

September 10, 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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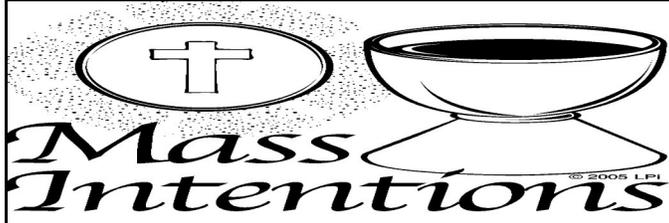
## **Mass Schedule**

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, September 9, Vigil of Sunday**

4:00 p.m. Dorie & Jimmy Rhoades by Family

**Sunday, September 10, Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:00 a.m. Robert Garrett by Cecilia Cermak

11:00 a.m. Christopher Snyder by St. Francis Choir

**Monday, September 11**

8:00 a.m. Dr. Ted & Betty Whiting by Don & Barb Brozovic

**Tuesday, September 12**

8:00 a.m. Barbara Valentic by Bill Ryan

**Wednesday, September 13**

8:00 a.m. Patricia Munyan by St. Francis Special Sunshine Committee

**Thursday, September 14**

8:00 a.m. Ron Povolo by Maureen Mizzoni

**Friday, September 15**

**NO MASS**

**Saturday, September 16, Vigil of Sunday**

10:00 a.m. **Wedding** – Matt Westfall & Laura Martone

2:00 p.m. **Wedding** – Trevor Mohny & Jessica Johnson

4:00 p.m. George Koons by Family

**Sunday, September 17, Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:00 a. m. Liturgy for the People

11:00 a.m. Edward P. Bonner Jr. by Eileen Craig

**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 (09-03-17)**

Regular Envelopes.....	\$7,872.00
Loose Collection.....	\$318.00
Electronic Collection.....	\$824.00
Total Collection.....	\$9,014.00

*Hope Appeal this week we added \$300*

*Our total donations so far are \$29,761 from 185 donors. We are at 66.2% of our goal.*

*We are 13 weeks into this year's Hope Appeal and over halfway to this year's commitment!*

**\$15,100 LEFT TO GO!**



**Faith Formation**

**Faith Formation for Grades K-9 will begin this Sunday, September 10th, at 9:30 AM** in the church. We will begin with a Prayer Service followed by dismissal to the classes. The children will return to church for dismissal. I will have a Parent's Meeting while the children are dismissed to their classes to discuss this year's curriculum and expectations for Faith Formation. We will commission our Catechists at the 11 AM Mass on September 10th as well.

Our **Confirmation Service Project Expo** will take place **Sunday, September 17th at 9 AM** in the Parish Hall, please stop by and look at how our candidates have served our community this past year.

The **Confirmation final class, rehearsal and luncheon** will take place **Sunday September 17th** after the Service Project Expo. Be sure to RSVP to Maria Kirk if you expect more than 5 in your family. Also let Maria Kirk know if anyone is gluten intolerant.

Our parish will celebrate the **Sacrament of Confirmation on Sunday, September 24th at the 11 AM Mass.** Bishop Cunningham will be here. the front pews on both sides of the church will be reserved for Confirmation Candidates and Sponsors. Mass will take longer than usual, please plan accordingly.

**We are hoping to expand Children's Liturgy of the Word** to the 4:00PM Vigil and 11AM Masses. If you are interested please contact Maria Kirk, for information.

**Rummage & Bake Sale**

To Benefit the No Compressor Station Legal Fund

**Saturday, September 23rd**

**9:00a.m. — 1:00p.m.**

**St. Francis of Assisi Gymnasium**

**1051 Chenango Street**

**Donation Drop Offs**

**Sunday, September 10th & September 17th**

**4-6p.m. at St. Francis Church**

Baked goods can be dropped at 8:00a.m. the day of the sale

Looking for all donations except summer clothing

Please price items prior to drop-off

**Choir Practice Starts: Thursday, September 14th at 6:30PM in the Emmaus Room**

## DACA and Our Response as a Catholic Faith Community

Over 780,000 youth received protection from the DACA program since its inception by the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) in 2012. DACA provided no legal status or government benefits but did provide recipients with temporary employment authorization to work in the United States and reprieve from deportation.

### Full statement follows:

"The cancellation of the DACA program is reprehensible. It causes unnecessary fear for DACA youth and their families. These youth entered the U.S. as minors and often know America as their only home. The Catholic Church has long watched with pride and admiration as DACA youth live out their daily lives with hope and a determination to flourish and contribute to society: continuing to work and provide for their families, continuing to serve in the military, and continuing to receive an education. Now, after months of anxiety and fear about their futures, these brave young people face deportation. This decision is unacceptable and does not reflect who we are as Americans.

The Church has recognized and proclaimed the need to welcome young people: 'Whoever welcomes one of these children in my name welcomes me; and whoever welcomes me does not welcome me but the one who sent me' (Mark 9:37). Today, our nation has done the opposite of how Scripture calls us to respond. It is a step back from the progress that we need to make as a country. Today's actions represent a heartbreaking moment in our history that shows the absence of mercy and good will, and a short-sighted vision for the future. DACA youth are woven into the fabric of our country and of our Church, and are, by every social and human measure, American youth.

We strongly urge Congress to act and immediately resume work toward a legislative solution. We pledge our support to work on finding an expeditious means of protection for DACA youth.

As people of faith, we say to DACA youth – regardless of your immigration status, you are children of God and welcome in the Catholic Church. The Catholic Church supports you and will advocate for you."

### Put faith into action:

The solution now is for Congress to act to make sure DACA recipients -- who came to the U.S. as children and whose average age is 26 years old -- are protected. A legislative solution has already been introduced in both chambers of Congress. Call Congress now and tell them to pass the bipartisan Dream Act so that Dreamers can live without fear.

Call your Representative: 1-888-496-3502

Call your Senators: 1-888-410-0619

(Call twice to reach both Senators)

## Faith on Fire: Parish Mission (September 30—October 4th)

An exciting event is taking place beginning on Saturday, September 30th with our parish mission, "Faith on Fire". Is the flame of your faith smoldering or hardly at all vibrant? We all need at times to fan the flame of faith so that we can live our faith with passion, and our lives be a light to the world. Through the work of Faith on Fire Missions with music, preaching, fellowship, and prayer parishes have rekindled the flame. For 40 years and after 600+ parishes Faith on Fire Missions have provided unforgettable weeks of preaching, music and inspiration for tens of thousands of parishioners across the United States. Fr. Ken Beale, who will be leading the mission often uses quotes such as "Jesus came singing love and He lived singing love. He died singing love. He arose in silence. For the love to go on we must make it our song You and I be the singers." Our parish mission is going to be a shared event with our neighboring parishes of St. Mary's and St. Paul's. In the coming weeks a letter is going to be mailed to all parishioners, a sign-up sheet for volunteers to assist, and more information in the bulletin. So, set the time aside to participate, and have your faith rekindled. One critical way to prepare is to pray for the mission. Printed below is a prayer. I invite you and your family to pray regularly so that our hearts and spirits can be open to receive the grace of this mission.

### "Go into the World" Parish Mission Prayer for Our Mission

*Lord, Jesus, we are your people, the Church.*

*Through our Parish Mission, may we  
deepen our faith and commitment to  
you and our Parish Community.*

*Help us to share more fully  
in your mission to spread the Good News.*

*Through our time of renewal,  
may we come to know Christ's presence*

*In each person we encounter.*

*Send your Spirit to renew our hearts*

*That together we help to build  
the Kingdom of God. Amen*

Ministry Appreciation Day is scheduled at St. Paul's Church in Binghamton. This event is an effort to show appreciation to folks involved in all the parish ministries; Faith Formation, Pastoral Care, Music Ministry, Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, Altar Servers, Finance Committee & Pastoral Council Members. This is a celebration of your good work throughout the year.

Every person involved in ministry, at any level, should plan to attend.

Please take a few moments now to mark your calendars and make plans to join us on Saturday September 30th at 9:00a.m. in the Church at St. Paul's. In appreciation for all that you give in love, a luncheon will be provided in the hall. RSVP requested. Please fill out the forms in the pew or call the Parish Office at 722-4388.

## **Catherine's Cupboard Volunteer Schedule**

### **Transportation**

Week of September 10th — Pat & George Clark

Week of September 17th — Karen Dotson

### **Shelving (Mondays)**

September 11th — K. Mohny

September 18th — T. & M. Phalen

### **Distribution**

September 19th — D. Kellett & Team #1

## **XC Warrior Challenge** **4k Community Cross Country Race**

**September 16th, 2017**

**@ 11:00 A.M.**

**Chenango Valley High School**

### **Commemorating the 50th McDaniel-Baxter Invite**

To register go to: [cvwarriors.com/xc4k/](http://cvwarriors.com/xc4k/)

Sponsored by:

Chenango Valley Warriors Athletic Club

## **Safe Environment Training**

A reminder to all church volunteers, that the United States Council of Catholic Bishops requires everyone who volunteers or is employed by any church organization to be screened. Our diocesan upcoming Safe Environment Training will be held at these locations. Screening is required every 5 years. If you have been contacted to be screened or to have your certification renewed please take advantage of these opportunities. If you have questions you can contact Maria Kirk at the parish office, 722-4177. Register online at [www.syrdio.org](http://www.syrdio.org).

### **Initial Safe Environment Training (PGC)**

Wednesday, September 13th at 1:00 PM

Catholic Charities, Binghamton  
(limited seating available)

Saturday, September 23rd at 9:30 AM

St Francis of Assisi, Binghamton

Wednesday, November 8th at 6:00 PM

Saints John & Andrew Parish, Binghamton

Wednesday, November 8th at 1:00 PM

Catholic Charities, Binghamton  
(limited seating available)

### **Recertification Training (EPDR)**

Saturday, September 9th at 10:00 AM

Our Lady of Sorrows, Vestal

Wednesday, October 25th at 5:30 PM

Church of the Holy Family, Endwell  
Call Holy Family 754-1266 to register

Wednesday, November 29th at 6:00 PM

Saints John & Andrew Parish, Binghamton

## **Hurricane Harvey**

It is truly hard to comprehend 50" of rain in one storm, but that is what we have been hearing and seeing on the news. Hurricane Harvey when reaching land brought enormous destruction to a large population in Texas and Louisiana.

Catholic Charities USA (CCUSA), the official domestic relief agency of the Catholic Church, is working in conjunction with the local Catholic Charities agencies to assist families and individuals impacted by the hurricane.

### **Here is how you can help:**

#### **Pray:**

God of hope and mercy, we lift up to you all victims of Hurricane Harvey, and those responding with assistance and aid. Protect all who are in any form of danger; provide practical help to all those in need; strengthen the weary; console the grieving and heal the suffering; and bless those engaged in disaster relief efforts with safety and courage. Help all people of goodwill to respond with compassion and generous hearts. Amen.

#### **Give:**

A second collection will take place on September 16th and 17th at all Liturgies.

We thank you for your time, prayers, and generosity!

## **Everyday Evangelization**

### **"Living As Missionary Disciples"**

- **Start the day with a reading from the Bible.** Pay attention to the ways you find additional meaning in the reading as you go about your day.
- **Share the Good News.** Tell a family member, friend, neighbor or co-worker about something that inspired you during last Sunday's liturgy. If it seems appropriate invite him or her to join you at Mass the following Sunday.
- **Pray for someone you don't like.** Ask the Holy Spirit to open your mind and heart so that you view this person in a more loving light.
- **Be encouraging.** Go out of your way to offer encouragement to thank someone whose work is often overlooked.
- **Give something away.** Donate something that will help feed, clothe, or provide comfort to a person or family in need.

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**St. Francis of Assisi Lectors,  
Eucharistic Ministers & Altar Servers**  
**September 16th & 17th, 2017**

**4:00 P.M. Mass**

Lector	John Artman
EM Host	Dc. Steve
EM Host	Barb Brozovic
EM Host	Catherine Shafer
EM Cup	Larry Koch
EM Cup	Jan Pandich
EM Cup	Teresa Creeden
EM Cup	Carol Danoski
Altar Server	Sarah Shafer
Altar Server	Mary Katherine Doyle
Altar Server	Tyler Norton

**8:00 A.M. Mass**

Lector	Tom Phalen
EM Host	Dc. Steve
EM Host	Donna or Scott Iglar
EM Host	Ed White
EM Cup	Michael Stricek
EM Cup	Marie Iobst
EM Cup	Shirley McCray
EM Cup	Katie Ginalski
Altar Server	Brigid Birtch
Altar Server	Kathryn White
Altar Server	Lauren White

**11:00 A.M. Mass**

Lector	Mary Jo Albee
EM Host	Dc. Steve
EM Host	Sue Jones
EM Host	David Hanzes
EM Cup	Maria Lord
EM Cup	Kerri Hamilton
EM Cup	David Gill
EM Cup	Chris Gill
Altar Server	Brendan Heaney
Altar Server	John Michael Frissora
Altar Server	Jessica Wojnar

**\*\*Attention Eucharistic Ministers,  
Altar Servers, & Lectors\*\***

It's time to begin work on the next quarter's schedule for the Eucharistic Ministers, Altar Servers, and Lectors. This schedule covers October, November, and December. If you have any special requests, please let us know before **September 15th** by calling Lynda and Joe Carpenter at 607-772-6732 or via email at joseph.carpenter28@gmail.com. We will be completing and submitting the schedule on **September 20th**. We also have some good news, there were 8 new altar servers trained this summer. Thank you to those young people and also Maria Kirk and Steve Blabac for coordinating the training. Thank you!

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