



TO
**ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST
CHURCH**

Parish Office hours are Monday through Thursday 10:00 am to 3:00 pm and Friday from 9:00 to 11:00 am.

OFFICE HOURS FOR FR. CARLINO

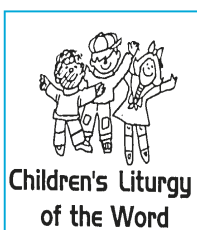
St. John's Parish Office on Wednesdays from 12 Noon to 4:00 pm and St. Anthony's Parish Office on Thursdays from 12 Noon to 4:00 pm. He is available to schedule appointments at other times as well. You can call him personally 7 days a week from 6:00 am to 8:00 pm at 372-3381 Ext. 7. You can call him for The Last Rites of the Church 24/7 also at 372-3381 but at Ext. 9.

To find out if 8:00 AM Daily Mass is cancelled due to Bad Weather:

1. After **7:00 AM** call **518-374-4591**.
2. When the voice recording comes on press **5**.
3. If the voice begins by saying "The recording you are about to listen to is not programmed to receive a message from you," hang up, because it means that **Mass is being celebrated**.
4. Otherwise it will say "**Due to bad weather, today** [it will give the day of the week and the date] **the 8:00 AM Mass is canceled**."



Baptisms at St. John the Evangelist and St. Anthony's Churches will take place only on the First Sunday of each month and only **during** Mass. Baptisms are not scheduled outside of Sunday Morning Masses. If you wish to schedule a baptism at St. John's please contact **Debbie May at 372-3381 ext. 5**. For one at St. Anthony contact Judy Mavente at 374-4591 ext. 5.



The Children's Liturgy of the Word is held on Sundays, during the 9:30 am Mass, children in Grades Pre-K through 6 are invited by the priest to come forward to experience the Liturgy of the Word at their own level. They participate in songs, prayers and readings in the area of the church adjacent to the sacristy. The children will return to their seats after the Prayer of the Faithful.



Coffee and Donuts

Sunday Coffee and Donuts

Parishioners and friends are invited to join us for Coffee and Donuts in the Parish Center cafeteria after the 7:30 am and 9:30 am Masses. Next Coffee and Donuts has been scheduled for Sunday, **January 7th, 2018**.

Religious Education News

At Christmas we celebrate the birth of Jesus, when God entered fully into the human experience. The Feast of the Epiphany takes us further, when the divine revelation in Jesus was shown to the world as the Magi came from the east. I would like to take this opportunity to thank our teachers for helping to prepare our young people to recognize the Baby as the true meaning of Christmas. Chester Bednarczyk, Kristina Canelli, Amanda Dorr, Patricia Eichelberger, Michael Fallacaro, Jill Hensel, Louis Ianniello, Kelly Jankowski, Lisa Keefe, Yvonne Lawton, Jodi Polsinelli, Mary Riker, Cathy Salamone, Diane Smith, Patty Stanton, Joyce Tremblay, and Jessica Youmans. Sincere appreciation to Tina Versaci for her time and talent leading the Bell Choir during the Children's Christmas Eve Mass and student choir members: Gabbi Caisse, Olivia Caporale, Kelly Fitzgerald, Emma Folmsbee, Luke Pezzano, Molly Pezzano, Jack Schiavo, Lena Schiavo, Caroline Versaci, Michael Versaci, Rosie Versaci, Henry Youmans. Thank you to Luca Ianniello and Michele Ianniello for bringing Baby Jesus to the manger. Thank you to our Gift Bearers: Christine Caporale and Nick Caporale. Thank you to our young students who read their petitions for the Prayer of the Faithful: Aniella Aragona, Mia Montross, Carmella Murray, Drew Schiavo and Emma Villaume. And THANK YOU to all of our children who helped Father Carlino sing 'Away in a Manger'. The Feast of the Epiphany helps us remember and recognize Jesus as God by many people, the Magi, John the Baptist, Jesus' disciples, and Christians of every age, including our own. So many came to pay Him homage then and so many have come now. God bless you for all you do for Him.

NEW BOOK GROUP

Beginning **January 8** and continuing on **January 22, February 5, February 26, March 12, March 19, April 9, April 23 and May 7** Sr. Joan will lead a discussion on *Immortal Diamond: The Search for Our True Self* by Richard Rohr. Father Rohr likens true self to a diamond, buried deep within us, formed under the intense pressure of our lives, that must be searched for, uncovered, and separated from all the debris of ego, that surrounds it. In a sense, **True Self** must like Jesus, be resurrected, and that process is not resuscitation, but transformation. *Immortal Diamond* (whose title is taken from a line in Gerard Manley Hopkins poem) explores the deepest questions of identity, spirituality, and meaning. We meet in Room 8 of St. John the Evangelist Parish Center from 1:00 - 2:30 pm. Please use the double doors under the awning across from the handicapped ramp to St. John the Evangelist Church. If you wish Sister Joan to order this book for you please call 518-372-3381 ext. 224.

PLEASE OBSERVE THE ONE-WAY TRAFFIC SIGNS IN AND OUT OF OUR CHURCH PARKING LOT.

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ADULT CONFIRMATION CLASSES

Twelve sessions will be held from 8:30 to 9:20 AM in Room 6 of the Parish Center, for adults (College age and above) who have not yet been Confirmed. The dates will be: **January 7, 14, 21, 28, Feb. 4, 11, 18, 25, Mar. 4, 11, 18, 25.** Please call Sr. Joan at 518-372-3381 ext. 224 to register or for further information. The Sacrament will be conferred sometime during the spring.

HUMAN CONCERNS COMMITTEE

There will be a meeting of the Human Concerns Committee on Thursday, **January 11**, 7:00 pm in the Parish Center Cafeteria. We will be discussing the Advent Giving Tree and the upcoming 'Souper Bowl' collection. Everyone is welcome!

FIRST THURSDAY BOOK GROUP FOR FEBRUARY

On **February 1st**, Sr. Joan will meet in Room 8 of St. John the Evangelist Parish Center at 1:00 pm to discuss ***Joy: Poet, Seeker & the Woman Who Captivated C.S. Lewis*** by Abigail Santamaria. Joy Davidman is known, if she is known at all, as the wife of C.S. Lewis. Their marriage was immortalized in the film *Shadowlands* and Lewis's memoir, *A Grief Observed*. Now, through extraordinary new documents as well as years of research and interviews, our author brings Joy David Gresham Lewis to the page in the fullness and depth she deserves. A poet and radical, Davidman was a frequent contributor to the communist vehicle *New Masses* and an active member of New York literary circles in the 1930's and 40's. After growing up Jewish in the Bronx, she was an atheist, then a practitioner of Dianetics; she converted to Christianity after experiencing a moment of transcendent grace. A mother, a novelist, a vibrant and difficult and intelligent woman, she set off for England in 1952, determined to captivate the man whose work had changed her life. Davidman became the intellectual and spiritual partner Lewis never expected but cherished. If you wish Sr. Joan to order a copy of this book for you please call 518-372-3381 ext. 224.



CHURCH SUPPORT

Collection 12/17/17: \$ 17,942.75
Flowers: \$ 617.00
Immaculate Conception: \$150.00
Candles: \$ 196.54
Collection 12/24/17: \$ 10,762.94
Candles: \$ 565.04
Christmas Collection: \$23,288.74

AUDIT TEAM: January 8, Team A
January 15, Team C

ARMED SERVICES PRAYER PLAQUE

If you would like to submit a picture of a St. John the Evangelist Parishioner serving active duty in any branch of the military for inclusion on the Armed Services Prayer Plaque, email it to mfallacaro@gmail.com or send a 5" X 7" or smaller photograph to the parish office at: St. John the Evangelist Church - Attn: Armed Services Prayer Plaque, 806 Union Street, Schenectady, NY 12308. Include a paper with their name, branch of service, and where they are stationed.

EYEGLASS & HEARING AID RECYCLING PROGRAM

Take time to help those in need by giving the gift of sight and sound. The Lions International Eyeglass/Hearing Aid Recycling Program provides glasses and hearing aids to people in need in our community, as well as in developing countries. If you have either of these items that you no longer use, please place them into any of the three collection boxes at the entrances of our Church. Thank you for your assistance in donating to this wonderful cause.

THE FLAME OF LOVE OF THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY CENACLE

- All parishioners are invited to join "The Flame of Love of the Immaculate Heart of Mary Cenacle, every Thursday, 7:00 pm in room 5 of the Parish Center. Please come and receive this special grace. For more information contact Patti Schwartz 518-796-3111 or email at schwartz63@gmail.com.

THE KING'S MEN APOSTOLATE

All men, age 18 and over, are invited to join the Schenectady Chapter of the King's Men Apostolate. Join us each Thursday evening at 7:00 pm in the St. John's Parish Center room 8 for an evening of praying the rosary, spiritual reading, discussion, and the Divine Mercy Chaplet. No dues or obligation to attend weekly. For more information contact Mark Roberts at 518-372-8322.

BIBLE STUDY ON THE BOOK OF ISAIAH

Fr. Patrick Winslow delivers DVD lectures on the lessons prepared by Fr. Mitch Pacwa. Fr. Pacwa is fluent in twelve languages and has a unique understanding of the peoples and cultures of the Middle East.

The study consists of 26 lessons, 13 of which will be covered on Tuesday evenings, 7:00 pm beginning **January 9, 2018** in St. John the Evangelist Parish Center room 5. The second set of 13 lessons will begin after Labor Day, **September 4**. The cost is \$50.00 including the Study guide. A couple can use one study guide which includes all 26 lessons. To sign up, call Rich Winslow 518-399-4366 or email rwinslo2@nycap.rr.com by 1/2/18.



Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, 01 - 13- 18

4:00 PM Francis J. Clark by Estate
Andrew Furchak & Dolores Furchak
Smith by Family
Stephanie & Edward Karwan by
Daughter, Stephanie
Genevieve Deery by Josefa Sasinowski
Margherita LeVielle by Al & Anita
Cercone

SUNDAY, 01 - 14- 18

7:30 AM Deceased Members of Paurowski,
Tajowski & Nynek Families by Estate

9:30 AM Laurence Carroll Rainey by Family
Anthony M. Mastroianni by Bernadine &
Family
Felicisimo & Basilia de Jesus by F.
Teresa Mc. Carthy, MD., Vida Mc
Carthy Cerrito, Esq., Amour Johnson,
MD., & Families

5 :00 PM Special Intentions of Wanwright &
Snyder Families by Richard & Margie
Wickerham



Lectors

TEAM 5

January 6, 2018

4:00 PM Angela Grabowski

January 7, 2018

7:30 AM Matthew Spataro

9:30 AM Barbara Leonard

5:00 PM Ann Foskett

TEAM 6

January 13, 2018

4:00 PM Bob Nicolella

January 14, 2018

7:30 AM Bob Fredette

9:30 AM Barbara Leonard

5:00 PM Ann Foskett

MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA

Miraculous Medal Novena will be held on Monday evenings at 7:30 in the **Parish Center Room 8**. Please enter through the double doors at the Canopy Entrance closest to the church parking lot.

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RESTORATION MEMORIALS

We acknowledge with appreciation the following donations to St. John the Evangelist Restoration Fund:

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ST. ANTHONY'S BREAD APOSTOLATE

The St. Anthony's Bread Apostolate will receive your special request for prayer that will be "lifted-up" in silence at the St. Anthony's Novena on Wednesday evenings. Those requests will be received by email only and thereafter placed in our "Book of Remembrance" for one year. If you are inclined, submit your prayer request to saintanthony_bread@nycap.rr.com.

The Journey Bereavement Ministry

St. Anthony's Parish sponsors a Bereavement Ministry Session for those who have suffered the loss of a loved one. Our sessions are scheduled for the **last** Friday of each month at 6:30 pm in our chapel meeting room and all who are suffering are welcome. We pray that we will be able to leave our session with a little better means of coping with our loss.

BIRTHRIGHT OF SCHENECTADY

There is presently a great need for gently used baby clothing (especially warm winter clothes). As your children outgrow their baby clothes please consider donating them to Birthright. We accept sizes newborn to 24 months. We pass on what is donated to us with no charge to our clients. Our address is 12 Jay Street, Suite 1; Schenectady, NY 12305. If you have questions please call our office at (518) 370-1532.

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

Requested by

Battiste, Christopher
& Maureen

Campbell, William &
Mary Catherine

DiDonna, Ronald &
Mary

Kraus, Robert &
Valentina

Loveless, Larry E.

Spinelli, Vito & Lucy

In Memory of

Deceased Members of Battiste
Family

Deceased Members of Campbell
Family

Deceased Members of DiDonna
Family

Valentino & Marilyn Furlani,
Paula Boles

Deceased Members of Loveless
Family

Deceased Members of Spinelli
Family

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DO YOU HAVE 2-3HOURS PER MONTH TO HELP SOMEONE IN YOUR COMMUNITY?

* 1 in 8 persons over 65 and nearly half of those over 85 will be diagnosed with Alzheimer's Disease.

* 80% of Alzheimer's patients are cared for at home by family.

Caring for someone with memory loss can be both isolating and exhausting for family members.

THESE FAMILIES NEED YOUR HELP!

Belonging to the Care Team at your church, you only *give the time you can when you can* because there are several of you to share the role of helping the family.

The average volunteer offers just 2-3 hours per month.

The team provides non-medical support and friendship.

All volunteers are offered training and continued support from the staff at Eddy Alzheimer's Services.

If you would like to receive more information about our Faith In Action Care Team Program, please contact Sandy Monahan at Eddy Alzheimer's Services-238-4167 /e-mail Sandra.monahan@sphp.com

CHARISMATIC MASS & HEALING SERVICE

Charismatic Mass & Healing Service will take place at Christ our Light Church, 1 Maria Dr., Loudonville on Wednesday, **January 10**, beginning with Prayer & Praise at 7:00 pm followed by Mass & Healing Service at 7:30 pm. Music by Joyful Heart. For more information call Jack (518) 334-6503

St. John the Evangelist Parish Membership

Parishioners are individuals who are formally registered and active in our Parish. Please complete this form if you wish to join our Parish family. You may return this form to the Parish Office by dropping it in the collection basket or mailing it to the Parish Office.

Check One:

New Registration (Please Send Parish Registration Forms) .

Change of Address (New address is listed)

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Zip Code: _____

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