



**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. Please note the Parish Office will be closed on Monday December 24 and Tuesday December 25.



O God, as Christmas draws near, let us not forget your nearness as we rush around with many last-minute preparations. Help us slow down and look for signs of your nearness as we complete Christmas preparations and enter into the joy of the season.

Joyce Rupp, Inviting God In.



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.



The diocesan-wide campaign goal is \$45 million. Of this, St. John the Evangelist seeks to raise \$826,445.00 and St. Anthony's seeks to raise \$339,305.00. Of the \$45 million, 70% will be allocated to care for parishes on the local level while 30% will be allocated to support diocesan-wide needs such as caring for retired clergy, meeting increased vocations demands, investing in initiatives that will assist with evangelizing, and developing Catholic schooling resources. Re-igniting Our Faith Campaign is currently being implemented at both of our parishes. We will receive our first campaign disbursement 6 months after the closure of our campaign.

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.

THANK YOU to all who took time to deliver one or more gift bags to our sick/homebound for Christmas. God bless you all for your generous gifts of love and compassion. Wishing everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Blessed and Happy New Year.



URGENT REQUEST FOR HELP!!!
Sunday, December 23 - 6:00 pm - Arrange flowers.

PLEASE we need a lot of hands to help decorate this year if we want St. John's to look as beautiful as it has in the past during the Christmas season.



O God,
By your heavenly star,
You guided those who were wise
To your beloved Son, Jesus Christ.
May your blessing come to rest
On our home and all of us.
Make our lives wise with your wisdom,
True to your teaching,
And enlivened by your love.
May your Word made flesh
Make his home among us.
AMEN.

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION

A Charlie Brown Christmas premiered in December of 1965. It continues to be loved by many for over half a century. 'And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them and they were so afraid. And the angel said unto them, "Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord. And this shall be a sign unto you; Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger." And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying, "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men." **Luke 2:8-14.** Please join our children at the 4:00 pm Vigil Mass on Christmas Eve for their celebration of Jesus' birth. **Special thanks** to the following teachers and parents for their leadership: Amanda Dorr, Karen Gionet, Lisa Keefe, Deborah Testa, and Tina Versaci for her direction of our Bell Choir.

FIRST THURSDAY FILM GROUP

January 3, and for the First Thursdays of March and May, Sr. Joan will show *Christianity*: The program will take place in Room 8 of St. John the Evangelist Parish Center at 1:00 pm. Please use the double doors under the canopy across from the handicapped ramp to St. John the Evangelist Church.

ADULT CONFIRMATION CLASSES

Twelve sessions will be held from 8:30 to 9:20 am in Room 6 of the Parish Center, for adults (College age and above) who have not yet been Confirmed. The dates will be: **January 6, 13, 20, 27, February 3, 10, 17, 24, March 3, 10, 17, 24.** Please call Sr. Joan at 518-372-3381 ext. 224 to register or for further information. The Sacrament will be conferred sometime during the spring.

From the Pastor...

Because of diocesan rules limiting the number of years Parish Trustees can remain in office, Fr. Carlino is pleased to announce the appointment of 2 new Trustees each to St. John the Evangelist and St. Anthony's Churches. At St. John's they are **Dr. and Mrs. Barbara Mc Evoy**. At St. Anthony's they are **Gary Kelly and Lisa Serafini**.

On behalf of all of you, and on his own behalf, Father congratulates these 4 longtime and faithful parishioners. He also thanks St. John's parishioners **Jim Gleason and Mary Fitch** and St. Anthony's parishioners **Phyllis Derenske and Vince Bianchi** for their many years of service as Trustees.

Their ministry was nothing short of *extraordinary*, and they will go down in history of both of our beloved churches as among *the very best of best!*

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 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 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.



Collection 12/16/18 \$ 23,874.64
Candles 12/16/18 \$ 200.50

AUDIT TEAM: December 26, 6:00 pm, Special Team
January 2, Team D

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.

WORKS OF MERCY: WE NEED YOUR HELP!

The Good Neighbor Program has an urgent need for gently used and new clothing in GIRLS AND BOYS SIZES 8,10,12,14 and 16, jeans/pants, LONG and short sleeve shirts and hooded sweatshirts. The Program also need all sizes boys and men's (for teenagers) underwear and socks. These can be placed in the white baskets located at both rear exits.

Also, we are actively seeking volunteers to help specifically with some of our "heavy lifting" tasks. These task require repetitive lifting of sometimes heavy and bulky bags of clothes. There are two flights of stairs at our work site that the bags must be carried up and down. Volunteer days would typically be on Tuesdays from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm. Please call 518-347-0871.

HEAP PROGRAM

Applications for the Home Energy Assistance Program will be accepted by local departments of social services beginning on Tuesday, **November 13**. A household can receive a one-time regular HEAP benefit of up to \$726.00 if they are eligible. Eligibility is based on income, household size and how the home is heated. A family of four can have a household income of up to \$55,178 a year, or \$4,598 a month, and still qualify for help.

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.

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.

Our bulletin is made possible through the generosity of the advertisers who are listed on the back. Please patronize them.

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

 *Mass Intentions*

SATURDAY, 12 - 29 - 18

4:00 PM 4th Anniversary Remembrance - Arthur A. Gross by Family
Marilyn Galarneau by St. John's Staff
Leonarda F. Caruso by Mary Ellen & Michael Brockbank
Frederick Mastrogiovanni by Murphy Family

SUNDAY, 12 - 30 - 18

7:30 AM Deceased Members of Paniccia Family by Paniccia Family
Gerri Borne by Jim Lanigan

9:30 AM For the People

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

MONDAY, 12 - 31 - 18

6:30 PM For the People

TUESDAY, 01 - 01 - 19

10:00 AM For the People

 *Mass Schedule* 

This year we will celebrate Christmas and its Vigil at the following times:

CHRISTMAS EVE (Monday 12/24/18)

St. John's - 4:00 pm (Children Mass)
7:30 pm
9:30 pm Midnight Mass

(Preceded by a Choir Program at 9:00 pm)

St. Anthony's - 2:00 pm

CHRISTMAS DAY (Tuesday 12/25/18)

St. John's - 9:30 am
11:30 am
7:30 pm

St. Anthony's 8:00 am

10:30 am (Spanish)
12:00 pm (Italian)



MASS SCHEDULE

This year we will celebrate the New Year at the following time:

Vigil Mass

Monday, December 31, 2018

St. John the Evangelist 6:30 pm

NEW YEAR'S DAY

Tuesday, January 1, 2019

St. Anthony's - 8:00 am

St. John the Evangelist - 10:00 am

We're Collecting



*Food for the Needy.
Can You Help?*

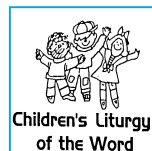
St. Anthony's Food Pantry is running

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.

FIRST THURSDAY BOOK GROUP

On **February 7** we will discuss *The Sandcastle Girls* by Chris Bohjalian in Room 6 of SJE Parish Center with Sr. Joan. When Elizabeth Endicott arrives in Syria, she has a diploma from Mount Holyoke College, a crash course in nursing, and only the most basic grasp of the Armenian language. The First World War is spreading across Europe, and she has volunteered on behalf of the Boston-based Friends of Armenia to deliver food and medical aid to refugees from the Armenian genocide. There, Elizabeth becomes friendly with Armen, a young Armenian engineer who has already lost his wife and infant daughter. When Armen leaves Aleppo to join the British Army in Egypt, he begins to write Elizabeth letters and comes to realize that he has fallen in love with the wealthy young American woman who is so different from the wife he lost.

Flash forward to the present where we meet Laura Petrosian, a novelist living in suburban New York. Although her grandparents' ornate Pelham home was affectionately nicknamed the "Ottoman Annex." Laura has never really given her Armenian heritage much thought. But when an old friend calls claiming to have seen Laura's grandmother in a newspaper photo promoting an exhibit at a Boston museum, Laura embarks on a journey through her family's history that reveals love, loss-and a wrenching secret that has been buried for generations. If you wish Sr. Joan to order this book in paperback for you please call 518-372-3381 ext. 224.



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.

Rest in Peace

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Antoinette Connell.

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.

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS 2018

Requested by

Adamek, Mr. & Mrs. Christopher

Anderson, Carol Ann

Angelo, Dennis

Bastian, Elizabeth

Bastian, Mark & Maureen

Beaudette, Phyllis B.

Bednarczyk, Chester

Bergin, John & Betty

Blanch, Sharon A.

Blechinger, Thomas & Susan

Borbee, Mr. & Mrs. Steven

Brockenborough, Kathy, Tessa & Victor R.

Brooks Sr., James & Florence

Brothers, Barbara

Brunick, James J.

Bucwinska, Stanislawa

Buono, Hilary & Savini, Gail

Bushey, Gail

Cameron, James & Robin

Campbell, William & Mary Catherine

Canelli, Mr. & Mrs. Vittorio

Capogna, Sandra

Carney, Richard & Kathy

Cerrone, Joseph H.

Coluzza, John & Irene

Comley, Anita L.

Comley, Mr. & Mrs. Michael

Comley, Scott & Jean

Coons, Mr. & Mrs. Bruce

Cuomo, Gloria L., Children & Sister/Brother

Davis, Chantal

De John, Vincent & Sandra

Delmonaco, Walter & Maria

De Luke, Robert & Debra

De Novio, Karen

De Pasquale, Loretta

Derochie, Kathleen J.

DeRuscio, Mr. & Mrs. Peter

Di Caprio, Robert & Patricia

Di Caprio, Toni Anne

Donlon, Roselyn

Eichelberger, Charles

Eichelberger, Patricia

Encarnacion, George & Carmen

Facci, Giulio & Ann

In Memory of

John & Rose Adamek, James & Catherine Grinter, Eileen & Ken Pangburn

William Van Wie, Rose Van Wie, Kenneth Van Wie, Ann Ruback

Deceased Members of Angelo, Marzola, Santore & Napolitano Families

Deceased Members of Bastian Family

Rita & Charles Zalucki

Leo & Alice Barlow, Richard & Rose Beaudette, Dina & Ralph Miranda, Phylip & Lorraine Carpentier

Deceased Members of Bednarczyk Family

Regis & Cecilia Bergin, Kathleen Theresa Bergin, Jack & Ina Snyder

Jerry Blanch

Frederick K. Blechinger, Douglas C. Buri

Deceased Members of Borbee Family

Victor & Jeff Brockenborough

Frances S. Brooks

Alfred Brothers

Deceased Members of Brunick Family

Rev. Anthony De Franco, Rev. James Cribbs, Maria Sienkiewicz, Stanislaw Sienkiewicz

Fiore & Lucy Buono, Libero & Angeline Savini

John E. Bushey, Sr.

Deceased Members of Cameron, Buono & Folas Families

Shelly Minahan

Stanislao Canelli, Iole Santorio, Antonio La Monaca, Annunziata Giugno

Deceased Members of Capogna Family

Genaro & Irene Naples, Janice Naples-Murphy, Jonah Carney, Josiah Pettinato, Pauline Carney-Clark

Deceased Members of Cerrone Family

Deceased Members of Coluzza Family

Joyce Sawyer, Florence Paniccia, Elsie Paniccia, Helena Sawyer, Lena Hilliard & Lorraine Priest

Mary & Ed Zemeck, Toni Zemeck

Deceased Members of Comley Family

Deceased Members of Coons Family

Paul & Ersilia Di Cocco, Yolanda Di Cocco, Michelina Maiello, Vincenza Iovinella Palmier, Anne Tessitore, Paul Di Cocco, Mary Ellen Di Cocco

Frederick & Carmen Wearne

David Cameron, Vincent & Ada Ulenski, George & Mary Bills, Mario & Carmela De John

Carlo Viscusi, Todd France, Deceased Members of Viscusi & Sgueglia Families

Deceased Members of De Luke Family

Deceased Members of De Novio Family

Deceased Members of De Pasquale Family

Arthur C. & Agnes C. Durocher

Deceased Members of Beltrana, DeRuscio & Mancini Families

Deceased Members of Di Caprio Family

Peter Di Caprio, Millie & Peter White, Joan Rutecki, Debbie & Maria Esposito

Deceased Members of Donlon & Di Giorgio Families

Deceased Members of Eichelberger Family

Deceased Members of Eichelberger Family

Jose, Carmen & Luz Paban

Robert & Joan Sullivan, Rosario & Rosaria Facci

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS 2018

Requested by

Fallacaro, Michael & Joan
Farina, Mr. & Mrs. Frank V.
Farley, Mr. & Mrs. Robert
Farrell, Ann & Kathy
Fenley, Kathleen A.
Finley, Teresa
Fiori, Timothy & Lisa
Forsyth, Jamie R.
Foster, Mr. & Mrs. Daniel
Fredette, Robert & Mary
Furlani, Gordon
Fuschino, John & Marilyn
Gabriele, Alma
Gabriele, Bernardi & Theresa
Galarneau, Edward & Dianne
George, Raymond
Gilliom, David
Giovannangelo, Myrtle
Gisotti, Dominick & Susan
Gorman Family
Gwiazdowski, Mr. & Mrs. John
Hanaway Family
Hanchar, Joseph, Elizabeth, Christopher
& Veronica
Hanrahan, Carol, & Furman Family
Hastings, Jane H.
Hayner, Thomas & Constance
Hourigan Family
Hoyt, Dr. Douglas H.
Jankowski, Victor & Jean
Jewett-Houck, Teresa
Johnson, Michael & Janet
Kalteux, James
Karwan, Stephanie M.
Kastberg, Maura L.
Kaufman, Marcia

Keefe, Mr. & Mrs. William
Kennedy Family
Kennedy Family
Kirkland, Mark & Anne-Marie
Kmieciak, Robert & Jean
Kosinski, Thomas & Angelina

Kratat, Mr. & Mrs. James
LaMar, Joseph & Janet

LaPointe, James & Janice
Leupold Deborah J.
Locke, Dennis & Barbara
Loveless, Larry E.
Lucarelli, Eva
Macken, Patricia
Maloney, James & Kathleen
Marcil, Mr. & Mrs. Fred

In Memory of


Deceased Members of Fallacaro Family
Deceased Members of Farina Family
Thomas Bell, Maureen Bell, John Farley, Mildred Farley
Tom & Ellie Farrell
Deceased Members of Fenley Family
John & Margaret Mulkeen
Deceased Members of Fiori Family
Margaret Pieper, Peter Pieper, Patty Bessey, Clem Bolles
John & Nora Mannato, Donald & Evelyn Foster
Charles & Margaret Fuller, Jerome & Mary Fredette
Marilyn Furlani, Valentino Furlani, Paula Furlani-Boles
Mary & Sam Fuschino, Gregg & Richard Piatkowski
John & Gilda Pacelli, Bernardi Gabriele, Sr.
Ben Gabriele, Sr., Sylvester "Babe" Calarco
Deceased Members of Galarneau Family
Deceased Members of George Family
Henry Gilliom, Lucille Gilliom, Bob Gilliom & Ann Gilliom Andrus
Deceased Members of Giovannangelo Family
Deceased Members of Gisotti Family
Elliott & Mary Gorman
Deceased Members of Gwiazdowski Family
Francis D. Hanaway Jr.

Francis Conway
Ruth Hanrahan
John P. Hastings, William Livingston
Carl & Mary Miller, Thomas & Catherine Hayner
Joseph P. Hourigan
Deceased Members of Hoyt Family
Deceased Members of Jankowski Family
William Houck, Colette Cirillo
Deceased Members of Johnson Family
Deceased Members of Kalteux & Leonard Families
Stephanie & Edward Karwan, Edward Puszcz
Erica Kastberg, Peter & Millie White, Donald & Agnes Van Denburgh
Alice Holdridge, Thomas Hochmuth, Richard Hochmuth, Debbie
Hochmuth
Evaline Keefe
John & Teresa Kennedy
Warren & Dorothy Wahl
Joseph Gionet, Diane Gionet Halliday, Chet Granato, Pauline Boone
Deceased Members of Kmieciak Family
Mr. & Mrs. Anthony Coppola, Mr. & Mrs. Alex Kosinski, Greg & Richard
Piatkowski
Deceased Members of Cappuccitti & Krakat Families
Ambrosina & Orfeo Rossi, Joan & Tom LaMar, Tina & John Dwyer,
Roseann Hale, Tori LaMar
Deceased Members of LaPointe Family
Mr. & Mrs. Edwin Leupold
Deceased Members of Locke & Marlin Families
Alonzo Loveless, Annie Loveless
John Lucarelli, Philip Pawlowski & Gloria Lucarelli
John J. Macken
Deceased Members of Maloney Family
Deceased Members of Marcil Family

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

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.



MAY THE BLESSINGS OF
THIS HOLY SEASON
BE YOURS IN ABUNDANCE.
WE WISH YOU A JOYOUS
CHRISTMAS!

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