

November 12, 2023

St. Francis of Assisi Parish

1031 Chenango Street, Binghamton, New York 13901

WE HONOR VETERANS



WE PRAY FOR PEACE

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
Friday: Closed

Confession:

2nd & 4th Saturday of every
month at 3:00 pm in the Church

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Please go online to
stfrancisbing.org to view
our latest Children's Liturgy.
We will be posting new
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Saturdays.

Also find the videos on our
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Saturday, November 11, Vigil of Sunday

4:00 p.m. Megan Santa Croce by Family

Sunday, November 12, Thirty-Second

Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:30 a.m. 25th Anniv. Ryan Carr by Family

Monday, November 13

12:00 p.m. Dan Minch by Marge Mangan

Tuesday, November 14

8:00 a.m. John William Stapleton by Kathie & Chuck Healy

Wednesday, November 15

12:00 p.m. Profession In the Third Order

(Liturgy in Church)

Thursday, November 16

8:00 a.m. Liturgy for the People

Friday, November 17

NO MASS

Saturday, November 18, Vigil of Sunday

4:00 p.m. Knights of Columbus Memorial

Mass #11403

Sunday, November 19, Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:30 a.m. Debbie Wheeler by Aunt Sally & Uncle Dick

Catherine's Cupboard

CATHERINE'S CUPBOARD has been serving our community for the past 20+ years, it's **open the 1st & 3rd Tuesday each month from 5 till 7 (or until all are served)**. We serve anyone who comes, asking only for ID, if they have any. As members of SOUTHERN TIER FOOD BANK, we purchase at wholesale (or less), providing **basic dry or canned goods, fresh fruit and vegetables, dairy, and frozen meats**. We try to provide **5 days of meals** and include **personal care items** also. We operate on **100% donations or grants**. Our location at the parish center means we have most overhead costs covered. However, we serve over 1200 people, requiring a budget of close to \$50,000 a year. PLEASE tell anyone you know who is feeling food insecure to stop in. **If you would like to donate food items, they can be left at parish center or food barrel in church foyer. Monetary donations can be mailed to our parish office or via the online giving tab at stfrancisbing.org**

Weekend's Offering (11-05-23)

Regular Envelopes.....	\$4,545.00
Loose Collection.....	\$974.00
Electronic Collection.....	\$2,700.00
Total Collection.....	\$8,219.00

Thank you for your generosity!

FAITH FORMATION

Faith Formation for grades K-9 meet at 9:00—10:15AM, in the Parish Hall.

Looking Ahead:

There will be a Thanksgiving Prayer Service in the Church on **Sunday November 19th at 9AM**, parents are invited to attend. Faith Formation will follow in the Parish Hall.

Circles of Care the diocesan required Safe Environment classes for youth will be presented for grades K-9 on **Sunday, November 19th** after the Thanksgiving Prayer Service. Parents who wish to review the materials can stop by the Faith Formation office in the Parish Hall or may go online to www.syrديو.орг to review the information. Parents may opt out of this very important training by signing the waiver in the Faith Formation office.

THANKSGIVING BASKETS 2023

FOR FAMILIES WITH 3-4 MEMBERS:

- 1 Stuffing (bag/box)
- 1 Pie crust (boxed or **unrefrigerated only**)
- NO Graham Cracker Crusts**
- 1 Pie filling (**canned only**, check for additional items needed for recipe [ie. evaporated milk])
- 1 Can cranberry sauce
- 3 Canned fruits or separate cup sizes (4 or 6/pack)
- 3 Canned veggies
- 1 Large can sweet potatoes or yams (or 2 med size)
- 1 Large box instant mashed potatoes (or 2 med)
- 1 Large box bread mix (pumpkin, banana, cran etc.)
- 2 box Jello or Pudding mixes or individual servings
- 2 Gravy (glass jar or canned)



MONETARY DONATIONS ARE ALWAYS ACCEPTED FOR CATHERINE'S CUPBOARD

Please drop off your Thanksgiving Basket at St. Francis Parish Center (Catherine's Cupboard) on **Saturday or Sunday, November 4th/5th or November 11th/12th before or after any Mass. No later than November 15th**
OR

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

Questions? Contact Bev Krinik at 607-723-2350

PLEASE NO CHANGES TO THE MENU ABOVE

Thank you for your generosity this holiday season!
—Catherine's Cupboard Committee

BOOK CLUB IS BACK!

Our **Advent Book Club** will begin on **Tuesday, November 28th at 2 PM and 7 PM in the Parish Hall.** We will read and discuss "*An Unlikely Advent*" by Rachel Billups. Books will be available soon at the Parish Center for \$10. This book invites us to explore the unlikely and unexpected ways that God works in the first Christmas and continues to work in our lives today. Join us and make this Advent a faithful and inspiring way to widen your view of Christmas. This Book Club will meet on November 28th, December 5th, 12th and 19th.

**Special Fundraiser for Hamilton Family:
November 18th**

What: Corn Hole Tournament Fundraiser in Memory of Kerri Hamilton

When: November 18, 2023 - Doors open at 1:00 PM, Registration Begins at 2:00 PM, Starts at 3:00 PM

Where: Endwell Greens, 3675 Sally Piper Road

In addition to the Corn Hole Tournament, there will be fundraising through different raffles. Registration is \$60/Team, but all donations are welcome. All proceeds will benefit the Hamilton family. Kerri Hamilton was a beloved wife, mother of three girls, and an active member of St. Francis of Assisi parish. For more info, please contact Craig Bowman 607-343-4302 or ebowman30@yahoo.com.

**31st Sunday in Ordinary Time:
Justice Challenge**

November 13 is the feast day of St. Frances Cabrini, the Patron Saint of Immigrants and the first U.S. citizen ever canonized. She herself was an immigrant, encouraged by Pope Leo XIII to leave her native Italy and come to America with her community of religious women. Her service to those in need, including immigrants from Italy, was inspiring. She cared for the poor, the abandoned, the uneducated, and the sick. Your challenge this week is to go on the Justice for Immigrants website of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, click on "Take Action," and find one thing you can do to seek justice for the immigrants in our country today. The website is JusticeForImmigrants.org.

**31st Sunday in Ordinary Time:
Creation Care Tips**

"Keep awake therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour." —Matthew 25:13

As Al Gore's documentary title suggests, it's an inconvenient truth how many signs point to a dramatically changing climate. It would be much easier to stay asleep to the scientific studies because the predictions are frightening. But Jesus continually called his followers to stay awake to the signs of the times and to keep working to usher in the Kingdom of Heaven on earth. This week, keep alert for how God is inviting you to be a partner in renewing the world.

Veterans Day Prayer

We pray in gratitude for all those who have generously served their country.

We ask for blessings on all those who have served their country in the armed forces.

We ask for healing for the veterans who have been wounded, in body and soul, in global conflicts.

We pray especially for the young men and women, in the thousands,

Who are coming home 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,

Bring peace to their hearts and peace to the regions they fought in.

Bless 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. Amen.



Mary of Nazareth, who is both Jewish and Palestinian, extend your mantle of mercy over all the peoples of the Holy Land -- Jews, Muslims, Christians, Palestinians, Israelis, migrants, and refugees. Mother of the Messiah, show us how to be Instruments of healing and peace in the midst of war, occupation, terrorism, and divisions. Give us an embracing love for all in the Holy Land, especially hostages, innocent victims, the homeless, and the dying. Mary our Mother, given to us by Jesus on the cross, pray for us.

Catherine's Cupboard Distribution Volunteer Schedule

November 21st: M. Lyons, M. Mizzoni, A. & S. Faughnan

Please Support our Fruit Fundraiser

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TO ORDER NOW

Organization: Chenango Valley High School Athletics

Organization ID: 1017215

Sale Dates: 11/13/2023—12/10/2023

Contact: _____

CV Athletic Club email cvathleticclub@gmail.com

We Appreciate Your Support!



Online Giving

Would you like to save paper and time when giving monetary donations to us? We have the option of online giving for your convenience. Visit our website stfrancisbing.org and click "online giving" in the menu. It's easy to set up using your checking account, credit, or debit card for automatic or one-time donation options and you choose where the money goes. The following are the accounts we have available for donation:

*Ordinary Contribution,
Repair, Maintenance, & Utilities,
Catholic School Support, Catherine's Cupboard,
Special Sunshine, Capital Campaign, STAR Fund,
and Creation Care Team*

**St. John's 5K
SANTA RUN**

SPONSORED
BY
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**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10
11 AM IN FRONT OF BOSCOV'S**

FUN RUN FOR A GOOD CLAUS!

Proceeds to benefit St. John's School
binghamtonsantarun.com

Do you have Household Hazardous Waste or Electronics to be Recycled?

Drop off your Household Hazardous Waste or Electronics to be Recycled on the following FREE drop off days...

November 18th, December 6th, and December 16th from 7:30AM—11:30AM

The facility is located at the Broome County Landfill, 286 Knapp Road, Binghamton, NY (by the airport).

For more information go to: www.gobromecounty.com/solidwaste or call 607-778-2250.

Creation Care Team CathCap Donations

To make a donation please go to this site:

www.cathcap.org

select: Contribute —> Support a Group

select: St. Francis of Assisi - Binghamton, NY

This link helps you calculate your carbon impact by: Flight, Driving, Total Co2 or Cash Donations.

You may also donate directly by visiting the online giving page on our website, stfrancisbing.org

For questions or more information contact

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2023 Annual HOPE Appeal

The HOPE Appeal is our Diocesan Appeal campaign to support programs and services throughout our diocese which touches countless lives in every city, town, and rural area in our diocese. When the goal of the HOPE Appeal is achieved we ensure that these programs will receive the funding that is needed. **Our parish goal for the 2023 HOPE Appeal is \$42,826.**

The overall theme this year is, "You Strengthen the Fabric of our Faith". This year's HOPE Appeal video can be viewed online in one of two ways. You can go to our parish website stfrancisbing.org or find it on syracusediocese.org/hopeappeal/ You can donate to the HOPE Appeal by going to our parish website and choosing "online giving".

Donations are appreciated and important!

**You Strengthen the
Fabric of Our Faith**

**2023 Annual
HOPE
Appeal** Foundation of the Diocese of Syracuse

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

November 18th & 19th, 2023

4:00 Mass	Altar Server	McKenzie Murphy
4:00 Mass	Altar Server	Michaela Wood
4:00 Mass	Altar Server	TBD
4:00 Mass	Lector	John Artman
4:00 Mass	EM Host	Beatrice Grace
4:00 Mass	EM Host	Robert Grace
4:00 Mass	EM Host	Judy Daniels
4:00 Mass	EM Cup	Brenda Artman
4:00 Mass	EM Cup	Nancy Oliver

10:30 Mass	Altar Server	Sydney Keough
10:30 Mass	Altar Server	William Keough
10:30 Mass	Altar Server	TBD
10:30 Mass	Lector	George Clark
10:30 Mass	EM Host	Catherine Shafer
10:30 Mass	EM Host	Donna Igler
10:30 Mass	EM Host	Scott Igler
10:30 Mass	EM Cup	Maureen Mizzoni
10:30 Mass	EM Cup	Virginia Thompson

Children's Liturgy of the Word Schedule

November 12: Amy Drake & Maria Kirk

November 19: Patti Klepfer & Toni Robinson

ALTAR SERVERS NEEDED!

Do you have a child or grandchild who has already received their First Eucharist? If so, they can be altar servers! **We are in desperate need of more altar servers** as we barely have enough to cover the masses alone week to week.

Why altar serve?

1.) It is a good way to get actively involved in the mechanics of mass. Some kids who find it hard to sit still may benefit from the activity that it provides.
2.) It allows for kids to be a closer part of the church community and make connections.

3.) Direct religious education learning opportunity

4.) Gives kids a sense of purpose and pride Church

Call the parish center (607)722-4388 or fill out a liturgical signup form (on table in the back of the church) and drop it in a collection basket.

Question of the Week

Question for Children: If Jesus came to your house today, what would you do to get ready for him?

Question for Youth: Even though you are still young, what strategy do you have to make sure you are "ready" for the inevitable moment when you will die?

Question for Adults: How are you preparing to be ready for that moment that no one escapes, the moment when you come to the end of your life as you know it now?

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