


 **WELCOME TO**  
**ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST**  
**CHURCH**  
Parish Office hours are Monday thru Thursday 9:00 am to 4:00 PM. The office will be closed on Fridays.

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**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.

**Last Week's Collection**

Collection 08/11/19:	\$9,418.16
Restoration Collection	\$4,656.00
Candles:	\$ 176.45

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**AUDIT TEAM: August 19, Team A;**  
**August 26, Team C**

**CATHOLIC HOME MISSION APPEAL**  
Right now over 40% of dioceses in the United States are considered mission territory because they are unable to fund essential pastoral work in their communities. Your support of this appeal eases the struggle and assists in forming vibrant faith communities. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this appeal. **Next weekend**, we will take up the Catholic Home Missions Appeal. Please place your Mission envelope with your offertory envelope in the collection basket. Thank you for your support and generosity.

**IS ABORTION EVER OKAY?**  
I feel the greatest destroyer of peace today is "Abortion" because it is a war against the child. A direct killing of the innocent child, "Murder" by the mother herself... and if we can accept that a mother can kill even her own child, how can we tell other people not to kill one another? How do we persuade a woman not to have an abortion? As always, we must persuade her with love... and we remind ourselves that love means to be willing to give until it hurts... Mother Teresa

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

 **FAITH FORMATION**  
Registration for Kindergarten - Confirmation: Grades 11 & 12. Registration forms for the 2019 - 2020 term are available on both church websites along with the Student - Parent Handbook. During the month of May all families registered during the 2018 - 2019 year were emailed the current registration form. Our next term's classes for Kindergarten through Grade 10 will be offered on Sundays from 10:45 - 11:45 am. Grade 2 and 3 are additionally offered on Sundays from 8:15 - 9:15 am. Children preparing for First Communion must have participated in a parish program during the previous year. Registered Students in Grades 9 and 10 will receive course option material during the month of August. Confirmation preparation will be held at St. Anthony's on Sundays from 9:30 - 10:15 am. Students in public and private high school are eligible to prepare for the sacrament of Confirmation if they attended a parish program during the previous year. Catholic high school students will be instructed together with the class and must register for the entire program. Please visit St. John's website at [www.sjchurch.com](http://www.sjchurch.com) and click on Religious Education and St. Anthony's website at [www.stanthonychurch.net](http://www.stanthonychurch.net) and click on Education. For more information please contact Dianne Galarneau at 518-372-3381 ext. 226 or [dgalarneau@sjchurch.com](mailto:dgalarneau@sjchurch.com).

**Christmas Eve Children's Mass**  
We will hold our first planning meeting for our Christmas Eve Children's Mass on Sunday, **September 8** from 11:15 am - 12:30 pm in Room 5 of St. John's Parish Center. Interested parents willing to work with our core team are invited to help us prepare for this celebration. If you would like more information please email Dianne Galarneau at [dgalarneau@sjchurch.com](mailto:dgalarneau@sjchurch.com). Thank you.

**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.

**RESTORATION MEMORIALS**  
We acknowledge with appreciation the following donations to St. John the Evangelist Restoration Fund:  
**Frank Leszczynski**  
By: Mary Ann Fiminski  
Sophie Astemborski

**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.

**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.

**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.

**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.

**WORKS OF MERCY: BACK TO SCHOOL**

Good Neighbor Program provides clothing to school age children in need to help them feel comfortable, confident and ready to learn. Please help by donating any of the following: Boys & Girls Sizes 4-18 (may be new or gently used) - Jeans, long pants, capris or shorts, long and short sleeve shirts, zip front hooded sweatshirts. (The following must be brand new) sneakers, socks and underwear. Please leave clothing items in the white baskets at entrance of the church. For more information contact Doreen Murdock at sayersd@icloud.com.

**CURIOS ABOUT HOME SCHOOLING?**

It's not as scary as you may think and there is a lot of support in our Diocese for home schooled families. Accredited curriculums are well established and many COOP opportunities are available for schooling through high school. Bond with your child, have control over the influences and associations that your child encounters. If you'd like to explore the possibilities, but don't know where to start or what it's all about, call Patty Gutch @ 372-3381 ext. 229.

**LightHouse Catholic Media CD's.**

Check out our display of CD's at our center doors at the Union Street entrance. You will find informative, life changing talks such as 13 Reasons Why You Matter, Anger and Forgiveness, Is Contraception okay, The conversion of a Jewish woman and The Journey of an ardent Atheist to Catholicism. Talks from great speakers such as Bishop Fulton Sheen, Johnette Benkovic, and the humorous Fr. Larry Richards. Please contribute \$3 for each CD. This is a not for profit outreach to the families of our parish.



**St. Anthony's Church**

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.

**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.



Your prayers are requested for the repose of the souls of Carmine Pallotolo & Gisela Koen.

**DIOCESAN MARRIAGE JUBILEE**

The 47th Annual Diocesan Marriage Jubilee Celebration will be held on Sunday, **October 20**, 2:00 pm at The Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Albany. Couples celebrating their 25th, 40th, 50th, or other special wedding anniversaries are invited to attend this celebration. Bishop Edward B. Scharfenberger will celebrate the Mass at 2:00 pm and greet couples and their guests at a reception in the gathering area at The Cathedral immediately following Mass. Please register through the parish office or by email to Marriage.Jubilee@rcda.org.

**At The Advertisers**

**LOOK Supporting Our Church Bulletin**



**SATURDAY, 08 - 24 - 19**

**4:00 PM** John & Helen Stone by Estate  
Stephanie & Edward Karwan by  
Daughter, Stephanie  
John J. Surdovel by Mike & Donna  
Wilson  
Jeannette Shufon by Brother-In-Law  
Frank Carlino

**SUNDAY, 08 - 25 - 19**

**7:30 AM** Marie D. Whipple by Estate  
Deceased Members of Paniccia Family  
by Paniccia Family

**9:30 AM** In Honor of Vida Mc Carthy Cerrito,  
Esq., (Birthday) by F. Teresa Mc Carthy,  
MD., Amour Johnson, MD., & Families  
Special Intentions of Billy Joe Gomes  
Family by Jeanne Bryant  
Sharon A. Valente by Mr. & Mrs. Peter  
De Ruscio

**5:00 PM** Robert & Mary C. Emmet by Estate

**NOTRE DAME-BISHOP GIBBONS SCHOOL**

ND-BG School is currently accepting enrollment for Grades 6-8. Please contact us at 518-393-3131 ext. 100 or email us at [mainoffice@nd-bg.org](mailto:mainoffice@nd-bg.org) for information or a tour.

**SAINT PETER'S HOMESCHOOLERS**

(SPH) is a homeschooling support/social group that provides activities for children and families, and support for mothers. The group reaches out to Catholic homeschooling families through the celebration of the Catholic tradition, shared prayer, and faith-filled social events. We are now accepting registrations for the upcoming school year! For more information, please contact [mgnalnan@gmail.com](mailto:mgnalnan@gmail.com).

**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.

**ACCN ANNUAL SUMMER PICNIC**

Albany Council of Catholic Nurses will hold its Annual Summer Picnic on Saturday, **August 24**, starting at 11:00 am with Mass in St. Pius Chapel, BBQ follows Mass at the Forenzo's Residence. All nurses are invited to attend. RSVP to Joan at [jborck@nycap.rr.com](mailto:jborck@nycap.rr.com) or 518-810-9401.

**SUNDAES ON SUNDAY**

Free Family Fun—17th Annual Ice Cream Social and Open House, **August 25**, 12:00 noon to 4:00 pm at the Dominican Retreat & Conference Center. Cool off with your family, friends and neighbors. Enter our drawing for a Free Retreat Weekend. Tour our Center and Windmill. We will also offer a Child ID Program, "Trading Cards" by New York Life. For more information call 518-393-4169.

**CRAFT FAIR ON THE STREET  
HARVEST FESTIVAL**

St. Joseph's Church, downtown Schenectady, is sponsoring its Second Annual "Craft Fair on the Street/ Harvest Festival" on Saturday, **September 7th**, from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. Vendors and Crafters are invited to join us on Lafayette St. for this event. Several Vendors have already committed to join us. Why not ask your favorite Crafter or Vendor to check us out or if you are a crafter or vendor and would like to set up a booth, please contact Lisa Gaffney at 518-596-8080 or [lisagaff@aol.com](mailto:lisagaff@aol.com) for more information or to request an application.

**SINGER SONG WRITER CONTEST FOR  
TEENAGERS!**

Please complete the entry form found on the bulletin board in the vestibule of the Church and submit by September 15th with your entrance fee of \$10.00 to: St. Matthew's Church, 25 Mountainview St., Voorheesville 12186. Song lyrics must be submitted in writing with entry form and most contain the theme of hope. All contestants including musicians, singers, songwriters etc. must be between 13 and 18 years of age. Song must be 2 to 3 minutes in length. Contestants and musicians/songwriters must perform an original song. First place winner (must be available for the concert on November 10, 2019) will be the opening act for the Dave Pettigrew Contemporary Christian Music Concert (see <https://davepettigrew.net/hope/>) and will receive a \$100.00 gift certificate to School of Rock. Second Place will receive a \$75.00 gift certificate to School of Rock and Third Place will receive a \$50.00 gift certificate to School of Rock.

Contest date is Saturday, **October 5th** 12:00 to 4:00 pm at St. Matthew's Church in Voorheesville.

**SUNNYVIEW REHABILITATION HOSPITAL** - Sunnyview Rehabilitation Hospital is seeking volunteers to work with patients, starting in the fall. If interested contact Joan Laviolette, Director of Volunteer Services 518-386-3631.

**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](mailto:Sandra.monahan@sphp.com) .

**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.

**ELLIS PASTORAL CARE** - The Ellis Hospital Pastoral Care is looking for volunteers to provide compassionate, friendly visits to patients and their families. Training provided. Minimum of 4 hours per week. For more information contact Fr. Tony Green, Director of Pastoral Care 518-243-4064 (office) or 518-928-7069 (Cell)

**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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