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ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST  
CHURCH**

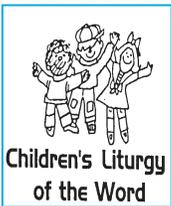
Parish Office hours are Monday through Thursday 10:00 am to 3:00 pm and Friday from 9:00 to 11:00 am.

**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.



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.

**ANNUAL HELP COLLECTION**

The second collection next Sunday, **January 28**, will be our Annual Help Collection. This is when we ask for something extra to help offset the cost of our heat and electricity. Thank you in advance for whatever you are able to contribute.



**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 **TODAY**. Next Coffee and Donuts will be Sunday, **January 28th, 2018**.

**Roe v Wade Anniversary Holy Hour**  
Monday **January 22nd**, 5:30 - 6:30 pm at St. John the Evangelist Church with celebrant, Fr. Jeffrey L'Arche. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament for Adoration at 5:30 pm, we will pray the Rosary, Litany of the Blessed Virgin, finishing with Benediction. Fr. L'Arche will speak and we will have plenty of time for personal reflection and prayer, concluding at 6:30pm. Any questions, call Patty Gutch 518.372.3381 ext. 229.

**SPECIAL THANK YOU**

My dear friends,  
In July of 2013, Gerry Borne, the sister of our own staff person Sister Joan Vlaun, who headed the Pastoral Care Department at St. John's Church for more than 2 decades, retired from that position and moved to live with another sibling in Maine.

Over all those years Gerry had worked indefatigably on behalf of the sick and homebound. Her work was nothing short of Herculean. She touched thousands of lives with her attentiveness, her care, and her loving heart.

Her retirement obviously created a void. Soon thereafter, that void was that filled – and we thank the good Lord that it was – with the appointment to the position of St. John's parishioner, **Anna Marie Montanaro**.

Like her predecessor Gerry, Anna Marie devoted herself to her work with dedication, fidelity, patience, persistence, and love. Before I even contacted her (although I had her on my mind as my first pick) she contacted me and volunteered to do this work, which is vitally important in the history of our Roman Catholic tradition.

Before this past Christmas, so that she could be with her family in the Midwest, Anna Marie moved away to take up a new and exciting adventure of her life.

While we are happy for her and her family, we have already *very much missed her*.

Over the course of the more than 5 years that we worked together, Anna Marie could not have been more pleasant, cheerful, cooperative, as well as caring to me personally.

This was the demeanor she likewise brought to those were sick and home-bound. *What a labor of love she truly exercised over those years...*

Therefore please join me in profusely thanking Anna Marie for her wonderful ministry of service and outreach. May God continue to bless her and her family in every way and bring her peace, joy, and strength which are ever so often the blessings returned to those who give themselves so generously and so selflessly as did **Anna Marie Montanaro**.

Gratefully,  
Fr. Carlino

 **CHURCH SUPPORT**

Collection 01/14/18: \$9,784.16  
Candles: \$ 181.39

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**AUDIT TEAM:** January 22, Team B  
January 29, Team D

**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.

**NEW BOOK GROUP**

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.

**FIRST THURSDAY BOOK GROUP FOR FEBRUARY**

On **February 1<sup>st</sup>**, 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.



**FEAST OF ST. BLAISE**

This year the Feast of St. Blaine occurs on Saturday, **February 3<sup>rd</sup>**. Throats will be blessed at the 8:00 am Mass at St. Anthony's Church and at the Saturday's Vigil Mass on **February 3<sup>rd</sup>** as well as at all the Sunday Masses on **February 4<sup>th</sup>**. The celebrant of the Mass will need three Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion to assist him. A card with the Blessing of St. Blaise as well as the candles needed will be available. Please call Sr. Joan at 372-3381 ext. 224 if you are willing to assist.

**MARK YOUR CALENDAR:**

**Boy Scout Troop 72 Fundraiser** at LT's Grill, 2305 Nott St (Shop Rite Plaza) Sunday, **January 28<sup>th</sup>** - 3:00 pm to 6:00 pm - Tickets are \$10.00 each - *Eat in or take out.*

**Sunday, February 4<sup>th</sup> is National Boy Scout Sunday.** Our Troop 72 will participate in the 9:30 am Mass at St. John's that morning and also will host the Parish Coffee in the Cafeteria. Scouts from any other unit are welcome to join us.

**HUMAN CONCERNS NEWS**

"Souper Bowl" Fund Drive - Once again, it is time for the Super Bowl Game (**February 4**) as well as our annual "SOUPER Bowl" Fund Drive. The monies raised in this drive are used by our local food pantries in the Schenectady area. The Human Concerns Committee will be holding its BOWL Collection the weekend of **February 3 and 4**. If you could give just one dollar to one of the volunteers near the church exits, your donation will be used to help feed those in need throughout Schenectady County. As always, thank you for your generosity.

**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.

**2017 Contribution Statements**

Contribution statements for 2017 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 Parish Office - 806 Union St., Schenectady NY 12308.

**Please send a statement of my 2017 Donations.**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Envelope # \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE NOTE:** In the past few weeks we have found two sets of car keys in the Church building. Please call our office if you think one of them may be yours (518-372-3381 ext. 221) Thank you



### Mass Intentions

#### SATURDAY, 01 - 27- 18

**4:00 PM** Francis Whitbeck by Estate  
18th Anniversary Remembrance -  
John Pettica Sr., by Wife & Family  
Birthday Remembrance - Carolyn  
Maturro by Family

#### SUNDAY, 01 - 28- 18

**7:30 AM** Peter & Mary Paurowski by Estate of  
Florence Paurowski  
Deceased Members of Paniccia Family  
by Paniccia Family

**9:30 AM** Birthday Remembrance - Josiah  
Pettinato by Grandparents  
Birthday Remembrance - Genaro  
Naples by Daughters

**5 :00 PM** For the People



### Lectors

#### TEAM 1

January 20, 2018  
**4:00 PM** Vincent De John  
January 21,  
**7:30 AM** Donald Buckley  
**9:30 AM** Joe Di Caprio  
**5:00 PM** Sara Kesten

#### TEAM 2

January 27, 2018  
**4:00 PM** Christine Warner  
January 28, 2018  
**7:30 AM** Jane Susich/Deborah Mullaney  
**9:30 AM** Laurie Barone  
**5:00 PM** John Bergin

#### 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](mailto: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.

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#### 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**."

#### 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](mailto:saintanthony_bread@nycap.rr.com).

#### THE JOURNEY BEREAVEMENT MINISTRIES

consists of a team of Bereavement Ministers available to those who are suffering the loss of a loved one. We invite those in need to call for an individual meeting with one of our ministers at 518-374-4591 Extension 103 to schedule an appointment. Please leave a message with your name and phone number so we may contact you and know that all communication is held in the strictest of confidentiality.



Open House for the 2018-2019 school year serving 3-year-olds to 5<sup>th</sup> grade,

**Thursday, February 1, 5:00 to 7:00 pm**

We offer Before School Care 7:00 – 8:00 am and After-School Care 3:00 – 6:00 pm

Meet the teachers and tour the facilities!

1801 Union Street, Niskayuna, NY 12309. Questions? Call (518)382-8225 or [www.stkaterischool.org](http://www.stkaterischool.org)

#### WORKS OF MERCY INITIATIVE...

We appreciate children's gently worn or new clothing up to age 18. Clothing items may be dropped off to us at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel. Please contact us for drop off days and times at 518-347-0871. For more information go to [www.worksofmercyschdy.org](http://www.worksofmercyschdy.org) and click on the "Good Neighbor" Program tab.

#### 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.

**THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**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](mailto:Sandra.monahan@sphp.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.

**Check One:**

New Registration (Please Send Parish Registration Forms) .

Change of Address (New address is listed)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

**GO TO OUR WEBSITE TO SIGN UP FOR EGIVING**

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