



**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.

OFFICE HOURS FOR FR. CARLINO

St. John's Parish Office on Wednesdays from 12 Noon to 4:00 pm and St. Anthony's Parish Office on Thursdays from 12 Noon to 4:00 pm. He is available to schedule appointments at other times as well. You can call him personally 7 days a week from 6:00 am to 8:00 pm at 372-3381 Ext. 7. You can call him for The Last Rites of the Church 24/7 also at 372-3381 but at Ext. 9.

BAPTISM

Baptisms at St. John the Evangelist and St. Anthony's Churches will take place only on the First Sunday of each month and only *during* Mass. Baptisms are not scheduled outside of Sunday Morning Masses. If you wish to schedule a baptism at St. John's please contact **Debbie May at 372-3381 ext. 5**. For one at St. Anthony contact Judy Mavente at 374-4591 ext. 5.

Religious Education Notes

We need YOU

Here are a few encouraging facts about allowing and trusting God to use you: Jacob was a cheater, Peter had a temper, Jonah ran from God, Paul was a murdered, Gideon was insecure, Miriam was a gossip, Martha was a worrier, Thomas was a doubter, Sara was impatient, Elijah was moody, Moses stuttered, Abraham was old, and Lazarus was dead! Yet all of these people were influential in God's plan. And so are YOU. **There are a few grade levels in need of a teacher....might that teacher be you?** With some effort, shards of glass can become a beautiful stained-glass window; very liberating to let go of trying to reach perfection and simply enjoy knowing it's all a masterpiece in progress.

Choir News

Our first Choir rehearsal of the season is Sunday, **September 24**, 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.

Faith Formation - Grades PreK-12

2017-2018 Registration Forms may be downloaded from the parish websites, please visit www.sjchurch.com and www.stanthonyschurch.net. You may also call **Dianne Galarneau at 518-372-3381 ext. 226** or email, dgalarneau@sjchurch.com.

Mark your Calendars for the following important Student and Parent Orientation Meetings

The Orientation Meeting for Confirmation Candidates will be held on **Saturday, September 16**. Candidates will attend the Vigil Mass beginning at 4:00 pm. The meeting will commence immediately after Mass.

The Orientation Meeting for 9th and 10th Grade Students who have selected the Course Option Program will be held on **Tuesday, October 17** from 6:00 - 7:00 pm in St. John's Church.

The Orientation Meeting for registered Students preparing for First Reconciliation and First Eucharist will be held on **Wednesday, October 18** from 6:30 - 7:30 pm in St. John's Church.

Students Entering Grades 9 and 10

Students are given the flexibility to attend courses of interest at varying times of the year based upon individual availability. Courses will be offered from November through April on Sundays, Tuesdays, and new this year - a Saturday option. A student's requirement is satisfied after earning five credits.

Sunday Hospitality

will resume after the morning Masses on **October 15**. Parishioners and friends are invited to come and enjoy some time to relax.

CATECHETICAL SUNDAY - This year, the Church is celebrate Catechetical Sunday today, **September 17**. The theme will be "Living as Missionary Disciples." Those who the Community has designated to serve as catechists will be called forth to be commissioned for their ministry. Catechetical Sunday is a wonderful opportunity to reflect on the role that each person plays, by virtue of Baptism, in handing on the faith and being a witness to the Gospel. A note from Pope Francis to Catechists: "I wish before all else, to thank you for your service to the Church and in the Church. It's a beautiful experience educating others in the faith, even though it can be difficult. It requires a lot of work and you don't always see the results you hoped for! Helping children, young people, and adults to get to know and love God more and more deeply is one of the most beautiful educational adventures you can have."

MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA - Miraculous Medal Novena will be held on Monday evenings at 7:30 in the **Parish Center room 8**. Please enter through the double doors at the Canopy Entrance closest to the church parking lot.

CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY & BASILICA DOME COLLECTION

The Catholic University of America is the national University of the Catholic Church in the United States, located in Washington, D.C. It provides an academically rigorous education guided by the Catholic intellectual tradition to nearly 7,000 students every year. Over 4,000 students directly receive scholarship aid from this Collection, including many from our diocese. The Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C. located right next to the campus of the Catholic University of America is often referred to as "America's Catholic Church." The final work on the Trinity Dome of the Basilica has been completed in preparation for 2020, the hundredth anniversary of placing the foundation stone of the National Shrine. Please be generous at **next week's** Collection for the Catholic University of America and the Trinity Dome of the National Basilica. Thank you for your continued stewardship to the Diocese of Albany & to spreading the Good News of Christ throughout the world in prayer, sacrifice, gift & deed.

ROSARY SOCIETY NEWS

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 30**, from 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 between 4:00 pm and 6:00 pm Monday, **September 25, through Thursday, September 28, or Friday, September 29, from 9:00 am 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.

HOLIDAY CRAFT SHOW & BAKE SALE

The Rosary Society will host a Craft Show and Bake Sale at the Parish Center Gymnasium on Saturday, **December 2** from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm. **Crafters or vendors interested to reserve a table may contact Joanne McGrath at 356-2996 for details and further information.**

FIRST THURSDAY BOOK GROUP

October 5, Winter Garden by Kristin Hannah. Mesmerizing from the first page to the last, *Winter Garden* is one woman's sweeping, heartbreaking story of love, loss and redemption. At once an epic love story set in World War II Russia and an intimate portrait of contemporary mothers and daughters poised at the crossroads of their lives, it explores the heartbreak of war, the cost of survival and the ultimate triumph of the human spirit. Another powerful story of family love, and strong women...a fascinating story that weaves fairy tales into reality, fairy tales that don't always have the expected endings. It is a novel that will haunt the reader long after the last page. We meet in Sister Joan's office at 1:00 pm & 7:00 pm. The book is available in paperback from Amazon. If you want Sr. Joan to order please call 372-3381 ext. 224.

HUMAN CONCERNS COMMITTEE

The Human Concerns Committee would like to thank each and every one of you who so generously donated to our collection for school supplies during the summer months. We all know how expensive these supplies can be and draining on a family budget. City Mission gave out 565 backpacks this year. As you can see, the need for school supplies is abundant in our area, and we feel blessed that our parish was able to help these less fortunate families send their children back to school with backpacks filled with the necessary supplies they need to be prepared for a new school year. Thank you again for your support and caring for these children. I would also like to thank the members of the Human Concerns Committee who generously gave of their time to help fill these backpacks.

**The following is a statement by
Bishop Edward B. Scharfenberger regarding
DACA:**

I urge you to take action on this critical matter and contact your representatives in Congress in hopes of advancing legislation that will provide due process and family stability with compassion and dignity to the 800,000 men, women, and children who stand to be affected by the reversal of DACA (Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals). To contact your legislator, visit the New York State Catholic Conference Action Network at <https://www.votervoice.net/NYSCATHOLIC/campaigns/54270/> respond.

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 every week. Just bring a rosary. For more info, contact Mark Roberts at 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, 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 (796-3111) or email at pschwartz63@gmail.com.

Last Week's Collection

Sunday Collection 9/3/17: \$10,573.50 Candles: \$211.80
 Sunday Collection 9/10/17: \$10,537.85 Candles: \$184.11
 Evangelist: \$453.00 Hurricane Relief: \$6,422.63

AUDIT TEAM: September 18, Team A
 September 25, Team C.



SATURDAY, 09 - 23 - 17

4:00 PM 1st Anniversary Remembrance - Mark Rufer by Family
Rose Pileggi by Family
Mildred DuBois by Richard & Margie Wickerham
Birthday Remembrance - Paul C. Coppola by Parents, Peter & Carmela Coppola

SUNDAY, 09 - 24- 17

7:30 AM Marie D. Whipple by Estate
Nicolia & Annie Ragucci by Rose Ragucci
Robert & Mary Emmet by Estate
Deceased Members of Paniccia Family
By Paniccia Family

9:30 AM Norb & Mary Woods by Hoffman & Woods Families
Joan Rutecki by Jeanne & Thomas Servidone
In Honor of William Martin by Dianne Galarneau
Mercedes Salomon by Glenn & Lily Houston
Betty Smith by Dick & Marie Lambert

5 :00 PM For the People



TEAM 1

September 16, 2017
4:00 PM Vincent De John
September 17, 2017
7:30 AM Donald Buckley
9:30 AM Joe Di Caprio
5:00 PM Sara Kesten

TEAM 2

September 23, 2017
4:00 PM Christine Warner
September 24, 2017
7:30 AM Jane Susich/Deborah Mullaney
9:30 AM Laurie Barone
5:00 PM John Bergin

BOY SCOUTS TROOP 72

Looking for: Outdoors adventures, character building, community service, new skills, leadership, fellowship, fun? Check out our Boy Scouts Troop 72 (Boys 11-17) Information/Parent Night/Ice Cream Social on Thursday, **September 21**, 6:30 pm in the Parish Center. Scouts will explain their Program.

DIOCESAN MARRIAGE JUBILEE

The 45th Annual Marriage Jubilee Celebration sponsored by the Office of Lay Ministry Formation will be held Sunday, **October 1st**, 2:00 pm at The Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, corner Eagle St. & Madison Ave., 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 2:00 pm Liturgy and greet couples and their guests at a reception in the gathering area at The Cathedral immediately following Mass. Please register no later than **September 24**, by contacting our parish office (372-3381 ext. 221).

ST. ANTHONY'S BREAD APOSTOLATE

Dear Brothers and Sisters: 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.

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.

The Journey Bereavement Ministry

St. Anthony's Parish sponsors a Bereavement Ministry Session for those who have suffered the loss of a loved one. Our sessions are scheduled for the **last** Friday of each month at 6:30 pm in our chapel meeting room and all who are suffering are welcome. We pray that we will be able to leave our session with a little better means of coping with our loss.

COMING TO TROY MUSIC HALL, OCT. 8th, 2:30 PM

Following its acclaimed premiere at last year's famous Edinburgh Fringe Festival, David Payne (An Evening with C.S. Lewis) returns to Troy Music Hall with his new drama based on the last evening between two giants of fantasy. Set in Oxford's Eagle & Child Pub, Payne gives another exquisite performance as Lewis, Marc Whitmore provides the perfect foil as Tolkien and Audrey Ney, the bubbly barmaid. VIP Tickets \$45 include Premium seating, Tea, Turkish Delight & Tete-a-Tete with Daniel Payne & Cast, & a signed Show DVD (\$20 value), other tickets are available for \$35, \$25, and \$15. You may order directly from Troy Music Hall 518-273-0038 or call Sr. Joan at 518-372-3381 ext. 224 to order tickets for you.

LESSONS ON SUNDAY READINGS - Beginning Thursday, September 21, and each Thursday through the month of June, except for the 2nd Thursday of each month and Thursday of Lent, St. Anthony's Church will offer lessons on our upcoming Sunday readings. All are welcome.

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.

Volunteers Needed!

Sunnyview Rehabilitation Hospital will soon be opening an additional reception desk on the second floor. We will need volunteers to greet and sign in patients and visitors, answer phones, and perform some clerical duties. We also are always looking for volunteers to work in the Gift Shop, and on the nursing units. If you are interested in any of these volunteer openings, please let us know. Contact Joan Laviolette, 518-386-3631.

CAREER OPPORTUNITY

The Knights of Columbus is seeking a candidate for a career opportunity representing their insurance program. We offer a complete benefits package with this full-time position. In order to qualify, one must be eligible for membership in the Knights of Columbus. For more information, please contact Michael Rodriguez, General Agent, Michael.Rodriguez@KofC.org or (518-934-1032).

DETOURS ON THE JOURNEY

Divorced? Join with others in prayer and shared experience at Detours on the journey, a support ministry for Catholic men and women who have experienced or are experiencing divorce. The program runs for ten weeks beginning Tuesday, **September 12th** from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm at the Diocesan Pastoral Center at 40 North Main Ave. in Albany. This ministry is sponsored by the Office of Lay Ministry Formation. For more information and registration please contact mary.fay@rcda.org or call 453-6644.

Bus Trip to the Blue Army Shrine

in Washington, NJ on **October 13**, for the 100th Anniversary of Our Lady of Fatima's last Apparition "The Day the Sun Danced". Cost \$50.00 per person. Contact Angela at 518-346-8083 for further information. Deadline to register is **September 13**.