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St. Francis of Assisi Parish

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Saturday, June 1, Vigil of Sunday
 4:00 p.m. Antonio Versace Jr. by Marge Mangan

Sunday, June 2, The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi)
 10:30 a.m. Vita Mannino by Family

Monday, June 3
 12:00 p.m. Mary Ellen Dacey by Catherine Shafer

Tuesday, June 4
 8:00 a.m. Antonio DeLuca by Family

Wednesday, June 5
 12:00 p.m. Liturgy for the People

Thursday, June 6
 8:00 a.m. Norbert Vaughn by Family

Friday, June 7
NO MASS

Saturday, June 8, Vigil of Sunday
 4:00 p.m. Kathryn Healy by Maureen Bradley & Family

Sunday, June 9, Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
 10:30 a.m. Paul Savo by Kathy & Glen Tait

Catherine's Cupboard
 CATHERINE'S CUPBOARD has been serving our community for the past 20+ years, it's **open the 1st & 3rd Tuesday each month from 5 till 7 (or until all are served)**. We serve anyone who comes, asking only for ID, if they have any. As members of SOUTHERN TIER FOOD BANK, we purchase at wholesale (or less), providing **basic dry or canned goods, fresh fruit and vegetables, dairy, and frozen meats**. We try to provide **5 days of meals** and include **personal care items** also. We operate on **100% donations or grants**. Our location at the parish center means we have most overhead costs covered. However, we serve over 1200 people, requiring a budget of close to \$50,000 a year. PLEASE tell anyone you know who is feeling food insecure to stop in. **If you would like to donate food items, they can be left at parish center or food barrel in church foyer. Monetary donations can be mailed to our parish office or via the online giving tab at stfrancisbing.org**

Weekend's Offering (05-26-24)
 Regular Envelopes.....\$3,700.00
 Loose Collection.....\$161.00
 Electronic Collection.....\$1,755.00
 Total Collection.....\$5,516.00
Thank you for your generosity!


FAITH FORMATION
No Faith Formation.
Have a happy and healthy summer!
See you at church!

Baccalaureate Mass

 A Mass celebrating our graduating Seniors and our DeBella Scholarship recipient will be held **Sunday, June 9th at 10:30 AM**. There will be a reception in the parish hall following the liturgy.

DeBella Scholarship Recipient: Tyler Schultz
 Congratulations to Tyler Schultz, our DeBella Scholarship recipient. Tyler is a life-long member of our parish. He is a scholar athlete, a championship swimmer and a role model for young swimmers. He is a member of the National Honor Society and was named athlete of the week. Tyler was also the Binghamton area swimmer of the year and is a high school academic all-american. He will pursue Electrical Engineering (and swimming) at Binghamton University in the fall. Again, Congratulations Tyler!

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL
July 8-11
6:30-8:30PM
St. Francis of Assisi Parish Hall



Grades Entering Kindergarten - Ending 5th

ATTENTION: Lectors, EMs & Altar Servers
 It is time again to make the schedule for July, August, and September 2024. If there are weekends when you are **not** available to Lector, Eucharistic Minister, or Altar Serve, let us know. Call Ed and Cindy White at 607-648-2784 or by cell 607-206-3469 **BEFORE JUNE 17TH!**

Parish Picnic

Some suggestions from our recent Synodal listening sessions that came forth were to offer more social opportunities and build a stronger community spirit. Our parish picnic can fulfill both of these desires. Nothing is official yet, but our parish picnic may take place on Sunday, September 8th at the First Ukrainian Pentecostal Church Grounds (143 Castle Creek Road). More information will be coming soon. For a parish picnic to be successful, help is desperately needed. So, if you would like to volunteer and get involved please call the parish center (607-722-4388).

Sacred Site Visitors

As you may recall, our parish church was among sites for people to visit on Sunday, May 19th. Approximately 25 visitors came, and many expressed to our parish greeters how impressed they were with the beauty of our worship space as well as our newly remodeled parish hall. A number of visitors took their time to really see details of the church, particularly the windows and the Pelican carving on the front of the back altar. Thank you to Marge Mangan, Mary Francis Charsky, Tom Tiffany, Pat Gleason, and Bev Krinik who served as our greeters to our guests.

Prayer of Many Breads

*We pray then, good and gracious God,
that we might recognize you
in the breaking of bread today.*

*May we recognize you
every time we join someone on a journey,
every time we share a meal,
every time we take bread in our hands.*

*And may this recognition call forth such joy in us
that we might never lose sight of your goodness.*

*May it inspire such love in us that our hearts
might continue to burn within us,
keeping alive your memory and your promise.*

*And may it provide such a longing for truth in us
that we will never be satisfied*

*until the whole earth experiences your justice
and your peace.*

— Adapted by Joseph McOscar from Janet Schaffran and Pat Kozak, More Than Words

Upcoming Safe Environment Trainings

Initial Safe Environment Training

† **Wednesday, June 12:** 6:30PM at Our Lady of Good Counsel, Endicott

† **Thursday, June 13:** 10:00AM at Catholic Charities of Broome County, Binghamton

Pre-registration is required for all sessions. Walk-ins and late arrivals **will not be permitted**. Registration for training sessions will close one (1) business day prior to the training session.

Register: (www.syracusediocese.org/safe-environment/)

Victim’s Trust Fund

In March a settlement was reached between the Catholic Family of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Syracuse and the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors (aka-the survivors of sexual abuse) in the amount of \$100 million dollars. At that time, information was shared with the parish regarding St. Francis’s contribution to the Victim’s Trust Fund. Our contribution was based on our unrestricted assets as of the end of fiscal year 2023 (June 30, 2023) and that contribution was found to be \$309,485 due on June 1st, 2024.

During a meeting with the Finance Committee on May 14th (attendees: Father Tim Taugher, BethAnn Brooks, Bev Krinik, Pat Doyle & Joe Carpenter) it was decided that we would use the proceeds from the sale of the school in February 2023, which totaled \$270,224 and \$39,261 from our unrestricted funds to cover our contribution.

By making this contribution, the diocese, parishes, and other Catholic entities are relieved of their liabilities related to claims filed and are protected if another legislative window is opened from any claims of abuse that may have occurred up to June 19, 2020.

As a catholic family it is our moral obligation to provide reparation and share a role in bringing healing and reconciliation to the survivors. “if one part of the body suffers, all parts suffer with it...” We will continue to hold the victims in our thoughts and prayers.

Corpus Christi Sunday: Justice Challenge

The Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ is a powerful reminder of Jesus’ life, death and resurrection. We celebrate the gift of the Eucharist, the sacrament in which each of us is nourished and sent forth. This day reminds us that we don’t do things on our own power – but from strength gained from the Eucharist. Before Jesus died, he asked his disciples if they could drink from the cup. He was asking if they were willing to endure what might come if they chose to feed the hungry, give drink to the thirsty, heal the sick and blind and set captives free. They said YES. The Body and Blood of Jesus is a gift to us, yet it is a challenge too. Ask yourself this week, “How does the Eucharist nourish and strengthen me? How am I being sent like the disciples? To whom am I being sent?” Reflect on how you have responded to these questions in the past. What will your response be from now on?

Corpus Christi Sunday: Creation Care Tip

“While they were eating, he took a loaf of bread, and after blessing it he broke it, gave it to them, and said, ‘Take; this is my body.’” –Mark 14:22. So many of us take bread for granted, forgetting about the miracle of leavening and making bread from scratch. In honor of today’s feast, bake some homemade bread this week. As you roll up your sleeves and go to work, reflect on the source of the ingredients and the value of making things for yourself rather than buying them in plastic from a big box store.

Catherine's Cupboard Distribution Volunteer Schedule

June 4th— D. Dobish, B. Grace, G. Thompson,
and G. Pendleton

THANK YOU ALL FOR THE ONGOING SUPPORT TO OUR PANTRY

The past 5 months have been very busy at the pantry and we appreciate all the support you have given us. Monetary or purchases (dropped in barrel, left at pantry or delivered via our online registry) continue to arrive and truly makes a difference. We will also accept fresh produce, if your garden has extra. We are open the 1st & 3rd Tuesdays of every month so this is best time to drop them off. We are only able to do what we do because of YOU! See information about ways you can contribute by taking an informational donation pamphlet in the back of the church or requesting one from our office. Thank you!



DONATION PAMPHLET

Please feel free to take a Catherine's Cupboard donation pamphlet in the back of the church or at the parish center. This pamphlet has some great information about our food pantry as well as

CATHERINE'S CUPBOARD many easy ways to contribute to the pantry. There are numerous ways YOU can help those in need right here in our community. The pantry relies on people like you to do your part! Take one or request one to be sent to you!



Fenton Free Library

The Heart of the Community

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YOUR

FEEDBACK



Please help us serve our community better by taking a brief survey on our library. All completed surveys will be entered to win a library tote & \$100 VISA Gift Card

Online Giving

Would you like to save paper and time when giving monetary donations to us? We have the option of online giving for your convenience. Visit our website stfrancisbing.org and click "online giving" in the menu. It's easy to set up using your checking account, credit, or debit card for automatic or one-time donation options and you choose where the money goes. The following accounts are available for donations:

*Ordinary Contribution,
Repair, Maintenance, & Utilities,
Catholic School Support, Catherine's Cupboard,
Special Sunshine, Capital Campaign, STAR Fund,
and Creation Care Team*

Annual Knights of Columbus 11403 Tom Mangan Golf Tournament

Sunday, July 28th



Genegantslet Golf Club

1:00 pm shotgun start

Captain & Crew format.
All are welcome.

Cost: \$80/player, \$320/team
Dinner Only: \$30/person



All the list of your team as well as checks payable to "KofC 11403" and may be mailed or delivered to:

St. Francis of Assisi Parish Center
1031 Chenango Street,
Binghamton, NY 13901

Any questions please contact:
Larry Koch @ 607-237-1300 or
Marge Mangan @ 607-725-2368



Annual

MEN IN BLACK SOFTBALL GAME



SUNDAY, JULY 28TH

5:30PM | MIRABITO STADIUM
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**St. Francis of Assisi Lectors,
Eucharistic Ministers & Altar Servers**
June 8th & 9th, 2024

4:00 Mass	Altar Server	Thalia Brennan
4:00 Mass	Altar Server	Calliope Brennan
4:00 Mass	Altar Server	TBD
4:00 Mass	Lector	Julie Dawson
4:00 Mass	EM Host	Larry Koch
4:00 Mass	EM Host	Rosemary Rounds
4:00 Mass	EM Host	Jan Pandich
4:00 Mass	EM Cup	John Artman
4:00 Mass	EM Cup	Brenda Artman

10:30 Mass	Altar Server	Sydney Keough
10:30 Mass	Altar Server	William Keough
10:30 Mass	Altar Server	Sienna Cook
10:30 Mass	Lector	Roy Santa Croce Jr.
10:30 Mass	EM Host	Virginia Thompson
10:30 Mass	EM Host	Jim Clune
10:30 Mass	EM Host	Ann Clune
10:30 Mass	EM Cup	Cherilyn Tallant
10:30 Mass	EM Cup	Mary Mullaney

Children's Liturgy of the Word Schedule

ONLINE ONLY

ALTAR SERVERS NEEDED!

Do you have a child or grandchild who has already received their First Eucharist? If so, they can be altar servers! **We are in desperate need of more altar servers** as we barely have enough to cover the masses alone week to week.

Why altar serve?

- 1.) It is a good way to get actively involved in the mechanics of mass. Some kids who find it hard to sit still may benefit from the activity that it provides.
- 2.) It allows for kids to be a closer part of the church community and make connections.
- 3.) Direct religious education learning opportunity
- 4.) Gives kids a sense of purpose and pride Church

Call the parish center (607)722-4388 or fill out a liturgical sign up form (on table in the back of the church) and drop it in a collection basket.

Question of the Week

Question for Children: Why do you like receiving Holy Communion?

Question for Youth: What does it mean for you that the bread and wine becomes Jesus' Body and Blood during the liturgy of the Eucharist? What feelings or ideas does it surface?

Question for Adults: When you receive Holy Communion and hear the words "Body of Christ...Blood of Christ" what are some of the thoughts and feelings that you have?

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Rev. Timothy J. Taugher, Pastor

One Minute Meditations

St. Anthony of Padua

Born Fernando de Bulhom in Lisbon, Portugal, in 1195,

St. Anthony was inspired to join the Franciscans after hearing the news of five martyred Franciscans, taking the name "Anthony." At a meeting of the Dominican and Franciscan Orders, St. Anthony was spontaneously asked to preach a sermon. His listeners were so inspired, St. Francis charged him with overseeing the studies of Franciscans. He is known for working miracles and receiving a vision of the Christ Child.



The face of Christ

How do you show the face of Christ to people around you? Do you bake for others? Can you sing or play music for others' enjoyment? If you have a car can you drive people who need rides to church or their doctors? Whatever you can offer, your community can use it. Call your parish to find out how you can help.

"One loving spirit sets another on fire."
St. Augustine
(Confessions)



Thrive spiritually in today's secular world

One challenge for contemporary Catholics is balancing a faithful, God-centered life with the secular temptations of modern society. Here's how we can constructively engage with the world while staying devout:

Active participation:

Regularly engage in parish activities. Attend weekly Mass, partake in Sacraments, and support parish outreach programs. These activities strengthen our religious identity and nurture a supportive faith community.

Grow in knowledge:

Enhance your understanding of Catholic teachings, history, and tradition through formal education if available, personal reading, or online forums such as Formed.org or Wordonfire.org. Consult your priest for additional recommendations.

Weave faith into daily life:

Incorporate prayer and devotion into

your daily routines. Dedicate at least 15 minutes to prayer each day, observe seasonal devotions, and celebrate Catholic liturgical feasts to connect faith with everyday life.

Dialogue with others of different faiths: Engage in discussions with people of differing religious beliefs to deepen your own spiritual understanding and commitment. This not only challenges you to know and critically consider your faith but also helps you articulate your beliefs clearly, fostering a deeper personal connection to Catholicism.

Community engagement: Actively participate in service activities that reflect Catholic values. This practical application of your beliefs demonstrates a faith committed to loving your neighbor.

By embracing these practices, we can maintain our Catholic identity and have a positive impact on others.



Why Do Catholics Do That?

Catholics believe the Catholic Church is the "original" church, because it is the only one founded by Jesus Christ. Apostolic Succession means there is an unbroken papal line starting with St. Peter, emphasizing divine continuity. Early Church

Why do we believe the Catholic Church is the "original" one?

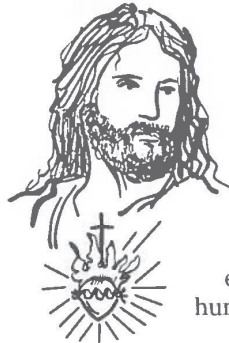
Tradition is the foundation of what has become widespread practices in Christianity. The role of the Roman See, with the Pope as Peter's successor, centralized Church authority. Doctrinal continuity means that teachings and practices align closely with early Christian doctrines, asserting spiritual and historical continuity.



June is the month of the Sacred Heart of Jesus

The image of the Sacred Heart of Jesus is a symbol of His passionate love for us and a reminder of the cost of our salvation. Consider these simple ways to honor His heart this month:

Make the morning offering daily: Begin each day with a prayer of dedication to the Sacred Heart, "O Jesus, I offer You my prayers, works, joys, and sufferings today, in union with the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, for the intentions of Your Sacred Heart." This daily offering reinforces our connection to His divine love.



Display the image of the Sacred Heart: Jesus promised to bless every place where the image of His Heart is exposed and honored. Display the Sacred Heart of Jesus in your workspace, car, or home as a reminder of God's promised blessing.

Return love for Love: Each Friday, imitate Jesus' love by acknowledging His ultimate act of love on Good Friday. Choose a sacrifice to make every Friday this June, as a gesture of love, gratitude, humility, and reparation.

from Scripture

Mark 5:21-43, Faith in action

This passage tells of two miracles Jesus worked to demonstrate the crucial importance of faith. It recounts the story of a woman who, despite suffering from continuous bleeding, demonstrated her faith by touching Jesus' cloak, and Jairus, who pleaded for his dying daughter even after learning of her death. These examples teach us the importance of a proactive and trusting faith.

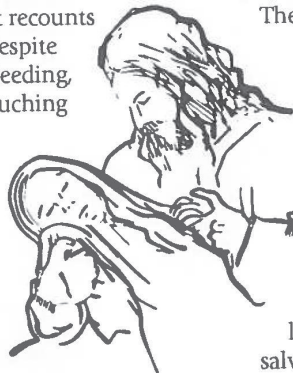
In these accounts, Jesus' actions underscore His compassion and willingness to assist those marginalized by society, such as the woman deemed unclean. He provided hope and healing through

acts of kindness, urging us to emulate His example.

The text illustrates how Jesus instills hope, even in dire circumstances like the death of Jairus' daughter. It reassures us that no situation is too desperate, and that we can rely on Jesus' aid, for even death is within His domain.

Ultimately, our joy in life and our eternal salvation hinge on

possessing an active faith. This faith should not only trust in Jesus' help but also extend compassion and maintain hope during challenging times.



Feasts & Celebrations

June 2 – Corpus Christi Sunday. On this solemnity, we celebrate the transformation of the bread and wine into Jesus' Body and Blood in the Eucharist. Pope Urban IV ordered a Church-wide celebration for Corpus Christi in 1264.

June 6 – St. Norbert (1134). St. Norbert lived in twelfth century Prémontré, France. He is known for founding the Norbertines to combat heresies and religious indifference. The Norbertines successfully converted heretics, reconciled enemies, and

rekindled the faith in indifferent believers.

June 11 - St. Barnabas (First Century). A contemporary of the Apostles, his name means "son of encouragement." He was also a sponsor for St. Paul and accompanied him on his first evangelical journey.

June 26 – St. Josemaría Escrivá (1975). Born in Barbastro, Spain in 1902, St. Josemaría was ordained a priest in 1925. He ministered secretly during the religious persecution of the Spanish Civil War. In 1928, he founded the Opus Dei organization for those living in the world to become holy by dedicating their daily duties to God.



Q & A What is Eucharistic Adoration?

Eucharistic Adoration is a profound encounter with Jesus Christ outside the liturgy of the Mass. Before the Blessed Sacrament displayed in a monstrance, we engage in a deep act of worship and honor towards God's tangible presence. This practice enriches our spirituality with:



Deepened awareness: In the silence, amidst distractions, we realize God listens, cherishes, and watches over us intimately, enhancing our awareness of His presence in all life's facets.

Strengthened faith: What appears to be mere bread is, in fact, the divine — Jesus Christ in His entirety: Body, Blood, soul, and divinity. Spending time in Adoration is a profound declaration of belief, reinforcing our faith and deepening our understanding.

Enhanced longing for the Mass: Love compels us to give fully of ourselves. Just as Jesus offers His whole self during Mass, He invites us to reciprocate with our entire being, deepening our relationship with Him through this sacred exchange.

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