

Blessed Sacrament Parish
Shrine of Our Lady of the Americas

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General Information

Reconciliation: SUNDAYS, before and after both Masses or by appointment, Fr. O'Connor Cell: (518) 588-2531

Healing Mass: Last Friday of every month 6:30 pm (Praise & Worship), 7:00 pm Mass (Not in Lent)


Baptism: Instruction required. **5 weeks in advance** contact Sister Grace **FIRST**, for needed documentation, then *Claire Nolan*, (518) 209-6477 or cbnolou@gmail.com in English & *Confesora Franco*, (518) 542-4192 in Spanish.

Marriage: Meet with Shrine Chaplain **six months in advance.** Instruction required. Call the Parish Office.

Quinceañera: **Schedule 6 months in advance with Father and Sister;** then with *Griselle Maldonado-Torres*

Hospital/Nursing Home Visitation (Bilingual): Fr. O'Connor: (518) 588-2531; Gladys Miranda, (518) 229-0695

Deadline for Bulletin Announcements & Attachments: TUESDAY @ *NOON – tmcrasto@hotmail.com – Oct.

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| <p>October 7 9:30 am Mass in English For the sick, especially <i>George and Mary Barber and Marian and Bill Coburn</i></p> <p>12:00 Mass in Spanish For the sick, especially <i>Mario Ruano, Bernardo Faña, and Ercilia Priotti</i></p> | <p>Mass Intentions</p>  | <p>October 14 9:30 am Mass in English † <i>Ann Flaws</i> by Owen Glenn</p> <p>12:00 Mass in Spanish For the people of El Salvador on the day of the canonization of <i>Bishop Oscar Romero</i> In thanksgiving for the baptisms of <i>Aimel Sophia</i> and <i>Sofia Aynel Ruummele</i> by Elena Dominguez</p> |
| <p>Weekly MASS Intentions: Request in 2 easy steps! ***Step #1 is FIRST.*** Step 1: Call the Church Office at 465-3685, ext. 12 or EMAIL OLAmericaShrine@gmail.com with your name, phone number, the desired date, & intention.</p> <p>Step 2: Put your offering envelope in the collection basket any Sunday with information regarding the Mass intention.</p> | | |

Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ October 7, 2018
 ♪♪ *May the Lord bless us all the days of our lives.* ♪♪

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| <p align="center">This Week's Liturgical Ministers</p> <p>9:30 am Mass in English: Sacristan: <i>Josie McPherson</i>; Leader: <i>Teresa Crasto-Donnelly</i>; Readers: <i>Tammy Crasto</i> and <i>Owen Glenn</i>; Eucharistic Ministers: <i>Linda Dalton, Grant Ford, Ronny Williams, and Judy Houck</i></p> <p>12:00 Mass in Spanish: Sacristán: <i>Maria Argueta</i>, Lectores: <i>Fausto Franco</i> and <i>Carolina Fabian</i>; Ministros eucarísticos: <i>Ciprian Fabian, Juana Barbosa, and Patricia Reyes</i>; Hospitalidad: <i>Miriam Domínguez, Bricelis Vásquez</i> and <i>Delfina Santaski</i>; Ujieres: <i>Carlos Quinde, Teresa Quinde, Ana Castillo, and Genaro Sambrano</i></p> <p align="center">Sharing our Treasure ~ <i>Giving as an act of Worship</i> ~ <i>We need to have at least \$2,500.00 per week in the collections to break even, not counting unexpected maintenance costs.</i></p> <p>Collection for September 30: \$1,799.00 Bus rental for Eucharistic Congress: \$656.00</p> <p align="center"><i>Thank you, each and all, who share your Time, Talent & Treasure with our community.</i></p> | <p align="center">Calendar of Events</p> <p align="center">Sunday, October 7 <i>27th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> Our Lady of the Rosary, Patroness of Guatemala 9:30 am English Mass 10:35 am Sunday School in Gathering Area 12:00 pm Misa en Español <i>The 46th Annual Diocesan Marriage Jubilee Liturgy at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception</i></p> <p align="center">Monday, October 8 Columbus Day Centering Prayer – any time between 7:45 am-8:45 am</p> <p align="center">Wednesday, October 10 Choir Practice: English at 5:30 pm and Spanish at 6:30 pm</p> <p align="center">Friday, October 12 Our Lady of Aparecida ~ Patroness of Brazil Centering Prayer – any time between 7:45 am-8:45 am Círculo de Oración - 7:00-9:00 pm</p> <p align="center">Saturday October 13 America Necesita a Fátima - Rosario y Exposición del Santísimo 12:00pm-4:00pm</p> <p align="center">Sunday, October 14 <i>28th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> 9:30 am English Mass and 12:00 pm Misa en Español</p> |
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Safety: The Advisory Council, with Fr. O'Brien & Fr. O'Connor, are asking that we not give money to persons who come to church just to ask for money. Responding to these requests does not contribute to peaceful worship or a safe environment. We can refer people to the *Sister Maureen Joyce Soup Kitchen*, which offers hot meals at **noon on Mondays and Thursdays**, and at **1:00 pm on Sundays**. We are seeking other appropriate referrals for those who have needs we cannot address.

Our **November 4th Mustard Seed Collection** will be for **Sr. Maureen Joyce Food Pantry**. We will be trying to help supplement Thanksgiving dinner for the needy. We are looking for cranberry sauce, boxed potatoes, canned vegetables, pickles, olives, stuffing mixes, cake mix, frosting, and anything else to enhance the turkey dinner. **THANK YOU** for your consistent generosity for the neediest.

Advisory Council for 2018-2019:

Peter Crasto-Donnelly, Chair; Felix Quiñones-Nieves, Co-Chair; Carlos Baez; Carlos Feliz; Ed Falterman; Stewart Hubbard; Juan David Ochoa; and Linda Weber Sanchez; Ex-Oficio: Fr. Frank O'Connor, Deacon Miguel Fabian, and Sister Grace R. Díaz

Starting in October, **The Youth Group** will serve as **liturgical ministers on the 3rd Sunday of each month**.

For parents who have experienced the death of a child, of any age, by any cause, no matter how long ago.

On **Saturday, November 17, 2018**, the Albany Diocese will have its first **Emmaus Ministry for Grieving Parents** ~ a one day **Spiritual Retreat** at *St. Kateri Tekakwitha Parish* in Schenectady. Information can be found at www.rcda.org.



4th Annual Doors to the Future Celebration
at St. Sophia Greek Orthodox Church
on **Thursday, October 18**

Catered by *Nicole's* with an incredible array of food stations and hors d'oeuvres. We hope you can join us to celebrate our mission and enjoy a slideshow of the families we have served. There will be a silent auction. This year's honorees include *Pastor Peggy Funderburke* of Bethany Reformed Church; *Mary O'Connell*- a dedicated volunteer, and Ronald McDonald Charities. For more info, contact **Mary Giordano 518-650-8895**
www.familypromiseofthecapitalregion.org

Teresian House Respite Program - Are you feeling stressed from day-in, day-out round-the-clock care of supervision of an elderly relative? Thanks to generous funding through the Troy Savings Bank Foundation, Teresian House is offering a program to give assistance to those in need of temporary respite care that are either unable to afford the daily rate and are currently not enrolled in Medicaid. For more info, please call 518-456-2000 or email pam.peck@teresianhouse.com



Are you new to the Shrine Church? WELCOME! Or, did you recently move or get a new phone number?

Please fill in this form and drop it in the collection basket. **Thank you.**

Name: _____ Telephone: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Email: _____ () Send Envelopes

Over Please

Rosary Rally at the Shrine Church
Saturday, October 13, noon- 4:00 pm
In honor of the **101st Anniversary of the Miracle of the Sun in Fatima**, the Hispanic/Latino community is having a rosary in front of church at 12:00 noon followed by prayer and adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in the church.

All Souls Committal Service - Friday, November 2 2:00 pm, Most Holy Redeemer Cemetery 2501 Troy Rd. Niskayuna, NY 12309

Often families just don't know what to do when the urn containing the cremated remains is returned by the funeral director. Albany Diocesan Cemeteries offers a wide range of options for the final disposition of cremated remains: including cremation gardens, columbariums, regular graves and mausoleums. They provide this service to assure that the proper care and reverential disposition of cremated remains. On Nov. 1, Most Holy Redeemer Cemetery in Niskayuna will provide this service for Catholic families who have cremated remains they wish to entomb. Memorial butterflies are available to be installed near the crypt.



The Sister Maureen Joyce Center



SOUP KITCHEN: A hot meal at noon

Mondays, Thursdays & at 1:00 pm on SUNDAYS
All are welcome! Call **518-462-9885** to learn more.
FOOD PANTRY: Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Fridays
Call **465-8262** to learn more.

Laudato Si':

A Weekly Tip on Caring for Our Common Home

Save water by taking shorter showers and not letting the water run continuously while brushing teeth or shaving. In this way we can help bring a future in which impoverished populations around the world will have affordable access to a clean source of this God-given necessity of life.

Peek at October 14, 2018

First Reading: Wisdom: 7:7-11

Psalm: Psalm 90:12-17

Second Reading: Hebrews 4:12-13

Gospel: St. Mark 10:17-30

9:30 am Mass in English: Sacristan: *Stewart Hubbard*; Leader: *JoAnn Bisogno*; Readers: *Fred Boehrer* and *Ed Falterman*, Eucharistic Ministers: *Tom Bink, Ellen McPherson, Allison Agneta, and Jean Marks*

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Thank You to all who contributed toward the rental of the **bus for the Eucharistic Congress**. The entire cost was covered!