



SHRINE CHURCH OF OUR LADY OF THE AMERICAS

A MINISTRY OF BLESSED SACRAMENT PARISH

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Sunday, April 28, 2024

Fifth Sunday of Easter

*I will praise you, Lord,
in the assembly of your people.*



MASS INTENTIONS

April 28

9:00 am English Mass

- † Edith Beckerle by Giordano family
- † Elaine Harper by the McPherson family
- † Linda Dalton by Joan Doohan
- ♥ Judy, our hospitality maven and Sr. Peg, a gift to our children by Megen Mansion Ruthman

11:00 am Spanish Mass

May 5

9:00 am English Mass

- † George and Mary Barber by the Giordano family
- † Grant Ford by his family
- † Milton McPherson by the McPherson family

11:00 am Spanish Mass

SHARING OUR TREASURE

~ Giving as an act of Worship ~

We need at least \$2,750.00 per week in the collections to break even, not counting unexpected maintenance costs.

Collection Information for April 21, 2024

Regular Offertory: \$1889 (Includes \$20 Easter)

Total: \$1889

Mission Statement

"We are a vibrant, welcoming, multi-cultural Catholic community in the heart of the City of Albany celebrating and ministering the presence of Jesus with our parishioners and neighbors."

View Masses Online on Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/shrinechurchofourladyoftheamericas/>

DIRECTORY

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday, April 28

Fifth Sunday in Easter

I will praise you, Lord, in the assembly of your people.

Sunday, May 5

Sixth Sunday in Easter

The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.

LECTIO DIVINA

English: <https://catholic.bible/category/lectio-divina/>

Spanish: <https://catholic.bible/lectio-divina-en-espanol/>

Sunday, May 5 - Sixth Sunday in Easter

First Reading: Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48

Responsorial Psalm: Psalms 98:1, 2-3, 3-4

Second Reading: 1 John 4:7-10

Gospel: St. John 15:9-17

Scam Alert: If you receive an email or text from

Fr. O'Connor or Fr. Dan requesting money or gift cards be sent to anyone in need, **It is a scam.**

Hospital Visits: Please notify our Shrine Church Office at 518-465-3685 and/or Fr. O'Connor at 518-588-2531 or Deacon Fabian or our Pastoral Associate Alejandra Saucedo about any member of our community who is in the hospital or is homebound and not able to come to church.

In case of an emergency requiring the ministry of a priest, outside of parish office hours, especially in danger of death, please contact the priests at (518) 482-3375. If no one answers, please leave a message.

Tea & Short Reads

Join us at the Pine Hills Branch of the Albany Public Library for Round IV for Tea & Short Reads, our little-book club. More information available, and the stories themselves, under "Events" at

www.BlessedSacramentAlbany.org.

Food Pantry and Boutique at Blessed Sacrament

Our **food pantry** has once again been selected as a Hannaford "Fight Hunger" bag program partner! During May 2024, our food pantry will receive \$1 for each reusable Fight Hunger bag sold at the Hannaford store located at 5 Maple Rd., Voorheesville.

The food pantry is **open Mondays and Thursdays, 10:00-11:30 a.m.** Do you speak Spanish? Are you looking for a way to serve others in God's love? We need Spanish speaking volunteers! Please let our parish office know if you feel called to help!

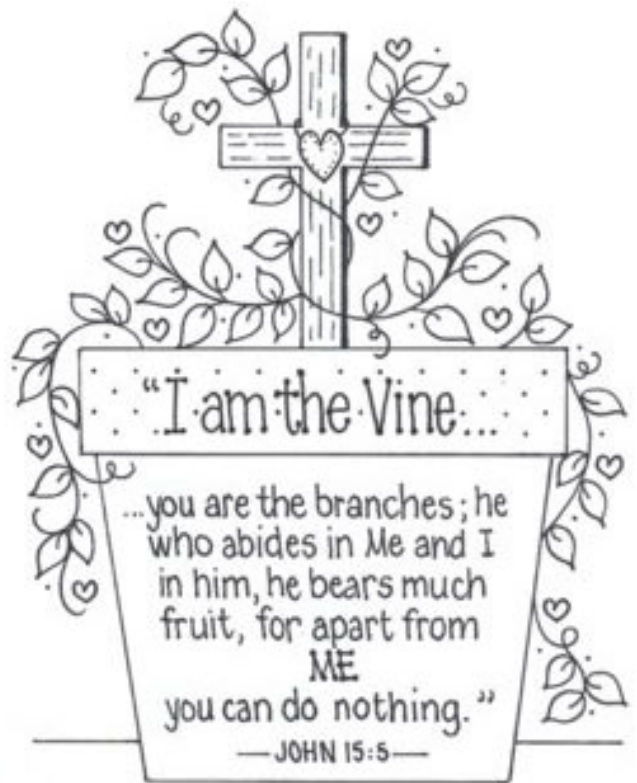
The Boutique is not accepting men's suits until further notice. We are still in great need of girls clothing, though! *The Boutique is **open Saturdays, 9 a.m.-noon**, and accepts donations on **Tuesdays and Fridays, 9 a.m.-noon**.

Albany Medical Center is looking for **Eucharist Ministers**. The commitment could be as small or large as they want, i.e., once a month for one hour, once a week, etc. If you are not currently a Eucharistic Minister, Fr. Mali will train you. Contact him at (518) 262-3992 or mali2@amc.edu.

Easter Season – Paschal Time

The Paschal Triduum leads us into Paschal Time. Paschal Time is 50 days of prolonging the joy of Easter Sunday. Accordingly, following Easter Sunday, we refer to Sundays of Easter, not Sundays after Easter. In the words of St. Athanasius, we can refer to Paschal Time as one "Great Sunday." The readings for the Sundays of Easter are all from the New Testament, and the first reading for each Sunday is from the Acts of the Apostles, an account of the early Christian community's experience and the development of the Church, animated by the work of the Holy Spirit. The continuous reading of the gospel according to John takes us from the empty tomb to Jesus' hope-filled appearances to his disciples. Each week Jesus stands in their midst and offers peace, mercy and most of all, his abiding love. The season is highlighted with the Feast of the Ascension of the Lord. The feast's readings give an account of Jesus' command "Go into the whole world and proclaim the gospel to every creature" (Mark 16:15). In addition, Jesus assures his disciples of the presence of the Holy Spirit, who will guide their missionary work.

CHILDREN'S CORNER



Easter Flower Given in Memory of:



<i>Mary & Charlie DeJulio</i>	<i>Linda Keeley</i>
<i>Samuel, John & Joseph Pastore</i>	<i>John McGraw</i>
<i>Veronica McGraw</i>	<i>Louis Mrak</i>
<i>Frances Mrak</i>	<i>Father Ackoh</i>
<i>Amisad Family</i>	<i>Asante Family</i>
<i>Barbara & Jimmy Crawford</i>	<i>Phyllis Gooding</i>
<i>Whitfield Gooding</i>	<i>C. Agnes Frank</i>
<i>Mary & Donald Engel</i>	<i>John Felts</i>
<i>Alice & Henry Tammany</i>	<i>Anel Antonio Torres</i>
<i>Alejandro Dominguez</i>	<i>Basilia Correa</i>
<i>Rafael Dominguez</i>	<i>Argueta Family</i>
<i>Argueta Arana</i>	<i>Cannavo Family</i>
<i>Domenica Cusale</i>	<i>Mr. & Mrs. Nicita</i>
<i>Melita Family</i>	<i>Jack Martone</i>
<i>Greg Martin</i>	<i>Popi & Mimi Martino</i>
<i>Ed & Ann McCarthy</i>	<i>Benfatto Family</i>
<i>Calcagno Family</i>	<i>Caramanico Family</i>
<i>Fr. Jim Hayes</i>	<i>Mac Kinnon Family</i>
<i>Patrick Dalton</i>	<i>Kevin Christopher</i>
<i>Mr. & Mrs. William H Mayer</i>	<i>T J Dalton</i>
<i>Mr. & Mrs. Albert Dalton</i>	<i>James & Mary Curran</i>
<i>Gerald & Helen Curran</i>	<i>Davey Curran</i>
<i>Maureen Jeffers</i>	