

August 30, 2020 ~ The 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Mission Statement

We, the Roman Catholic
community of St. Francis
of Assisi and St. Joseph's
are called to live the Gospel
message of Jesus through
Hospitality, Worship, Faith
Formation, and Service to
others.

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Tuesday & Thursday Mass 8:30 am

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Rev. Jun Segura, Pastor

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Remember in your prayers all those affected by the coronavirus throughout the world

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday, 3:15-3:45 pm at SJ; Sunday 7:30 am at SF; Sacrament of Baptism: Contact parish office; Sacrament of Marriage: Contact parish office at least 6 mos prior to the proposed marriage date; Sacrament of the Sick: Contact parish office during office hours. Emergencies call anytime; Pastoral Care and Bereavement Ministry: Peggy Piazza (SF), Wanda Smith (SJ) Pastoral Care Coordinators; Works of Mercy: Kitty Ingalls (SF), Mary Ann Losee (SJ); Parish Outreach Ministry: Contact parish office; Prayer Chain: (SF) Call Cathy 863-6271 or Katy 863-2734 (SJ) Call Erin 224-8811 Thrift Shop, St. Joseph's Closet: temporarily closed

St. Joseph Mass Intentions**Sat (29) 4:00 pm**

Lou & Pat Mannion - 50th Anniversary
 Tricia & James Russell + Mom & Dad
 Eric Jones + G& ML Lockyer
 Thanksgiving for recovery of Steve Naple

Sun (30) 10:30 am

Helen & Joseph Cardone
 + Joe & Pat Cardone
 Special Intention + T & M Jablonski
 Eric Jones + Pat Ottati

Monday (31) 8:30 am

Rev. Edwin Dugan

Friday (4) 8:30 am

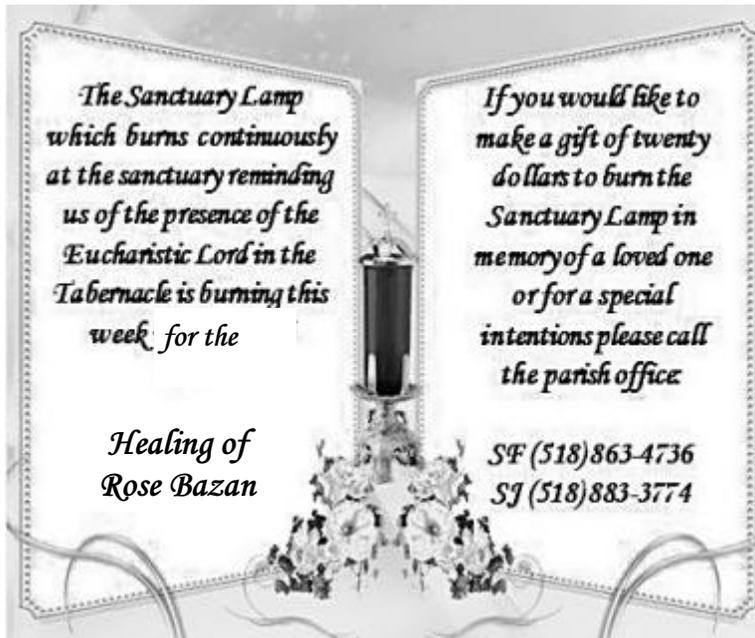
Rev. John Feary

Sat (5) 4:00 pm

Mary, Denis & Anthony Pakenas
 + Roberta Dombrowski
 Special Intention + T & M Jablonski

Sun (6) 10:30 am

Greg Wittemeyer + Pat Ottati
 Eric Jones + Penny Szumowski

**St. Francis Mass Intentions****Sat (29) 6:30 pm**

Nancy Adams + Jim & Katy Ryan

Sun (30) 8 am

Kay Sander + SF Rosary Society

Tuesday (1) 8:30 am

Revs I Dziarnowski, F Caron

Thursday (3) 8:30 am

Rev. JO LaSalle

Sat (5) 6:30 pm

Mark Blaauboer

Sun (6) 8 am

Marlene Herchenroder

Introduction to the Liturgy of the Day ~ Today we hear Jesus tell his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem, where he will suffer and be killed and that - guess what? - whoever comes after him must take up his cross and follow him. It must have been quite a shock. This is the 1st time Jesus told them this. We know what happened nearly 2,000 years ago, but the challenge is new for each generation of disciples. Are we willing to take up our crosses? Will we follow? Let our sharing in the Eucharist strengthen us as we take up the cross and follow him.

RESPECT LIFE ~ "No sin or crime is greater than God's mercy. The sacrifice of the Cross reveals that Christ's greatest desire is to forgive those with a repentant heart." USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities "Death Penalty: Catholic Q&A"

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE ~ Relationships live in a careful balance. If a person changes, the balance is Altered requiring a shift in the relationship. In today's gospel Jesus announced a change and Peter resisted. Sometimes, those we count on for support may actually get in way. Jesus told Peter: "You are an obstacle to me."

GOSPEL MEDITATION ~ Secular pursuits only bring a temporary amount of satisfaction and fulfillment. As much as we may think that achieving worldly success, economic security, personal well-being, and self-fulfillment are worthy goals to obtain, they all are dependent on external variables and can lead to emptiness. We are trained to be very pragmatic and productive. Unless we are able to check off all of the boxes or comply with specific measurable requirements, our value and worth becomes questionable. Corporations, educational institutions, systems, structures, and secular ideology rarely consider deeper, more spiritual, and human contributions a person can and needs to make.

To the secular mind, the wisdom and ideals of the Gospel are making less and less sense. Consider for a moment this question: "What profit would there be for one to gain the whole world and forfeit his life?" While Jesus is asking this very challenging question to people who are considering his message, many in our world are in a quite different place. Whether we realize it, many folks are asking a much different question. Why would you not want to gain the whole world and secure your life? If you look at where a lot of folks are investing their time, energy, and resources, it becomes obvious where current priorities rest.

Modern day comforts and possibilities are backing us out of our relationship with God. The fire burning in every human heart is trying to find its satisfaction in the things that humans have created and not God. Being altruistic and offering compassion for those most in need becomes a political responsibility or responsible gesture. We realize that our hearts need to be centered on something and someone who calls us out of ourselves, but we struggle and battle with naming the source of that call. God places the desire to seek, find, and love Him in the core of every soul. We are not abandoned and left to fend for ourselves. But we can easily get confused. We know that when we extend ourselves to another self-sacrificially, we are doing what is just and right. We know that we can work through suffering and loss and come out better and more whole on the other side.

Our minds need to be renewed so that they can begin to understand that there is much more to who we are, and that faith plays a pivotal role in achieving our true and everlasting goals. It is when we see that it is only faith that can bring us to this heightened awareness of ourselves and God that it will begin to make sense. Then, we can put things in proper perspective and consider being a disciple. ©LPI

LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK ~ Secular problems require savvy secular solutions. We are trained to solve problems, be successful and productive, and find our way through all that life presents to us. Corporations value those who can decipher the best avenue to take in order to resolve an issue. How do you train and renew your mind? Facts, figures, scientific tools, analytical processes, best practices, and models of varying kinds are at our disposal. If we don't know the full and proper course of action, we can easily find it. But there is a knowledge that goes far beyond all these things that makes a direct claim on the essence of our being. It satisfies a deeper thirst and hunger that keeps us restless until it is satisfied. Our minds, hearts, and souls cannot only be nurtured purely by secular and temporal things. We must seek the enlightenment that comes from God. This allows us to see the value of suffering in order to achieve a greater good and the losing of our very self in the service of something greater. Faith only makes sense if it can bring us to this heightened awareness. ©LPI

Readings for the week of August 30, 2020 ~ Sunday: Jer 20:7-9/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 [2b]/Rom 12:1-2/Mt 16:21-27; Monday: 1 Cor 2:1-5/Ps 119:97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102 [97]/Lk 4:16-30 Tuesday: 1 Cor 2:10b-16/Ps 145:8-9, 10-11, 12-13ab, 13cd-14 [17]/Lk 4:31-37; Wednesday: 1 Cor 3:1-9/Ps 33:12-13, 14-15, 20-21 [12]/Lk 4:38-44; Thursday: 1 Cor 3:18-23/Ps 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6 [1]/Lk 5:1-11; Friday: 1 Cor 4:1-5/Ps 37:3-4, 5-6, 27-28, 39-40 [39a]/Lk 5:33-39; Saturday: 1 Cor 4:6b-15/Ps 145:17-18, 19-20, 21 [18]/Lk 6:1-5; Next Sunday: Ez 33:7-9/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 [8]/Rom 13:8-10/Mt 18:15-20

SJ Lector: 8/29: J Raven

SF Lector: 8/29: M Bianco

8/30: D Jankowski

8/30: J Ferguson

MASS SCHEDULE

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI CHURCH Saturday 6:30 PM Sunday 8:00 AM
ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH Saturday 4:00 PM Sunday 10:30 AM

The dispensation from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass remains in place, so those who are vulnerable or even simply uncomfortable attending a public liturgy are encouraged to remain at home and view Mass via livestream, which will continue as scheduled.

Parishioners should bring/wear their own masks and, if possible, a bottle of hand sanitizer for use upon entering, before receiving Communion, after receiving Communion, and after exiting the church. Catholics should plan on restricted seating, a change in the reception of Communion in order to ensure social distancing, exit strategies to ensure social distancing, etc. Visit <http://rcda.org/coronavirus> and follow diocesan social media pages on Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter for the latest updates on the return to public Masses and other COVID-related information.

**From the Vicariate for Catholic Faith Formation & Education
 Roman Catholic Diocese of Albany LAY MINISTRY**

The *St. Kateri Institute for Lay Ministry Formation* will begin a new cohort early in 2021. For the time-being this will be an entirely online cohort. The program is being revised into a two-year program with an optional third year that will focus on a specialized area of ministry (such as catechetical leader, youth ministry leader, pastoral care coordinator, and more to be developed.) If you would like to receive further information, please email or call **David Amico or Erin Muir** (518) 453-6670.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

As many parishes continue to minister through "virtual" platforms like Zoom and GoogleMeets throughout the pandemic, The Pastoral Center (pastoralcenter.com) offers many **e-resources**. Among them are send-home personal retreats, send-home facilitated retreats, send-home small group tools. The Spirituality of Work series even includes a six-session small group resources for those who have lost their jobs, entitled, *Unemployed Together*.

Becoming a Minister of Faith Formation (BAMOFF),

the initial orientation and training for catechetical leaders, will be available via Zoom for the 2020-21 year, even if we are permitted to re-gather. This will allow those who cannot travel to Albany to be able to participate. On Zoom, the session times will be adjusted to 3 hours with sufficient breaks, rather than the five-hours in the in-person gatherings. If you are new to your position, or need to make-up sessions, or just need a refresher, printed brochure is available in the office.

St. Francis members: 50/50 drawing is this Sunday after Mass. The winner will be announced in the 9/13 bulletin. Thank you to everyone who participated in this important fund raiser.

Next weekend has the last Saturday evening Mass of St. Francis' summer season. If you are staying for the Autumn colors, please join us Sunday mornings @ 8am.

**ST. JOSEPH'S
 THANKSGIVING DAY
 RAFFLE**
 \$1,000 Grand Prize; One \$500 Prize; Two \$250 Prizes; Ten \$100 Prizes
 Drawing November 26, 2020 after 10:30 am Mass
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Thank you for your generous support of last week's Catholic Home Missions Appeal. As a parish, we raised \$600 to help strengthen the Church at home and ensure that the Gospel is spread across the United States. If you missed the appeal, it's not too late to give! Just visit www.usccb.org/nationalcollections.

Your Parish needs your support more than ever during this challenging time. Please send your offertory by mail or drop it in the office. Thank you for your generosity.

REQUEST A MASS INTENTION: Those wishing to honor a loved one during the celebration of Mass may do so by calling the office. **Where you see Masses for a Deacon or priest it means no one has offered a Mass Intention that day.** Mass cards are available for the living & deceased and provide opportunities for prayerful remembrance of anniversaries, birthdays or other special occasions.

Fr. Jun is live streaming Masses:
<https://www.facebook.com/tas.yo.9>
 8:30 am Mass
 Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri
 Wednesday 8:30am Exposition/
 Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament
 8 am Sunday Mass

OUR GIVING

To meet expenses, the following amounts are needed weekly:
\$2,516.00 at St. Joseph's; \$2,612.00 at St. Francis.

	Attend	8/23/20	Cath home mission	Mailed in	Candles	Poor Box
SJ 4pm	33	\$396	\$99		n/a	n/a
SF 6:30	21	\$437	\$55		n/a	n/a
SF 8am	49	\$643	\$262	\$1,583.38	n/a	\$10
SJ 10:30	40	\$552	\$184	\$330	n/a	n/a

Mass Flowers Please call the office to sign up to purchase Altar flowers for weekend Masses. You can bring your own arrangement or local florists will deliver the arrangement on your selected weekend. It is important to call the office to confirm the weekend you want is available.



Faith Formation classes: More info coming soon!!

Please remember when wearing a mask that it should cover your nose and your mouth. Continue to wash your hands, practice social distancing & don't touch your face.



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