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, Bill Parker.

Chenango Valley at St. Francis

Chenango Valley School District will be using our school building during the upcoming school year. Both St. Francis and Chenango Valley are making improvements to the school in preparation for the arrival of students in September. Chenango Valley is in the process of improving safety with the installation of new fire escape windows in each classroom. The building will be fully secure with the addition of new locking mechanisms on the outside doors and a new card access system at the main entrance on Chenango Street. There will be enhanced internet access throughout the building so that the computers, smartboards, etc. will work optimally. The interior of the school has been painted, bathrooms upgraded and the church hall has been set up to serve as a fully functioning cafeteria. The total cost to the school system is well over \$100,000. This money is part of the approved project for the renovations at Port Dickinson Elementary and Chenango Bridge Elementary school buildings. St. Francis is also making important improvements to our school. The first is the replacement of the school boilers. This has been a 2 part project, with the removal of the old boilers and the asbestos associated with that old equipment, followed by the installation of 2 high efficiency boilers. These boilers will improve the heating and reduce our fuel costs. We have upgraded our radon and TCE mitigation system with new fans on the existing units and with the addition of 2 new units in the basement of the church and school. We have done extensive level testing of both asbestos and radon and are all within acceptable limits. We have worked with the Boy Scouts and moved the supplies for the scouts into a storage container located on the auxiliary parking lot. Lastly, we will be fixing the tunnel between the school and the church. You will see some excavation work done in the parking lot within the next 2 weeks. We expect that to be completed over a 4 day period so we don't disrupt weekend Masses. The cost to the parish will also run more than \$100,000. We are paying for these improvements both from weekly donations and the use of DeBella funds. All of these improvements will enhance the marketability of the school building going forward. There will be an open house on **Tuesday, August 27, 11am to 1pm & 5pm to 7pm.** Please come and see what's been done. Much has been done to prepare our school for the CV community. This would not be possible without the full effort of our great staff and many volunteers who assisted in packing items in the kitchen to be stored. We want to thank Joe Carpenter, Fred Hazlet, Maria Kirk, Bev Krinik, and Nick Norton for all they did. It has been a big challenge for our parish and the CV School District as they prepare for the upcoming school year. Your spirit-filled presence with us will be a wonderful contribution to the neighborhood!

Here's the Deal on the Hope Appeal

We have collected just over \$30,000 thus far this year from 183 donors. The average donation is \$162. This leaves us \$16,000 short of our commitment for this year. During last year's campaign we received 243 donations totaling a little over \$32,000. So we have fewer donors donating more per donation. If you have donated thank you very much, if you have not yet made a commitment to this year's Hope Appeal please consider doing so. Just like last year, the parish will be writing a check for the outstanding balance of our Hope Appeal commitment. This will strain our pocketbook because of our improvements to the school building this year. The new heating system and finally the repair to our leaky tunnel are not cheap. Thank you for listening.

Save The Date Parish Mission

Why so much stress, worry, and fear?

We have answers!

Who? Presenter: Fr. Francis Pompei OFM

What? Parish Mission

**When? September 29th—October 1st @
7:00PM**

Where? St. Francis of Assisi Church

Please join us and learn how to live!

COME HELP With Our Gardens

COME join us, those with or without a GREEN thumb! **Saturday, September 14th at 9AM** we need help thinning and cleaning up our garden beds (church and parish center). Some lilies and Rose of Sharon need to be thinned out, shrubs and small tree need shaping. There will be "expert's" on hand to teach you what needs to be done. Many hands make this a fun and quick chore. So mark your calendar, kids 10 or over can help too! Plants will be available after mass that weekend if you would like some. If you have trimmers etc please bring them, we are unsure how many we have on hand.

New Bereavement Support Group

A new Bereavement Support Process will begin Monday evenings September 16th, 6:30 to 8:00 and Tuesday afternoons September 17th, 1:30 to 3:00 at the parish center for anyone who has experienced the loss of a loved one. Such a loss is one of life's most difficult experiences, but sharing one's thoughts and feelings with others who have had a similar loss can be very helpful on the journey to healing. To register for this ten week process or for any information about this group, please call Rose O'Neil at 772.0820 (a message can be left) by September 6th so books can be ordered.

Catherine's Cupboard Volunteer Schedule

Transportation

Week of Aug. 25th — Michelle Warne

Week of Sept. 1st — **Labor Day Closed**

Shelving (Mondays)

August 26th — A. Short

September 2nd — **Labor Day Closed**

Distribution

September 3rd — B. Garce, M. Peters, M. Lyons,
R. & C. Parga, A. Short

Crossing Guard Job Opening

There is an opening for a crossing guard at St. Francis School to direct the students during the school year. The position is Monday thru Friday 7:30AM to 9:30AM and from 3:00PM to 4:30PM. This individual will be an employee of the Town of Fenton and paid \$12.00/hr. Anyone interested please call Gary Holcomb at the Town of Fenton 648-4800 (ext 113).

ST. THOMAS AQUINAS INDOOR GARAGE SALE

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 14

9:00 AM— 1:00 PM

ST. THOMAS AQUINAS SCHOOL GYM

MULTIPLE FAMILIES

GREAT VARIETY OF ITEMS TO CHOOSE FROM!

Upcoming Safe Environment Training

You must take the Initial Safe Environment Training if you plan on working or volunteering at the church or parish regardless of whether or not you are working with children.

Recertification is every 5 years.

Initial Safe Environment Training (PGC)

Wednesday, **August 21st at 6:00 pm**

St. Joseph's Church, Endicott

Wednesday **August 28th at 11:00 am**

All Saints School, Endicott

Wednesday, **September 11th at 1:00 pm**

Catholic Charities of Broome County, Binghamton

Recertification Training (EPDR)

Wednesday **August 28th at 2:00 pm**

All Saints School, Endicott

Wednesday **August 28th at 6:00 pm**

St. Joseph's Church, Endicott

Saturday **September 7th at 10:00 am**

St. Thomas Aquinas Church, Binghamton

Please visit:

www.syracusediocese.org/safe-environment
to view both schedules and to register for a training session.

Contact the Safe Environment Office with questions call 315-470-1421 or email jhagan@syrдио.org

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

Something to Ponder

Did you know...

When the smog lifts in Los Angeles U.C.L.A

A thief who stole a calendar got 12 months

A dentist and a manicurist got married, but they fight tooth and nail.



8th Annual Southern Tier Pastoral Care Conference

Pastoral Care: The Cup of Compassion

- Who:**
- *Those who visit or bring Communion to people in nursing homes, hospitals, or homes
 - *Those who work in hospice, bereavement or funeral ministries
 - *Those interested in participating in Pastoral Ministry within their parish

Presenter: Sister Alma Jones, CSJ

When: Tuesday, September 17th, 2019

Where: Church of the Holy Family — McCabe Hall
3600 Phyllis Street, Endwell

Time: 9:00AM Mass with Conference beginning at 9:45AM

**St. Francis of Assisi Lectors,
Eucharistic Ministers & Altar Servers**
August 31st & September 1st, 2019

4:00 P.M. Mass

Lector	Carole Parga
EM Host	Dc. Steve
EM Host	Bob Shields
EM Host	Betsy Shields
EM Cup	Debby Carden
EM Cup	Melissa Kliment
Altar Server	Tyler Norton
Altar Server	Brendan Kliment
Altar Server	Logan Kliment

8:00 A.M. Mass

Lector	Ed White
EM Host	Dc. Steve
EM Host	Suzanne Carr
EM Host	Nancy Oliver
EM Cup	Scott or Donna Iglor
EM Cup	Debbie Davis
Altar Server	Kathryn White
Altar Server	Lauren White
Altar Server	

11:00 A.M. Mass

Lector	Jules Furrer
EM Host	Dc. Steve
EM Host	Karyn Church
EM Host	Steve Church
EM Cup	Pat Clark
EM Cup	Lyndsey LoPiccolo
Altar Server	Brendan Heaney
Altar Server	Abraham Watkins
Altar Server	Alexander Watkins

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

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