

MASS SCHEDULE

**St. Paul the Apostle**

Saturday Vigil 4:00 PM

Sunday 8:00 AM

Our Lady of Mount Carmel

Sunday 9:30 AM

Church of St. Adalbert

Sunday 11:00 AM

Holy Days As Announced

Reconciliation By Appointment

**Mass with Father Frisoni
on TV and Online**

Weekly Mass is available to view online by going to any one of our churches' Facebook or web pages. A link for Mass is posted on Saturdays at 4:00 PM and you can watch it any time after that. Schenectady Cable customers may watch Mass on TV Sunday mornings at 9:00 AM, repeated on Thursday at 6:00 AM on Spectrum Channel 1301 or Verizon Fios Channel 36.

OUR TEAM

Rev. Matthew H. Frisoni

Judicial Vicar of the Diocese of Albany and Pastor

Toni LaFond

Pastoral Associate for Administration

Arlene Parisi

Director of Religious Education and Faith Formation

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Associate Director of Religious Education and Faith Formation

Diane BouchardPastoral Associate for *Kerygma***Carol Phillips**

Secretary, Our Lady of Mount Carmel and St. Adalbert Churches

Mickey Torre

Secretary, St. Paul the Apostle Church

Musicians**Diane Baltazar**, St. Adalbert**Joan Nikolski**, St. Paul the Apostle**David Rossi**, Our Lady of Mount Carmel and St. Paul the Apostle

HOW TO REACH US

Our Lady of Mount Carmel

1255 Pleasant St.

Schenectady, NY 12303

518-393-4109

olmcsche@rcda.org

mountcarmelschdy.org

Parish Office Hours

Monday, Wednesday &

Thursday 9:00 AM—12 Noon



December 27, 2020

St. Adalbert

550 Lansing St.

Schenectady, NY 12303

518-346-4204

saschene@rcda.org

churchofstadalbert.org

Parish Office Hours

Tuesday & Friday

9:00 AM—12 Noon



December 27, 2020

St. Paul the Apostle

2777 Albany St.

Schenectady, NY 12304

518-377-8886

spaschen@rcda.org

spacny.org

Parish Office Hours

Monday through Friday

9:00 AM—12 Noon



December 27, 2020

Collection totals for December 27, 2020 will be published in next week's bulletin.



Goal: \$36,211
Pledges & Gifts Received
99 / \$18,420
Still Needed: **\$17,791**
50.8% of Goal



Goal: \$33,277
Pledges & Gifts Received
42 / \$7,624
Still Needed: **\$25,653**
23% of Goal



Goal: \$84,286
Pledges & Gifts Received
139 / \$43,138
Still Needed: **\$41,138**
51.5% of Goal

We truly appreciate your continued support! We understand that we, the church included, are all facing the same economic challenges. You may donate by US mail or leave in the office mail slot. Also for your convenience, online giving is available by going to any one of our church websites.

Dear family,

Merry Christmas to you! I pray that God's presence may touch your hearts and lift your spirits. He is with us. He is for us.

I am most grateful to you for your kind Christmas cards and greetings to mark the celebration of our Lord's Nativity. Thank you so much for all of your prayers and wishes.

There are many helping hands whose hard work and dedication allow us to have a wonderful Christmas season: decorating team members, musicians and singers, videographers and editors, ushers, shovelers and salt spreaders, giving tree organizers, pandemic safety team members, laborers, and each of you in our mission to pray for one another.

For what else in our lives are we joyful? Each answer to this question is our gift from Christ Jesus. Blessings and joy this Christmas season,

Fr. Frisoni

FROM THE
Pastor's Desk



THE DIOCESAN APPEAL
ROMAN CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF ALBANY, NY

HELP YOUR PARISH REACH GOAL

Make your pledge or gift today!

With your gift in partnership with your parish and the Diocese of Albany, we can continue to serve you and our faith communities.

2020-21 Diocesan Appeal Update as of 12/20/2020



It is our collective responsibility to ensure our parishes and the Diocese are robust in our ability to meet the needs of our faith community. Together, we empower individuals and families towards discipleship.

Make your gift or pledge today

Donate.thediocesanappeal.org

Adult Mental Health First Aid Education Program Wednesday, February 3rd - 1pm-5pm (virtual)

Brian Evers, from the Albany Diocesan Office of Safe Environment will be offering a **virtual** Mental Health First Aid education program for older adults and those dealing with later life issues. This program introduces participants to risk factors and warning signs of mental health problems, builds an understanding of their impact and overviews appropriate supports. This six-hour course consists of four hours of virtual instructor-led study and two hours of virtual self-study. There will be role-playing and simulations to demonstrate how to offer initial help in a mental health crisis and connect people to the appropriate professional, peer, social and self-help care. The program also teaches risk factors and warning signs of specific illnesses like anxiety, depression, substance misuse, bipolar disorder, eating disorders and schizophrenia. It also includes training on Opioid overdose. To request a registration form: email, call or write, Safe Environment Office safeenv@rcda.org, 518-453-6635, or mail: Safe Environment Office, 40 North Main Ave, Albany NY 12203. There is a cost of \$35. Registration deadline Friday, January 22nd. All faith traditions are welcomed.

Bulletin Submissions

Do you have a news story or an announcement that you would like to see published in our bulletin? Send the information to your parish office by email, phone or mail for consideration. See the previous page for all parish office contact information.

Kids Corner

READ THE
GOSPEL &
COLOR



Jigsaw puzzles are fun. Solve a puzzle with your whole family, and it comes together even faster. God helped the wise men solve a puzzle. They wanted to find the newborn king. Together the wise men read God's promises, did their homework, and followed the star. When all of their answers fit, they found baby Jesus.

PRAYER

God, thank you for all the people who helped me find Jesus.

MISSION FOR THE WEEK

Solve a puzzle together with your family. Work together like the wise men did.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION AND FAITH FORMATION

Faith Formation 2020-21

Kindergarten through 11th Grade

Registration is open online at:

<http://catholicformation.weebly.com/>

First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion

We invite you and your child to prepare for the sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion together during the coming months. We use a process for preparing your child called Growing Up Catholic. This is a memorable time of your child's life – and the memories you make during this preparation period will be cherished for a long time. Sessions are scheduled once a month during your child's normal Zoom session times. We will email you the Zoom Growing Up Catholic invite as that session approaches. All sessions are 9:30-10:30 AM: January 24, 2021, February 7, 2021, March 14, 2021, April 11, 2021.

For more information or to register for any of our programs please contact:

Arlene Parisi or Katie Parisi

518-377-0506 or arleneparisircffp@gmail.com

Faith Formation news and program updates are on Facebook:

[facebook.com/religiouseducationandfaithformationoffice](https://www.facebook.com/religiouseducationandfaithformationoffice)

FAITH FORMATION CALENDAR

December 26th through January 4th

No Sessions

January 9th

Pick up packets

Optional in-person Family Session

Baptism Preparation

Parents must attend a Baptism preparation session before scheduling their baby's Baptism. Sessions are held at our Faith Formation Center, located at St. Paul the Apostle School. Copies of your baby's birth certificate and prospective godparents' Confirmation certificates must be provided on the day parents attend the Baptism preparation session. Covid-19 pandemic precautions are followed. Face masks are required.

COMMUNITY BULLETIN BOARD

Need prayer?

Send your prayer requests to tlechowicz@nycap.rr.com
Prayer warriors will pray for your intentions.



FIND LINKS TO ALL OF OUR SOCIAL MEDIA ON YOUR PARISH WEB SITE

mountcarmelschdy.org

churchofstadalbert.org

spacny.org



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Or mail to:

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40 North Main Avenue
Albany, New York 12203

Looking for young adult fellowship? **Capital Region Catholic** seeks to nurture Christ-centered relationships for people ages 23-40. We meet together to grow in the faith, share our lives in fellowship and bond through fun activities.

Join us virtually on Zoom every Wednesday night for 6:00 pm dinner, 7:00 pm prayer & discussion of faith, and 8:30 pm games.

Link to the Zoom meeting: <https://bit.ly/3qAzsGX>

Check out our Facebook page at:

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

Contact: CapitalRegionCatholic@gmail.com with any questions.



Our Lady of Mt. Carmel

Altar Linens

1/3 Lina Antenucci
1/10 Marie Gardner
1/17 Rosalie Claghsey
1/24 Barbara DePoalo
1/31 Diana Bove

WEEKLY PRAYER

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 3, 2021

SUN 1/03	Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13 [cf. 11]/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/ Mt 2:1-12
MON 1/04	1 Jn 3:22—4:6/Ps 2:7bc-8, 10-12a [8ab]/Mt 4:12-17, 23-25
TUE 1/05	1 Jn 4:7-10/Ps 72:1-2, 3-4, 7-8 [cf. 11]/Mk 6:34-44
WED 1/06	1 Jn 4:11-18/Ps 72:1-2, 10, 12-13 [cf. 11]/Mk 6:45-52
THU 1/07	1 Jn 4:19—5:4/Ps 72:1-2, 14 and 15bc, 17 [cf. 11]/Lk 4:14-22a
FRI 1/08	1 Jn 5:5-13/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20 [12a]/Lk 5:12-16
SAT 1/09	1 Jn 5:14-21/Ps 149:1-2, 3-4, 5 and 6a and 9b [cf. 4a]/Jn 3:22-30
SUN 1/10	Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 [11b]/Acts 10:34-38/Mk 1:7-11 or Is 55:1-11/Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 [3]/1 Jn 5:1-9/Mk 1:7-11

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 3, 2021

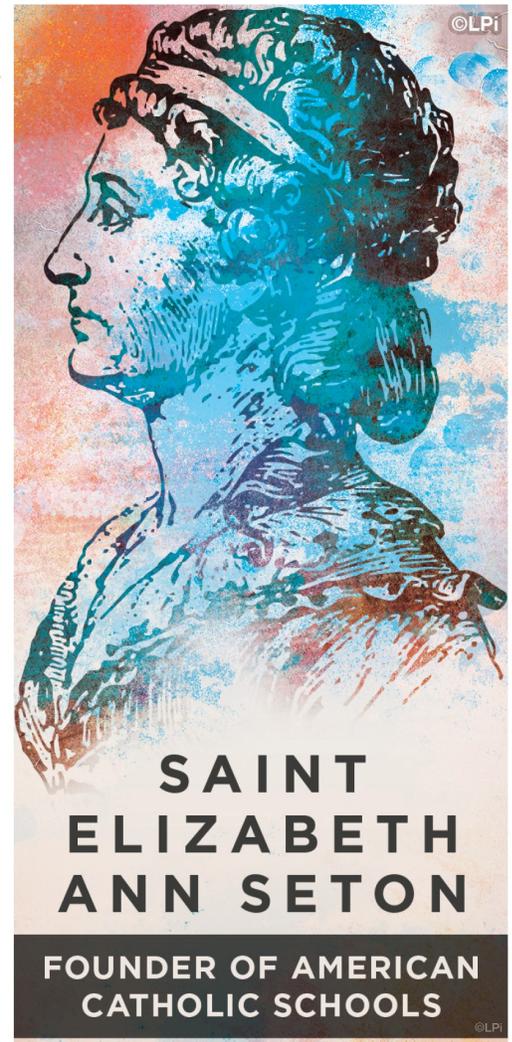
Sunday:	The Epiphany of the Lord; National Migration Week
Monday:	St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, Religious
Tuesday:	St. John Neumann, Bishop
Wednesday:	St. André Bessette, Religious
Thursday:	St. Raymond of Penyafort, Priest
Sunday:	The Baptism of the Lord

REFLECTION FOR TODAY

Living in an age well before the internet or social media, the magi from the East relied upon a single star as a sign that a king had been born. The heavens revealed to these learned foreigners that a matter of great importance had occurred in Judea. Today we celebrate the revelation of the birth of our Lord to the outside world, to us. The light over the little town of Bethlehem has revealed the light of the world to the ends of the earth.

FAMILY PERSPECTIVE BY BUD OZAR

The Magi in today's gospel were led to Jesus by a star. Who are the stars your children follow? Don't let it be the tabloid stars. Resolve in this New Year to be the guiding star in the life of your children.



“Through the Incarnation and birth of Christ, God reveals to us the dignity of all human life. Human life, as a gift of God, is sacred and inviolable. The Son of God has united himself with every human being and desires for us to share eternal life with him... Each of us is made in the image and likeness of God, and we reflect his glory in the world.”

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities
“The Gospel of Life: A Brief Summary”

MASS INTENTIONS

St. Paul the Apostle

Saturday 1/2/2021.....4:00 PM
 Grazia Torre + Family
 Anthony Mauceri + Family
 Carmella Mauceri + Granddaughter
 Carl & Mary Trichilo + Family
Sunday 1/3/2021.....8:00 AM
 Marianne Cook + Ken and Peggy Frese
 Mark Cook + Ken and Peggy Frese
Saturday 1/9/2021.....4:00 PM
 Josephine Mauceri, 6th Anniversary + Family
 Debbie Stilson + Bill & Michelle Szumiloski
 Gordon Perry + Wife & Daughter
Sunday 1/10/2021.....8:00 AM
 Kathleen Zrepski + Family
 Stephen Waltman + Parents
 Debbie Stilson + Brisley Family

St. Adalbert

Sunday 1/3/2021.....11:00 AM
 Mary Jamroziak + Barbara Caputo
Sunday 1/10/2021.....11:00 AM
 Edward Kruczynski + Family

Remember in your prayers
Sophie Jankiewicz and **Jacob Nolfo**
 who have fallen asleep in the Lord.

Our Lady of Mount Carmel

Sunday 1/3/2021.....9:30 AM
 Tom DeLorenzo + Nancy
 Daniel & Mary Statuto + Daughter MaryAnn
 Domenico Sangiovanni + Wife Elvira
 Catherine Vasko + Family
 Intentions of Anne Marie Forth
 Thomas V. Palazzo + Frank DeSarbo
 Dorothy Mauro + John Micalizzi
Sunday 1/10/2021.....9:30 AM
 Gaspero & Giulia Crocessa + Bruna Grasso
 Dorothy & Chester Mauro, Sr. + Carol & Jim Kelly
 John Cammarene + First Friday Group
 Elizabeth DeSarbo + Husband Frank & Family
 B'day Shelley Serapilio + Husband Richard
 Umberto Insogna + M/M Michele Calandra
 Nancy E. Gordon + John Micalizzi
 John DeMarco + Dominick DiMatteo

January 3, 2021
Memorial Candle
DiCaprio Family
By
The Mezza Family
Sanctuary Candle
Martha Smith
By
Toni Renna



In Loving Memory

During the month of **December 2020**,
 the following donations were received:

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church

<u>In Memory of</u>	<u>Donation Made By</u>
John Cammarene	William & Ann Collins

St. Paul the Apostle Church

<u>In Memory of</u>	<u>Donation Made By</u>
Frank V. Cembalski	Cembalski Family
Lorraine Wheeler	Daughter, Lorraine Wheeler

Church of St. Adalbert

In Memory of
 Eugene Gierka

Donations Made By

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Stanley & Phyllis Weaver	John & Karen Buckley
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Parick Piccirilli	Lorraine Kwaitkowski
Carol Piotrowski	Jeffrey & Denise Pearce

<u>In Memory of</u>	<u>Donation Made By</u>
Joseph & Rita Diehsner	David Diehsner