

May 15, 2016

St. Francis of Assisi Parish

1031 Chenango Street, Binghamton, New York 13901



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Monday through Thursday

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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, May 14, Vigil of Sunday**

4:00 p.m. Liturgy for the People

Sunday, May 15, Pentecost Sunday

8:00 a.m. Deceased members of the DeNinis & Legos Families by Mary & Vince DeNinis

11:00 a.m. Mary & Martin Judge by Mariann Rosar

Monday, May 16

8:00 a.m. Dc. Ray Goskowski by Patricia Dailey

Tuesday, May 17

8:00 a.m. Richard & Dolores Hayes by Kathleen Brady

Wednesday, May 18

8:00 a.m. Pauline Lucey by Estate

Thursday, May 19

8:00 a.m. Barb McEnaney by the Cashman Family

Friday, May 20**NO MASS****Saturday, May 21, Vigil of Sunday**

4:00 p.m. Liturgy for the People

Sunday, May 22, The Most Holy Trinity

8:00 a.m. Rita Holtslander by Jim & Jan Kalivoda

11:00 a.m. Ellen Pendleton 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 any time.

Children's Liturgy**Dates****Presiders**

May 15th: Shirley McCray & Marie Iobst

May 22nd: Ed & Kay Corcoran

Visit our *NEW* website:**www.stfrancisbing.org****Save the Date—Neighborhood Vacation Bible School****July 18-July 22**

at Binghamton 1st

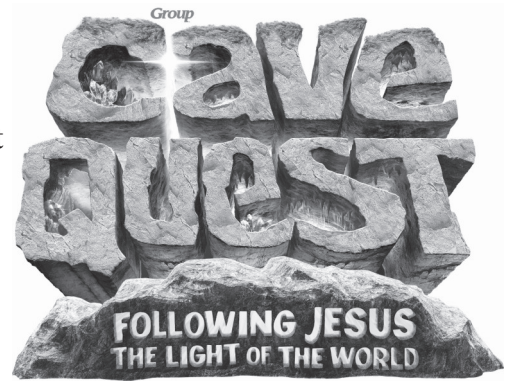
Church of the

Nazarene

1282 Chenango

Street

6:15—8:30p.m.

**2016 CYO Celebration of Youth**

St. Francis of Assisi is proud to announce that Jason Guth and Emma Haley will represent our parish at the 20th Annual Celebration of Youth on Sunday, May 22nd at Our Lady of Sorrows in Vestal. Congratulations on this very special achievement.

2016 Baccalaureate Mass

Our parish will honor the 2016 graduating seniors with a Baccalaureate Mass and reception on June 12th at 11 AM. Letters to graduating high school seniors were mailed last week, if you did not receive one please contact the parish office 722-4177.

Attention! Altar Servers, Lectors, and Eucharistic Ministers

Once again we will be preparing the next schedule. The deadline for requests is Monday, June 6th. If you would like to be added to the list or make any long-term changes, please call Lynda Carpenter at 722-6732 (cell is 206-2798) or email at joseph.carpenter28@gmail.com.

EP/DR Virtus Training

The following are scheduled PGC and Recertification training sessions in the Binghamton area through the end of May. If you are planning on doing anything involving the church in which you could possibly be in contact with children, such as Vacation Bible School, coaching, teaching, etc. you **MUST** be certified.

Initial Safe Environment Training (PGC)

~ Tuesday, May 17th at 6:00 PM

Saints John and Andrew, Binghamton

Recertification Training (EP/DR)~ Tuesday, May 24th at 6:00 PM

Saints John & Andrew, Binghamton

Bus Trip

Wednesday, June 8th, Paramour united Cirque du Soleil's signature spectacle with Broadway's storytelling. A combination of theatre and acrobats with a splash of old Hollywood. Sponsored by St. Joseph's Church. It costs \$145 to go and see. For more information please contact Grace at 754-1241.

Desperate Need of Altar Servers, Lectors, and Eucharistic Ministers!

With summer coming, we are in need of new Altar Servers, Lectors, and Eucharistic ministers. Those who just recently had their First Communion are now eligible to be Altar Servers. If you are interested in serving the parish in any of these areas, please contact Deacon Steve at 648-2155 or via email at steveblabac@yahoo.com for more information. Thank You!



Mercy House Wish List Shower

Date: May 15th, 2016

Time: 1:00 to 4:00p.m.

Place: Knights of Columbus Hall, 136 Park Ave., Binghamton, NY

Join the Knights of Columbus and help Mercy House's wish list and needs come true. Mercy house is a non-denominational community care shelter which provides a home and supportive family to people with terminal illness who can no longer stay at home. They need supplies to help these people.

Their wish list can be found at

<http://mercyhousesoutherntier.com/donate.html>

Donate as much as you can to help. Gift cards are also appreciated from Walmart, Weis, Target, Bed-Bath & Beyond, etc. Come out and enjoy food, music, and a presentation, while showing your support for this very deserving cause. The Knights of Columbus will have a "Wish List" collection barrel in the church vestibule for those who wish to donate at St. Francis. For more information call Carol at 722-6755 or Maureen at 722-0268.

Prayers . . .

Please remember all of our parishioners who are in hospitals and nursing homes and our home-bound. Also, please pray for our deceased parishioners and loved ones, especially Michael Schieve.

Nocturnal Adoration Society

The Nocturnal Adoration Society will meet at St. Patrick Chapel from 7:00 to 9:00p.m. on Saturday, May 21st. St. Francis of Assisi Holy Hour goes from 7:00 to 8:00p.m.

Prayer to the Holy Spirit

Come, Holy Spirit. Come! Fill the hearts of your people. Come, Holy Spirit that we may be aware:

- Aware of the people around us, especially the poor and oppressed
- Aware of the children, the young people, all the people striving to grow into their dignity as children of God
- Aware of visitors, immigrants and refugees
- Aware of the world around us, especially the environment with its plants and animals, with its land and water, with its air and space, with all its mystery
- Aware of the structure of power, especially those that keep people poor or powerless or confused or unfree
- Aware of the violence and the threats of violence, which are not the way of Jesus
- Aware of ourselves and our biases and stereotypes and all our unfreedoms
- Aware of all possibilities for freedom and joy and life

Come, Holy Spirit. Come! Fill the hearts of your people and enkindle in us the fire of your love.

You will receive a letter this week from Bishop Cunningham asking for your support of the HOPE Appeal. Please be generous with your pledge. We ask that all pledge forms and gifts be returned next weekend to the parish. You can also make a secure online gift or pledge at www.syrdio.org. Your support helps many in our diocese. Thank you!



WE ARE ALL
CALLED TO BE

Merciful

Check out our social media pages:

Facebook: www.facebook.com/sfabinghamton/

Twitter: twitter.com/StFrancisBing

Catherine's Cupboard Volunteer Schedule

Transportation

Week of May 15th — Ann Wilcox

Week of May 22nd — Nancy Oliver

Shelving (Mondays)

May 16th — E & K Corcoran

May 23rd — J & K Brady

Distribution

May 17th — M. Quinn, K. Dotson, S. Orband, M. DeNinis,
P. Peters, A. Short

Parish Maintenance Update

I wanted to inform you of what maintenance has been addressed over the last few months. Some of the work was done in-house, and other improvements needed extensive work. Also, listed are areas of concern that are being evaluated to see the timetable on when to pursue further action. Your repair and maintenance contributions have been a great source of support! Thank you! —Fr. Tim

Church/School/Parish Center improvements:

- Replaced corroded pipe plumbing in Church Boiler Room; added shut off valve (cleaned heating registers)
- Added shut-off valves/plumbing improvements in Parish Center
- Added Dead Bolt locks to doors off Gym
- Replaced toilet in Girl's bathrooms in School
- Removed lots of electrical equipment, unused furniture and the like
- Purchased carpet cleaner for Church and Parish Center
- Had drains cleared in Sacristy
- Improvements to electrical hardware (outlets, and the like)
- Replacing florescent bulbs with LED lighting
- Upgrade to conference room in Parish Center

Plans for future

- Add drain plumbing in church
- Possible circulating fans in church

Unplanned, but may be an issue

- School roof (including gym) leakage
- School boiler room

Sponsor of the Week

This week, St. Francis of Assisi would like to thank:

William J. Murray Plumbing & Heating

267 Mt. Hunger Rd., Lisle, NY 13797
for sponsoring an ad in our bulletin

Last Weekend's Offering (05-08-16)

185 Regular Envelopes.....\$7,015.01
Loose Collection.....\$347.00
Electronic Donation.....\$1,097.00
Total Collection.....\$8,459.01

**Thank you, everyone for your donations.
They are greatly appreciated!**

Enjoy Golf- Dinner-Silent Auction-Fun

And support the Cathedral Restoration Project
June 7, 2016-Timber Banks-Golf
June 10, 2016-Restored Hotel Syracuse
Honoring Sr. Maureen D'Onofrio's service to the
Cathedral . For more information go to-
bishops cup.com to register and donate.

Special Concert...

Will be held on Friday, May 20th at 7:00p.m. Our very own parishioner, Greg Santa Croce will be holding their concert at Trinity Episcopal Church (44 Main Street, Binghamton, N.Y.). Greg is an accomplished musician and has recently excelled as an organist. All are invited to attend. It is sure to be a wonderful evening of music!



SAVE THE DATE!

The Tom Mangan Memorial Golf Tournament is scheduled for Sunday, July 31st at the Genegantslet Golf Course in Greene, NY. There will be a shotgun start at 1:00p.m. More details to follow.

Enjoy Convenience of Electronic Giving!

St. Francis of Assisi Parish is offers electronic giving as a way to automate your regular offering. Currently the following accounts have been setup, ***Weekly Donation, Repair & Maintenance, Catholic School Support, Catherine's Cupboard & Special Sunshine.*** You can now have your donations taken weekly, monthly or yearly. To set up visit our new church website at stfrancisbing.org.

Catholic Cruise Eastern Caribbean

Come and sail away on a 7-night Eastern Caribbean Cruise with Father Salvatore Sciorba, November 26th to December 3rd, 2016 on Holland America's Eurodam out of Fort Lauderdale, Florida. Prices begin at \$1,658 for two passengers, including all port fees and taxes. Deposits of only \$350/person will reserve your cabin. Space is limited. For further info or to register, contact Robert or Eileen at 860-399-1785 or Eileen@catholiccruisesandtours.com

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

May 21st & 22nd, 2016

4:00 P.M. Mass

Lector	Sr. Maureen Rainone
EM Host	Catherine Shafer
EM Host	John Pierce
EM Host	Kelly Benjamin
EM Cup	Bob Shields
EM Cup	Betsy Shields
EM Cup	Ron Scales
EM Cup	Paulette Scales
Altar Server	Mikey Schultz
Altar Server	Sarah Shafer
Altar Server	Mary Katherine Doyle

11:00 A.M. Mass

Lector	Sr. Karen Gaube
EM Host	Steve Baxter
EM Host	Denise Baxter
EM Host	Tim Vaverchak
EM Cup	Mary Ellen Vaverchak
EM Cup	Kurt or Kelly Mohny
EM Cup	Debbie Davis
EM Cup	Ed White
Altar Server	Kathryn White
Altar Server	Lauren White
Altar Server	Andrew Rice

8:00 A.M. Mass

Lector	Brian Sirgany
EM Host	Jules Furrer
EM Host	David Gill
EM Host	Chris Gill
EM Cup	Kerri Hamilton
EM Cup	David Hanzes
EM Cup	Sue Jones
EM Cup	Stephanie Stracuzzi
Altar Server	Quinn Sirgany
Altar Server	Katie Saunders
Altar Server	Zachary Carr

Question of the Week

Theme: We have been given the breath of God - the gift of the Holy Spirit.

Question for Children: When have you heard your inner voice or conscience guiding you to do what is right?

Question for Youth: When have you felt the Holy Spirit in your life?

Question for Adults: Share about times when you felt the power of the Spirit, giving you the right words, giving you insight into a dilemma, or in other ways.

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