



SEPTEMBER

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.

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.

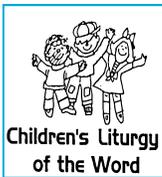
We place our prayer in the heart of Mary, under Her title of the Immaculate Conception, Patroness of our Nation & our Diocese, through which we consecrate ourselves to your Divine Mercy. Amen.



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.



Children's Liturgy
of the Word

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.

HELP NEEDED Pay It Forward!

Hundreds of children and young people, Kindergarten through grade 12, will return in the fall to learn more about Jesus and our Catholic faith. You can help them learn and grow by becoming a catechist for Faith Formation. Our team consists of ordinary people; all with family demands, work schedules and not enough time. We are not master theologians, we are faithful to the past, open to the future and especially dedicated to deepening the faith in the present generation. Classes are offered on Sunday mornings either 8:15-9:15 am or 10:45-11:45 am. As you nurture the faith of our young, you will learn and grow as well. As one long-time catechist once said, "I have learned so much from my students." We provide you with materials and support. Classes begin during the month of October. If interested or for more information, contact Dianne Galarneau 518-372-3381 ext. 226 or email dgalarneau@sjechurch.com. Thank You.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION AND YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

The current registration form was emailed to registered families in May. Please NOTE that the registration fee has increased as of **August 2**. Forms may be downloaded from either church website. For further information, please email Dianne Galarneau at dgalarneau@sjechurch.com or call 518-372-3381 ext. 226. Thank you.

CONFIRMATION REGISTRATION

Students who attend a public or private high school are eligible to enroll for Confirmation preparation if they have faithfully attended a parish catechetical program consecutively during prior years. Students who attend a Catholic high school are eligible to enroll if they have attended their Catholic high school during the previous year. Parents, please be advised that your high school will not specifically prepare students for Confirmation. All students are prepared for the sacrament together on Sunday mornings in St. John's Parish Center. If you have any questions, please send Dianne Galarneau an email message at dgalarneau@sjechurch.com; expected response time is within 48 hours. Registration forms may be downloaded from both churches websites.

Catechetical Sunday

September 16, 2018, is a national day to celebrate the ministry of passing on the faith. This year's theme is Enlisting Witnesses for Jesus Christ. Catechetical Sunday is a wonderful time to publicly commission and pray for those who will serve as teachers in the parish community. A commissioning rite will take place at each Mass on Sunday, **September 16**. Those whom the community has designated to serve as catechists will be called forward to be commissioned for their ministry. Catechetical Sunday also provides the opportunity to reflect on the role that each person plays, by virtue of baptism, in handing on the faith and in being a witness to the Gospel; it is a chance for all to rededicate themselves to this mission. As our team of catechists grow, we take this time to gratefully acknowledge the following people who will support our children and young people as catechists for the 2018-2019 term: Chester Bednarczyk, Kristina Canelli, Patricia Chakas, Amanda Dorr, Patricia Eichelberger, Michael Fallacaro, Dianne Galarneau, Jennifer Iovinelli, Lisa Keefe, Kristina Matthews, Kristine Moore, Maggie O'Dea, Jodi Polsinelli, Cathy Salamone, Kiersten Spain, Deborah Testa, Joyce Tremblay, Jessica Youmans.

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

WORKS OF MERCY INITIATIVE

Updated inventory restocking needs! The Good Neighbor Program has helped over 400 children during the 2017-2018 school year. We currently have an urgent need for Girls and Boys size 4 to 18-pants, Jeans, shorts, capris, long & short sleeve shirts, and hooded sweatshirts. We also need **new** socks and underwear as well as sneakers. This will help to start the school year. If you are getting ready for back-to-school or out shopping and see some great sales, any help is appreciated! As always, we accept gently-used clothing in all sizes and **new** socks & underwear in all sizes *throughout the year*. **Beginning August 18 and ending September 9 Works of Mercy will have a container for you to drop off your clothing donation.**

BOY SCOUTS TROOP 72

Bottles and cans collection at all Masses on the weekend of **September 8 & 9** in the Eastern Ave. Parking Lot. Please save your recyclable clean bottles and cans for us. Thank you for your support.

Rosary Altar Society 2018-2019

“ The Year of Compassion, Kindness and Nurturing Our Community”

First meeting will be Wednesday, **September 12th**, 7:00 pm Parish Center Cafeteria. This Year’s Calendar will be handed out at this meeting and will be posted on all Bulletin Boards.

Rosary Society’s Clothing Sale

If you are thinking about cleaning out your closets this summer/fall and getting rid of those gently used clothes, please consider donating them to the St. John the Evangelist’s Clothing Sale being held on Saturday, **September 29, 9:00 am to 2:00 pm** The Rosary Society will be sponsoring this event and asking for your donations of clean clothing (men, women, children) shoes, accessories and jewelry. Donated articles may be dropped off at the Parish Center Gym from 2:00 pm to 5:30 pm Monday, **September 24, through Thursday, September 27, or Friday, September 28, from 9:00 a.m. to 12 noon.** Please enter through the parking lot door. If you have any questions, please contact Diane Dolan – 355-2018 or Kathy Carney – 377-7444.

CHOIR NEWS— Our first Choir rehearsal of the season is Sunday, **September 30**, 10:30 am following the 9:30 am Mass. A cordial invitation is extended to parishioners who like to sing. The Choir will be preparing for Christmas so it is an ideal time to join. For additional information, please see the Organist, Janet Rainey.

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.

BOOK GROUP

Beginning Monday, **September 10**, 1:00 pm in Room 8, Sr. Joan will begin a discussion of ***The Divine Dance: The Trinity and Your Transformation*** by Richard Rohr with Mike Morrell. God is not what you think. Visions of an angry, distant, moral scorekeeper of a supernatural Santa Claus handing out cosmic lottery tickets to those who attend the right church or say the right prayer dominate our culture. For many others, God had become irrelevant or simply unbelievable.

This book points readers to an unlikely opening beyond this divinity impasse: the at-times forgotten, ancient mystery of the Trinity – God as utterly one, yet three. Drawing from Scripture, theology, and the deepest insights of mystics, philosophers, and sages throughout history, Fr. Rohr presents a compelling alternative to aloof and fairytale versions of God. A calendar will be provided at the first meeting. We meet twice a month on Mondays. For **September 10th** please read pp. 19-47. Please use the double doors under the canopy across from the handicapped ramp to St. John’s Church.

FIRST THURSDAY BOOK GROUP

On **October 4**, 1:00 pm in Room 8 of St. John’s Parish Center, Sr. Joan will meet to discuss the book ***Lilac Girls*** (*based on a true story*) by Martha Hall Kelly. New York socialite, Caroline Ferriday has her hands full with her post at the French Consulate, but on the eve of a fateful war, her world is forever changed when Hitler’s army invades Poland in September 1939 – and then sets its sights on France. If you wish Sr. Joan to order this book in paperback for you call 518-372-3381 ext. 224.

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

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.

 *Mass Intentions*

SATURDAY, 09 - 15 - 18

4:00 PM Anniversary Remembrance - Stephanie & Edward Karwan by Daughter, Stephanie
Thomas E. Mc Avinue, Jr. by Kathy & Vince Marion
Birthday Remembrance - Joseph St. George by Wife, Carmela
Cesidio "Cid" Cercone by Cercone Family
Birthday Remembrance - Ambrosina Rossi by La Mar Family

SUNDAY, 09 - 16 18

7:30 AM Carl Paurowski by Florence Paurowski Estate

9:30 AM Andrew Furchak & Dolores Furchak Smith by Family
2nd Anniversary Remembrance - Millie White by Di Caprio Family
Fred Roaslie Scott & Denny Scott by Daughter & Sister, Nancy
Patricia Kaiser by St. John the Evangelist Rosary Society
Sandra Bigley by Elizabeth Sherman

5:00 PM Armando & Antonia Rocca by Children & Family
Rev. Erwin Schweigardt by Friend

The Spanish Apostolate of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Albany is presenting a Eucharistic Procession followed by a Holy Hour on **September 15th**, 6:00 pm at the Church of Saint Anthony 331 Seward Place. The event will offer an understanding of the Eucharist, by Father Jorge Reyes, OSA, prior to attending our Eucharistic Congress which will take place on September 22nd led by Bishop Ed. If you have questions; feel free to call Ron McClosky, PB at 518-374-4591 ext.103.



Collection 09/02/18 \$9,318.86
Candles \$ see next week bulletin

AUDIT TEAM: September 10, Team D
September 17, Team A



Please pray for the repose of the souls of
Julia Lipinski and Louise Paypach.

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.

**ABOUT THE HEARTS AFLAME
EUCHARIST CONGRESS**

Be sure to register for Hearts Aflame! It is only a few weeks away! It is important to register in advance at rcda.org/heartsaflame, or by using one of the printed registered forms found in church. This historic gathering is for everyone in our diocese. Led by Bishop Ed, the event's primary focus is on our Lord Jesus in the Eucharist. It is a time of joy, fellowship, prayer and unity. This will be a time of spiritual renewal for our whole diocese. The day will include: Mass with the Bishop, Inspirational Speakers, activities for Children and Youth, Eucharistic Adoration and Procession, Tours of the Shrine and Fellowship and unity with other Catholics. Hearts Aflame will be held on **September 22**, 9:00 am to 3:00 pm at the Shrine of the North American Martyrs in Auriesville.

BELOVED, a *Marriage Enrichment Program* that explores the true meaning of the Sacrament of Marriage hosted by Dc. Tom and Patty Gutch. Come and discover the deepest spiritual, emotional, and practical realities of what your marriage can and should be. Through an exploration of Scripture, Tradition, and Church teaching, God's plan for your marriage will come alive. You'll see firsthand the wonder and mystery of marriage, whether you've been married one year or many. Join us as we discuss: The meaning of marriage, how your marriage fits into an eternal story, the truth about the bonds and commitment of love, God's plan for true spiritual and physical intimacy, how to communicate and resolve conflict, the importance of healing and forgiveness, and tools for protecting your marriage. Beginning Saturday, **October 13th** for 6 weeks in the St. John the Evangelist Parish Center, 5:00 pm following the 4:00 pm Mass. Call Patty Gutch @ 372-3381 ext. 229 for more info and/or to register.

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 Extension 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.

DIOCESAN MARRIAGE JUBILEE - The 46th Annual Diocesan Marriage Jubilee Liturgy will be held Sunday, **October 7th**, 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 Ed Scharfenberger will celebrate the Liturgy at 2:00 pm & greet couples and their guests at a reception in the gathering area at the Cathedral following the Mass. To register call the parish office 518-372-3381 ext. 221.

Emmaus Ministry for Grieving Parents Spiritual Retreat
Saturday, November 17, 9:30 am-7:00 pm at St. Kateri Tekakwitha Parish, 1803 Union St., a Spiritual One-Day Retreat for Parents Who Have Experienced the Death of a **Child of Any Age, By Any Cause, No Matter How Long Ago**. Losing a child under any circumstances is horrendous. Focusing on the spirituality of the grieving process can help tremendously. Just as He comforted His grieving disciples on the road to Emmaus, Jesus comforts us and we comfort each other in this very special ministry. Join other Emmaus Parent Companions and our St. Kateri Tekakwitha Parish Retreat Team in a warm & loving place—to think, to talk, to feel, and to pray. Find compassion, rest, and peace... at least for a time. All Are Welcome! Donation: \$25 Individuals; \$40 Couples. Pre-registration is required go to: www.emfgp.org. For more information, call Kristine Rooney at 518-370-3136, ext. 239.

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

MEALS ON WHEELS

The Meals on Wheels Program serve over 400 people each day. The program is in need of office volunteers to help answer phones and complete various office tasks (data entry, filing etc.). If you are interested in volunteering for any of these opportunities, or would like more information please call 518-688-0051 or email to volunteer@cathcharschdy.org.