

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

Katie Parisi

Associate Director of Religious Education and Faith Formation

Diane Bouchard

Pastoral 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 6, 2020
Envelopes: \$3,565
On-Line: \$ 520
Other: \$ 53
Total \$4,138

Goal: \$36,211
Pledges & Gifts Received
81 / \$15,735
Still Needed: **\$20,476**
43.5% of Goal



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 6, 2020
Envelopes: \$3,776
On-Line: \$ 411
Other: \$ 0
Total \$4,187

Goal: \$33,277
Pledges & Gifts Received
38 / \$6,929
Still Needed: **\$26,348**
20.8% of Goal



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 6, 2020
Envelopes: \$6,881
On-Line: \$1,800
Other: \$1,068
Total \$9,749

Goal: \$84,286
Pledges & Gifts Received
125 / \$41,040
Still Needed: **\$43,246**
49.7% 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.

ADVENT PENANCE SERVICE
Wednesday, December 16: 6:30 PM
at St. Paul the Apostle Church

ADVENT PRAYER

"Hail and blessed be the hour and moment in which the Son of God was born of the most pure Virgin Mary at midnight in Bethlehem in piercing cold. In that hour, vouchsafe, O my God, to hear my prayer and grant my desires through the merits of our Savior, Jesus Christ, and His Blessed Mother." Amen. (Recited 15 times daily until Christmas.)



CHRISTMAS MASS ONLINE AND ON TV

If attending Christmas Mass in person is not an option, we encourage you to gather your family in front of the computer or television to celebrate the *Nativity of the Lord* at home. Join us on any of our three parish websites or Facebook pages to view **Christmas Mass beginning at 4:00 PM on Christmas Eve**. Christmas Mass will be broadcast on **TV at 4:00 PM on Christmas Eve and repeated on Christmas Day at 9:00 AM**. For Schenectady cable subscribers, tune in to Spectrum channel 1301 or Verizon Fios channel 36.

Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, in everything give thanks;

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

Christmas Season Schedule of Masses

Christmas is a season, not just a day, in the Catholic Church. Join us to celebrate Christmas on December 24, December 25, December 26 and December 27. Holy Family Mass is within the Octave of Christmas!

Thursday, December 24

4:30 PM, Christmas Eve Mass
at St. Paul the Apostle Church

9:30 PM, Christmas Night Mass
at Church of St. Adalbert

Friday, December 25

9:30 AM, Christmas Morning Mass
at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church

11:30 AM, Christmas Day Mass
at St. Paul the Apostle Church



Thursday, December 31

4:00 PM, Solemnity of Mary,
Mother of God Mass
at Church of St. Adalbert



Saturday, December 26

4:00 PM, Vigil, Holy Family Mass
at St. Paul the Apostle Church

Sunday, December 27

8:00 AM, Holy Family Mass
at St. Paul the Apostle Church

9:30 AM, Holy Family Mass
at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church

11:00 AM, Holy Family Mass
at Church of St. Adalbert

*****FOR ALL MASSES ARRIVE EARLY*****

*****SEATING LIMITED BY STATE AND DIOCESAN REGULATIONS.*****

*****MASKS ARE REQUIRED—SOCIAL DISTANCING GUIDELINES WILL BE FOLLOWED*****

COMMUNITY BULLETIN BOARD

HELP

St. Paul's

Helpers are needed to decorate our church for Christmas!

Many Hands Make Light Work!

There's a job for everyone from fluffing garland to puffing the bows, testing the lights - making everything glow!

Join us on Wednesday, December 16th at St. Paul's — 9:00AM until all the jobs are done.

COVID rules will be followed masks are required!

Let us know you can help!
Please call Mike Maksymik
518-478-5773

Church of St. Adalbert
The Christmas traditional Oplatek (Christmas Wafers) are here and will be available for purchase after Mass or in the rectory office.
Each envelope is \$3.00.



Christmas Decorating at St. Adalbert's

Volunteers are needed to help decorate St. Adalbert's for the Christmas season.

Decorating will take place on Monday, December 21 at 6:30 P.M. (in case of inclement weather, we will meet on Tuesday, December 22).

COVID Safety rules will be followed. Masks are required and social distancing guidelines will be followed.



Church of St. Adalbert Harvest Fest (Dożynki) Drawing

DRAWING HELD ON SUNDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2020

- **1st prize \$1,000 - Jane McCormack**
- **2nd prize \$500 - Michelle Graffagnino**
- **3rd prize \$250 - Martha Kernozek**

CONGRATULATIONS!!

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel FESTA RAFFLE TICKETS

Still available!!

\$500.00 Prize (3 Drawings)

Tickets - \$1.00 each

\$5,000.00 Prize

\$100.00 each. Only 100 tickets will be sold. (Hurry, only 2 tickets left!)

It's not too late to purchase your tickets!!

Drawing Sunday, December 13th

after the 9:30 am Mass. Contact the Mount Carmel Parish Office for tickets, 518-393-4109 or olmcsc@rcda.org.

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel

Altar Linens

12/13 Carmelina Colwell

12/20 Ann Forth

12/27 Marianne Cristello

1/3 Lina Antenucci

1/10 Marie Gardner

Don't forget...

Make your gift or pledge today
Donate.thediocesanappeal.org

Or mail to:

Diocesan Appeal
Stewardship Office
40 North Main Avenue
Albany, New York 12203

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

mountcarmelschdy.org

churchofstadalbert.org

spacny.org

WEEKLY PRAYER

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 13, 2020

- SUN 12/13** Is 61:1-2a, 10-11/Lk 1:46-48, 49-50, 51-54 [Is 61:10b]/1 Thes 5:16-24/Jn 1:6-8, 19-28
- MON 12/14** Nm 24:2-7, 15-17a/Ps 25:4-5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8-9 [4]/Mt 21:23-27
- TUE 12/15** Zep 3:1-2, 9-13/Ps 34:2-3, 6-7, 17-18, 19 and 23 [7a]/Mt 21:28-32
- WED 12/16** Is 45:6b-8, 18, 21c-25/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14 [Is 45:8]/Lk 7:18b-23
- TH 12/17** Gn 49:2, 8-10/Ps 72:1-2, 3-4ab, 7-8, 17 [cf. 7]/Mt 1:1-17
- FRI 12/18** Jer 23:5-8/Ps 72:1-2, 12-13, 18-19 [cf. 7]/Mt 1:18-25
- SAT 12/19** Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a/Ps 71:3-4a, 5-6ab, 16-17 [cf. 8]/Lk 1:5-25
- SUN 12/20** 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27, 29 [2a]/Rom 16:25-27/Lk 1:26-38

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 13, 2020

- Sunday:** Third Sunday of Advent
- Monday:** St. John of the Cross, Priest and Doctor of the Church
- Next Sunday:** Fourth Sunday of Advent

REFLECTION FOR TODAY

The Third Sunday of Advent is called Gaudete Sunday because today's opening antiphon begins with the word *gaudete*, which means rejoice. We rejoice today, for the coming of the Lord is so near we cannot help but think about it. Perhaps we are starting to feel overwhelmed by all of what we need to do between now and Christmas. Let this be an opportunity to refocus our attention on the true reason we celebrate this time of year. Rejoice, the Lord is near!

FAMILY PERSPECTIVE BY BUD OZAR

Today's gospel reports "there is one among you whom you do not recognize." It is hard to believe Christ is present in a family with crazy schedules, suppers that start too late and end too early, cars that don't start, misunderstandings, frustrations, piles of laundry, unmatched socks and stretched food budgets. The list is endless. The words spoken at Mass, "The Lord is with you," are not a hope, they are a fact.



"O St. Bakhita, assist all those who are trapped in a state of slavery; Intercede with God on their behalf so that they will be released from their chains of captivity. Those whom man enslaves, let God set free."
USCCB, "Prayer to St. Josephine Bakhita"



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION AND FAITH FORMATION

Faith Formation 2020-21

Kindergarten through 11th Grade

Registration is now 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: December 13, 2020, January 24, 2021, February 7, 2021, March 14, 2021, April 11, 2021

Advent Adult Bible Study

"Genesis to Jesus"

What is the Bible, where does it come from, and what is its purpose? How are Catholics supposed to read the Bible, and what story does it tell? All sessions will be held via Zoom. The last session will be held on Wednesday, December 16, 2020, 7-8 PM. To register, contact Arlene Parisi, 518-377-0506 or arleneparisircffp@gmail.com.

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.

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)



We welcome into the Body of Christ,
Penelope Nolan and Amelia Van Dyke,
 baptized December 12
 at St. Paul the Apostle Church.

Remember in your prayers
Eugene Gierka
 who has fallen asleep in the Lord.

KIDS CORNER

PUZZLE

Circle the picture that is facing the **wrong** way.
 Then color in all the pictures.



MISSION

I will forgive others and ask them to forgive me when I hurt them.

MASS INTENTIONS

St. Paul the Apostle

Saturday 12/12/2020.....4:00 PM

Int. of Dorothy Perry's 100th Birthday + Family
 Mark Cook + St. Vincent de Paul Society

Sunday 12/13/2020.....8:00 AM

Marianne Cook + Anne Kennedy
 Dolores Rever + Husband Bill
 James Doonan + Wife Bridget
 James Gerard Doonan + Mother Bridget Doonan

Saturday 12/19/2020.....4:00 PM

Mary Rapazzo + Fran & Jerry Menz
 Amelia Jancsek, 67th Anniversary + Daughter, Elsa Sakacs
 Rose Ragucci + Matt & Danielle DeWees

Sunday 12/20/2020.....8:00 AM

Peg Bauer + Joe Salvino
 Joseph Salvino + Son, Joe
 Marianne Cook + Karen Waldron & Waldron Walkers

St. Adalbert

Sunday 12/13/2020.....11:00 AM

LeeAnn Stenard + Robert Stenard
 Ray Millew + Lorraine Kwaitowski
 Maria Jamroziak + Anna Pidgeon
 Jacob & Mary Novak + Ed & Loretta Novak
 For the intentions of Jody Sisson
 + Brigid & Gerald Rufo

Sunday 12/20/2020.....11:00 AM

Warclaw Kruczynski + Family
 Rose Matuscyk + Family
 Maria & Perrino Palleschi
 + Anthony & Rose Ferrari & Family
 Emmanuella Olayinka + Anthony & Rose Ferrari
 Joy Ayoyinka Kolade + Anthony & Rose Ferrari
 B'day Jonathan Mills + Loving Godmother,
 Aunt Karen & Uncle Jim Neumann
 Dan Fahler + Family

Our Lady of Mount Carmel

Sunday 12/13/2020.....9:30 AM

Emile & Mike Kovarovic + Vicki & Joe DiCesare
 Antoinette Johnson + Crouse Family
 Frank Guido + Daughter Barbara
 Deceased Members of the Capasso & Sauchello Families
 + Family

Steven Signore + Anna & Tony Signore
 Nicholas DiLeva + Family
 Yolanda Longo + Loving Son Paul & Family
 RoseAnne Goodman + Anthony, Marianne,
 & Jamie Cristello

Birthday Domenico Sangiovanni + Wife Elvira
 John Cammarene + Mike, Sue, Carl & Family
 Mary Lou Massaroni + First Friday Group

Sunday 12/20/2020.....9:30 AM

10th Anniversary Louise Mazza
 + Mazza Family Husband & Daughters
 Giuseppe DeFilippo + Wife Rosalina & Family
 Birthday Marie Mauriello + Daughter Marlene
 5th Anniversary Nicholas Colamarino + Wife
 Deceased Bachleda & Rakvica Families
 + Son Frank & Family

Ferdinando Correria + Wife Alfonsina & Family
 Andrew & Philomena Giari + Granddaughter Barbara
 Yolanda Longa + Loving Son Paul & Family
 Marvin & Philomena Travers + Dtr. MaryAnn
 John Cammarene + Mike, Sue, Carl & Family
 Hillary Palmiotto + Jennie McCadden
 Jonathan Mills + Grandma & Grandpa Kristel

December 6, 2020

Memorial Candle

Edward Renzi, Jr.

By

Sister Sharyn

Sanctuary Candle

Anniversary

Nicholas Colamarino

By

Sister Anna & Niece Teresa



December 13, 2020

Memorial Candle

Ermandina Dicocco

By

Mona Como

Sanctuary Candle

Anniversary

Nicholas Colamarino

By

Sister Anna & Niece Teresa

