

October 6, 2019

# St. Francis of Assisi Parish

1031 Chenango Street, Binghamton, New York 13901



## *Congratulations 2019 Confirmandi*

Colsten “Paul” Volpe  
St. Mary of the Assumption

Lauren “Mary” Ashman

Olivia “Rose” Barry

Timothy “Francis” Bennett

Michelle “Marie” Boyle

Natalie “Philomena” Broderick

Peyton “John” Broderick

Jacob “Jacob” Brown

Jacob “Sebastian” Coddington

Mary Katherine “Frances” Doyle

Makenzie “Juliana” Driscoll

Megann “Anne” Jones

Joseph “Jonah” Kozlowski

Braeden “Sebastian” Krisko

Elijah “Luke” Lanfear

Joshua “Michael” Nickerson

Andrew “Dominic” Rice

Sarah “Bernadette” Shafer

Dominic “Patrick” Testani

Keira “Elizabeth” Warwick

Lauren “Helena” White

Clayton “George” Wrighter



**Saturday, October 5, Vigil of Sunday**

4:00 p.m. Catherine Koons by Family

**Sunday, October 6, Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:00 a.m. Kathie Rzodski by St. Francis Special Sunshine Committee

11:00 a.m. Liturgy for the People —

**Confirmation**

**Monday, October 7**

8:00 a.m. 10<sup>th</sup> Anniv. Joe Galloway by Family

**Tuesday, October 8**

8:00 a.m. Giordi DeAngelo by Arlene Peters

**Wednesday, October 9**

8:00 a.m. Conner Murray by Mirtie Sessler

**Thursday, October 10**

8:00 a.m. Vincent Cavanagh by Family

**Friday, October 11**

**NO MASS**

**Saturday, October 12, Vigil of Sunday**

4:00 p.m. 11<sup>th</sup> Anniv. Nancy Griswold by Family

**Sunday, October 13, Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:00 a.m. Mary Lou Clendening by Mr. & Mrs. Dan Fitzgerald

11:00 a.m. Liturgy for the People

**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 (09-29-19)**

Regular Envelopes.....	\$5,219.00
Loose Collection.....	\$295.00
Electronic Collection.....	\$547.00
Total Collection.....	\$6,061.00

*Thank You for your generous contributions!*

**Faith Formation**

**No Faith Formation October 6 (Confirmation) or October 13 (Columbus Day Weekend)**

**PLEASE NOTE!!**

**Important Calendar Date change--** First Reconciliation Rite of Changing Hearts will take place on **Sunday, October 27th at the 11AM Mass not November 3rd** as published on the calendar. The First Reconciliation Parent Meeting will take place on **October 20th at 9:45AM** in the Parish Hall. The Coaching Session will also take place on **October 27th** in the Parish Hall.

**Confirmation 2020--**A very important meeting for Parents and Candidates will take place **Tuesday, October 15th at 7PM** in the Parish Hall. This meeting will outline the requirements and focus on the process of Preparation for this sacrament. Information has been mailed to current 10th Grade Students. If you did not receive a mailing please contact Maria Kirk at the parish center (722-4177).

**Welcome Bishop Lucia to St. Francis of Assisi Parish**

Know that our prayers are with you as you begin your ministry and may we together do everything **"In The Name Of Jesus"**.

**A Wonderful Mission**

A BIG thank you to Fr. Francis Pompei for his presence with us in last week's parish mission. It seemed that his message connected to all those who participated, and what he left us with really didn't conclude the mission because now we have to put it into our lives and become Kingdom People. Also, thank you to you who attended part or all of the mission; to Ed Savo for the music and technical assistance, and to those who organized the reception. Let us keep one another in prayer!

**Children's Liturgy**

**October 12/13**

**4PM—** Roberta Cushing/Maria Kirk  
**8AM—** Shirley McCray/Marie Iobst

**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.

## On This Respect Life Sunday...

### Let us pray for Christ's Seamless Garment of Life




*Dear God, help us all remember  
Around the body of Christ  
Wound a seamless garment,  
Woven from a single strand of flax,  
All connected, no discrete pieces  
Of thread, of material, of different fabric,  
It was all of a piece, all one.  
Dear God, help us remember  
We are the Body of Christ together,  
And we are called to take on  
A seamless garment of concerns,  
All based on the dignity of the human person,  
All connected, all of a piece,  
May we reach out our hands to each other, and  
To the immigrant mother, pregnant with new life,  
To the elder caregiver who cannot afford a doctor,  
To the homeless veteran living on the streets,  
To all those oppressed, suffering, hoping to survive.  
Dear God, guide us as we discern our way forward,  
Sound together by your call,  
Connected as your children.  
Give us the vision to see the totality of your love  
So we might strive to love all of life as you do.  
**Amen.***

### Care for God's Creation

This past Friday, October 4th, feast of St. Francis of Assisi, ended the annual ecumenical "Season of Creation" that began on Sunday, September 1st. It is a time set aside for Christians to reflect on the state of creation through prayer and action.

In a recent article written by Daniel Horan, a Franciscan Friar, entitled Climate Change is the Most Important Life Issue Today, stated that "Global climate change threatens every life now and poses an existential danger to the very condition of the possibility for future life on this planet. If we are called to be moral agents guided by a seamless garment approach, as I believe we are, then climate change is the body on which such a garment hangs. The preservation of particular human lives is predicated on the future of the planet and delicate ecosystems on it that make life possible at all."

### Consider these facts:

-  On August 2nd, Greenland lost **12 Billion tons** of ice to melting, the largest single-day loss in recorded history
-  The rate of Antarctic ice loss is **5 times** what it was 20 years ago.
-  This past July was **the hottest on record** (The second hottest was only 3 years ago in 2016)

## End-Of-Life Moral and Medical Issues with Rev. Charles Vavonese and Dr. Paul Fiacco

Saturday, November 2, 2019

9AM—3PM

### Our Lady of Sorrows, Vestal

While advances in medical technology permit people to live longer and offer many benefits, they also present new moral and medical issues. This workshop will explore the moral dimensions of these issues as well as the opportunities for palliative care that these advances present. Register at [formationforministrysyr.org](http://formationforministrysyr.org)

## Book Club

A new season of our parish book club will begin on Tuesday, October 22nd, and our featured read is ; The Tim Is Now: A Call To Uncommon Courage, by Sr. Joan Chittister. Sr. Joan is well known and an author people have come to admire for her courage, truthfulness, and her way to show her readers what it means to live our faith. We do live in confusing times with a feeling there is nothing we can do to address the challenges before us. As one commentator states, "She's a legend... she invites you to cling to Jesus...dive into the world's pain...and do something daring and beautiful with your life".

All are welcome to purchase a book (\$10) to read on your own, or come to book club Tuesdays at 2PM or 7PM at the parish center. Call Delores at 722-4388.

## Safe Environment Training Schedule

Safe Environment Training is required for EVERYONE who works or volunteers at any catholic church regardless of whether or not they are in direct contact with children. If you have not yet had your Initial Safe Environment Training please reserve your spot at the PGC trainings listed below. If you had your Initial Training over 5 years ago, then you are due for your Recertification (EPDR). To sign up for one of these training sessions go online: [syracusediocese.org/safe-environment/initial-training-for-adults/](http://syracusediocese.org/safe-environment/initial-training-for-adults/)

### Initial Safe Environment Training (PGC)

**Monday, October 21st at 6:00 PM**

Our Lady of Good Counsel, Endicott

**Saturday, November 9th at 9:00 AM**

Our Lady of Good Counsel, Endicott

**Wednesday, November 13th at 1:00 PM**

Catholic Charities of Broome County, Binghamton

**Tuesday, November 19th at 6:00 PM**

Sts. John & Andrew, Binghamton

### Recertification Training (EPDR)

**Saturday, October 12th at 9:00 AM**

Our Lady of Good Counsel, Endicott

**Tuesday, November 12th at 6:00 PM**

Sts. John & Andrew, Binghamton

**Monday, November 18th at 6:00 PM**

Our Lady of Good Counsel, Endicott

**Catherine's Cupboard Volunteer Schedule**  
**Transportation**

Week of Oct. 6th — Marie Giordano  
 Week of Oct. 13th — Pat & George Clark

**Shelving (Mondays)**

October 7th — C. Woodruff & M. Ryder  
 October 14th — K. Mohny

**Distribution**

October 15th — A. Short, S. Lee, M. DeNinis,  
 L. Gildea, R. & C. Parga

Fall is upon us, so it's time to clear the gardens.  
**Would YOU like a geranium?** They will be available soon and they do grow indoors. CALL PARISH CENTER (722-4388) and we will put some aside for you when we clear the flowers in the next week or so. Pots are NOT included. Please call before Oct. 13th.

**The Catholic Charities of Broome County**  
**Food Pantries Thanksgiving Basket Signups**

**September 9th—October 18th**

† Residents of Vestal, Endwell, Maine, Whitney Point, and Endicott please sign up for a basket at Mother Teresa's Cupboard located at St. Ambrose Church 202 Garfield Ave. Endicott: Monday, Wednesday, and Friday: 9:00AM—2:30PM

† Residents of Johnson City may choose either Mother Teresa's Cupboard or Catholic Charities Pantry to sign up but may sign up **AT ONLY ONE**.

† Residents of the Windsor Central School District MUST sign up with Windsor Human Development from October 1st—13th. For more details for Windsor residents, please call 759-0988

† **All other Broome County** residents please use the Catholic Charities of Binghamton Pantry located at 100 Main St. Binghamton: Mon., Wed., Thur., Fri. 9:00-11:30AM and 1:00-3:30PM & Tues. 1-3:30PM

**2019 Annual Red Mass of the Southern Tier**

Invoking the wisdom of the Holy Spirit upon all who practice law, protect our communities and serve in government.

Please join Bishop Douglas Lucia and Rev. Msgr. John Putano on...

**Monday, October 7, 2019 @ 12:10 pm**  
**St. Patrick's Church**

(9 Leroy Street, Binghamton, NY)

**Reception in Church Hall following Mass.**

**All are welcome!**

Judges, lawyers, law students, paralegals, fire fighters, police and sheriff personnel, and the leaders from all faith communities are invited to join us, asking the guidance of the Holy Spirit for all who seek justice.

**Members of the Bar Association who died this past year will be honored.**

**10th Annual Syracuse Catholic Women's Conference**

**Saturday October 23th at the Oncenter in Syracuse**  
**Theme: Fountain of Life**

**Speakers:** Fr. Peter Van Leishout, Jane Brennan, and The Sisters of Life. Bishop Lucia will celebrate Mass.

**Seated lunch, many vendors, and great fellowship**

Visit us online at [www.syracusecatholicwomen.org](http://www.syracusecatholicwomen.org) for more information or to register.

**\$55 registration online through October 19th or by mail through October 12th**

Address:

Commission on Women in Church & in Society  
 c/o Roman Catholic Diocese of Syracuse,  
 240 East Onondaga Street, Syracuse, NY 13202

**Fenton Free Library**

**Doughnut Fundraiser**

For Children's Programming

**PRE-ORDER** Krispy Kreme Doughnuts

**Orders due by Wednesday, Oct. 16th**

**Pickup on Saturday, Oct. 19th, 8 am to 4 pm**

**FIVE Choices to Pre-Order**

**ORDER FORM**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

<u>Variety</u>	<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Amount Due</u>
Glazed (\$8/dozen)	_____	_____
Chocolate Iced Glazed (\$7/half doz)	_____	_____
Glazed / Lemon filled (\$7/half doz)	_____	_____
Glazed / Rasbery filled (\$7/half doz)	_____	_____
Glazed / Cream filled (\$7/half doz)	_____	_____

**Additional Donation to Library** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Total Due** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Make check payable to "Fenton Free Library"**

**Drop off or mail form to Library,**

**1062 Chenango St, Binghamton, NY 13901**

**2019 Maryknoll Student Essay Contest**

**Courageous Missionaries**

Pope Francis challenges young people in his letter *Christ Alive*, "Learn to swim against the tide, learn how to share Jesus and the faith he has given you."

**Assignment:** Write an essay explaining how and with whom you share the good news of God's love.

**Prizes Per Division:**

1st Place- \$1K 2nd Place- \$300 3rd Place- \$150

**Deadline: November 15th, 2019**

Division I: Grades 6-8 Division II: Grades 9-12

**To enter, see Maria Kirk or**

**submit your entry online:** [maryknollsociety.org/publications/essay-contest/courageous-missionaries/](http://maryknollsociety.org/publications/essay-contest/courageous-missionaries/)

**St. Francis of Assisi Lectors,  
Eucharistic Ministers & Altar Servers**  
**October 12th & 13th, 2019**

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

Lector	Bob & Betsy Shields
EM Host	Dc. Steve
EM Host	Terry Hanifin
EM Host	Dom Lomonaco
EM Cup	Sue Lee
EM Cup	John Pierce
EM Cup	Peggy Munson
EM Cup	Jan Pandich
Altar Server	Dominic Lomonaco
Altar Server	Logan Lomonaco
Altar Server	Tyler Norton

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

Lector	Maureen Mizzoni
EM Host	Dc. Steve
EM Host	Tim Vaverchak
EM Host	Mary Ellen Vaverchak
EM Cup	Virginia Thompson
EM Cup	Marie Iobst
EM Cup	Mary DeNinis
EM Cup	Melissa Kliment
Altar Server	Sydney Keough
Altar Server	Brendan Kliment
Altar Server	Logan Kliment

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

Lector	Brian Sirgany
EM Host	Dc. Steve
EM Host	Sue Jones
EM Host	Jules Furrer
EM Cup	Kerri Hamilton
EM Cup	Maria Lord
EM Cup	Betty Church
EM Cup	David Hanzes
Altar Server	Nolan Sirgany
Altar Server	Brendan Heaney
Altar Server	

**Question of the Week**

**Question for Children:** Jesus teaches us that our faith is powerful and with it, we can do great things. We can forgive, love, and share with others. Which of these do you do most often?

**Question for Youth:** The Gospel tells us even a little bit of faith is enough to make amazing things happen. How are you keeping your faith alive and growing? What good things happen in your life because of your faith?

**Question for Adults:** Being “in Christ” means living as Christ teaches. What signs do you see in your life of generosity, forgiveness, hospitality, or any other of Jesus’ teachings?

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