

September 23, 2018

St. Francis of Assisi Parish

1031 Chenango Street, Binghamton, New York 13901

2018 Confirmandi

Brigid "Brigid" Birtch

Alexander "Patrick" Buckland

Cameron "Sebastian" Drumm

Ethan "Maximilian" Glenn

James "Patrick" Hart

Dominick "Steven" Lomonaco

Benjamin "Jacob" Martin

Hunter "Luke" Micha

Matthew "Sebastian" Paske

Elizabeth "Elizabeth" Rice

Benjamin "Genesius" Saunders

Michael "Patrick" Schultz

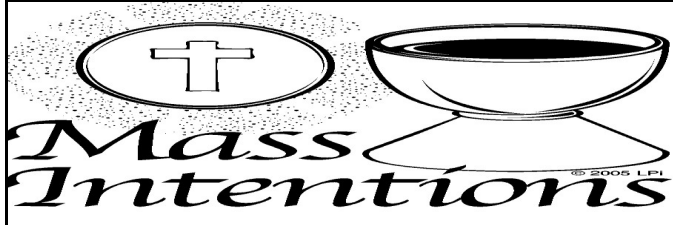
Lindsey "Sophia" Szalach

Vincent "Stanislaus" Tatich

Elizabeth "Patricia" Wrighter

Samuel "Paul" Zarrelli





Saturday, September 22, Vigil of Sunday

4:00 p.m. George Koons by Family

Sunday, September 23, Twenty-Fifth

Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. Tozia Stacey by St. Francis
Special Sunshine Committee

11:00 a.m. Liturgy for the People —

CONFIRMATION

Monday, September 24

8:00 a.m. Paul Mc Daniels by St. Francis
RCIA Committee

Tuesday, September 25

8:00 a.m. Rick Vavra by Kathie & Chuck
Healy

Wednesday, September 26

8:00 a.m. Evelyn Cox by Bob & Bea Grace

Thursday, September 27

8:00 a.m. Bill Quinn by Ruthie Cole

Friday, September 28

NO MASS

Saturday, September 29, Vigil of Sunday

4:00 p.m. Dorothy Saeger by the Youket
Family

Sunday, September 30, Twenty-Sixth

Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. Liturgy for the People

11:00 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 (09-16-18)

Regular Envelopes.....	\$5,173.00
Loose Collection.....	\$457.00
Electronic Collection.....	\$424.00
Total Collection.....	\$6,054.00

Thank you for your generous donations!

Don't forget to give to the HOPE Appeal as we are still far from meeting our goal!

Faith Formation

- Faith Formation Information, Calendars and Registration Forms have been mailed. If you did not receive one and need to register your child for Faith Formation there are extra copies on the usher's tables, or you can register online.
- All families enrolled in Faith Formation are to attend the Mission Concert at St. Mary of the Assumption Church on Sunday, September 30th at 7 PM. Classes will begin Sunday, October 14th at 9:30 AM in the church. There will be an information meeting for Parents after the Prayer Service on October 14th.
- Faith Formation is not contingent on your ability to pay, if you cannot afford to pay please register your children anyway.
- Additional Information for students entering Direct Prep for Confirmation 2019 has been mailed. Please note Candidates and Parents are expected to attend at least one session of the upcoming Parish Mission. Our Parent/Candidate information meeting will be Tuesday October 9th at 7 PM.
- Parents of children preparing to receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation and First Eucharist are expected to attend at least one session of our upcoming Parish Mission.

Catechist's Meeting

- There will be a meeting for all catechists next Sunday, September 30th at 9 AM in the Faith Formation Office upstairs in the Parish Center.

Parish Book Club

Our Book club will begin Tuesday, October 9th at 2 PM and 7 PM. Our book will be "**We Are All One**", by Joan Chittister. Books are available in the Parish Center for \$10.

"This simple little book", says Joan Chittister, "touches on four elements of mindfulness that account for all the angst in our society right now. The four elements are moral maturity, spiritual witness, personal greatness, and universal kinship." Her insights, like her other books, will inspire your own prayer and lead you to the simple and profound truth; we are all one.

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, Helen Bolt and Mary Catherine Grace.

5th International Day for Total Elimination of Nuclear Weapons

September 26th, 2018 will be the 5th International Day for Total Elimination of Nuclear Weapons. In March 2017, Pope Francis called for a “collective and concerted multilateral effort to eliminate nuclear weapons. Francis said the goal of total elimination of nuclear weapons becomes “both a challenge and a moral and humanitarian imperative” and “a concrete approach should promote a reflection on an ethics of peace and multilateral and cooperative security that goes beyond the fear and isolationism that prevail in many debates today.”

This past **Friday, September 21st** was observed as International Day of Peace that was inaugurated by the united nations in 1981. We are called to be “artisans of peace.” The Artisan of Peace Pledge is a way that we can affirm peacemaking and is rooted in the core principle of Catholic social thought. Please take the time to reflect on and make the pledge below to become an Artisan of Peace.

Artisan of Peace Pledge

I pledge to avoid violence in my language, thoughts, actions, and relationships.

I pledge to work toward a society that respects the inherent worth and dignity of each person.

I pledge to respect and to build a deeper understanding of those who differ from me by belief, ethnic background, culture, or gender orientation.

I pledge to build a deeper understanding of the causes of, and ways to prevent, war and intercommunity violence.

I pledge to avoid violence and damage to Mother Earth and to promote musical and cultural events that spread the seed of caring for our common home.

I pledge to promote a non-military approach to security in my neighborhood, school, and community.

I pledge to practice peaceful solutions to conflict, to challenge violence in all its forms, to stand with my sisters and brothers who are treated unfairly.

I pledge to live conscientiously and simply so that I do not deprive others of the means to live.

I pledge to defend those whose human rights are not respected.

I pledge to bring consolation to the displaced, refugees, and migrants whose lives have been uprooted by war and violence.

I pledge to speak out against all those engaged in human trafficking.

I pledge to work for fairness, equality, and justice in my community.

Children’s Liturgy VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

In order to offer Children’s Liturgy at the 4:00PM and 11:00AM Masses we need at least 3, 2 person, teams. Volunteers will be trained in the process. There is a leader's manual with an activity and time line. There is no snack or craft, this is Breaking Open the Word at the children’s level. The sessions should last about 15 minutes. Safe environment training is required. Please call Maria Kirk by September 24th if you are interested in this very rewarding ministry.

Save the Dates!

“I Have Called You by Name”

Mobilizing the Family of Faith - Eucharist Must be Lived

September 29 – October 3, 2018

Sponsored by the Churches of St. Francis of Assisi, St. Mary of the Assumption, and Church of St. Paul

Lead by Speaker: Vince Ambrosetti

Embracing and living the call of Baptism. BAPTISM CALLS EACH AND ALL OF US to a conscious and active role in the Mystical Body of Christ. Faith is not a spectator event, parish is not meant for passive membership. Belonging to Christ carries gifts beyond measure, and real responsibilities that impact the lives of all those who surround us, especially our children, and even our grandchildren.



For more information contact your Parish office or watch the bulletin for details!

**Fellowship!
Mission!
Music!**

Pontifical Mission Societies “Thank You”

Thank you for the gift of \$3,679 from your parishioners for the Lusubilo Orphan Care. Your participation in the Mission Cooperative Program is greatly appreciated by the people of God who are ultimately served through your financial support. May God continue to bless you!

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. Cannon law requires you are to be a practicing Catholic to be a sponsor. Please call Delores at the parish center (722-4388) with any questions.

Catherine's Cupboard Volunteer Schedule

Transportation

Week of September 23rd — Michelle Warne

Week of September 30th — Karen Dotson

Shelving (Mondays)

September 24th — N. & D. Minch

October 1st — C. & R. Danoski

Distribution

October 2nd — D. Kellett Team #2

Broome Bounty Program

Do you have leftover food from a catered party, grocery store, or restaurant that would otherwise go to waste? Broome Bounty, a division of CHOW®, is Broome County's only Food Recovery Program. Broome Bounty collects food that would otherwise be thrown away. Broome Bounty gets food from restaurants such as the Olive Garden and Red Lobster, from food suppliers like Maines Paper & Food and Willow Run Foods, schools, the area's two major truck stops and a national food recovery program. This food is distributed to local community meal programs. To become a recipient of Broome Bounty food, the agency must be a 501(c)3 not-for-profit agency. The agency must provide prepared foods free of charge from a NYS Health Department certified kitchen. Call 724-9130 to ask how you can be a part of this great program.

Judy McDonald: Catholic Comedian

Coming to Our Lady of Sorrows Church, Vestal

October 20th & 21st

She will speak at all Masses
and at 7:00p.m. on Sunday, October 21st

Chenango Valley Athletic Club Fruit Sale

The Chenango Valley Athletic Club is holding a fruit sale from now until **October 19th**. If you are interested in placing an order visit cvwarrior.com or email the Chenango Valley Athletic Club at cvathleticclub@gmail.com

We appreciate your support!

Dining for Dollars Event

Broome County Council of Churches is having their "Dining for Dollars" event on **October 11th from 5:30PM to 9:30PM** at the Polish Community Center (347 Prospect Street)
Father Tim will be one of the guest servers

SUNY Broome's Veterans Day Clinic

On **Tuesday, November 6th at 8:30 AM**, 28 dental hygiene students from SUNY Broome will be available to give free teeth cleaning to military veterans. Please call (778-5015) to make an appointment as soon as possible.

Thanksgiving Baskets Sign-ups

Sign-ups will be held September 10th — October 19th at our both Catholic Charities Food Pantries.

Individuals 18 years and older must provide proof of residency within the last 30 days and ID for each person

Catholic Charities Binghamton Pantry at 100 Main St.:
Monday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday 9:00-11:30AM
and 1:00-3:30PM, Tuesdays 1:00-3:30 PM

Mother Teresa's Endicott Pantry located at St. Ambrose Church, 202 Garfield Ave:

Monday, Wednesday and Friday: 9:00 AM-2:30 PM

- Residents of Vestal, Endwell and Endicott may sign up for a basket at Mother Teresa's Cupboard
- Residents of Johnson City may choose either pantry to sign up, but must sign up **ONLY** at one.
- Residents of the Windsor Central School District **MUST** sign up with Windsor Human Development. For more details for Windsor residents, please call 273-8839
- All other Broome County residents please use the Catholic Charities Binghamton Pantry

World Marriage Day Celebration 2019

The 34th Annual World Marriage Day will be celebrated on **February 10th, 2019 at 2:30pm at The Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, Syracuse.**

The Most Reverend Robert J. Cunningham will celebrate the Mass and invite all couples in attendance to renew their commitment to Holy Matrimony. He will specially honor those couples will be celebrating their 25th, 50th and beyond 50th anniversary in 2019.

If you are celebrating your 25th, 50th, or 50+ anniversary in 2019, please contact the parish office to register before **December 1st**. All married couples and their families are invited to attend!

Attention Parish Nurses

St Francis Parish Nurses organization invites any licensed RNs and LPNs to join our group. At this time we take blood pressures one weekend a month (after all the Masses the weekend of the 3rd Saturday) and once a month at Catherine's Cupboard. We also are interested in hearing suggestions of other ways our group might be helpful to the parish. For more information please phone Diane Yajko (607)372-0312 or email Bea Grace at gracehadsell@stny.rr.com.

Knights of Columbus Breakfast Buffet

The Knights of Columbus will be sponsoring a Breakfast Buffet on **Sunday, September 30th from 8:30 a.m.—11:00 a.m.** in the Church Hall. Please join us for a truly wonderful breakfast! Proceeds go to Catherine's Cupboard.

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

September 29th & 30, 2018

4:00 P.M. Mass

Lector Barb Brozovic
EM Host Paulette Scales
EM Host Ron Scales
EM Host Marge Mangan
EM Cup Peggy Munson
EM Cup Judy Murphy
EM Cup Rosemary Rounds
EM Cup Dom Lomonaco
Altar Server Dominic Lomonaco
Altar Server Logan Lomonaco
Altar Server Mikey Schultz

8:00 A.M. Mass

Lector Michael Stricek
EM Host Mary DeNinis
EM Host Suzanne Carr
EM Host Nancy Oliver
EM Cup Kurt or Kelly Mohny
EM Cup Joanne Horoschak
EM Cup Maureen Mizzoni
EM Cup Melissa Kliment
Altar Server Logan Kliment
Altar Server Brendan Kliment
Altar Server Sydney Keough

11:00 A.M. Mass

Lector Charles Linfear
EM Host Katie Ginalski
EM Host Joseph Frissora
EM Host Rose O'Neil
EM Cup Stephanie Stracuzzi
EM Cup Katie Hamilton
EM Cup Steve Guth
EM Cup Jules Furrer
Altar Server Nolan Sirgany
Altar Server Jessica Wojnar
Altar Server Olivia Santa Croce

***Eucharistic Ministers, Altar Servers, &
Lectors Schedule Requests***

Hope everyone had a great time this Summer!!!
It's time to begin work on the next quarter's schedule for the Eucharistic Ministers, Altar Servers & Lectors. This schedule covers October, November & December of 2018. If you have any special requests please let us know before **September 24th!**

We will be completing & submitting the schedule on September 26th.

Again, let us know about those special requests
Call Lynda & Joe Carpenter @ 772-6732 or email
joseph.carpenter28@gmail.com.

Thanks, see you in church!

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