



# SHRINE CHURCH OF OUR LADY OF THE AMERICAS

A MINISTRY OF BLESSED SACRAMENT PARISH

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**Sunday, November 3, 2024**

**Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time**

*I love you, Lord, my strength.*



## MASS INTENTIONS

November 3

**9:00 am English Mass**

† Jane, † Frank and † Elizabeth Sheeran  
by the McGinty family

**11:00 am Spanish Mass**

November 10

**9:00 am English Mass**

**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 October 27, 2024**

**Regular Offertory: \$3234**

(Includes All Saints Day \$75, All Souls Day \$85,  
Fuel \$26, Christmas Flowers \$105 & Init. Offering \$10)

**Faith Formation Registration: \$1002 Total: \$4236**

### 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/>

### Pennies for the Parish

Grab a jar or use your own! Fill it with your pennies, nickels, dimes & quarters! Hand in your filled jars at any Sunday Mass. Thank you very much! "A penny saved is a penny earned", so the saying goes.



Second Collection on November 17 is for the **Campaign for Human Development**: CCHD works to break the cycle of poverty by helping low-income people participate in decisions that affect their lives, families and communities.

CCHD offers a hand up, not a hand out.

## DIRECTORY

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*Tammy Crasto*, [tmcrasto@hotmail.com](mailto:tmcrasto@hotmail.com)

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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**Sunday, November 3**

**Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time**

*I love you, Lord, my strength.*

**Sunday, November 11**

**Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

*Praise the Lord, my soul!*

## LECTIO DIVINA

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

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

**Sun., November 10 – 32<sup>nd</sup> Sunday on Ordinary Time**

**First Reading:** 1 Kings 17:10-16

**Responsorial Psalm:** Psalms 146:7, 8-9, 9-10

**Second Reading:** Hebrews 9:24-28

**Gospel:** St. Mark 12:38-44

**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.

### Father O'Connor Update:

Father had a fall and had hip surgery earlier this week. He is doing well. Father Dan will be subbing for Father at the 11:00 am Mass. Today at the 9:00 am Mass, we will have a Communion Service. At the 9:00 am Mass, we will have Fr. Kirwin with us next week on the 10<sup>th</sup> and Fr. Angelini will be with us on the 17<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>. Keep Father Frank in your prayers as he recovers!

### Community Celebration Days

We are blessed to belong to multi-cultural community! Our next Community Celebration Day will be on

**Saturday, November 23 at 4:00 pm.** Join us to prepare for Advent by learning more about the Advent Wreath and creating a wreath to take home. We ask that you sign up for this event so that we can plan for



supplies. **Sign up on the lectern in back of Church by November 10th.** Please join us in this celebration of our wonderful multi-cultural community!

### Support Our School

- If you happen to **shop at Colonie Center**, please save your receipts and record them in the name of our school, **Blessed Sacrament** at the Colonie Center Office on the first floor.

- Tickets are now on sale for a chance to win four tickets to the **New York Giants vs. the New Orleans Saints game on December 8th**, 1 p.m. kickoff. Seats are in Level 1, Section 103. Reserved parking is included. Tickets are \$25 each or five for \$100 (a real value!). Tickets can be purchased online or by emailing the rectory -- [blessedsacramentalb@gmail.com](mailto:blessedsacramentalb@gmail.com) or the school [info@blessedsacramentschool.net](mailto:info@blessedsacramentschool.net).

### Octavo Singers Concert

Our parishioners and choir members, **Meg and Rick Eckhardt** will be performing in a concert with the Octavo Singers on Saturday, November 9<sup>th</sup>. The concert "I Was Glad" features British Works for Chorus, Brass Choir, and Organ. It will held at First Reformed Church, 8 North Church Street, Schenectady, NY 12302 at 3:00 pm.

## CHILDREN'S CORNER



### All Souls Day Donations in memory of:

<i>Mary &amp; Charles De Julio</i>	<i>Joseph Early</i>
<i>Samuel, Joe &amp; John Pastore</i>	<i>Christopher Gehrer</i>
<i>Sylvia &amp; Frank Bernard</i>	<i>Roseanne Goodman</i>
<i>Linda Keeley</i>	<i>Ronald Let II</i>
<i>Ronald Fraiser</i>	<i>John McGraw</i>
<i>Kathy &amp; Richard Bernard</i>	<i>Veronica McGraw</i>
<i>Jim McGraw</i>	<i>Bob McGraw</i>
<i>Sheila Schultz</i>	<i>Louis Mrak</i>
<i>Frances Mrak</i>	

### Church Cleaning Day

We will have a "Church Cleaning Day" on Saturday, November 9<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am. All are welcome to join us!



### Christmas Flower Donations in Memory/Honor of:

<i>Mary &amp; Charles De Julio</i>	<i>Roseanne Goodman</i>
<i>Samuel, Joe &amp; John Pastore</i>	<i>Linda Keeley</i>
<i>Whitfield F. Gooding</i>	<i>Phyllis K. Gooding</i>
<i>Agnes C. Frank</i>	<i>John McGraw</i>
<i>Veronica McGraw</i>	<i>Louis Mrak</i>
<i>Frances Mrak</i>	

Thank you

A special thank you to all who planned our community celebration and helped with its execution! We also thank all of you who were able to be with us! Mark your calendars for November 23 for our next Community Celebration! Information is included in this bulletin.