



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

Please note that the Parish Office (806 Union St.) is only opened Monday thru Thursday 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM. **The Parish Office is closed on Fridays.**

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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 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.

Dear Church Family & Friends - St. John's Church is open from 7:00 AM to 3:00 PM Monday through Friday, for individuals to pray. St. Anthony's is also open on week days from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM.

EYEGLOSS & 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.

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.



Your prayers are requested for the repose of the souls of John Hatheway, Rena Nicodemi, & Mary Hoffa.

HUMAN CONCERNS COMMITTEE

We will be holding our annual 'Personal Care Closet' collection this year to support the Schenectady Office of Catholic Charities and students attending Schenectady City Schools who find it hard to afford personal hygiene products. By providing personal care products for these students, it not only takes a financial burden off families but can also help make students feel more comfortable and confident to face each school day. The clients that Catholic Charities 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. Some of the items needed are: **bars of wrapped soap, shampoo, conditioner, deodorant, Q-tips, Chapstick, toothpaste, toothbrushes, floss, mouth wash, paper towels, toilet paper, facial tissues, dish soap, sponges, laundry detergent, household cleaning products, feminine maxi pads/tampons, panty liners, body wash, body and hand lotion, face wash, shaving cream, 3in1 shampoo/conditioner/body wash and individually packed razor.** Travel size of hygiene products are also welcome. We started this collection this weekend, **March 4 and 5** and it will be ending **March 18 and 19**. You can place your donations in the boxes marked 'Personal Care Closet' located at each of the Church entrances. Thank you in advance for your generosity and support for this very worthwhile collection. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact - Jeanne Servidone - 518-357-9053 or Kathy Carney - 518-396-0504.

PASTORAL CARE DEPARTMENT - Do you 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.

Catholic Relief Services Collection

This weekend, we will take up The Catholic Relief Services collection to help Jesus in disguise. This collection helps six Catholic agencies to provide relief and support to struggling communities. Please place your Catholic Relief Services envelope **with** your offertory envelope in the collection basket. Thank you.

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.

Fourth Sunday of Lent

Ever-radiant God, spark my life with your light. Help me to brighten and refresh the souls of all I meet.



EASTER FLOWER MEMORIALS

We would like to offer parishioners an opportunity to donate to the Easter Flowers Collection in memory of your loved ones. This year, we provided Easter Flower envelopes with your regular envelopes. Please place your donation in the collection basket with the names of your loved ones or mail them directly to the parish office. Be sure to print clearly who is being remembered. All donations will be acknowledged in the bulletin at Easter and following week.

LENTEN SERVICES STATIONS OF THE CROSS

This year, the Stations of the Cross will take place at **St. Anthony's Church** every Friday during Lent - 3:00 PM in English and 6:00 PM in Spanish.



Please join in this meaningful Lenten observance. Materials will be available near the church entrances during Lent to assist your participation.

Palm Saturday-Sunday Bake Sale
St. Anthony's Church Hall
331 Seward Place

Saturday, April 1 – 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM
Sunday, April 2 – 8:00 AM to 1:00 PM

Assorted Variety of Baked Goods available. Stop in!

Rice Pie, Ricotta Pie, Biscotti, Cream Puffs, Canoli, Guanti, Morzette, Pepper Cookies, Chocolate Chip Cookies, Rosette's, Wine Cookies, Sfogliatelle, Pizzelle, Italian Bread, Italian Rolls, Sweet Breads with or without raisins or frosted. Frozen Dough, Pizza, Homemade Pasta's, Stuffed Shells, Cavatelli, Pickled Egg Plant, Pickled Peppers, Tomato Sauce-Quart, Eggplant Parmigiana (frozen).

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 Thursday before.

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.

At The Advertisers

LOOK Supporting Our Church Bulletin

SCHENECTADY BLUE JAY'S FUNDRAISER DINNER

Sunday, March 26, 2:00 PM to 6:00 PM held at **St. Anthony's Church Hall**, 331 Seward Place- Sit down dinner \$15. Take out is available. Ziti, Choice of Meatball, Sausage or combo of both, Salad, Bread, Dessert. Children under 5 years and under are free, only if dining in.

SAVE THE DATES!

Lenten Fish Dinners at Our Lady Queen of Peace, 210 Princetown Rd. The Parish will be sponsoring Lenten Fish Fry Dinner on Friday **March 31**, from 4:30 – 6:30 PM [or until sold out]. Take out or eat in for the same great price of \$15.00 per meal. Menu: Fish fry on a bun, coleslaw, French fries and dessert. 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. Ticket sales at the door.

YOUTH MINISTRY PROJECT

St. Kateri Tekakwitha Youth Ministry sold Uncle Sam's Candy to raise money toward the Spring Break Habitat for Humanity Mission Trip. If you placed an order delivery date is: the week of March 27, between 9:00 AM and 4:00 PM at St. Kateri, Rosa Road. Or by appointment.




St. Anthony's Church -

Sister Maria Rosa and the Venerini Associates distribute food to needy families during the year. Help us restock our supply so that we may continue the good work. Please join us by dropping off any of the following 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, Jelly/Jam, Peanut Butter, Cooking Oil, Tuna Fish, Mayonnaise, Canned Meats. We couldn't do it without 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.

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 and discussion. There are no dues or obligation to attend every meeting. For more information, contact Mark Roberts at 518-372-8322.



MONDAY, 03 - 20 - 23
9:00 AM Mass at St. Kateri, Union St.

TUESDAY, 03 - 21- 23
9:00 AM Mass at St. Kateri, Union St.

WEDNESDAY, 03 - 22- 23
9:00 AM Mass at St. John - Patricia Formosa by Hanaway Family

THURSDAY, 03 - 23- 23
9:00 AM Mass at St. John - 25th Anniversary Remembrance - Julia Bovino by Daughter, Diana Mirabile
6:00 PM Mass at St. Kateri, Rosa Road

FRIDAY, 03 - 24 - 23
9:00 AM Mass at St. Kateri, Rosa Road

SATURDAY 03 - 25- 23
4:00 PM Mass at St. John
Anniversary Remembrance - Bertha & Steve Kowalczyk by Family
15th Anniversary Remembrance - Robert J. Sullivan by Ann & Giulio Facci
Louis Mangino by Wife, Marlene and Family
Anniversary Remembrance - Edward Heiserman by Family
4:30 PM Mass at St. Kateri, Union Street

Sunday 03 – 26 - 23
7:30 AM Mass at St. Anthony 's
8:45 AM Mass at St. John
Deceased Members of Paniccia Family by Family
James Maturo by Maturo Family
9:30 AM Mass at St. Kateri Union Street
10:30 AM Mass at St. John
Charles A. Monarch by Louise Monarch & Family
2nd Anniversary Remembrance - Eleanor Rinella by Family
Giuseppe Sgueglia by Dani and the Boys
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

RESTORATION MEMORIALS
We acknowledge with appreciation the following donations to St. John the Evangelist Restoration Fund:
IN MEMORY OF:
Leonard Tamasi
By: Antoinette Cariddi
Mr. & Mrs. Peter DeRuscio
Thomas Kosinski
By: Mario & Cynthia Alaia
Ann Zeppetelli, William Keohan,
Pauline DeMartino, Maryellen & George Haug

DIOCESAN APPEAL 2022-2023
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.


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

WORKS OF MERCY: WE NEED YOUR HELP!
Currently our most needed items are: Girls clothing new/gently used pants, sizes 12-18 girls, and juniors or women sizes XS - medium, new packages of socks all sizes. Boys clothing new/gently used pants sizes 6 - 20, and long and short sleeve shirts size 14-18. We also need boys new underwear in men's sizes small, medium and large and new packages of socks. To make a drop off appointment call 518-347-0871 or worksofmercyschdy@live.com We will also happily accept winter clothing, coats, and snow pants that have been outgrown so you don't need to store them away.

Rosary Making Ministry - Come join us! We meet the First Tuesdays of September to June-10:00 AM to 11:00 AM in St. Anthony's Church Hall. All are welcome. Learn to make rosaries with cord and beads. Take kits home and make rosaries at your leisure. Return made rosaries for distribution. For inquiries call Linda 518-399-6965 and leave a message. The desire to help fulfill the endless request for rosaries is all that is required.

Sunday Readings for March 19, 2023
Fourth Sunday of Lent - Year A
1st Reading 1 Samuel 16: 1b, 6-7, 10-13
Responsorial Psalm Psalm 23: 1-3a, 3b- 4, 5, 6
2nd Reading Ephesians 5: 8-14
Gospel Acclamation John 8: 12
Gospel John 9: 1-41 or 9: 1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38

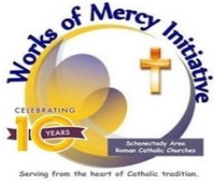
RESOURCE IN YOUR COMMUNITY - 211 is a Resource in your Community – Burning question? Dial 211. Funded by the United Way, local and state government and private nonprofit organizations, 211 is a one stop resource for food, housing, child care, health care, substance abuse, financial problems and more 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.



Collection: 03/12/23 \$ 7,984.20
Candles 03/12/23 \$ 152.01
Audit A, March 20; Audit C, March 27

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

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."



Please help us continue our mission in the spirit of the works of mercy. Make a gift today by visiting our website or by mailing your donation to: Works of Mercy Initiative, 1241 State St., Schenectady, NY 12304.

We, and those we serve, appreciate your generosity.
www.worksofmercyschdy.org

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

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 E-GIVING