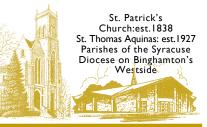
The Linked St. Patrick's Exponent Catholic Communities of St. Thomas Aquinas



Sunday, April 7, 2024 Divine Mercy



Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil

4:00pm St. Thomas Aquinas 5:15pm St. Patrick's

Sunday

9:00am St. Patrick's 11:00am St. Thomas Aquinas 4:00pm St. Patrick's

Mon-Fri

7:00am St. Patrick's 10:00am St. Thomas Aquinas

Saturday Morning

8:00am St. Patrick's

Adoration Chapel at St. Patrick's

Mon–Sun 7:30am–9:00pm
Please contact Parish office to register.

Open Church at St. Thomas Aquinas

Thursdays 10:30am-5:15pm, between masses

Reconciliation

Saturdays 11:30am St. Patrick's 3:00pm St. Thomas Aquinas

Other times by appointment, please call the Rectory

Daily Rosary

25 minutes before the start of mass

First Friday Devotional Prayers

First Friday devotional prayers are offered after the 10am daily mass

First Saturday Devotions

First Saturday devotion following the 8am Mass at St. Patrick's

Rosary, short talk, Consecration & Confessions, with the Mount St. Francis Hermitage Friars

More information about the St. Thomas Aquinas double jubilee Plenary Indulgence is in the bulletin, special booklet available at the church.

St. Patrick's Church | 9 Leroy St. Binghamton NY 13905 | 607-722-1060 | stpatrick@sta-sp.org
St. Thomas Aquinas | 1 Aquinas St. Binghamton, NY 13905 | 607-797-4015 | stthomas@sta-sp.org
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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

St. Patrick's & St Thomas Aquinas Parishes – Binghamton, New York

STEWARDSHIP

APRIL 7, 2024

Saturday, 6 First Saturday

SP 8:00am Patrick L. Ruffo req. David & Mary Ellen

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STA 4:00pm

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Sarah Shine Fisher req. Bob & Chris Gavazzi

SP 5:15pm Sandra Myers req. Michelle Blaasch

Sunday, April 7 Divine Mercy

SP 9:00am Helen Monaco req. Tom &

Molly Kane

STA 11:00am Joseph Sullivan reg. Gloria

& Family

SP 2:30pm Divine Mercy Holy Hour **SP 4:00pm** Living Intention for Ruth & Daniel Fitzpatrick req. Andrea and Edward

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Monday, April 8 Annunciation of the Lord SP 7:00am For the People of St. Patrick's STA 10:00am Rita E. Clark reg. Family

Tuesday, April 9

SP 7:00am 30 Day, Daniel Buckley req. Family STA 10:00am 10 yr. Anniv. Marie Thomas req. Family

Bridgewater 2:00 pm Hilltop 3:00 pm

Wednesday. April 10

SP 7:00am Phil Capani req. Family
STA 10:00am Catherine & Robert McDevitt

Thursday, April 11

SP 7:00am John Lentoni req. Family

STA 10:00am Joseph Menichello req. Ken & Sue Spink

Susquehanna 2:00pm

Friday, April 12

SP 7:00am 1st Anniv. Charles Kutney req. Family STA 10:00am Leonard & Catherine Kocich req. Family

Saturday, April 13

SP 8:00am Anthony Capozzi req. Tom & Molly Kane
STA 4:00pm Gen Ryan & Francis Ryan req. Marie Ryan
SP 5:15pm Sarah Shine Fisher req. Anne & Sam Santoni

Sunday, April 14

SP 9:00am For the People of St. Patrick's

STA 11:00am Sarah Shine Fisher req. Bill & MaryAnn

Benedict

SP 4:00pm Brian Kozel req. Sister Ann Stephen

Let us remember and pray for all the faithful departed especially for Samson Shine DiBenedetto who died recently. May his soul and the souls of all of our faithful departed through

the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

Liturgical Ministries— opportunity to express love for the Holy Eucharist & Community Greeters, Ushers, Lectors, Sanctuary Helpers

Extraordinary Ministers of the Holy Eucharist
Altar Servers, both youth and adult
Music Ministry

Training provided. Please call or email the parish office with your interest. You may serve at either or both parishes.

St. Patrick's: 722-1060 or stpatrick@sta-sp.org St. Thomas: 797-4015 or stthomas@sta-sp.org

Stewardship Thought

The Christian community described in Acts understood and practiced total stewardship. St. Paul reports that the believers did not claim anything as their own, but held everything in common, and distributed to each whatever was needed.

 Offertory of March 24th
 St. Patrick
 St. Thomas

 Envelopes:
 \$ 3,522.00
 \$ 6,220.00

 Loose:
 \$ 1,371.89
 679.00

 Online:
 \$ 1,214.00
 \$ 995.00

 Total:
 \$ 6,107.89
 \$ 7,894.00

Don't forget to bring in your Rice Bowls; your Lenten almsgiving to Catholic Relief Services

Please know that you may place your envelope in whatever parish Mass you attend and it will be matched with your proper parish.

Have you considered giving your gift to your parish online? Hit the "Online Giving" button on the parish website: Joint Parish website: www.sta-sp.org

Mass Intention offering is \$15.00 and Sanctuary Lamp Intention suggested offering is \$5.00.

Please call or stop by the parish office to schedule.

Family Perspective

In today's gospel Jesus teaches, "Blessed are those who have not seen and believe." Accepting someone as they are, without demanding they prove themselves or meet our expectations, creates a rich relationship. Without acceptance a home is only a house and a family is just a group of house mates.

"I am Love and Mercy itself.

There is no misery that could be a match for My Mercy, neither will misery exhaust it, because as it is being granted—it increases. The soul that trusts in My Mercy is most fortunate, because I Myself take care of it."

~ The Words of Jesus to Sr. Faustina

The sanctuary lamp at St. Patrick's burns for: Joseph Michael Fitzpatrick and at St. Thomas burns for:
Joseph Sullivan





Let us rejoice and be glad in the Baptism of: **Liam Cornelius Donovan**Welcome to the family of God.
May the peace and blessings of
Christ be upon you and your family.

ST. PATRICK'S & ST. THOMAS CALENDAR; PCA EVENTS

St. Patrick's & St Thomas Aquinas Parishes – Binghamton, New York

APRIL 7, 2024

The Week Ahead

Monday, Apr 8 Tuesday—Friday, Apr 9-12

Outreach Ministries 10am—12:30 pm SCM Convent Sandwich Ministry 11am—12:30pm at SP Hall (rear)

Wednesday and Friday— Apr 10 and 12 CHOW Pantry 11am—1 pm SP gym entry; closed 4/1

Wednesday, Apr 3

Wednesday Morning Bible Study 10:30am STA Cebula Room

Saturday, Apr 13

Social Hour hosted by the Holy Name Society after the 4pm Mass STA Cebula Room. All are welcome!

Sunday, Apr 14th

Faith Formation classes 10:10-11:10am SP School



The Sacrament of Confirmation

will be celebrated Saturday, April 27th at St. Patrick's 5:15pm Mass.

Come Holy Spirit Come!

The Sacrament of First Holy Communion

will be celebrated Sunday, May 5th at St. Thomas Aquinas 11am Mass

O Sacrament Most Holy, O Sacrament Divine

All praise & all thanksgiving be every moment Thine!



36th Annual Knights for Life



SPAGHETTI 8 MEATBALL DINNER

Sauce & Meatballs by Cortese Restaurant

Sunday, April 21, 2024 Noon to 4:00 pm

St. Paul's Catholic Church 282 Chenango Street Binghamton, NY

Proceeds will benefit our local Right to Life & Birthright

EAT IN OR TAKE OUT

WALK IN'S WELCOME

TO ORDER PRE-SALE FAMILY OR REGULAR DINNERS CONTACT:

607-727-7993

Project Rachel Ministry - Post-abortion Healing Day of Hope & Healing for Women, April 20, 2024

\$15.00

CHILDREN \$10.00

PRE-SALE

FAMILY DINNERS

<u>\$50.00</u>

Includes
4 large containers of
Spaghetti, 8 Meatballs,
4 Salads w/dressing,

8 slices of Bread

(4 DINNERS WITH)

PRE-SALE FAMILY

DINNERS & REGULAR
DINNERS MUST BE
CALLED IN AND PAID FOR
IN ADVANCE BY 4/14/2024

Do you carry an abortion, or maybe more than one, deep in your heart? Do you feel that God could never forgive you? Do you feel you can't forgive yourself? Join us for a Day of Hope and Healing on Saturday April 20th, hosted by Project Rachel Ministry. For more information or to register, contact **Project Rachel at** hopeandhealing@syrdio.org or 855-364-0076. All calls and emails are confidential.

The Ordination of Joseph P Ryan & John Brusa III to the Transitional Diaconate, a step closer to priesthood

by Bishop Douglas J Lucia
10:00am Sat., May 18th St. Patrick's Church



The Divine Mercy Novena & Divine Mercy Sunday

Jesus asked that the Feast of Divine Mercy, known today as Divine Mercy Sunday, be preceded by a Novena to The Divine Mercy. A Novena, which begins on Good Friday, is nine days of prayer in preparation for a feast. In the case of the Novena to The Divine Mercy, we pray the Chaplet of The Divine Mercy each day for a specific intention. Our Lord told St. Faustina, "I desire that during these nine days you bring souls to the fountain of My mercy, that they may draw ... strength and refreshment and whatever grace they need in the hardships of life, and especially at the hour of death" (Diary, 1209). Divine Mercy Sunday & Novena Pamphlets are available at church entrances. For more information please visit https://www.shrineofdivinemercy.org. Divine Mercy Sunday is always the Second Sunday of the Easter Season this year, April 7th.

Divine Mercy Holy Hour 2:30pm—3:30pm Sunday, April 7th St. Patrick's Church

A beautiful hour to contemplate & honor our Lord as Divine Mercy. Join us for Adoration, readings & the Chaplet of Divine Mercy. The Vatican greatly encourages the faithful to make use of the devotion of Divine Mercy. From the USCCB, Cathedrals and parishes throughout the country are encouraged to join together in prayer and adoration seeking God's mercy for ourselves and for our nation for offenses against life, marriage, and religious liberty. The service will be live streamed and posted for later viewing and devotion.



World Day of Prayer for Vocations 2024 Sunday, April 21st, Good Shepherd Sunday

On this 61st anniversary of the World Day of Prayer for Vocations, also liturgically known as Good Shepherd Sunday, we are invited to pray for and promote all vocations. Initiated by Saint Paul VI during the Second Vatican Council in 1964, the purpose of this day is to help all of us respond to God's call and to support in prayer all those who are discerning how to best respond to the needs of today in the vocation God calls them to be.

Prayer for Your Vocation

Cultivate within our hearts, minds, and spirits--our very selves --the disposition to fully live out our vocations, which have been planted in our hearts through our baptism,

And grant us the grace to say yes to our call daily, irrespective of how we may feel from moment to moment.

Let us know that we can come to You as we are, wherever we are, and as we accompany those discerning Your call. Help us to hear and

Listen to Your voice amid the various voices vying for our attention so that we may take the right actions that lead to abundant life.

Ignite in us a hope-filled passion for service, using our gifts to bring your Reign to fruition today and always.

Never let us forget that all we have are indeed gifts from You and that we are called to

Give all we are and have in love and service to You in our sisters and brothers. Amen.

Prayers for Seminarians

Let us pray for vocations and our seminarians. This week especially for Jonathan Hoole He is in Theology I, and resides at Mt. St. Mary's Seminary.

Contact Fr. Jason Hage 315-470-1468 vocations@syrdio.org



Attention All Current & Potential Volunteers:

We are dedicated to providing a safe environment for all God's children, especially vulnerable persons. All employees and regular volunteers are required to take the Safe Environment trainings. All parents are welcome and encouraged to take the training which is provided for free.

Safe Environment Recommendation:

Parents, it is best to accompany your child to public restrooms, even ones in familiar locations.

Initial Training

1pm Tue, April 9th Catholic Charities, Binghamton 10am Tue, April 16th St. Francis of Assisi, Binghamton

Recertification Training

10am Sat, May 4th St. Thomas Aquinas, Binghamton

Pre-registration is a must for all sessions!
The complete schedule of training sessions and registration:
https://syracusediocese.org/safe-environment/

FMI: Contact Safe Environment Program 315.470.1421 or email at: safeenvironment@syrdio.org

The Mass: Structure and Meaning

Over the next several weeks we will take a special feature look at the parts of the Mass as offered by the USCCB (United States Conference of Catholic Bishops); In hopes to increase our love and appreciation for the Holy Sacrifice of our Lord.

Liturgy of the Word continued...

The reading of the Gospel constitutes the high point of the Liturgy of the Word. The Liturgy itself is to teach the great reverence that is to be shown to this reading by setting it off from the other readings with special marks of honor, by the fact of which minister is appointed to proclaim it and by the blessing or prayer with which he prepares himself; also by the fact that through their acclamations the faithful acknowledge and confess that Christ is present and is speaking to them and stand as they listen to the reading; and by the mere fact of the marks of reverence that are given to the Book of the Gospels.



O come let us adore Him!

Adoration Chapel - Hours for the Divine Mercy Eucharistic Adoration Chapel are as follows: 7:30am—9pm every day of the week.

All those who wish to come and adore our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament should register with the parish office. Please contact St.

Patrick's by phone 722-1060 / email: stpatrick@sta-sp.org.

St. Patrick's 'Prayer Chain' - St. Patrick's Prayer Chain Members would be pleased to pray for your intentions or to welcome you as a prayer warrior. Contact Patricia Glazier at muzzyg@stny.rr.com or 607-722-6036 or call the rectory.

St. Thomas Aquinas 'Prayer Network' - We are privileged to pray for your need. To send in your prayer request or to join our prayer network, please email prayer@sta-sp.org

Please pray for the sick, for God's peace and healing touch... Violet App, Helen Asbury, Olivia

Behanick, Linda Bosch, Pam Campbell, Mary Louise Campos, Judy Chandanais, Nick Chianese, Noralynn Collins, Carol Ann Conrad, Ellen Cook, Susan Corner, Daniel Correll, Jacob Devries, Dc. Les Distin, Julia Dwyer, Samuel Edwards, Trish Ervay, Maria Evans, Patrick Fallin, Anita Finch, Karen Flynn, Eugenia Margarita Cubillan Florez, Brian Ford, Michele Giblin, Matt Grasgruber, Caroline Hall, Pat Harnan, Fisher Harris, Debbie Hogan, Sharon Jakowski, Xavier Lake, James Lee, Tim Leonard, Peter M. Jared Mace, **Dennis**

Matthews, Christina McBrayer, Christine McCane-Gonyean, Michael McCormick, Ted McKenna, Hedy Martin, Stephanie Merenda, Donna Mooney, Goretti Mugambwa, Joseph Munson, Boniface Owino, Carolyn Pappas, Connor Peck, Kathleen Powers, Jeanette Raffa, Gabriele Reo, Lois Rutter, Jan Schiavone, Harry Silberberg, Teresa Slavetsky, Sally Starkweather, Sara Marie, Margaret Steinmetz, Logan Stirr, Terry Telfer, Elizabeth Vannoy, Dina Velasquez, Dr. Dan Walsh, Matt Walsh, Jennifer Wasser, Patrick Weathersby, Yutain Jack Wang, Joe & Betty Zdimal.

New names are bolded when added to the list. To add or remove a person's name, please call the parish office, Names will be listed for so days.

FAITH FORMATION ~ A LIFE LONG JOURNEY

ST. PATRICK'S & ST THOMAS AQUINAS PARISHES -BINGHAMTON, NEW YORK

APRIL 7, 2024

Looking at the Faith Formation calendar...

All classes are from 10:10am – 11:10am;@ SP school with early dismissal for 11am Mass attendees

April- Month of the Holy Eucharist

7th FF Classes Divine Mercy Sunday

14th FF Classes21st FF Classes28th FF Classes

Don't forget CYO Open Gym after classes on the Sunday's with faith formation classes!

The Parents Café

Offering assortment of coffee, teas and hot chocolate. Open during the faith formation class times. Corner room just inside the faith formation office. All parents and guardians are welcome!

Plenary Indulgence during time of Eucharistic Revival & Jubilee celebration of St. Thomas Aquinas

One may make pilgrimage to a church or oratory under the patronage of St. Thomas Aquinas to obtain this indulgence. By making a visit during this special double jubilee period, continuing now through January 28th 2025. One may obtain a plenary indulgence each day for their own soul or for a soul in purgatory under the three usual conditions: Sacramental Confession, Eucharistic Communion, an offering prayers for the pope's intentions **Or** by making pilgrimage/visit to St. Thomas Aquinas church and spend a considerable amount of time in prayer concluding with the Lords Prayer, The Creed and Invocation to the Blessed Mother and St. Thomas Aquinas.

Open Church with Eucharistic Adoration available on Thursday's 10:30am—4:30pm in the side chapel at St. Thomas Aquinas.

Catholics of African Descent Convocation Saturday, April 13th 9am-4pm

A gathering of Catholics of African descent, friends, and family to celebrate the legacy and culture of Catholics of African descent. Keynote Speaker: ValLimar Jansen, singer, composer, recording artist and inspirational speaker who has sung sacred music since she was 5 years old; steeped in African traditions and sounds, weaving Bible based storytelling with music and song. Lunch provided; Mass 4pm; All are welcome. All Saints Catholic Church 1340 Lancaster Ave Syracuse 13210.

Event Registration: https://www.allsaintssyracuse.org



Formation for Ministry Online Program Info Session Sunday, April 21st 1pm St. Vincent Blessed Sacrament in Vestal

"Lay persons who devote themselves permanently or temporarily to some special service of the Church are obliged to acquire the appropriate formation which is required to fulfill their function properly...Inadequate and faulty formation harms rather than helps the mission of the Church." (Co-Workers in the Vineyard of the Lord, pp. 33, 34).

Our baptism calls us to serve others in the Church and the Formation for Ministry Program prepares candidates to hear, discern and accept that call. The two-year Formation for Ministry program prepares adults of mature faith to assist pastors to serve the needs of the church. It also serves as the first two years of preparation for the permanent diaconate.

The Formation for Ministry program provides education, ministerial training, field experience, and spiritual preparation for adult Catholics leading to certification and commissioning by the diocesan bishop in a specialized area of ministry. The program prepares candidates to assist pastors to serve the needs of a parish or pastoral care area. The program also serves as the first two years of <u>deacon formation</u>.

Formation for Ministry also offers learning opportunities for adult Catholics who seek to learn more about their faith for their own personal enrichment.

FMI about Adult Faith Formation, call the Formation For Ministry Office 315.470.1479 or formationforministrysyr.org

Please call the parish office with your Sacramental needs:

<u>Baptisms:</u> Parents should inform the parish of the birth of the child and to make arrangement for Baptism. Through the gift of our Baptism we begin to live a new life with God by becoming members of the Church, the Body of Christ.

<u>RCIA or RCIC:</u> Interested in becoming Catholic? Interested in having your children make their Sacraments? For inquiries regarding **R**ite of **C**hristian Initiation for **A**dults or for **C**hildren, please call the parish office.

<u>Marriage:</u> Couples should call the parish secretary at least six months in advance. The celebration of marriage is also a liturgical act, appropriately held in a public liturgy at church. Catholics are urged to celebrate their marriage within the Eucharistic Liturgy.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ST. Patrick's & st. Thomas Aquinas Parishes, Binghamton, NY

Designer Purse Bingo Thursday, April 25th Fundraiser to benefit the SCC Senior Class

Advance admission \$40 pp or \$50 pp at the door. Doors open 5:30pm; Bingo held in Seton Cafeteria.

Admission includes 10 Games of Bingo to Win a Variety of Designer Purses & Door Prizes, beverages will be provided. There will be a Bake Sale as well as 50/50 Raffle. Bring your own bingo dauber. For advance purchase visit https:// csbcsaints.org/bingo/ by April 21st. All are welcome.

Fisherman's Club Continues!

For college-age and young adult men who are thinking about the priesthood; FC is about fraternity among young adult Catholic men and assist them in the discernment of their vocation. The next meeting is:

Tuesday, April 9th at 6:30pm Christ the King Retreat House in Syracuse.

Meetings begin with Mass at 6:30pm and conclude with dinner and time for fellowship and conversation and end at 8:30pm. Contact: vocations@syrdio.org



FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL 607-231-4149

OR VISIT www. csbcsaints.org .org

Parish Secretary Opening — Our Lady of Good Counsel, Endicott, NY

has an immediate opening for a Catholic parish secretary. This is a part-time position with hours of 9 am - 3 pm Mon. - Wed. We are looking for someone who will be a smiling face to answer telephone calls, emails and the door to the parish office. This person should be able to multitask and be proficient in Microsoft Office and Google products including calendar updates. If interested, contact Dc. Paul Heiland at (607) 748-7417

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Are you hurting in your marriage?

If your marriage has grown cold and distant; if you are thinking of separation or divorce, or if you are already separated or divorced but want to try again, then the Retrouvaille Program can help you. For more information call: 1-800-470-2230 or visit http://www.HelpOurMarriage.org

The Binghamton Ladies of Charity Scholarship will award three \$1,000 scholarships

For high school seniors who plan to pursue a service oriented career which specifically has the potential to make a difference in someone's life.

The scholarship is based on academic achievement, financial need, and service to school, church, and community. See your high school guidance department for an application. Deadline is April 17th.

JESUS, HELP ME TO LOVE YOU IN THE EUCHARIST!

Hope Appeal 2023- Our parish pledges/goals: \$32,940 of \$32,749 goal or 100.01% for SP \$81 over goal and being returned to for SP! \$42,828 of \$28,707 goal or 149% for STA Every dollar above goal is returned to the parish; \$14,121 for STA! Thank you for your gift!

LEADERSHIP & STAFF

CLERGY & RELIGIOUS

Pastor

Rev. Msgr. John P Putano **Parochial Vicar** Rev. Stephen Ogaro **Priests in Residence** SP Rev. Augustine Okwuzu, STA Rev. Paul Machira, Rev. Thomas Macauley, OP

Deacons

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Pastoral Associates Sr. Mary Jane Atheino, LSOSF

Religious In Residence SP Daughters of Divine Love STA Little Sisters of St. Francis

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STAFF

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Music Ministry- Music Directors SP Hilary Rozek, STA Steven Nanni

Music Ministry- Cantors SP Hilary Rozek, Kassandra Profera, Gavin Rice STA Steven Nanni

Clover Bobnick, Winnie Esworthy

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Parish Secretaries

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Karen Leighton Joint Technology Caretaker Fred Kelley

Joint Communications Specialist Angel DeLap

Building & Grounds Caretakers SP Jim Foley, Jim Brown, STA David Blaine, Alexander Wixsom Joint Rectory Caretaker Mary Peck

Joint Parish Administrator