




**WELCOME 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.

 *Pastor's Notes* To reach Fr. Carlino at St. John's call 518
-372-3381 or at St. Anthony's 518-374-
4591. For The Last Rites of The Church, press 7. For any
other reason, you are to press 9.

**NEXT WEEK IS COMMITMENT
WEEKEND!**



By now every registered household has been sent their information explaining the needs for the Re-Igniting Our Faith Campaign. The diocesan-wide fundraising initiative to strengthen our parishes.

If you haven't received the information or perhaps misplaced it, there is information available at the entrances of the church. Please take it home with you and after reading the needs consider a pledge or one-time gift to the campaign and bring it back with you **next weekend**.

For more information or to watch the video, please visit the website at www.reignitingourfaith.org.

You can return your envelope to the parish office, by mail or simply placing it in the collection basket during the Mass.

**Each must do as already determined, without
sadness or compulsion, for God loves
a cheerful giver.
2 Corinthians 9:7**

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 are available near the church entrances to assist your participation.

LENTEN SERVICES AT ST. ANTHONY'S

Thursdays during Lent we will have our soup suppers at 5:30 pm followed by Scripture reflection and the Divine Mercy Chaplet.

Stations of the Cross

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

PASTORAL CARE DEPARTMENT - Do you know someone who is homebound and would like to receive a visit/Communion? Please call our Pastoral Care Coordinator, Doreen Murdock 518-372-3381 ext. 234.

TAKE UP YOUR CROSS AND FOLLOW ME

Purple crosses are 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 FISH DINNERS AT OUR LADY QUEEN OF PEACE:

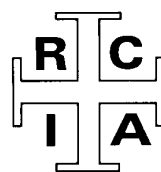
The Parish Evangelization Committee will be sponsoring three Lenten Fish Fry Dinners on Fridays **March 22, & April 5**, from 4:30 – 6:30 pm. Take out or eat in for the same great price of \$9.00 per meal. Proceeds will benefit the parish Faith Formation programs. We invite you to join us for a simple Lenten Fish Dinner at the **Our Lady Queen of Peace Parish Center**, 210 Princetown Rd., Schenectady. Tickets may be purchased at the door.

LENTEN FISH DINNERS at St. Gabriel the Archangel

Church, 3040 Hamburg Street, Rotterdam. Fridays: **March 22, April 5 & 12, 2019**, from 4:30 - 6:30 pm in the school gym. Dinners include: Baked or Fried Fish, a Baked Potato OR Mac & Cheese and Cole Slaw. Take Out or Eat in: \$10 adults; \$7 children 12 and under. Tickets available at the door ONLY.



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.



CALL TO CONTINUING CONVERSION

On Sunday, **March 17th**, at the 9:30 am Mass we will celebrate The Penitential Rite for our candidate, Jennifer Martinez, who was Baptized but never Catechized and is now preparing for the reception of the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist at the Easter Vigil.

MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA

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

Rest in Peace Please pray for the repose of the souls of Paul Giemza, Daniel Quinn, Emilio Cacchillo, John Alvarez & Ellen La Fontana.

CONFIRMATION NEWS

In answer to Jesus' directive from Matthew's Gospel, "Whatever you do for the least of My people you do for Me." Our Confirmation candidates would like to thank you for your generous donations of warm clothing and blankets. Their service project this year was to help the patrons and residents of City Mission during the cold winter months. Your help was gratefully appreciated. We believe our students learn a great deal when actually working and living the Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy. **From the Catechism of the Catholic Church....***He who has two coats, let him share with him who has none and he who has food must do likewise. But give for alms those things which are within; and behold, everything is clean for you. If a brother or sister is ill-clad and in lack of daily food, and one of you says to them, "Go in peace, be warmed and filled," without giving them the things needed for the body, what does it profit?* Please keep our candidates in your prayers as they prepare to celebrate their third and final Sacrament of Initiation on **March 31**. God bless you - and Thank You.

BAKERS NEEDED - The Rosary Society will host a reception to honor our students who will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation Sunday, **March 31**. We are in need of volunteers to bake cookies, brownies, breads, or cupcakes. The Parish Center will open at 10:30 am to receive your baked goods. For more info. contact Kathy Carney 518-377-7444 or Barbara Nyland 518-608-4059.

FIRST THURSDAY BOOK GROUP

On **April 4th** at 1:00 pm Sr. Joan will meet in Room 6 of St. John the Evangelist Parish Center to discuss *A.D. 30* by Ted Dekker. Please enter through the double doors across from the handicapped ramp to St. John the Evangelist Church. If you wish for Sr. Joan to order book please call 518-372-3381 ext. 224.

WORKS OF MERCY: WE NEED YOUR HELP!

The Good Neighbor Program has an urgent need for gently used and new clothing in **GIRLS AND BOYS SIZES 8,10,12,14 and 16**, jeans/pants, LONG and short sleeve shirts and hooded sweatshirts. The Program also need all sizes boys and men's (for teenagers) underwear and socks. These can be placed in the white baskets located at both rear exits.

PRECIOUS GIFTS TO THE ALTAR
If anyone who has scheduled a Mass to be celebrated for a loved one and, while attending the Mass, would like to bring the Offertory Gifts of Bread and Wine in procession down the Middle Aisle from the Vestibule to the Altar, when arriving at Church please find one of the Ushers by the Union Street doors and let him/her know that you would like to do this. That Usher will guide you through the process.


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 Works of Mercy Initiative – Schenectady area. The clients of both organizations served 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, conditioner, deodorant (men's and women's), disposable razors, shaving cream, chapstick, toilet paper, facial tissues, dish soap, laundry detergent, household cleaning products, toothpaste and toothbrushes, feminine pads/tampons, body lotion, etc.** This program will end **March 23/24**. 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.

HUMAN CONCERNS COMMITTEE/SICM

At a meeting of the Schenectady Community Ministries (previous known as SICM), we were told that the food they purchase from the Food Bank does not include **tuna fish, peanut butter or spaghetti sauce** at their regular food rate per pound. These items cost more and are always in high demand. SICM is asking if we would take up collections for these specific items to help with their cost. **For the month of April, SICM is asking for donations of tuna fish. For the month of May – peanut butter and for June – spaghetti sauce.** Donations can be put in the white emergency barrel by the back entrance on the left side of the church or in the wicker basket by the handicap ramp side. As always, thank you in advance for your support and generosity for those in need.

DAILY MASS AT ST. ANTHONY'S - For Daily Mass attendees at St. Anthony's 8:00 am Mass: On days of bad weather, to find out if there is Mass from **7:00 am** onward, please call St. Anthony's Parish 518-374-4591 ext. 280 and listen to the recording. **NOTE: Do not call before 7:00 am** as the information will not be available. This **only** applies to **Daily Mass not Weekend Masses** for they are **never cancelled**.

 Parish Support	Collection 03/10/19: \$9,149.03
	Second Collection: \$ 581.00
	Candles: \$ 420.03
AUDIT TEAM: March 18, Team B March 25, Team D	

 *Mass Intentions*

SATURDAY, 03 - 23 - 19

4:00 PM Stephanie & Edward Karwan by
Daughter, Stephanie
Robert J. Sullivan by Giulio & Ann Facci
Anniversary Remembrance - Edward
Heiserman by Family
Mary Liebers by Mr. & Mrs. Harry Miller

SUNDAY, 03 - 24 - 19

7:30 AM Matthew A. Czech by Czech Family

9:30 AM Birthday Remembrance - Louis
Cappuccitti by Jim & Regina Krakat
Anniversary Remembrance - Thomas J.
Mc Carthy by F. Teresa Mc Carthy,
MD., Vida Mc Carthy Cerrito, Esq.,
Amour Johnson, MD., & Families
Mary Liebers by Comley Family
John & Anna Rys by Daughter, Mary
Rys
Daniel Quinn by Mary, Anne & Kitty
Martin H. Mountain by Janet I. Rainey

5:00 PM Francis J. Clark by Estate
Birthday Remembrance - Eileen Perry
by Family

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.

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", Thursdays, 7:00 pm in Room 5 of the Parish Center. Please come and receive this special grace. For more information contact Patti Schwartz email at schwartz63@gmail.com or call 518-796-3111.

Important Notice Regarding Bulletin Articles

All articles must be submitted to the Church Office at least two weeks (**three weeks if there is a holiday during the month**) prior to the run date in order to meet transmission deadline. All submissions must be in writing and will not be accepted over the phone. **Deadline to submit is on Monday at noon.** Thank you.

Nocturnal Adoration Society

For one hour each month, the Schenectady Chapter of the Nocturnal Adoration Society meets on the first Friday at 7:00 pm at St. Luke's Church on State Street. Come join us.

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.

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 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 ext.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.



St. Anthony's Food Pantry is running low on food. As you may be aware Sr. Maria Rosa and the Venerini Order distribute food to the needy throughout the year. Sister is able to do this with your help and participation. Please bring your food donation (non-perishable) to the Parish Office and we will get make sure Sr. Maria Rosa get all donations. Food donations are accepted all year. We are always in need of coffee, canned vegetables, soups, pasta, jarred sauce, peanut butter, jams/jellies, boxed cereals, rice etc. Thank you for your generosity.



SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

DO YOU HAVE 2-3 HOURS 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 a Care Team, *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 Service 518-238-4167 or email 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

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, 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.