


 **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 08/18/19:	\$9,064.56
Candles:	\$ 179.68
Assumption of Mary	\$1,129.50


**AUDIT TEAM: August 26, Team C; Sept. 3, Team B**

**CATHOLIC HOME MISSION APPEAL**  
This 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?** But how can a woman start a family unless her baby in the womb is allowed to be born? The left calls abortion 'reproductive justice,' but they're not at all concerned about justice for the innocent lives being wiped out. Abortion is legalized violence. Dr. Alveda King

**RESTORATION MEMORIALS**  
We acknowledge with appreciation the following donations to St. John the Evangelist Restoration Fund:  
**Frank Leszczynski**  
By: Francis P. Maphia, Gary Piatkowski and Mr. & Mrs. Anthony Buonone.

**BOY SCOUTS TROOP 72**  
Our Troop 72 Boy Scouts will be collecting your recyclable clean bottles and cans on the weekend of **September 7-8** at all Masses at St. John's Eastern Ave. Parking Lot. Please save those for us. Thank you for your support

 **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.

**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.

**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.

**NOTE FROM SR. JOAN VLAUN**

Dear Parishioners of St. John the Evangelist and St. Anthony's Churches,

Thank you so much for the beautiful Mass at St. John the Evangelist. I was touched by your outpouring of love and gratitude for the 28 years that I have been among you. I will carry you in my heart and my prayers as I return home to our Motherhouse at Amityville.

I have been very happy here in Schenectady, always well housed and provided for and for the last two years when I no longer drove, many of you have been most kind in stepping forth to offer me transportation. I am also most grateful for all the help I have been given by the many who have stepped forward to assist me in emptying out a house and an office so I can now move to one room. When the community realized the wealth of programs, books and tapes that I have acquired for adult ed over these many years they asked me to pack many of these up to be available to our Sisters at the Motherhouse and in mission on Long Island as well as to our many associates who meet monthly at our Motherhouse. We are blessed with a wonderful Dominican Chaplain who as a preacher lives up to the OP of his name.

On **September 28th**, the community will celebrate Jubilees of Sisters who have served, 25, 50, 60, 70, 75, or more years. We now celebrate from the day we entered. Since I entered on September 8, 1949 this year my group will be celebrating our 70th Anniversary. I am most grateful to God who has enabled me to continue to serve His people for these many years. Actually I have been on loan to the Diocese of Albany for 36 years. It is time now for me to return home to once again live with my Dominican family. For those who wish to keep in touch, my information is as follows: Joan Vlaun OP, Queen of the Rosary Motherhouse, 555 Albany Ave., Amityville, NY 11701, (631)842-6000 (Switch Board).

**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](mailto: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.

**MONDAY BOOK GROUP**

All are welcome to join the Monday Book Group. We will come together for an organizational meeting on **September 16th**, 1:00 pm, in the Parish Center, Room 8. Please enter through the double doors under the canopy. In the spring, the group picked a book by Richard Rohr, OFM. The Universal Christ is his latest book. It is available through Amazon. Please call Dot Maher 518-374-6913 for information.



**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.

**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](mailto:sayersd@icloud.com).

**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.



**SATURDAY, 08 - 31 - 19**

**4:00 PM** Christine Pettica Festine by Mom  
Robert Christoffel by Richard & Margie  
Wickerham  
Robert Dister by Roy & Mary Mc Claine

**SUNDAY, 09 - 01 - 19**

**7:30 AM** For the People

**9:30 AM** Hon D. Vincent Cerrito by F. Teresa  
Mc Carthy, MD., Vida Mc Carthy Cerrito,  
Esq., Amour Johnson, MD., and  
Families  
In Honor of Amour & Jason Johnson  
(Wedding Anniversary) by F. Teresa  
Mc Carthy, MD., Vida Mc Carthy Cerrito,  
Esq., and Families  
Special Intentions of Sr. Joan Vlaun by  
Gutch Family

**5:00 PM** Florence Paurowski by Estate

**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](mailto:schwartz63@gmail.com) or call 518-796-3111.

**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.

**CURIOUS 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.

**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).

**CYO Basketball**

It's time for CYO Basketball again! CYO Basketball is open to all boys and girls of St. John's and St. Anthony's Parishes in Grades 8 and under.

**Open Gyms**

Open Gyms will be held for Grades 5-8 to see if there is enough interest to form teams for the upcoming season. Parishioners of St. John's and St. Anthony's in these grades are guaranteed a spot on a team provided there is a team for their level. Levels are: Bidy (Grades 5-6) and Juniors (Grades 7-8), there are teams for boys and girls.

The open gyms will be held on the following Wednesdays: **September 4th, September 11th and September 18th** from 7:00 - 8:30 pm. The cost for this program is \$120, which includes a \$20 uniform deposit and league fees.

**Instructionals**

Instructional division is for boys and girls in Grades 4 and under. This program meets on Saturday mornings from 9:00 - 10:30 am from October through March when the gym is available. The cost for the entire year is \$55 and includes a t-shirt. The program starts on **October 12th**.

Questions regarding the CYO Program may be directed to Coach Larry O'Brien, Program Director at (518) 382-1135.

**CRAFT FAIR ON THE STREET  
HARVEST FESTIVAL**

St. Joseph's Church, 600 State St., is sponsoring its Second Annual "Craft Fair on the Street/Harvest Festival" on Saturday, **September 7**, from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm on Lafayette Street and in the Church Hall. The festivities will include crafters and vendors, Silent Auction, Sherriff Department to do child ID's; Smoke House, MVP Table, Police Department Display, Pumpkin Rolling, Face Painting, a Bake Sale, various Breakfast foods, and lunch including German Specialty Foods. Music will be provided by DJ Rich Harrington. The Public is cordially invited. St. Joseph's Church Hall is handicapped accessible and parking is available behind the Church. For more information please call 374-4466 ext. 13.

**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](mailto:Marriage.Jubilee@rcda.org).

**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).

**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.

**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: \_\_\_\_\_

**GO TO OUR WEBSITE TO SIGN UP FOR EGIVING**