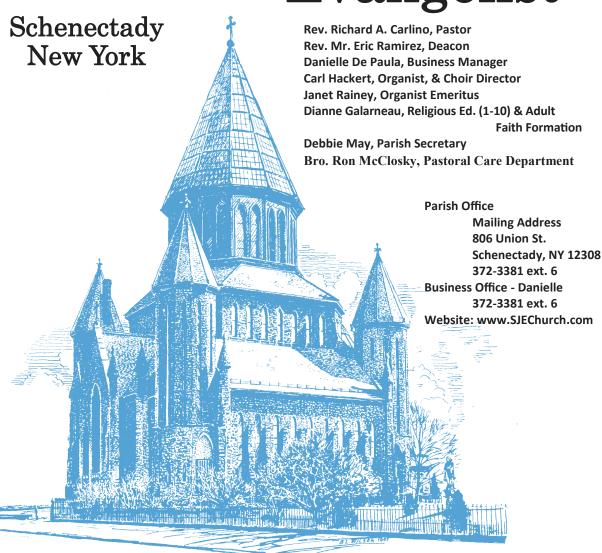
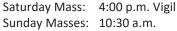
# The Church of St. John

the Evangelist





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Baptisms: To schedule a Baptism, please call 372-3381 Ext. 7
Marriages: Please consult our website www.SJEChurch.com

Pastoral Care: On admission to a nursing home or hospital, please be sure that the

name of the church, as well as your religion, is specified at time of admission.







#### **WELCOME TO** ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST **CHURCH**

Please note that the Parish Office (806 **Union St.)** is only opened Monday thru Thursday 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM. The

Parish Office is closed on Fridays. Please note that the Parish Office will be closed on Thursday. November 27 and Friday November 28 in observance of Thanksgiving.

#### St. John the Evangelist Church Extensions Schedule of Holy Day/Holiday Masses ......4 Cancellation of Weekday/Weekend Masses......5 Parish/Business Office......6 Debbie May......7 Religious Education Office...... 8 Staff Directory .....# Caregiver Support......326 Last Rites of the Church......335 Deacon Eric Ramirez.....Eric.Ramirez@rcda.org

#### THANKSGIVING DAY MASS

Held at St. John the Evangelist Church Thursday, November 27, 9:00 AM

and at St Kateri Tekakwitha Church, Union St. November 27, 9:00 AM



#### ADULT FAITH FORMATION

We are never finished learning, if you feel the desire to grow in faith, we are here to help you do just that. Our faith-life is grounded in developing a personal rela-

tionship with Jesus. As its first goal, faith formation helps us acquire a conversion of heart, trusting in God's love, obeying His will and putting us in communion with Jesus Christ. If you wish to receive the sacraments, or simply have questions about the process, please call Dianne Galarneau 518-372-3381 ext. 226 or via email at dgalarneau@sjechurch.com. We have a wonderful team ready to welcome you and walk with you along this journey.



The Children's Liturgy of the Word takes place during the 10:30 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 Praver of the Faithful.

#### **PASTORAL CARE DEPARTMENT -**

Do you know someone who is homebound and would like to receive a visit/Communion? Please call our Pastoral Care Coordinator, Ron Mc Closky 518-374-4591 ext. 103.

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

#### **MOVIES AT ST. JOHN**



If you have any questions, please con-Dianne Galarneau at dgalarneau@siechurch.com. Snacks and beverages are provided at no cost. For the complete movie listing please visit our website at www.sjechurch.com, click on

Religious Education, you will find the Movie

Due to darker evenings this time of the year, we will also offer Sunday afternoon films. The same film will be offered Monday evenings.

IF ONLY WE HAD LISTENED, November 30,

2:30 – 3:35 PM & December 1, 6:30 – 7:35 PM. According to several children, God sent a messenger to Kibeho, Rwanda, to warn about an impending disaster. but few heeded the warning. Immaculee Ilibagiza knows the story all too well. Her family was killed during the genocide, and she survived by hiding in a bathroom with seven other women for three excruciating months. The film follows Immaculee as she returns to Rwanda uncovering the secrets of Kibeho while reconciling with her painful past. This is a remarkable story faith and hope.

#### **HOLIDAY CRAFT SHOW & BAKE SALE**

St. John the Evangelist's Rosary Altar Society is having their Annual Holiday Craft Show & Bake Sale on Saturday, December 13th 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM in the Parish Center. A variety of delicious foods will be available for purchase for lunch. Admission is free.

--There will be many fabulous vendors selling a variety of items which would be great for gifts.

--We will raffle great gift baskets that include generous donations from area restaurants and businesses.

Our Annual Bake Sale table is in need of your delicious baked goods. You may drop off your baked goods either Friday, December 12th from 12 noon to 6:00 PM or Saturday, December 13th from 8:00 AM to 9:30 AM Please call Joanne McGrath at 518-356-2996 if you have any questions. Thank You!!

Also, our "Elegant Leftovers" (aka White Elephant Sale) will be accepting your donations of gently used items (please no large items) on Friday, **December 12th from** 12:00 noon to 6:00 PM

Please join us at our Annual Holiday Event

#### **BOOK OF MEMORIES**

During the month of November a Book has been placed in front of the Mary Altar. You are invited to inscribe the names of your deceased family and friends. They will be remember, at the Holy Mass.

A GIFT FROM YOUR PARISH - Please do not forget to pick up your Little Blue Books - Advent/Christmas Seasons 2025. It is a pre-Christmas gift to you from your parish to assist you as you journey through the 43 days of the Advent/Christmas season. We suggest you start with How to use the 'Little Blue Book and that for each of the next 43 days you take but six minutes to let God speak to you.

## ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST CHURCH DONATION ENVELOPES

Please know that if you plan to attend a mass at either St. Anthony's Church or St. Kateri Tekakwitha Church you may leave your donation envelope in their collection basket. Their church office will send all envelopes with our church name to our office for our weekly collection totals.

## Last Week's Collection

 Collection: 11/09/25
 \$ 7,787.75

 Candles: 11/09/25
 \$ 153.40

 Collection: 11/16/25
 \$10,153.85

 Diocesan Coll: 11/16/25
 \$ 903.00

 Candles: 11/16/25
 \$ 134.50

Audit Team A, November 24; Team C, December 1.

#### LIVE STREAMING

If you are unable to attend Mass, you can watch the Saturday, 4:00 PM Mass by going to our website at www.sjechurch.com and click on the YouTube Live Channel Icon and select the Saturday Mass.

#### OFFERING CONFESSION BY APPOINTMENT ONLY

Fr. Carlino will be hearing Confessions by Appointment only. For those wishing to participate will need to call Fr. Carlino at (St. John's) 518-372-3381 ext. 9 or (St. Anthony's) 518-374-4591 ext. 9 no later than 3:00 PM the Wednesday before.

#### **DEAR CHURCH FAMILY & FRIENDS**

St. John's Church is open from **7:00 AM** to **11:00 AM** Monday through Friday, for individuals to pray. St. Anthony's is open on week days from 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM.

#### Annual Christmas Party Buffet Luncheon Hosted By

St John The Evangelist Rosary Altar Society and St. Anthony's Sacred Heart League

Where - Turf Tavern, 40 Mohawk Ave Scotia NY 12302

When- Sunday December 14, 2025

Time- 12:00 PM - 3:00 PM

Cost- \$25 for members and \$30.00 for non-members Rosarian Altar Society/St. John The Evangelist Church only mail check to:

Catherine O'Rourke, 24 Rivers Run Dr., #103,

Niskayuna NY 12309. Any questions call (518) 557-2004 Sacred Heart/St. Anthony's Church only mail check to:

Cathy Busher, 211 Lincoln St. Scotia NY 12302

Any question call 518-366-2307

Please fill out, detach and must be received by

December 1, 2025

Member's Name	
Amount:	
Guest (s) Name	
Amount:	_

#### **CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS EVE PAGEANT**

All children from Kindergarten to 8th Grade are invited to participate in the 2025 Children's Christmas Eve Pageant that will take place at the 4:00 PM Christmas Eve Mass at St. John the Evangelist Church. Needed are angels and shepherds, kings and stable animals, Mary and Joseph, narrators and choir members. Participants will be required to attend rehearsals on the following Sundays from 12:45 - 1:30 PM. November 23,

December 7, 14, 21. All participants will sing! Student participants who attend Faith Formation classes will simply stay in the cafeteria after class as directed by their teachers until rehearsals begin. Students who do not attend Sunday Faith Formation classes at St. John's will need to be escorted by their parent/guardian into the parish center cafeteria by 12:30 PM. Please enter the parish center through the Eastern Avenue parking lot. If you are interested in helping with the pageant email Laurie Barone at lauriejbarone@gmail.com

If your child/ren are interested in participating in the pageant, email Dianne Galarneau at

dgalarneau@sjechurch.com. Please provide child's name, grade, home/cell phone number, parent/s name/s and email address. Additional telephone number of second adult.

#### THE KING'S MEN APOSTOLATE

All men ages 18 and above are invited to join the Schenectady Chapter of the King's Men Apostolate. We meet each **Tuesday** evening at 7:00 PM in the St. John's Parish Center, room 8 to pray the Rosary, Divine Mercy Chaplet, spiritual reading & discussion. There are no dues or obligation to attend every meeting. For more information, contact Michael Zaccaria 518-779-2317.

## 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 & 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.

## EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST & USHERS NEEDED

We are in need of Extra Ordinary Ministers of the Eucharist and Ushers at the 4:00 pm Mass on Saturdays. If you wish to help please contact the Parish office 518-372-3381 ext. 6. **ALSO - Funeral Ministry** is in need of **servers.** If you wish to help please contact the Parish Office 518-372-3381 ext. 6

**THANKSGIVING BAKE SALE** Sunday, November 23, 8:00 AM to 1:00 PM. St. Anthony's Church Hall, 331 Seward Place. Stop in and see entire selection! Pies-Apple, Pumpkin, Assorted Biscotti, Morzette-Frosted, Pepper Cookies, Wine Cookies, Italian Bread, Rolls, Rosette's, Guanti, Pizzelle, Frozen Dough, Pasta, Stuffed Shells, Pickled Eggplant, & more.



## Masses For The Week

MONDAY, 11 - 24 - 25

9:00 AM Mass at St. Kateri, Union Street

TUESDAY 11 - 25 - 25

Mass at St. Kateri Union Street 9:00 AM

WEDNESDAY 11 - 26 - 25 9:00 AM Mass at St. John

Alan Schick by Family

THURSDAY, 11 - 27 - 25

9:00 AM Mass at St. John

Thanksgiving Mass

9:00 AM Mass at St. Kateri, Rosa Road

FRIDAY, 11 - 28- 25

9:00 AM St. Kateri, Rosa Road

**SATURDAY 11 - 29 - 25** 

4:00 PM Mass at St. John

> 10th Anniversary Remembrance -Joan Valente by Daughters, Claudia &

Anniversary Remembrance - Joan Sullivan by Ann & Giulio Facci **Charles Am Monarch by Monarch Family** 

5:00 PM Mass at St. Kateri, Union St.

**SUNDAY 11 - 30 - 25** 

8:30 AM Mass at St. Anthony's

9:30 AM Mass at St. Kateri Union Street

10:30 AM Mass at St. John

> Francesco, Rosa & John Ferrari, Pierino, Maria & Gina Palleschi by Anthony & Rossana Ferrari & Family Birthday Remembrance - Jonah

**Carney by Grandparents** Alan Schick by Family

**Anniversary Remembrance - Carl** 

Adams by Karen Adams

1st Anniversary Remembrance -Jackie Dunbar by Family

11:30 AM Mass at St. Kateri, Rosa Road 11:45 AM Spanish Mass at St. Anthony's

4:00 PM Mass at St. Anthony's

#### Sunday Readings for November 23, 2025, Year C

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

1st Reading 2 Samuel 5: 1-3

Responsorial Psalm Psalm 122: 1-2, 3-4, 4-5 2nd Reading **Colossians 1: 12-20** 

Gospel Acclamation Mark 11: 9,10 Luke 23: 35-43 Gospel

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#### **FAITH FORMATION NEWS**

We invite everyone to join our faith formation students and adults preparing for the sacraments in a beautiful prayer experience. Pray the Family Rosary beginning November 2 through to November 2, 2026. Why? On May 13, 1917 Our Lady of Fatima requested of us to "Pray the Rosary every day in order to obtain peace for the world." There is grace in one prayer, one decade, or one Rosary. Benefits? + Enjoy 20 extra minutes of family time and by God's grace - peaceful homes. + Share each other's gratitude and concerns through prayer intentions.+ Explore our faith through the Rosary's Mysteries. +Find strength through Mary's intercession and God's grace to withstand life's trials by promoting peace within our families, and the world. + If older children say they don't have time ... check their screen time. + "The Family that prays together - stays together." Venerable Fr. Patrick Peyton.

#### ADVENT GIVING TREE

The weekend of November 14/15, the Advent Giving Tree was set up in front of Mary's altar and decorated with various gift cards. If each family would take at least one gift tag from the tree and purchase the item requested, it would help to brightened the Christmas Season for so many in our community who have so little. Wrap the gift in holiday paper, securely attach the original tag to the outside of the package and return the gift under the Giving Tree. To ensure the gifts reach their recipients in time for Christmas, we ask that all gifts be returned by the 10:30 a.m. Mass on Sunday, December **14**<sup>th</sup>. If you have any questions, please call Jeanne Servidone at 357-9053 or Kathy Carney at 377-7444. Your continued generosity to those less fortunate is greatly appreciated.

SATURDAY DEVOTION AT ST. ANTHONY'S Saturday, 10:00 AM. For more information contact Ronald Mc Closky, Pastoral Care Coordinator (518) 374-4591 Ext #8.



#### St. Anthony's Church

The Venerini Associates distribute food to needy families during the year. Help us restock the supply so that the good work may continue. Please

join us by dropping off either at St. John or St. Anthony the following nonperishable food items, or a monetary donation of any amount. No gift is too small. This is what we are in need of: Canned Fruit, Canned Applesauce, Canned Cranberry Sauce, Canned Vegetables, Canned Green & Yellow Waxed Beans, Soups, Boxed Stuffing, Canned Sweet Potatoes, Canned Yams, Boxed Scalloped Potatoes, Canned Beans, Canned Peas, Canned Corn, Canned Stews, Pudding, Cereal, Pasta, Pasta Sauce, Jelly/Jam, Peanut Butter, Cooking Oil, Tuna Fish, Mayonnaise, Canned Meats. We couldn't do it with out you. Let's continue to feed others both spiritually and physically. Thank you for your help!.

PLEASE DO NOT BRING ITEMS WITH EXPIRED DATES AS WE CANNOT GIVE THOSE OUT

#### **RESTORATION MEMORIALS**

We acknowledge with appreciation the following donations to St. John the Evangelist Restoration Fund: IN MEMORY OF: Robert Grabowski Sr.

By: David & Denise Chriss

#### **SCHENECTADY SOCIAL CLUBS**

Catholic Charities offers opportunities for seniors 55+ to gather to socialize, share a meal and participate in ac- i tivities to improve emotional and physical health. **Current** social clubs meet on Mondays at St. John the Evangelist Parish Center, Wednesday or Thursday, from 1:00 to 3:00 PM at St. Luke's Pastoral Center and Fridays at Bellevue Cafe.

Senior Social Club Upcoming Activities-December in the St. Luke's Pastoral Center for fun activities and friendly; connections. We will gather on: Thursday, **December 4**, ! 11:30 AM -1:00 PM for Intro to Chair Yoga. Wednesday, **December 17**, 1:00 - 2:30 PM for Crafting Fun. Please RSVP to Kristin Black stlukescares@gmail.com or 518-347-9955.



#### 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.

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