



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.



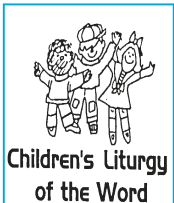
Baptisms at St. John the Evangelist  
and St. Anthony's Churches will  
take place only on the First Sunday  
of each month and only **during** Mass. Baptisms are not  
scheduled outside of Sunday Morning Masses. If you  
wish to schedule a baptism at St. John's please contact  
**Debbie May at 372-3381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



Bishop Scharfenberger has appointed the Reverend  
Deacon Ramon Tapia to the ministry of Diaconal ser-  
vice to both St. John's and St Anthony's Churches.

Bishop Hubbard had previously appointed him to  
both churches in 2008 for several years but then reas-  
signed him to work in the Diocesan Hispanic Aposto-  
late.

Fr. Carlino is delighted to have Deacon Tapia return  
and very much looks forward to working with him in  
both the sacramental and pastoral ministries of our be-  
loved churches. Father is confident that you too will all  
join in to warmly welcome him and support him in the  
important ministries that he will be exercising.



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.



**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.**

**FAITH FORMATION NEWS**

**Best Lent Ever** Please join our students and fami-  
lies in an exciting online Lenten experience. It's a free  
email program that will guide you on a 40-day journey to  
become *the-best-version-of-yourself*, making this a  
truly life-changing Lent. Matthew Kelly, author of *Dy-  
namic Catholic* has launched this new program. Here's  
how it works, starting Ash Wednesday, **February 14**,  
participants receive daily emails with short inspirational  
videos, practical tips to incorporate into their everyday  
lives, and encouraging stories from Dynamic Catholic  
team members. Throughout Lent, participants will dis-  
cover how to open their hearts to God, leading to their  
best Lent ever. Visit, [www.BestLentEver.com](http://www.BestLentEver.com) to learn  
more.

**CONFIRMATION**

The Sacrament of Confirmation will be conferred by  
Bishop Edward Scharfenberger on Sunday, **March 18** at  
2:00 pm in St. John's Church. Please keep our candi-  
dates and their families in your prayers. A reception will

**CONFIRMATION RECEPTION**

**Bakers Needed:** The Rosary Society will host a re-  
ception to honor our students who will be receiving the  
Sacrament of Confirmation on Sunday, **March 18.** We  
are in need of volunteers to bake cookies, brownies or  
cupcakes. The Parish Center will open at 12:00 noon on  
that day to receive your baked goods. If you have any  
questions, please call Kathy Carney at 377-7444. Thank  
you.

**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.

**BLACK, NATIVE AMERICAN & LATIN  
AMERICAN MISSIONS COLLECTION**

We ask your continued support in the Diocesan Col-  
lection on **February 17-18** for Black, Native American &  
Latin American Missions. Funds from this combined col-  
lection support projects and are used to help fund catech-  
esis and evangelization programs throughout the United  
States and the Church of Latin America and the Caribbe-  
an. Your gifts will fund catechesis, pastoral programs, mar-  
riage and family life projects, seminarian education, and  
many other necessary programs. The Black and Native  
American Mission Office provides grants for projects that  
promote Native American and Black evangelization ef-  
forts throughout North America including programs in the  
Diocese of Albany. By contributing to next week's collec-  
tion you will provide seeds to grow the faith for years to  
come. Please support the Black and Native American Mis-  
sions of the United States and the Church in Latin Ameri-  
ca.



## SCHEDULE OF MASSES AND SERVICES

**FEBRUARY 14, 2018**

### ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST CHURCH

12:15 pm Mass with distribution of Ashes  
 2:00 pm Prayer Service with distribution of Ashes  
 3:00 pm Prayer Service with distribution of Ashes  
 4:00 pm Prayer Service with distribution of Ashes  
 7:30 pm Prayer Service with distribution of Ashes

### ST ANTHONY'S CHURCH

8:00 am Mass with distribution of Ashes  
 10:00 am Prayer Service with distribution of Ashes  
 11:00 am Prayer Service with distribution of Ashes  
 5:00 pm Mass with distribution of Ashes  
 6:30 pm Spanish Mass with distribution of Ashes

### LECTORS NEEDED FOR ASH WEDNESDAY

Please call Sr. Joan at 372-3381 ext. 224 if you can lector at any of the Ash Wednesday Mass or Prayer Services on **February 14**, 12:15 pm Mass, 2:00 pm, 3:00 pm 4:00 pm & 7:30 pm Prayer Services. Thank you so much .



PRAY FAST SHARE

Ash Wednesday is a day of fasting and abstinence. As a sign of our penance, we preserve for the Diocese of Albany the custom of abstinence from meat on the Fridays of Lent. Abstinence binds all Catholics who are 14 years of age and older. Fasting binds all Catholics who are 18 years of age but not yet 59. Fasting refers to the quantity of food eaten. Traditionally, fasting calls for only one full meal per day. By retaining these traditions for our Diocese we do not intend that they be interpreted as laws binding under pain of sin, but as customs from which we will not hold ourselves lightly excused.

### A GIFT FROM YOUR PARISH

**Little Black Books: Six-Minute Meditations on the Passion according to Mark** will be available for you to pick up this weekend **February 10-11**. It is a pre-Lenten gift to you from your parish to assist you as you journey from Ash Wednesday **February 14** through Easter Sunday **April 1**. We suggest you start with *How to use the 'Little Black Book'* and that you use the next three days to get ready for Lent.

### LENTEN SERVICES

**Simple Soup Suppers and Lenten Prayer Service** at 5:30 pm every Thursday during Lent at St. Anthony's Church.

### Stations of the Cross

at St. Anthony's Church every Friday during Lent - 3:00 pm (English) and 7:00 pm (Spanish).

### TAKE UP YOUR CROSS AND FOLLOW ME

Next weekend, purple crosses will be available in baskets near the church entrances. You are invited to take a cross as you enter the church. The cross will be worn throughout Lent to signify you are willing to carry your own cross and you may wish to add the intentions of a family member, friend or someone most in need of help during this time. You may return the cross to the baskets during Holy week to be put on our large cross in the sanctuary on Good Friday. Special thanks to the people who volunteered their time to make the crosses.



OPERATION  
RICE BOWL

As we travel along our Lenten journey, we grow closer in our relationship with God through prayer. Prayer is also an essential part of reaching out to those in need and growing in solidarity with them. Your participation in Operation Rice Bowl helps reach those in need, both in our own community and around the world. Please join in this meaningful Lenten observance. Materials will be available near the church entrances next weekend to assist your participation.

### CHOIR NEWS

Parishioners who like to sing are invited to join our Church Choir. Rehearsals are Sunday mornings 10:30 am to noon. A warm welcome is extended to all who are interested in joining us.

### Human Concerns Committee

Again we will be participating in the **'Personal Care Closet'** drive. This year we will be dividing the items collected between Catholic Charities (Schenectady office) and the SUSTAIN Ministry Program held at the First United Methodist Church located on State Street here in Schenectady. The clients both organizations serve live on fixed, limited incomes. Once basic needs are met, they have little or no money left for other necessary items such as personal care products, cleaning and laundry supplies. The **'Personal Care Closet'** provides these types of items that cannot be purchased with food stamps and are not usually available through food pantries or other sources. We would like to help both these worthwhile programs. Some of the items needed are: **bars of wrapped soap, shampoo, deodorant, razors, toilet paper, tissues, dish soap, laundry detergent, household cleaning products, toothpaste and toothbrushes, feminine pads/tampons, diapers (sizes 5 & 6), Pull ups all sizes (2T-5T), etc.** We will be starting this drive the weekend of **February 24/25** and ending **March 18/19**. You can place your donations in the boxes marked **'Personal Care Closet'** located at each of the Church's entrances. Thank you in advance for your generosity and support for this very worthwhile collection. If you have any questions, please feel free to call Jeanne Servidone - 518-357-9053 or Kathy Carney - 518-377-7444.



Mass Intentions

**SATURDAY, 02 - 17- 18**

**4:00 PM** Vincent De Leonardis by Family  
Birthday Remembrance - Joan Sullivan  
by Giulio & Ann Facci  
Genevieve Deery by William Zebuda  
Florence La Porta by Dorothy Maher

**SUNDAY, 02 - 18- 18**

**7:30 AM** Carl Paurowski by Florence Paurowski  
Estate

**9:30 AM** Birthday Remembrance - Ulisse  
Battista by Family  
Matthew Rubino by Anne Cataldo  
Annabell & Frank Chamberlain by  
Daughter & Family  
Richard Piatkowski by Pat Gajewski

**5 :00 PM** Michael & Mariangela Delia by Enzo  
& Family and Elizabeth

**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.

**To find out *if* 8:00 AM Daily Mass at  
St. Anthony's Church 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**."

**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.

**BISHOP'S APPEAL**

The Office of Development and Stewardship would like to remind all parishioners that the final pledge statements for the 2017 Bishop's Appeal will be mailed in February. The deadline to submit gifts for the 2017 Bishop's appeal is **March 15, 2018**. Thank you for your continued generosity and support.

**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 Chapel. No dues or obligation to attend weekly. For more information contact Mark Roberts at 518-372-8322.

**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](mailto:schwartz63@gmail.com).

Mark your calendars...



**St. Anthony's Church Bake Sale**

**Saturday , February 24th, 8:00 am - 6:00 pm**

**Sunday, February 25th, 8:00 am - 12:00 noon**

You will find a variety of cookies and pies, Italian bread, rolls, pasta, cavatelli, frozen dough, tomato & broccoli pizza and much more!

**STAR EXEMPTION**

Renewal applications for the Enhanced (Senior) School Tax Relief (STAR) Exemption for 2018 are due by **March 1, 2018** in the City of Schenectady. The 2016 income for resident owner(s) is required as part of this process. If there was no income tax filed, we will accept ALL income Statements: Social Security, Pension, Interest Income, Etc. Seniors must turn 65 years old before December 31, 2018. Renewal forms are available in City Hall, 105 Jay St., Room #8 or at [www.tax.ny.gov](http://www.tax.ny.gov) (RP-425 Rnw) Please note that March 1 is deadline for filing all NYS property tax exemptions. For more information call 518-382-5075



Collection 02/04/18: \$12,590.30  
Souper Bowl Collection: \$ 750.54  
Candles: \$ 161.45

**AUDIT TEAM:** February 12, Team C  
February 19, Team B

**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.

**RESOURCE IN YOUR COMMUNITY**

211 is a Resource in your Community – Burning building? Call 911. Burning question? Dial 211. Funded by the United Way, local and state government and private non-profit organizations, 211 is a one stop resource for food, housing, child care, health 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.

**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**

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