



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.



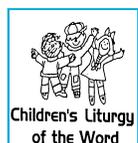
Pastor's Notes

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.

CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY COLLECTION

The Catholic University of America is unique among universities in the United States—even among Catholic Universities. Established by Pope Leo XIII and the U.S. bishops, it is the national university of the Catholic Church. In addition to alumni who live in your diocese, more than one third of the U.S. bishops and 12,000 priests and religious are Catholic University alumni, including five of the six American Cardinal Archbishops. Through its 12 schools and 23 research centers in the nation's capital every year the University provides an education grounded in the Catholic Intellectual tradition to almost 7,000 students. Next weekend (**September 22/23**) we will be taking up the Catholic University Collection. Your investment will enable the University to continue to support the Church and to advance its work of preparing the next generation of leadership, both religious and lay, of our Church and nation. Please place your Catholic University Collection envelope with your Offertory envelope in the collection basket. Thank you.



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.

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@sjchurch.com or call 518-372-3381 ext. 226. Thank you.

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@sjchurch.com. 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@sjchurch.com; expected response time is within 48 hours. Registration forms may be downloaded from both churches websites.

CATECHETICAL SUNDAY

TODAY 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. 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.

**ABOUT THE HEARTS AFLAME
EUCCHARIST CONGRESS
HEARTS AFLAME IS SATURDAY**

Our Hearts Aflame Eucharistic Congress is being held Saturday, **September 22**, at the Shrine of the North American Martyrs in Auriesville. If you cannot attend, please pray for a joy-filled event as Catholics throughout the diocese gather with our bishop. Late registrations may still be accepted. Check rcda.org/heartsaflame for more information.

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.

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.

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.

Rosary Altar Society

“The Year of Compassion, Kindness and Nurturing Our Community”
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Our Rosary Altar Society is an organization for women of our parish who are devoted to the Blessed Virgin Mary. Its primary purpose is to encourage the prayer of the Rosary; to promote fellowship, support, and spirituality among its members; and to generously donate our time, talent, and treasure to causes and needs within our parish.

Our mission barely touches on the rich tradition and beautiful, life-long, faith-filled friendships that have developed throughout St John the Evangelist's history. If interested in joining our Rosary Altar Society, please call Kathy Hatheway @ 518-393-1025 or Toni DiCaprio @ 518-895-8275

We encourage all women of the parish to join us as we prayerfully prepare our hearts for the 2018-2019 Year at the Mass for New Rosarians' Enrollment on Wednesday, **October 10th**, 7:00 pm in the Church. Refreshments and a brief Business Meeting will follow in the Parish Center Cafeteria.

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 mfallacar@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.

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.



Collection 09/09/18	\$12,948.27
Candles: 9/02/18	\$ 184.36
Candles: 9/09/18	\$ 190.00

AUDIT TEAM: September 17, Team A
September 24, Team C

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

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.



SATURDAY, 09 - 22 - 18

4:00 PM John & Helen Stone by Estate

SUNDAY, 09 - 23 18

7:30 AM Peter & Mary Paurowski by Florence Paurowski Estate
Ernesto, Sr. & Norma Tongson,
Salvador, Jr., & Aida Ascalon by Family

9:30 AM Birthday Remembrance - Paul C. Coppola by Parents, Peter & Carmela Rita Leonard by St. John the Evangelist Rosary Society

5:00 PM Norb & Mary Woods by Bob & Cathy Hoffman
Moe & Betty Hoffman by Bob & Cathy Hoffman
Ruth Hanrahan by Neighbors

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.

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.

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.

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 Food Pantry is running low on food. 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 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.

Sunnyview Rehabilitation Hospital

We are currently seeking volunteers for a new information desk located on the second floor. We need greeters and receptionists for this site beginning in the fall of 2018 and are also in need of volunteers for the gift shop. If you are interested in having more direct contact with patients volunteers are needed delivering mail and flowers to patients, visit with them, write letters for them, shop for them or assist nursing staff with non nursing tasks. Please contact Joan Laviolette at 518-386-3631 for further information.

MEALS ON WHEELS

Catholic Charities Meals on Wheels Program provides an invaluable service to homebound seniors in our communities. Your help is needed! Join us for an information session on Friday, September 28, 11:00 am at St. Paul the Apostles George W. Brucker Parish Center, 2777 Albany St. Come and Discover how you can Live the Works of Mercy by volunteering. RSVP to Kristin Black 518-377-8886

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