

November 06, 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.

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Office Hours:

Monday — Thursday:
7:30 am to 4:30 pm
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Confession:

2nd & 4th Saturday of every
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our latest weekend reflection.
We will be posting new
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Saturdays.

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Saturday, November 5, Vigil of Sunday

4:00 p.m. Mary Savo by Carol & Bob Danoski

Sunday, November 6, Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:30 a.m. Charles Jaworski , Bernie & Lois Dean by Family

Monday, November 7

12:00 p.m. Irene Aylward Difenderfer by Sister, Barbara & Family

Tuesday, November 8

8:00 a.m. Liturgy for the People

Wednesday, November 9

12:00 p.m. Dan Minch by St. Francis Special Sunshine Committee

Thursday, November 10

8:00 a.m. Hattie Moll by Family

Friday, November 11

NO MASS

Saturday, November 12, Vigil of Sunday

4:00 p.m. **60th Wedding Anniversary** – Mike & Jan Pandich

Sunday, November 13, Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:30 a.m. 24th Anniv. Ryan Carr by Mom & Dad

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 (10-30-22)

Regular Envelopes.....	\$3,360.00
Loose Collection.....	\$276.00
Electronic Collection.....	\$1,647.00
Total Collection.....	\$5,283.00

Thank you for your generosity!

Faith Formation

Grades K—Confirmation will meet as usual today.

PLEASE NOTE: There will be no FF or Family Event next Sunday, November 13th. Faith Formation will resume on November 20th for Grades K–9 at 9 AM

Looking Ahead:

† Circles of Care the Diocesan Mandated Safe Environment training for children will take place in Grades K-9 during the last 30 minutes of class. Parents must sign their children out of this session if they do not want their children to receive this very specialized training. Parents may also peruse the training in the FF office or go online to syrdio.org and view the lessons online.

Guest Speakers November 19th/20th

Joe Coffey and Michelle O’Laughlin will be at St. Francis the weekend of November 19th/20th. They will be speaking on ways to help support the Samaritan House in their mission to help those in need.

Hope Appeal: UPDATE



We all continue to be inspired by the generosity of our St. Francis family. Thanks to all of you who have supported the 2022 HOPE Appeal. Please know that your gift makes a difference.

When a chaplain sits with someone in the hospital; when you see the excitement in the face of a child preparing to receive their First Eucharist; when a homebound neighbor can participate in Mass through Catholic television. All of these moments, and so many more, are made possible by your contribution to the HOPE Appeal.

We invite you to join us in supporting this year’s HOPE Appeal, which will run until the end of December.

Our parish has raised 35% of our goal of \$43,000. There are giving envelopes at the entrances of church. We can do so much more together than we can alone. Thank you for being the “Light of Christ.”

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 rosaries or other religious items, there is a basket on the back table of the church. Thank you!

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.



Live Like Megan Fundraiser & Blood Drive

The Live Like Megan Foundation, a non-profit formed in the memory of Megan Santa Croce, will hold a trivia fundraiser on Friday, November 11th.

Megan Santa Croce was a beloved community member and parishioner at St. Francis of Assisi. She passed away in November 2018 from a rare childhood ovarian cancer at the age of 23.

The Live Like Megan Foundation provides scholarships, supports rare cancer research, and provides respite weekends on Cayuga Lake for families of children battling cancer.

The upcoming trivia fundraiser will take place at St. Francis of Assisi Church in our newly-renovated church hall. Doors open at 7:00PM.

The trivia will be hosted by Barb Fox, and will include her new, fun, "Quingo" format.

Teams must consist of 4 to 8 people and the cost to attend is \$15 per person.

The event will include pizza and snacks, as well as beer and wine available for purchase. There will also be prizes and raffle baskets benefitting the foundation.

You can put together a team and sign up by scanning the QR code here  using the camera on your smartphone. The next day, November 12th, there will also be a blood drive in Megan's memory at the same location from 8:30AM to 1:30PM. To register call 1-800-RED-CROSS or download the Blood Donor App. Walk-ins are welcome!



Maria Kirk is selling Festival of Lights tickets for the Junior League of Binghamton. Ticket prices are \$25 for a single use pass or \$50 for a season pass. Please contact Maria by November 16th if you are interested in purchasing a ticket. She will have them for you at Mass on November 19-20. For more information visit the website at bcfestivaloflights.com.

**32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time:
Justice Challenge**

Veterans Day is this week. We honor those who have fought to defend our country and its citizens, including those who paid the ultimate price and sacrificed their lives. Many of today's veterans suffer from mental or physical illnesses, stress, and financial difficulties. Our Church has a long tradition of supporting our Armed Forces while always looking for the most peaceful resolution to conflict and the denial of human rights. Your challenge this week is to look for ways to honor a veteran in your community. Is there a homeless shelter where you can serve, seeking out a veteran who is present? Is there a veteran in your neighborhood whom you can thank—through a card or a personal greeting—for his/her service to our country? Take time to reach out to someone who has served faithfully. Give veterans the human dignity and respect they deserve.

Prayer for Midterm Elections

*God of Justice and Peace,
Guide us to support the common good
As we prepare for the midterm elections.
Help us to affirm our rights and responsibilities
As citizens and members of our communities.
May we be informed and committed voters
Who value the social teachings of the Church:
The concern for those at the margins,
The hungry, the homeless, the sick and wounded,
The call to kinship and to non-violence.
May our values shape our choices at the polls.
May we recognize our responsibilities
To ensure that no voters face barriers
As they freely exercise their right to vote;
May we support the policies and measures
To ensure that all votes are counted fairly
And that all transfers of power are peaceful.
God of Justice and Peace,
We pray that we may play our part to ensure the
common good as we seek to heal our nation. Amen*

Prayer for Veterans Day

Take time to pray for all those who have generously served their country. We ask for blessings on all those who have served their country in the armed services. We ask for healing for the veterans who have been wounded, in body and soul, in conflicts around the globe. We pray especially for the young men and women in the thousands, who are coming home from Iraq with injured bodies and traumatized spirits. Bring solace to them, O Lord; may we pray for them when they cannot pray. We ask for, echoing John Paul II, an end to wars and the dawning of a new era of peace, as a way to honor all the veterans of past wars. Have mercy on all our veterans from World War II, Korea, Vietnam, Iraq, Afghanistan, and other conflicts. Bring peace to their hearts and peace to the regions they fought in. Bless all the soldiers who served in non-combatative posts; may their calling to service continue in their lives in many positive ways. Give us all the creative vision to see a world which, grown weary with fighting, moves to affirming the life of every human being and so moves beyond war. Hear our prayer, O Prince of Peace, hear our prayer.

**32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time:
Creation Care Tip**

"Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and through grace gave us eternal comfort and good hope, comfort your hearts and strengthen them in every good work and word."
In our dedication to caring for creation we are not on our own. We cannot save the earth as individuals or as a human race without the grace of God. When the task seems too overwhelming or impossible, as Christians we remember that we don't do what we do without hope and strength from God. Keep coming back to these verses this week to receive the graces God wants to give as you work for the restoration of all creation.

Catherine's Cupboard Volunteer Schedule

Transportation

NO TRANSPORTATION

Shelving (Mondays)

NO SHELIVING

Distribution

November 15th— M. & P. Peters, J. Wyatt

Care for Creation: Ride Sharing Signup

Dear Parish Family, the Creation Care Team at St. Francis knows that all of our family cares about Creation and especially about what is happening to our environment. We all know that our vehicles contribute to the degrading of our Mother Earth, especially the air we breathe. We recognize that many Parish Family members live alone or are the only ones coming to Church each weekend. We propose that Parish Family Members share rides with members who live near them on a rotating basis. Everyone who shares rides will save some gasoline money, put less carbon dioxide into the atmosphere, and likely get to know their neighbors in a more personal way. We are creating a sign up process to help potential participants find someone to share a ride with.

Pancakes FOR SOLAR

You're Invited to an Applebee's® Flapjack Fundraiser Event to support

SUNY Broome Health for Haiti



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Tickets: \$8.00 Date: 11/13/22 Time: 8am - 10am
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For Ticket Purchases Contact

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for more
information
or to buy
tickets!



Flapjack FUNDRAISER

Healing Mass

Fr. Amedeo Guida will celebrate a healing mass on Monday, November 7th at 7:00PM at St. Thomas Aquinas Church. Come to this holy sacrifice of the mass with openness and expectations of receiving from God His healing and peace.

Safe Environment Training

If you are planning on working or volunteering in the church you **MUST** be certified.

Initial Safe Environment Training

†**Thu., 11/03: 3:30PM** at Seton Catholic Central

†**Wed., 11/09: 6:00PM** at Saints John and Andrew

†**Mon., 11/14: 6:00PM** at Our Lady of Good Counsel

†**Thu., 12/01: 10:00AM** at Our Lady of Good Counsel

Recertification Training

†**Sat., 11/05: 9:00AM** at Our Lady of Good Counsel

†**Wed., 11/16: 6:00PM** at Saints John and Andrew

St. Paul's Annual Raffle

\$50/ticket. 400 tickets being sold.

5 top prizes. Drawing on 12/3/22.

Call Kevin & Tracy O'Hara - 607-724-5844

Thanksgiving Baskets Help Those in Need

On November 19th, our parish, along with many other Catholic parishes in the county, will distribute over 2000 Thanksgiving food baskets to families who have signed up through Catholic Charities over the past few weeks. This is a tradition that has been going on for over 40 years. We ask, if you are able, to fill a bag of the items listed below and return it to the Parish Center. On November 17th volunteers will complete the process and have them ready to go. St. Francis of Assisi is responsible for 135 families. Turkeys are donated through Catholic Charities to us, but if you would also like to donate one you may drop it off at Walmart, Vestal November 15th-18th. Thank you always for your generosity.

FOR FAMILIES WITH 3-4 MEMBERS:

- ❖ 2 Stuffing (bag/box)
- ❖ 1 Pie crust (boxed **only**)
- ❖ 1 Pie filling (**canned only**, check to see if additional items are needed for recipe [i.e. evaporated milk])
- ❖ 1 Can cranberry sauce
- ❖ 3 Canned fruits or separate cup sizes (4 or 6 to a package)
- ❖ 3 Canned veggies
- ❖ 1 Large can sweet potatoes or yams
- ❖ 1 Large box instant mashed potatoes
- ❖ 1 Large box bread mix (pumpkin, banana, cranberry, orange, etc.)
- ❖ 2 box Jello or Pudding mixes or individual pudding/jello servings
- ❖ 2 Gravy (glass jar or canned)

MONETARY DONATIONS ARE ALWAYS ACCEPTED TO COVER BREAD AND APPLES

Please drop off your Thanksgiving Basket at St. Francis Parish Center (Catherine's Cupboard) on **Saturday or Sunday, November 5th/6th or November 12th/13th before or after any Mass.**

OR

Drop off during normal parish center hours, Mon.--Thurs. 7:30AM to 4:30PM (Ring the doorbell beside the double doors if locked)

Attach this form to your bag or box OR mark the number of family members it will serve.

Any questions? Please contact Bev Krinik at 723-2350

PLEASE NO ADDITIONS OR SUBTRACTIONS TO THE MENU ABOVE

Thank you for your generosity during this holiday season!

Catherine's Cupboard Committee

**St. Francis of Assisi Lectors,
Eucharistic Ministers & Altar Servers**
November 12th & 13th, 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	Rosemary Rounds
4:00 Mass	EM Host	Kurt Mohney
4:00 Mass	EM Host	Kelly Mohney
4:00 Mass	EM Host	Ed White
10:30 Mass	Altar Server	Jonah Rice
10:30 Mass	Altar Server	Juliana Rice
10:30 Mass	Altar Server	TBD
10:30 Mass	Lector	Maureen Mizzoni
10:30 Mass	EM Host	Catherine Shafer
10:30 Mass	EM Host	Scott Iglar
10:30 Mass	EM Host	Donna Iglar

Children's Liturgy of the Word Schedule

10:30 AM Mass

November 13: Ede & Sarah Blabac

November 20: Maria Kirk & Melissa Kliment

VIRTUAL LITURGIES

Please go online to
stfrancisbing.org
to watch our latest Sunday Mass or Liturgy
of the Word as well as Children's Liturgy
videos.

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: God always stays with you, no matter what. What signs can you see to help you believe that?

Question for Youth: Death is a hard reality in our human life, but if we believe in the resurrection, we know it isn't the end of the journey. How does your belief in heaven affect the way you live?

Question for Adults: Having faith in difficult times is hard! What makes you believe in the promise that God will be your strength, as Paul says

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