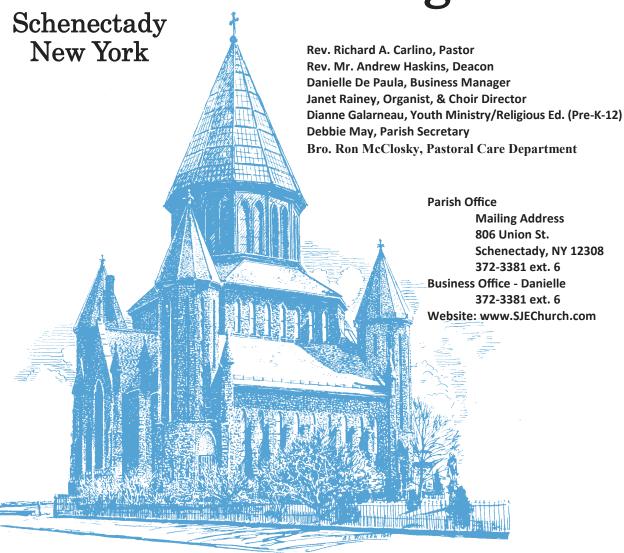
# The Church of St. John

the Evangelist



Saturday Mass: 4:00 p.m. Vigil Sunday Masses: 10:30 a.m.

Confessions: By appointment only.

Baptisms: To schedule a Baptism, please call 372-3381 Ext. 7
Marriages: Please consult our website www.SJEChurch.com

Pastoral Care: On admission to a nursing home or hospital, please be sure that the

name of the church, as well as your religion, is specified at time of admission.







#### WELCOME TO ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST CHURCH

Please note that the Parish Of-! fice (806 Union St.) is only opened I Monday thru Thursday 9:00 AM to i 4:00 PM. The Parish Office is; closed on Fridays.

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#### LIVE STREAMING

If you are unable to attend Mass, you can watch the Saturday, 4:00 PM Mass by going to our website at www.sjechurch.com and click on the YouTube Live Channel Icon and select the Saturday Mass.



The Children's Liturgy of the Word is held on Sundays during the 10:30 AM Mass. Children in Grades Pre-K through 6 are invited by the priest to come forward to experience the Children's 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.

#### **DECORATING COMMITTEE: REQUEST FOR HELP!!!**

On Monday, January 8, 2024 at 6:00 PM we will be taking down our beautiful Christmas decorations. We will need help to undecorate the church along with bringing the Nativity set, risers, Christmas trees and all the boxes of decorations to the basement. With a lot of help this can be done in a short period of time. If you can spare an hour of your time, please come and help. Thank you. if you have any questions, call Kathy Carney - 377-7444

#### 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.



O God, who on this day revealed your Only Begotten Son to the nations by the guidance of a star, grant in your mercy that we, who know you already by faith, may be brought to behold the

beauty of your sublime glory. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

#### **HUMAN CONCERNS COMMITTEE MEETING**

There will be a meeting of the Human Concerns Committee on Thursday, January 11 at 1:00 PM in the Parish Office Building Room 6. We will be discussing the Advent Giving Tree and the upcoming 'Souper Bowl' collection. Everyone is welcome!

#### THE KING'S MEN APOSTOLATE

All men ages 18 and above are invited to join the Schenectady Chapter of the King's Men Apostolate. We meet each Thursday evening at 7:00 PM in the St. John's Parish Center, room 8 to pray the Rosary, Divine Mercy Chaplet, spiritual reading & discussion. There are Ino dues or obligation to attend every meeting. For more information, contact Mark Roberts at 518-372-8322.

#### **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.

#### For Mass Attendees at St. John the Evangelist & St. Anthony's

On days of bad weather, to find out if there is Mass, from 7:00 AM onward please call St. John's Parish Office at **518-372-3381 Press Extension 5**, or

Call St. Anthony's Parish Office at 518-374-4591 **Press Extension 5** and listen to the recording. **Note:** Do not call before 7:00 AM as the information might not be accurate.

#### **PASTORAL CARE DEPARTMENT**

Do vou know someone who is homebound and would like to receive a visit/Communion? Please call our Pastoral Care Coordinator, Ron Mc Closky 518-374-4591 ext. 103.

#### **DIOCESAN APPEAL 2023-2024**

The Diocese of Albany has recently mailed the pledge envelopes for this year Diocesan Appeal. If you did not receive your pledge envelope, you can pick one up, they are located at the entrances of the church. We thank you for your support of the Diocesan Appeal.

LIGHT HOUSE CD's - Visit our kiosk at the center Union St. doors for talks on our Catholic Faith. \$3 offering for each CD covers our cost. St. John the Evangelist does not make a profit on this outreach. Take advantage of these opportunities for enrichment of our Faith.

#### ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST CHURCH **DONATION ENVELOPES**

Please know that if you plan to attend a mass at either St. Anthony's Church or St. Kateri Tekakwitha Church you may leave your donation envelope in their collection basket. Their church office will send all envelopes with our church name to our office for our weekly collection totals.

## Last Week's Collection

Collection: 12/24/23 \$ 8,475.09 Candles: 12/24/23 224.61

Christmas Collection: 12/25/23 \$17,592.00 Candles 294.87

Collection: 12/31/23 \$See January 14

Candles: 12/31/23 \$Bulletin

Audit Team B, January 8; Audit Team D, January 16

Wanna become Catholic? Whether or not you are baptized already, or want to receive later sacraments as an adult, we can tailor a process that works for you. St. Anthony, St. John and St. Kateri parishes are working collaboratively to help you grow in faith. Please contact Kris Rooney to get started: 518-346-6137 X-239 or kafe@stkateriparish.org. Sessions have started but it is never too late to answer God's call. Our next gathering is Sunday, January 7th 9:15 AM in the St. John the Evangelist Parish Center Room 6 when we will begin our series on the sacraments.

Next Sunday, January 14th, we will experience the Rite of Welcoming at the 10:30 AM Mass at St. John's. Four women will be welcomed into the process of receiving sacraments as adults. Saira Alvarado and Chanda Decker will become "catechumen", meaning they will formally say yes to being baptized, receiving communion and confirmed when Easter comes. Cara Sardone and Ashley Oeser will become "candidates", meaning they are already baptized but will receive the rest of the sacraments to become fully Catholic. This welcoming rite includes the sign of Christ being signed on their person as a physical sign of them putting on Christ. Please pray for them as they continue their formation. To learn more about them, please see the posters in the back of the worship space.

> **Parish Study Program:** A Biblical Walk Through the Mass

Do you want to grow in your understanding of the Mass and its roots in Scripture? St. John the Evangelist and St. Anthony will be joining St. Kateri Tekakwitha parish to explore A Biblical Walk Through the Mass. This videobased program includes small group discussions, giving us a chance to meet others and grow in our understanding of the Mass together. The program will run on five Mondays starting **January 8**<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM at the St. Kateri Rosa Road church. More information is available www.stkateriparish.org. Please consider participating and inviting a friend!

#### **SATURDAY DEVOTION AT ST. ANTHONY'S**

Saturday, 10:00 AM. For more information contact Ronald McClosky, Pastoral Care Coordinator (518) 374-4591 Ext #8.

F'ood

St. Anthony's Church - Sister Maria Rosa and the Venerini Associates i distribute food to needy families during I that we may continue the good work.

Please join us by dropping off any of the following I nonperishable food items, or a monetary donation of any amount. No gift is too small. This is what we are in need of: Canned Fruit, Canned Applesauce, Canned Cranberry Sauce, Canned Vegetables, Canned Green & Yellow Waxed Beans, Soups, Boxed Stuffing, Canned Sweet Potatoes, Canned Yams, Boxed Scalloped Potatoes, Canned Beans, Canned Peas, Canned Corn, | Canned Stews, Pudding, Cereal, Pasta, Pasta Sauce, I Jelly/Jam, Peanut Butter, Cooking Oil, Tuna Fish, Mayonnaise, Canned Meats. We couldn't do it with out I you. Let's continue to feed others both spiritually and physically. Thank you for your help!

PLEASE DO NOT BRING ITEMS WITH EXPIRED DATES AS WE CANNOT GIVE THOSE OUT.

Dear Church Family & Friends - St. John's Church is open from **7:00 AM to 11:00 AM** Monday through Friday, for individuals to pray. St. Anthony's is open on week days from 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM.

#### ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY

The Rosary Altar Society would like to extend our deepest appreciation to all the Rosarians, Parishioners, Friends and generous contributors who supported our Annual Holiday Craft Fair and Bake Sale on December 9, 2023. Without your support in giving of your time, talent, treasures and donations, the Craft Fair would not have been the great success that it was. A special Thank You from the Team Leaders: Joanne McGrath, Barbara McEvoy, Jeanne Servidone, Tracey Nealon-Lotano, Alicia McGann, David Hewitt & Debbie DeLuke.

#### **2023 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS:**

Contribution statements for 2023 will be sent only to those who request them. If you wish to receive a statement of your donations for tax purposes, please complete the form below. Your completed form can either be placed in the collection basket or mailed to the church, 806 Union St., Schenectady 12308.

Please send a statement of my 2023 Donations

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**MONDAY, 01-08-24** 

Mass at St. Kateri, Union St. 9:30 AM

TUESDAY, 01 - 09 - 24

Mass at St. Kateri, Union St. 9:00 AM

WEDNESDAY, 01 - 10 - 24

9:00 AM Mass at St. John

Helen & John Stone by Estate

THURSDAY, 01 - 11 - 24

9:00 AM Mass at St. John

Marie D. Whipple by Estate

Mass at St. Kateri, Rosa Road 6:00 PM

FRIDAY, 01 - 12 - 24

9:00 AM Mass at St. Kateri, Rosa Road

SATURDAY 01 - 13 - 23

4:00 PM Mass at St. John

Msgr. James G. Hart by Margaret T.

Connoly

Dr. Val Tebbano by Margaret T.

Stephan Tannatta by Nancy & Bill

Winkler

5:00 PM Mass at St. Kateri, Union Street

**SUNDAY 01 - 14 - 24** 

8:30 AM Mass at St. Anthony's

9:30 AM Mass at St. Kateri Union Street

10:30 AM Mass at St. John

17th Anniversary Remembrance -

Laurence Carroll Rainey by Family

11:30 AM Mass at St. Kateri, Rosa Road 11:45 AM Spanish Mass at St. Anthony's

4:00 PM Mass at St. Anthony's

#### Sunday Readings for January 7, 2024 Year B

The Epiphany of the Lord

1st Reading Isaiah 60: 1-6

Responsorial Psalm Psalm 72: 1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13

2nd Reading Ephesians 3: 2-3a, 5-6

Gospel Acclamation Matthew 2:2 Gospel Matthew 2: 1-12

#### -----ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST'S ALZHEIMER **VOLUNTEER CARE TEAM**

We are seeking volunteers to help support families in our community caring for individuals with memory loss! due to Alzheimer's or other forms of dementia. Some i ways our volunteers help: Provide socialization and friendly visits, help with errands or pick up groceries, enjoy a community outing or drop off a meal. Volunteers h are trained and supported by Eddy Alzheimer Services. For more information about volunteering or utilizing our services, contact Mary Coleman at 518-238-4167 or mary.coleman@sphp.com.

The next Care Team meeting is on January 17, 6:00 pm on Zoom.

#### **CHRISTMAS FLOWERS 2024**

Requested by:

Bianchi, Gina

Delaney, John & Mei Li

Del, Monico, James & Michela

In Memory of Louis Bianchi **Deceased Members** Of Delaney Family Deceased Members

Of Del Monico Famiy

#### **WORKS OF MERCY INITIATIVE**

Cookbook Fundraiser to Benefit Works of Mercy Initiative. Buy your one-of-a-kind cookbook, Served With Love, A Collection of Recipes from the Roman Catholic Churches of Schenectady County. Cookbooks are \$15.00, with profits benefiting the Works of Mercy Initiative. Members of participating parishes, friends, and family have compiled their tastiest, tried-and-true recipes into a single book that will be treasured for generations to come. Containing 384 recipes-everything you need from appetizers to desserts. Each recipe includes the contributor's name, so it's easy to find the recipes of friends and loved ones. Special features include: Fr. Belogi's Brunch Strata; Fr. Carlino's Homemade Tomato Sauce; Fr. Isopo's New York Cheesecake; and Fr. Zelker's Old Arbor Hill Stuffed Cabbage! Cookbooks will be available after the 4:00 PM Mass on Saturday, January 6 and the 10:30 Mass on Sunday, January 7. Cash or checks made out to the Works of Mercy Initiative will be accepted when purchasing after Mass. You may also purchase online using a credit/debit card. and pick them up at your parish office or the Works of Mercy Initiative office, visit: worksofmercyschdy.org Contact Kristin with questions at 518-347-0871 or worksofmercyschdy@live.com Wishing you a New Year filled with peace, love, joy, and many delicious meals!

#### **Caregivers' Program**

To find out information about our Caregivers' program, please call St. John's office and leave a message at (518)-372-4619 Extension 326. When you do so, the following is the recording that you will hear: "Thank you for calling The Caregivers' Center at St. John's and St. Anthony's Churches. Someone will call you back within 3-4 business days if not sooner. As you leave your name and phone number, please speak slowly, clearly, and loudly, and make sure that you say your phone number twice."

#### OFFERING CONFESSION BY APPOINTMENT ONLY

Fr. Carlino will be hearing Confessions by Appointment only. For those wishing to participate will need to call Fr. Carlino at (St. John's) 518-372-3381 ext. 9 or (St. Anthony's) 518-374-4591 ext. 9 no later than 3:00 PM the Wednesday before.

#### MASS STIPEND

Just a reminder that the stipend for all weekend or daily Masses increased to \$15.00.

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

Rest in Peace

Your prayers are requested for the repose of the soul of Lawrence Stankavich.

**Scripture Group** meets Thursdays 2:00 - 3:00 PM in the St. John the Evangelist Parish Center Library, as well as virtually: Google Meet joining info Video call link: <a href="https://meet.google.com/tvs-spso-gcy">https://meet.google.com/tvs-spso-gcy</a> or dial: (US) +1 336-949-8065 PIN: 529 005 840. We spend time reflecting on the upcoming Sunday readings and how they relate to our lives. All are welcome, no matter what your Bible experience is!

#### **RESOURCE IN YOUR COMMUNITY**

211 is a Resource in your Community – Burning question? Dial 211. Funded by the United Way, local and state government and private nonprofit organizations, lealth care, substance abuse, financial problems and more available 7 days a week from 9:00 AM to 7:00 PM in Albany, Columbia, Fulton, Greene, Montgomery, Rensselaer, Saratoga, Schenectady, Schoharie, Warren and Washington counties. 211 offers fast, accurate information on safety, relief and recovery services during natural disaster or regional emergencies.

## SCHENECTADY COUNTY SENIOR & LONG TERM CARE SERVICES/NY CONNECTS

Your trusted source for reliable information and assistance for older adults and people of all ages with disabilities, their caregivers, and families, located at 107 Nott Terrace Suite 305, call 518-382-8481 ext. 1302. Your link to Long Term Services and Supports. www.SchenectadyCounty.com.

#### 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.

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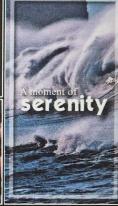
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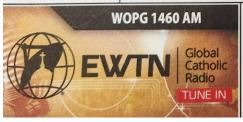


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