

September 25, 2016

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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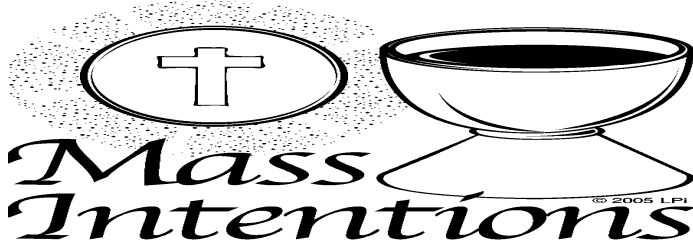
Mass Schedule

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, September 24, Vigil of Sunday
 4:00 p.m. Liturgy for the People

Sunday, September 25, Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
 8:00 a.m. Joseph Sardella by Dave & Louise Martin
 11:00 a.m. John Zulko by Delores & Keith Zulko

Monday, September 26
NO MASS

Tuesday, September 27
NO MASS

Wednesday, September 28
NO MASS

Thursday, September 29
 8:00 a.m. Mary E. Smith by Nick & Rosalie (Wieda) Roth

Friday, September 30
NO MASS

Saturday, October 1, 2016, Vigil of Sunday
 4:00 p.m. Mannino Vita by Daughter Fina & Family

Sunday, October 2, Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
 8:00 a.m. Frank & Charles Jaworski by Barbara Jaworski
 11:00 a.m. **CONFIRMATION** - 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 any time.

Parish Book Club

Book Club starts on Tuesday, October 25th. Join us at the Parish Center at 2:00 p.m. or 7:00 p.m. for Book Club. You can purchase the book "Mercy in the City" for \$5 each at the Parish Center or in the Faith Formation Office.

Last Weekend's Offering (09-18-16)

184 Regular Envelopes.....	\$5,793.20
Loose Collection.....	\$365.00
Electronic Donation.....	\$522.00
Total Collection.....	\$6,680.20

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

Faith Formation

Faith Formation classes have started. Classes meet at 9:30a.m.—10:45a.m. in the school. Registration information is on the usher's tables or in the office in the school.

Confirmation Service Projects will be displayed this Sunday in the church hall. After the KOC Breakfast take a few minutes to look at the candidates' various service projects from the past year. They are a talented group!

Confirmation will be celebrated on October 2nd at the 11:00 a.m. Mass. The front 4 pews on the Sacristy side will be reserved for the candidates. There will be one pew for handicapped seating on the school side of the church. The next 3 pews will be reserved for sponsors. Mass will be longer than usual. Please plan accordingly.

Book Club will begin soon! Parents, would you like to start a group during Faith Formation? See Maria Kirk for details.

Confirmation 2017

There will be an important meeting for Parents and Candidates (currently in grade 10) on Tuesday, October 4th at 7 PM in the Parish Hall to review and discuss the process and requirement for direct preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation.

**Let Us Be Healers:
A Celebration of Community**

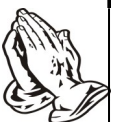
Sunday, October 2nd

Gathering at 6:00 p.m. — Peacemaker Plaza (by the Riverwalk, behind RiverRead Books) Music will begin at 5:55 p.m. We hope you can join us!

"The day the power of love overrules the love of power, the world will know peace"
-Mahatma Gandhi

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.



Save The Date! Save The Date!

In October, beginning with the weekend of the 15th/16th, Fr. Kevin MacDonald will be here to offer a parish Mission focused on the Eucharist. In fact, Fr. Kevin will be doing 6 parish Missions for various parishes in our diocese throughout October and November. This will be the second time he has been here, and he was received well a few years ago. Fr. Kevin is a former baseball player for the Pittsburgh Pirates and was ordained in 1991.

So, put this Mission on your calendars to attend and experience an event to enrich your faith and spiritual lives. I invite you to please use the following prayer in preparation for our parish Mission.

God, Our Father, we offer you praise and thanksgiving for all the many gifts you have given us through Jesus, Your Son. We thank you especially for the gift of our parish Mission.

Loving and gracious God, quiet our minds and hearts, that we may be open to the gift of your truth. Grant that our Mission may be:

A Time of Grace for all,

A Time of growth for the young,

A Time of refreshment for the old,

A Time of renewal for families,

A Time of healing for the broken,

A Time of joy for the sorrowing,

A Time of challenge for the complacent,

A Time of forgiveness for the sinner,

A Time of strength for the holy,

A Time of homecoming for those who have been away.

Grant, most Loving God, that our Mission may bring down your richest blessings on each and every member of our Parish community.

We pray through the intercession of Mary, our Mother, in the name of Jesus Christ who lives with you and the Holy Spirit forever. Amen.

Faith in Action Volunteers Dining for Dollars

Thursday, October 27, 2016

5:30 p.m. Social Hour

6:30 p.m. Dinner & Entertainment

Polish Community Center
347 Prospect St. Binghamton, NY

Tickets \$30.00

Local clergy will serve dinner and entertain you for TIPS!

Reservation deadline is October 13th. Please join. Fr. Tim will be participating as a server for the event.

Visit www.broomecouncil.net/FIA/fia.html
Or call (607) 724-9130

Save The Date — November 6th, 2016

The Harvest Dinner has been officially scheduled for November 6th. Help will be needed in preparing serving, and clean-up, along with gift baskets and raffle tickets. More information to follow in future bulletins.

Quilt Raffle Fundraiser

The Quilt Raffle was kicked off at the Parish Picnic. Tickets will be sold at various Masses until November 6th. Please stop by and get your tickets for \$5.00 per chance to win 1 of 3 prize quilts. Have your \$5.00 ready.



Bring Materials for Our Compost

The compost for St. Catherine's Pantry garden is being prepared for next spring, and we could use your help. A compost consists of decayed organic material which is later used to improve soil, and ours will be used next year in the "Co-Garden" for St. Catherine's Pantry. Creating this compost is not only a way for us to learn about our environment, but a fantastic way for all of us to take care of the Earth that God left for us. A great way to take care of our Earth is by recycling materials. We'd like your assistance in collecting organic material for our project by bringing in some of the following items: **shredded newspaper (no colored newspaper), straw, fruit and vegetable scraps, coffee grounds, cardboard (preferably not waxed cardboard), dried leaves, wood chips, small branches/twigs, paper towels, tissue paper.** Collection of these materials will be in front of the Faith Formation school as students walk to their classes on Sunday mornings, including September 25, and October 16th, 23rd, 30th. Thank you for making the decision to help us in caring for our earth! Julie Heaney and James Bush

5th Annual Southern Tier Pastoral Care Conference

Sister Donald Corcoran, O.S.B., from Transfiguration Monastery in Windsor, will be the presenter for this conference on "The Acts of Mercy," to be held at Our Lady of Sorrows Hall, 801 Main St., Vestal, on **Tuesday, October 11th**. The day will begin with Mass at 9:00 a.m., include lunch, and end at 2:00 p.m. All of our parishioners who visit our homebound and nursing home parishioners or work in funeral or bereavement ministries are cordially invited.

Catherine's Cupboard Volunteer Schedule

Transportation

Week of September 25th — Michelle Warne

Week of October 2nd — Marie Giordano

Shelving (Mondays)

September 26th — E. & K. Corcoran

October 3rd — C. & B. Danoski

Distribution

October 4th — C. Danoski, L. Gildea, B. Grace, M. Ryder, C. Woodruff, R. Rounds

HOPE Appeal 2016

As of mid September, status of HOPE Appeal is:

Assessment: \$44,733.04

Pledged: \$28,648.75

Balance Needed: 18,094.29

Thank you to all who have generously contributed to this worthy cause. Your support helps many in the Diocese. There is still time to make your pledge if you have not already done so. Contact the Parish Center at 722-4388 if you would like a HOPE Appeal envelope sent to you.

Danielle House Volunteers Needed

Danielle House, our local healthcare hospitality home, is in need of volunteers. If you are looking to invest a few hours each week to serve families in a medical crisis, Danielle House may be the charity you would love to be a part of. To learn more, please visit www.daniellehouse.org, or call 724-1549.

Fourth Annual Red Mass for the Legal Community in Southern Tier

Judges, lawyers, law students, fire fighters, police and sheriff personnel, and the leaders from all faith communities are invited to join us with the entire justice community, 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. The Red Mass will be held on Wednesday, October 5th at 12:10 p.m. at St. Patrick's Church, 9 Leroy St. in Binghamton. Our homilist for this Mass will be the Rev. Edward Zandy. The Mass asks the guidance of the Holy Spirit for all who seek justice, and offers the opportunity to reflect on what Catholics believe is the God-given power and responsibility of all in the legal profession. A reception will follow in the vestibule of the church. Members of the community of all denominations are invited to attend. The legal community is sending info to all judges—lawyers—law enforcement – inviting their participation.

Sponsor of the Week

St. Francis of Assisi would like to thank:

Bella Pizza

for sponsoring an ad in our bulletin

September 25th Food Packing Event at St. Michael's

In this Year of Mercy here is an opportunity to do a work of mercy by helping feed starving refugees fleeing violence. Join the Children of Abraham of the Southern Tier TODAY from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. at St. Michael's Church (296 Clinton St., Binghamton). Children of Abraham is joining with 'Kids Against Hunger' in making nutritional food packages to send to Syrian refugee camps in Greece. This endeavor is very organized, and your assistance can help make it all the more successful. Come for however long you wish. It will contribute immensely!

Morning Retreat for Women

October 1, 2016

Hosted by Church of the Immaculate Conception in Greene, NY

~8:30 a.m. —12:00 p.m. ~

8:30 a.m. Registration 9:00 a.m. —12:00 p.m. Retreat

Presenter & Guide: Sister Laura Bufano, CSJ

Fall 2016 Parish Events

HELP NEEDED

Sept. 29th @ 9:30 a.m. — Super 50-50 drawing help mailing at the parish center for an hour or two.

Oct. 15th @ 9:30 a.m. — Clean up gardens around church (bring your own gloves)

Nov. 5th & 6th — Harvest Dinner **NEED GIFT BASKETS to raffle off** (various other jobs in the kitchen and raffle tables)... more details to follow

Fenton Free Library

Doughnut Fundraiser

Scholarship Funds for CV Graduates

PRE-ORDER Krispy Kreme Doughnuts

Orders due by Wednesday, Feb 18th

Pickup on Saturday, Feb 21st, 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 (\$7/dozen)	_____	_____
Chocolate Iced Glazed (\$6/half doz)	_____	_____
Glazed / Lemon filled (\$6/half doz)	_____	_____
Glazed / Raspberry filled (\$6/half doz)	_____	_____
Glazed / Cream filled (\$6/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

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

October 1st & 2nd, 2016

4:00 P.M. Mass

Lector	Mary Cooney
EM Host	Dc. Steve
EM Host	Mary Frances Charsky
EM Host	Barb Brozovic
EM Cup	Bea Grace
EM Cup	Bob Grace
EM Cup	Teresa Creeden
EM Cup	Carol Danoski
Altar Server	Mikayla Bucci
Altar Server	Tyler Norton
Altar Server	Mary Katherine Doyle

8:00 A.M. Mass

Lector	Debbie Davis
EM Host	Dc. Steve
EM Host	Marie Iobst
EM Host	Suzanne Tierno
EM Cup	Joanne Horoschak
EM Cup	Shirley McCray
EM Cup	Scott Iglar
EM Cup	Mary DeNinis
Altar Server	James Bush
Altar Server	Sarah Bush
Altar Server	Mary Bush

11:00 A.M. Mass

Lector	Confirmation Class
EM Host	Father Tim
EM Host	Deacon Steve
EM Host	Judy Murphy
EM Cup	Karyn Church
EM Cup	Steve Church
EM Cup	Pat Clark
EM Cup	Jan Pandich
Altar Server	Bryan Heller
Altar Server	Brendan Heaney
Altar Server	Zach Carr

Question of the Week

Question for Children: Jesus teaches us to share what we have with others. What do you have that you are able to share?

Question for Youth: The Gospel story tells us that we are judged by what we do or don't do for the poor and needy. How are you currently reaching out to those in need? What more could you do?

Question for Adults: What choices can you or have you made to balance your own life with those who are homeless, poor and in need of assistance for daily living? How does this Gospel reading inform you about that

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