



**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. Please note that the Parish Office will be closed on Thursday, April 18 in observance of Holy Thursday and Friday April 19 in observance of Good Friday.



**HOLY THURSDAY**

**MASS OF THE LORD'S  
SUPPER (April 18<sup>th</sup>)**

**8:00 pm at St. John the Evangelist  
followed by Adoration until 10:00 pm**

8:00 pm at St. Anthony's  
followed by Adoration until 10:00 pm

**GOOD FRIDAY** April 19<sup>th</sup> At St. John the Evangelist Church, on Good Friday, beginning at 12:30 pm

we will have Silent Meditation, followed by 1:00 pm Scriptural Rosary, 1:30 pm Silent Meditation, 2:00 pm Seven Last Words, 2:30 pm Silent Meditation and 3:00 pm Stations of the Cross.

**THE PASSION OF THE LORD**

**8:00 pm at St. John the Evangelist**

8:00 pm at St. Anthony's

**holy  
saturday**

**Vigil Mass Saturday, April 20<sup>th</sup>**

**8:00 pm at St. John the Evangelist**

There will be no 8:00 am Mass at St. Anthony's  
8:00 pm at St. Anthony's

**easter sunday**

**Sunday, April 21<sup>st</sup>**

**7:30 am, 9:30 am, 11:30 am and 7:30 pm.  
at St. John the Evangelist**

6:30 am, 8:30 am, 10:30 am (Spanish),  
12:30 pm (Italian) at St. Anthony's



**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 mark clearly who is being remembered. All donations will be acknowledged in the bulletin at Easter and following week.

**HOLY THURSDAY WASHING OF FEET** - Our Holy Thursday Service will be at 8:00 pm on **April 18<sup>th</sup>**. Please call Sr. Joan at 372-3381 Ext. 224 if you would like to participate in the Washing of Feet.



**ST. ANTHONY'S CHURCH  
PALM SUNDAY BAKE SALE**

**Saturday, April 13, 8:00 am-6:00 pm**

**&**

**Sunday, April 14, 8:00 am-12:00 noon**

**PASTORAL CARE**

Please assist Pastoral Care by helping to deliver one or more Easter gift bags along with a baked good item from the altar rail to our sick/homebound parishioners. A fully addressed envelope is attached to each bag. **\*\*\*PLEASE NOTE\*\*\*** Any envelope marked with a "yellow star" IS **NOT** to be accompanied with a food item per request of that particular nursing facility.

All too often, those who are sick, feel lonely and sad.... especially during the holidays. Thank you all for sharing your gifts of love and time with others.

**HOLY THURSDAY, APRIL 18, 6:00 pm** - Come to

St. Anthony's Church Hall before Mass for a Chicken & Pasta Dinner hosted by the Venerini Associates. Cost: Free Will Offering. **Reservations are required.** Forms can be found at the church entrances. All are welcome to attend.

**GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION**

Pope Francis has asked our parish to support the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, which helps Christians in the Holy Land. Through the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, you stand in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land as a witness of peace, supporting Catholics there in parishes and schools, maintaining Christian shrines and caring for refugees in the Holy Land. Please help by giving to the Holy Land Collection on Good Friday.

**TAKE UP YOUR CROSS AND FOLLOW ME**

You may return the cross to the baskets during Holy Week to be put on our large cross in the sanctuary on Good Friday

**DECORATING ST. JOHN'S FOR EASTER**

If you are available, the Decorating Committee could use your help getting the church ready for Easter on Saturday, **April 20** starting at 9:00 am. Decorating should only take about two hours. Whatever time you could give us would be greatly appreciated. Thank you.

**BLESSING OF THE FOOD**

Fr. Carlino will be blessing Easter Foods on Holy Saturday, **April 20<sup>th</sup>, 12:00 noon** at St. John the Evangelist Church. The Blessing of the Food is a festive occasion. The three-part blessing prayers specifically address the various contents of the basket with special prayers for the meats, eggs, cakes and breads.

## PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD



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

During the weekend Masses of **April 20<sup>th</sup> & April 21<sup>st</sup>** **Little White Books: Six Minute Reflections** will be available for you to pick up. It is a Easter gift to you from your parish to assist you as you journey through the next 50 days of the Easter season. We suggest you start with *How to use the "Little White Book"* and that for each of the next 50 days from **April 22<sup>nd</sup> through June 10<sup>th</sup>** you will take but six minutes to let God speak to you through the short Scripture passage and learn more about the customs, traditions and saints of our Catholic faith.

OPERATION  
RICE BOWL



Please return your Rice Bowl during Holy Week or no later than **April 26<sup>th</sup>**. Thank you for your generosity.

**FOR YOUR INFORMATION** - The telephone recording at Ext. 280 of Holy Week and Easter Holy Day schedules are recorded quickly to fit all the information in the message. The phone recording only allots so much time.

### 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.



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.



### PRAYER OF RE-IGNITING OUR FAITH

God of untiring mercy, open our hearts to hear your voice. Send your living flame of love into our hearts to overflow with abundant generosity of spirit. May the burning passion of your love for all transfigure our lives, our families and our parishes.

Re-Ignite in us each day the joy of spreading the Gospel. May our living faith in your Real Presence shine in our hearts so that we may bring it to whomever you lead us each day.

We place our prayers in the heart of Mary, under Her title of the Immaculate Conception, Patroness of our nation and our Diocese, through which we consecrate ourselves to your Divine Mercy. Amen.

### ADULT EDUCATION CLASSES

**An Introduction to the Universe: The Big Ideas of Astronomy** by Dr. Guy Consolmagno, S.J., Ph.D. 12 DVD Lectures. He is director of the Vatican Observatory, a leading astronomer and meteoriticist. **April 23<sup>rd</sup>**, 5. A Bestiary of Telescopes, 6. A Night at the Telescope; **April 30<sup>th</sup>**, 7. My Favorite Planet, 8. Exploring Other Solar Systems; **May 7<sup>th</sup>**, 9. Walking on Other Worlds Lecture 10. The Big Bang; **May 14<sup>th</sup>**, 11. The Known Unknown Lecture, 12. The Big Questions. Classes begin at 1:00 pm in Room 8 of St. John the Evangelist Parish Center and end at 2:30 pm. Please use the double doors under the canopy across from the handicapped ramp to St. John the Evangelist Church.

### 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.



Please pray for the repose of the souls of Marylou Petta, Concetta Palmo, Rita DiMeo, Lillian Papa, Margaret Burke, Alfreda Gurzenski, Josephine Loubris, Donald Mennillo Sr. and Andrea Di Caprio.

### MAY CROWNING OF MARY

Every year during the month of May we honor our Blessed Mother with special songs and beautiful flowers. A statue that represents our "holy Queen enthroned above" is crowned with blossoms while our children sing Marian hymns and recite prayers associated with Mary. We honor the Mother who gave life to Jesus. All children are invited to participate in a procession to adorn Her statue with flowers. We will celebrate this beautiful Catholic tradition on Mother's Day, **May 12** at 9:30 am Mass. Children of all ages are asked to arrive at the Union Street entrance of church by 9:20 am.



**HOLY SATURDAY, 04 - 20 - 19**

**8:00 PM** For the People

**EASTER SUNDAY, 04 - 21 - 19**

**7:30 AM** Marlene & Robert Martin, Trudy & Julius Jegabbi by Jegabbi Family  
Stephanie & Edward Karwan by Daughter, Stephanie  
Edward Puszcz by Stephanie Karwan  
Dr. Charles Peterson by Dr. & Mrs. William Vacca

**9:30 AM** Eugenio F. Gomes & Steven Gomes by Jeanne Bryant  
Deceased Members of Martino & Panetta Families, Tony Palleschi by Mr. & Mrs. Albert Martino  
Domenico & Teresa Rea & Family by Mr. & Mrs. Albert Martino  
Anniversary Remembrance - Janice Hanaway by Family  
Laurence Carroll Rainey by Family  
Andrew Furchak & Dolores Furchak Smith by Family  
Anniversary Remembrance - Flordeliz by F. Teresa Mc Carthy, MD., Vida Mc Carthy Cerrito, Esq., Amour Johnson, MD., & Families  
Daniel Quinn by Monday Book Group

**11:30 AM** Gregg Piatkowski by Angela Piatkowski

**7:30 PM** Marie D Whipple by Estate  
Florence Paurowski by Estate  
Birthday Remembrance—Thomas E. Gleason by Family

**ROSARY SOCIETY ANNUAL COMMUNION BREAKFAST**

All Rosarians, Parishioners, Families and Friends are invited to our Annual Communion Breakfast following the 9:30 am Mass on Sunday, **May 5<sup>th</sup>** at the Waters Edge Lighthouse—Terrace Room on Freeman's Bridge Road. A full Breakfast Brunch with an Omelet Station will be served at \$22.00 per person. Our Guest Speaker will be Magnificat, A Ministry to Catholic Women. Please call Maureen Adamek (518)377-8497 or Toni Di Caprio (518) 895-8275. You may also fill out the coupon below. Place it in the collection basket with payment. RSVP & Payment must be received by April 29<sup>th</sup>.

**Rosary Society Annual Communion Breakfast RSVP**  
*(Please place in Collection Basket with Payment)*

NAME(s): \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

# ATTENDEES: \_\_\_\_\_ PAYMENT ENCLOSED: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**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", 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.

**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.



*Parish Support* Collection 04/07/19: \$12760.72  
Flowers: \$ 2,085.00  
Candles: \$ 217.62

**AUDIT TEAM:** April 15, Team B;  
April 22, Team D

**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.

**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.

**IS ABORTION EVER OKAY?**

"More than four thousand innocent lives are taken each day in this land of the free and home of the brave, whose lady holds high the torch of welcome to human life." *John Powell, Abortion: the Silent Holocaust*

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## PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

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### **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 for your assistance in donating to this wonderful cause.

### **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.

### **WORKS OF MERCY: WE NEED YOUR HELP!**

With the change in seasons and as you replace your children's spring/summer clothing and also find the winter clothing that no longer fits please consider donating these gently used items to the Good Neighbor Program. All sizes are needed and as always new clothing is very appreciated. Clothing can be left in the white baskets found at both entrances of the parking lot.

### **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.

**GARAGE SALE** - Save the date, we are having a Garage Sale sponsored by the St. Anthony's Hispanic Community on Saturday **May 4th**, from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm at St. John the Evangelist Parish Center Gym. If you want to donate, please contact Alina (518-630-6576) **prior** to May 4th to make arrangements for drop off of your donated items. Only items in good condition will be accepted. will be receiving donations on May 1st and 2nd from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm and May 3rd from 10:00 am to 6:00 pm.

### **CROP HUNGER WALK 2019**

The Crop Hunger Walk 2019 will take place on Sunday, **May 5<sup>th</sup>**, at Emmanuel Friedens Church, 218 Nott Terrace. 1:00 pm registration, 1:30 pm Opening Remarks, 2:00 pm Walk begins. New Blues Band performing The Donna Triticco Band. Help end poverty here in the US and overseas. Make a pledge or donation. For more information contact Ottavio LoPiccolo [ottaviolopiccolo5@gmail.com](mailto:ottaviolopiccolo5@gmail.com) or 518-370-4476.