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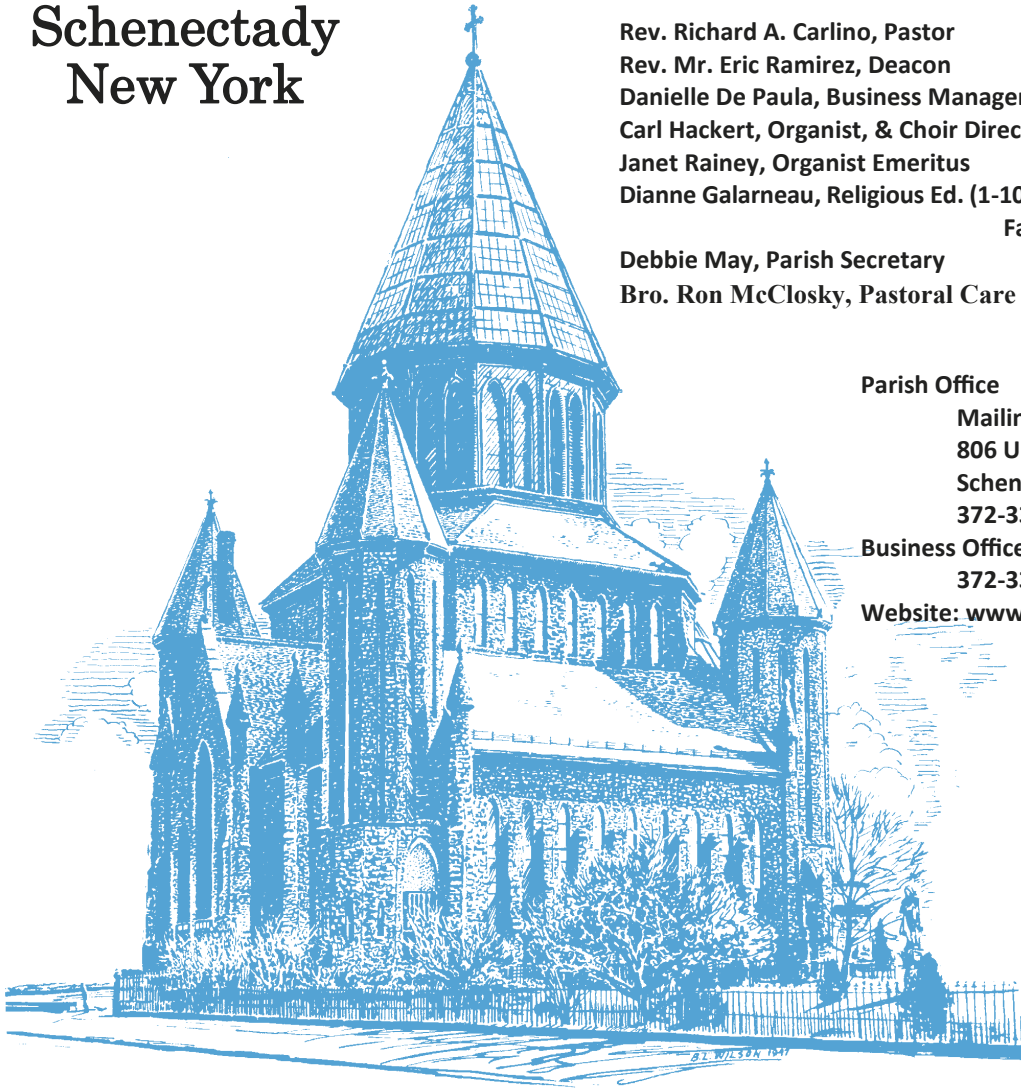
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Saturday Mass: 4:00 p.m. Vigil
Sunday Masses: 10:30 a.m.
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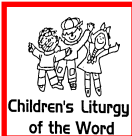


WELCOME TO ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST CHURCH

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 the Parish office will be closed from Wednesday, December 24 thru Friday January 2.

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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 Prayer of the Faithful.



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

CHRISTMAS EVE (Wednesday 12/24/24)

St. John's - 4:00 PM (Children Mass)
7:00 PM

St. Kateri - 4:00 PM (Union Street)
7:00 PM (Rosa Road)
Midnight Mass (Union Street)

CHRISTMAS DAY (Thursday 12/25/24)

St. John's - 10:30 AM

St. Anthony's - 8:30 AM (English)
11:45 AM (Spanish)

St. Kateri - 10:00 AM (Union St.)

HELP NEEDED

At St. John the Evangelist Church

We will be in need of 6 Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist and Ushers at the 4:00 PM and 7:00 PM Christmas Eve Masses and we will be in need of 4 Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist and Ushers at the 10:30 AM Mass on Christmas Day. Please call the Parish Office if you can help 372-3381 ext. 6.



Heavenly Father, thank you for sending your Eternal Son to save me from my sins. Please give me the grace to live each day in greater union with Jesus, your Son and my Savior.

BISHOP EMERITUS EDWARD SCHARFENBERGER

has graciously accepted Fr. Carlino's invitation to be the Principal Celebrant this year at the 7:00 PM Christmas Eve Mass at St. John's. Fr. Carlino will concelebrate and deliver the homily. Father joins all of you in thanking +His Excellency not only for honoring us with his presence but also for his more than 13 years of dedicated service to us as the 10th Bishop of Albany.



MASS SCHEDULE

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

NEW YEAR'S EVE
Wednesday, December 31, 2024
5:00 PM St. Kateri (Union Street)

NEW YEAR'S DAY
Thursday, January 1, 2026
7:00 AM St. Anthony's
9:00 AM St. John The Evangelist
11:30 AM St. Kateri (Rosa Road)



Diocesan Appeal 2025-2026

The new year of the Diocesan Appeal began on July 1st! As you plan your budget, please consider a PLEDGE to the Appeal: Pledge Now, Pay by June 2026

1. It notifies your parish leader *early-on* that they can count on your help to reach the parish goal

2. You avoid solicitations (*first one is sent September 2025*)

3. You can spread out your payments for up to *12 months! **For pledges made in July; payment in full due by 6/30/26*

Apportion your gift to one or more areas of focus:

(indicate within 'Comments' box in online form)

- GENERAL BUDGET SUPPORT
- PARISH OPERATIONAL SUPPORT
- PARISH MISSION SUPPORT
- * VOCATIONS



For details, visit *Materials* at www.TheDiocesanAppeal.org

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.

Christmas Blessings

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: 12/14/25 \$23,662.24
(Including 2 Yearly donations)
Immaculate Conception \$ 1,494.00
Candles: 12/14/25 \$ 189.31
Audit Team A, December 22
Audit Team C, December 29

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.sjchurch.com and click on the YouTube Live Channel Icon and select the Saturday Mass.

DECORATING COMMITTEE: REQUEST FOR HELP!!!

The following dates have been set up to decorate St. John's for Christmas:

Tuesday, December 23, 9:30 AM - arrange flowers
As you can see, we do not have a lot of time to decorate our magnificent church for Christmas. 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. If you can come even for an hour, we could use your help.

On Monday, January 12, 2026 at 6:00 PM we will be taking down our beautiful Christmas decorations. We will need help to undecorate the church along with bringing the Nativity set, risers, Christmas trees and all the boxes of decorations to the basement. With a lot of help this can be done in a short period of time. If you can spare an hour of your time, please come and help. Thank you. A definite date will be published in the bulletin soon. If you have any questions, call Kathy Carney – 518-377-7444

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.

AS A LASTING TRIBUTE TO ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS, PLEASE REMEMBER YOUR PARISH IN YOUR WILL.

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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.

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.



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 relationship 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 contact Dianne Galarneau 518-372-3381 ext. 226 or via email at dgalarneau@sjchurch.com. We have a wonderful team ready to welcome you and walk with you along this journey.

DAILY MASS ATTENDEES - During wintry days of snowy and/or icy road conditions, to find out whether or not the 9 AM Wednesday or Thursday Daily Mass at St. John's will be celebrated, call 518-372-3381 Extension 5.

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 & 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.



St. Anthony's Church

The Venerini Associates helps 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



Masses For The Week

MONDAY, 12 - 22 - 25

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

TUESDAY 12 - 23 - 25

9:00 AM Mass at St. Kateri Union Street

WEDNESDAY 12 - 24 - 25 Christmas Eve

4:00 PM **Mass at St. John**

4:00 PM Mass at St. Kateri, Union St.

7:00 PM **Mass at St. John**

7:00 PM Mass at St. Kateri, Rosa Road

12:00 Midnight Mass at St. Kateri, Union St.

THURSDAY, 12 - 25 - 25 Christmas Day

8:30 AM Mass at St. Anthony

10:00 AM Mass at St. Kateri, Rosa Road

10:30 AM **Mass at St. John**

11:45 AM Mass at St. Anthony

1:15 PM Mass at St. Anthony

FRIDAY, 12 - 26 - 25

9:00 AM St. Kateri, Rosa Road

SATURDAY 12 - 27 - 25

4:00 PM **Mass at St. John**

**Deceased Members of Wilson &
Valente Families by Claudia Cannavo
& Catherine Rotondi**

**Emily De Leonardis by Family
Deceased Members of Williams &
Bussey Families by Madonna Bussey
Christopher J. Rooney Jr., Mary Ann
Rooney, Luigi Serafini & Angelina
Serafini by Family**

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

SUNDAY 12 - 28 - 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
Anniversary Remembrance - Ambrose
Babella by Daughter, Linda
Betty & Mike Walsdorf by Family
Dr. & Mrs. Joseph Vacca by Dr. & Mrs.
William Vacca
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Marnell by Dr. &
Mrs. William Vacca
John Hatheway & Jonathan Hatheway
Farkas by Farkas & Hatheway Families
Lorraine Petracci by Michael Petracci
& Jeanne Petracci**

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



**Mass
Schedule**



WEDNESDAY, 12 - 24 - 24 (Christmas Eve)

4:00 PM **Mass at St. John**

**Edward & Eleanor Rinella, Brad Mc
Kee, Quinn Louise Sollohub by
Family**

**Dolores Malandro, Annunziata Di
Matteo, Carmelina Di Matteo-Walkup
by Joseph & Lisa Di Matteo & Family
Federico & Dolores Bucci, Peter &
Sandra Bucci, Pietro Zarrillo by
Children Anna & Toni Zarrillo
Nicholas Jegabbi by Danielle &
Robert**

**Louis G. Bianchi by Pola, Guy,
Santino & Isabella Sementilli
Joseph & Asunta Ianniello by Iannello
Family**

7:00 PM

**Laurence Carroll Rainey by Family
Francesco, Rosa & John Ferrari,
Pierino, Maria & Gina Palleschi by
Anthony & Rossana Ferrari & Family
Fulvio & Ilma Esposito, Pierino
Giovannone, Concetta Giovannone
by Family
Deceased Members of O'Rourke, Mc
Guire & Shaier Families by Liz Mc
Guire
Willie Cooney by Liz Mc Guire
Anthony & Dianne Campo, Anthony &
Mildred Helstowski, Joseph, John &
Tom Helstowski, Marilyn Grant by
Family**

THURSDAY, 12 - 25 - 25 (Christmas Day)

10:30 AM **Paul Kehoe Tracy by Rainey Family
Andrew Furchak & Dolores Furchak
Smith by Family
Rose Pileggi by Family
Alan Schick by Family**

Sunday Readings for December 21, 2025, Year A

Fourth Sunday of Advent

1st Reading Isaiah 7: 10-14

Responsorial Psalm Psalm 24: 1-2, 3-4, 5-6

2nd Reading Roman 1: 1-7

Gospel Acclamation Matthew 1:23

Gospel Matthew 1: 18-24

Christmas, December 24-25 4:00 PM & 10:30 AM

1st Reading Isaiah 62: 1-5

Responsorial Psalm 89: 4-5, 16-17, 27, 29

2nd Reading Act of the Apostles 13: 16-17, 22-25

Gospel Acclamation Alleluia

Gospel Matthew 1:18-25

Christmas December 24, 7:00 PM

1st Reading Isaiah 62: 11-12

Responsorial Psalm 97: 1, 6, 11-12

Second Reading Titus 3: 4-7

Gospel Acclamation Alleluia

Gospel Luke 2: 15-20

Please pray for Your prayer are requested for the
repose of the souls of James Piazza &
Filamena Piccirillo.

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

SCHENECTADY SOCIAL CLUBS

Catholic Charities offers opportunities for seniors 55+ to gather to socialize, share a meal and participate in activities 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 & Fridays at Bellevue Cafe.**

ROSARY MAKING MINISTRY - Come join us! We meet the First Tuesdays of September to June-10:00 AM to 11:00 AM in St. Anthony's Church Hall. All are welcome. Learn to make rosaries with cord and beads. Take kits home and make rosaries at your leisure. Return made rosaries for distribution. For inquiries call Linda 518-399-6965 and leave a message. The desire to help fulfill the endless request for rosaries is all that is required.

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.

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).

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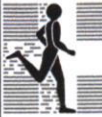
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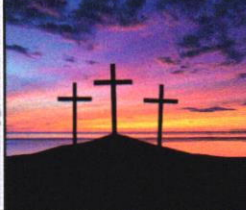


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