



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.

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.



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 extend-
ed to all who are interested in joining us.

	Collection 02/11/18: \$ 10,379.65
	Second Collection: \$ 927.00
	Candles: \$ 285.14
AUDIT TEAM: February 26, Team D March 5, Team A	

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 won-
derful cause.

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
follow in the parish center hosted by our Rosarians.

CONFIRMATION SERVICE PROJECT

Our Confirmation candidates will conduct a Bottle
Drive on **March 3rd and 4th** before all Masses. A truck
will be parked in our lot 30 minutes before each Mass for
your donations of clean returnable cans and bottles,
please bring them in plastic bags. The students chose
St. Jude's Children's Hospital to receive half of the pro-
ceeds. The remaining half will be donated back to St.
John's to help enhance future faith for-
mation projects. The candidate's focus is in adherence
to Jesus' directive to care for those in need and the Cor-
poral Works of Mercy. Please help us fulfill this mis-
sion. We thank you in advance for your support.

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.

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 Sche-
nectady Chapter of the King's Men Apostolate. Join us
each Thursday evening at 7:00 pm in the St. John's Par-
ish Center Room 8 for an evening of praying the rosary,
spiritual reading, discussion, and the Divine Mercy Chap-
let. No dues or obligation to attend weekly. For more in-
formation 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 Par-
ish Center. Please come and receive this special grace.
For more information contact Patti Schwartz 518-796-
3111 or email at schwartz63@gmail.com.

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

FIRST THURSDAY FILM PROGRAM

March 1, DVD *Risen* 107 minutes *Risen* is the epic Biblical story of the Resurrection as told through the eyes of a non-believer. Clavius (Joseph Fiennes), a powerful Roman military tribune, and his aide, Lucius (Tom Felton), are tasked with solving the mystery of what happened to Jesus (Cliff Curtis) in the weeks following the crucifixion in order to disprove the rumors of a risen Messiah and prevent an uprising in Jerusalem. The film will be shown in Room 8 of St. John the Evangelist Parish Center at 1:00 pm. Please use the double doors under the canopy across from the handicapped ramp to St. John the Evangelist Church.

FIRST THURSDAY BOOK GROUP - FOR APRIL

On **April 5** at 1:00 pm in Room 6, Sr. Joan will lead a discussion on ***AD 33* by Ted Dekker**. A gripping story of Maviah, a slave who becomes a queen in Arabia, A.D. 33. They call her the Queen of the Outcasts. Maviah, a woman whose fate was sealed on her birth by this world unwanted, illegitimate, female, a slave-subject to the whims of all. But then she met a man named Yeshua who opened her eyes. She found strength in his words, peace from the brutal world around her. Because of what he taught her, she has gathered her own traveling kingdom of outcast deep in the desert, wielding an authority few have seen. But when her growing power threatens the rulers around her, they set out to crush all she loves, leaving her reeling as a slave once more. She must find Yeshua to save her people, but when she does, she will be horrified to discover that he faces his own death. Enter a story full of intrigue, heart-wrenching defeat, uncompromising love and staggering victory-one that re-examines everything you thought you knew about the heart of Jesus' stunning message and the power that follows for those who follow his easily forgotten way. If you wish Sr. Joan to order this book please call 518-372-3381 ext. 224.

TAKE UP YOUR CROSS AND FOLLOW ME

This 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.

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).



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.

LENTEN FISH DINNERS AT OUR LADY QUEEN OF PEACE

We invite you to join us for two simple Lenten fish dinners at the Our Lady Queen of Peace Parish Center, 210 Princetown Rd., Friday **March 2, & March 23rd**, from 4:30 – 6:30 pm. Take out or eat in for the same great price of \$9.00 per meal. Tickets may be purchased after all weekend masses or at the door.

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.



Congratulations to our Catechumens Marcella Clark and Melanie Mattus who participated in the Rite of Election at The Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception on Sunday, **February 18th** and who will then be members of the elect to be initiated into the sacred mysteries at the Easter Vigil. Congratulations also to our candidates Michael Badger and Donna Mastro who participated in the Call to Continuing Conversion and who will be initiated into full Communion at the Easter Vigil.



Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, 03 - 03 - 18

4:00 PM Mario Caracciolo by Anne & Alfie Ventrice
Barbara Barry Vergine by Jeanne Hawkey
Albie Ferrucci by The Breakfast Group Purgatorial Society

SUNDAY, 03 - 04 - 18

7:30 AM Florence Paurowski by Estate John & Helen Stone by Estate

9:30 AM Andrew Furchak & Dolores Furchak Smith by Family
Peter Di Caprio by Wife, Toni Anne Hon. D. Vincent Cerrito by F. Teresa Mc Carthy, MD., Vida Mc Carthy Cerrito, Esq., Amour Johnson, MD., & Families Annabell & Frank Chamberlain by Daughter & Family
Ann-Louise Pedone by Family
Richard Piatkowski by Gary Piatkowski

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

St. John the Evangelist Purgatorial Society

Society Member recently enrolled:

Marguerite Sawicki

By: Dot Maher

Richard Piatkowski

By: Maria Spsychala

Sean Patrick Cleary

By: Jeanne Hawkey

RESTORATION MEMORIALS

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

IN MEMORY OF:

Harold R. Wheeler & Catherine "Betty" Wheeler

By: Mark & Darlene Jackson

Filomina Pileggy

By: Louise Monarch

Richard Piatkowski

By: Mr. & Mrs. Bruce Baluci, Rita R. Chodkowski, Matthew Czech, William A. Keohan, Bernard Socha, Mr. & Mrs. Frank Lezcynski & Tami Jackson.

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 and click on the "Good Neighbor" Program tab.



ROSARY SOCIETY NEWS

Rosary Society will be meeting on Wednesday, **March 14th**, 7:00 pm in the Parish Center Cafeteria. We welcome all parishioners to join us celebrating St. Patrick's Day with Traditional Irish Refreshments as we anxiously await the First Day of Spring and Easter. Please enter through the double doors under the canopy.

ANNUAL DIVINE MERCY CONSECRATION

33 Days to Merciful Love—Bishop Scharfenberger is inviting Catholics throughout the Diocese to join him in a 33-day preparation period starting **Tuesday, March 6**, with the book: *33 Days to Merciful Love*, by Father Michael Gaitley, MIC. The preparation will lead to the annual diocesan Divine Mercy Consecration at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception on **Divine Mercy Sunday, April 8, 2018, at 5:00 p.m.** Please find more information on the dedicated webpage: www.rcda.org/DivineMercyConsecration

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**."

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!

REGINA CAELI ACADEMY'S - Spring Open House will be on Monday, **March 5th** from 11:00 am - 12:45 pm, followed by a presentation on our program. Located at 201 N. Ten Broeck Street in Scotia, RCA is an accredited academy for grades preK-12 that emphasizes classical education and a love for the Catholic Faith. All are welcome to come and see our classrooms in action! Please contact Katie Stirton at 518.882.7025 or visit www.rcahybrid.org for more information.

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

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.

THE HOME FURNISHINGS PROGRAM

NEEDS OF THE MONTH - Furniture: *small dressers and kitchen table sets, small sofas/love-seats.* **Furnishings: we are desperate for flatware, especially dinner forks, teaspoons, soup spoons** (and as always) need spatulas, can openers, large pots & pans, cereal & dessert bowls small appliances: toasters/ovens, coffee-makers, blenders, crock pots. **To donate, call Jamie Doriguzzi, Program Director, at 518-346-2444** or email us at homefurninc@aol.com to arrange for pick-up or warehouse drop-off of useful items. *Please, focus on basic housekeeping items in immediately useful condition.* **THANKS FOR YOUR SUPPORT!** www.schenectadyhomefurnishings.org

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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