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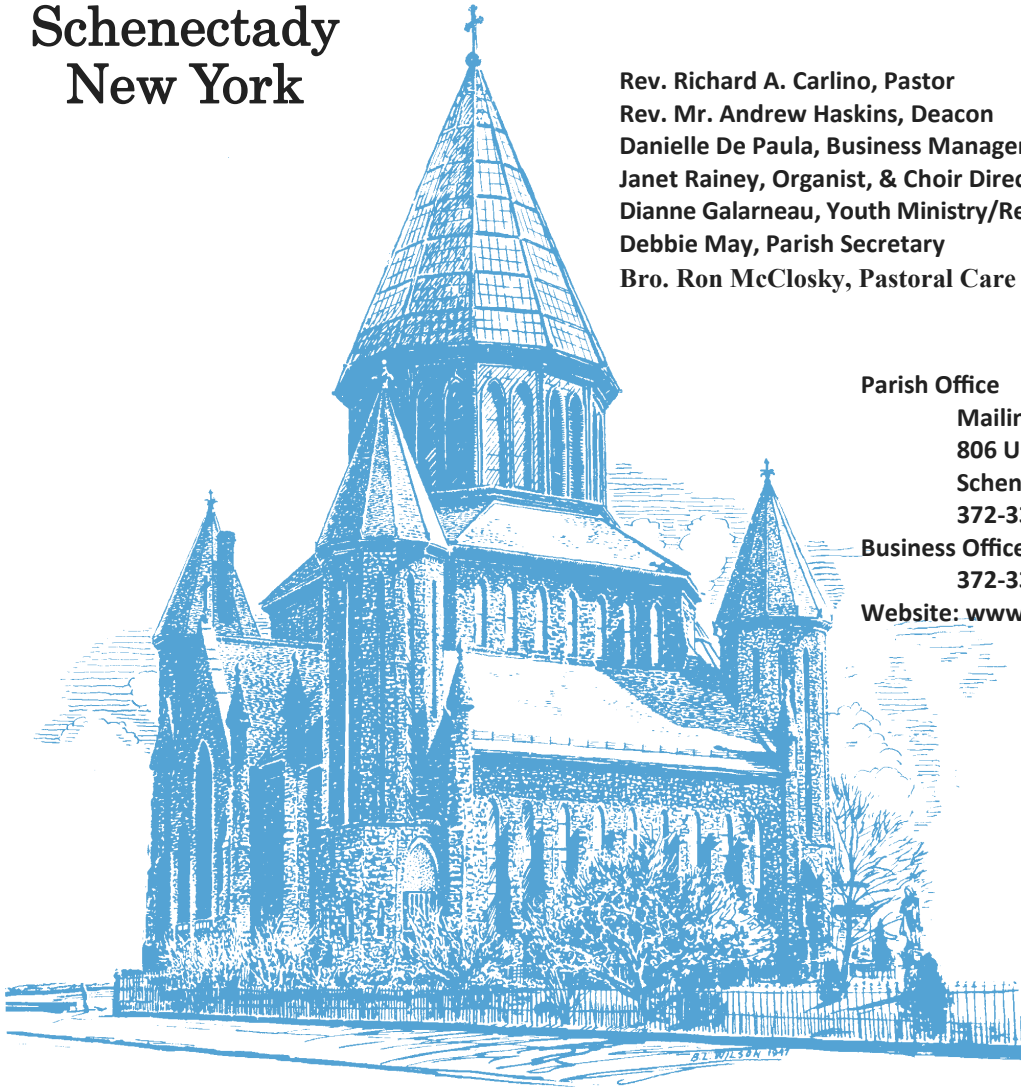
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Saturday Mass: 4:00 p.m. Vigil
Sunday Masses: 10:30 a.m.
Confessions: By appointment only.
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Pastoral Care: On admission to a nursing home or hospital, please be sure that the name of the church, as 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 Offices will be closed on March 28, & March 29 for Holy Thursday and Good Friday. Parish Offices will reopen on Monday April 1st.**

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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.

HOLY LAND COLLECTION

Pope Francis has asked our parish to support the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, which help Christians in the Holy Land. Your support helps the church minister in parishes, provide Catholic schools and offer religious education. It also helps to preserve the sacred shrines.

The wars, unrest and instability have been especially hard on Christians. In these times of crisis, the Pontifical **Good Friday Collection** provides humanitarian aid to refugees. When you contribute to the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, you become an instrument of peace and join with Catholics around the world in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land. We thank you for your generosity.



Whether or not you are baptized already, or want to receive later sacraments as an adult, we can tailor a process that works for you. St. Anthony, St. John and St. Kateri parishes are working collaboratively to help you grow in faith. Please contact Kris Rooney to get started: 518-346-6137 X-239 or kafe@stkateriparish.org. Sessions have started but it is never too late to answer God's call. Our next gathering is Sunday, **March 24th** 9:15 AM in the St. John the Evangelist Parish Center Room 6 to discuss Holy Week. Please come to the Easter Vigil Mass next weekend when adults in the RCIA process will be initiated into the church!

UPCOMING ADULT CONFIRMATION

At the Easter Vigil this year (**March 30**) Emma Marcucci will be Confirmed. Please join the Adult Formation team in praying for her! Thank You



The events of Palm Sunday are revisited on Good Friday, providing bookends for the final week of lent. Consider in this time how your own faith has been or is being tested, and consider how your enthusiasm for Christ has grown more solid and reliable.

HOLY WEEK

HOLY THURSDAY March 28

St. John The Evangelist Church
Open for Adoration from 7:30 PM to 9:00 PM

St. Kateri Tekakwitha Church
7:00 PM Mass of the Lord's Supper

St. Anthony's Church only
7:30 PM Mass of the Lord's Supper

GOOD FRIDAY March 29

St. John the Evangelist Church,
Church will be open all day
3:00 PM Stations of the Cross.
7:30 PM Celebration of the Lord's Passion

St. Kateri Tekakwitha Church
7:00 PM Celebration of the Lord's Passion
St. Anthony's Church opened all day
No evening Services

**holy
saturday March 30**

St. John the Evangelist
12:00 Noon Blessing of Food

St. Anthony's Church Only
7:30 PM Vigil Mass

St. Kateri Tekakwitha Church
7:50 PM Vigil Mass

easter sunday March 31

St. John the Evangelist Church 10:30 AM

St. Anthony's Church
8:30 AM, 11:45 AM (Spanish), 1:00 PM (Italian)
and 4:00 PM

St. Kateri Tekakwitha Church
9:30 AM (Union St.) & 11:30 AM (Rosa Road)

OPERATION
RICE BOWL



Please join in this meaningful Lenten observance. Materials will be available near the church entrances this weekend to assist your participation.



Your prayers are requested for the repose of the souls of Andrew Parisi, Arthur Phillips, Hilda Hernandez, Irene Liberatore.

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: 03/17/24	\$10,439.60
Flower Collection	\$ 2,469.00
Candles: 03/17/24	\$ 213.69

Audit Team C, March 25; Audit Team B, April 1,

Baptism-If you desire to have your child baptized who is below the age of seven, parents please call Debbie at 518-374-4591 ext. 7. Parents will be required to take a baptism class. Children **OVER** the age of seven are required to take RCIA, please contact Kris Rooney at 518-346-6137 Ext. 239 or kafe@stkateriparish.org. We are a family of churches and we work together, St. John the Evangelist, St. Anthony's & St. Kateri Tekakwitha.

Holy Thursday Covered Dish Dinner-5:30 PM St. Anthony's Church Hall.

If you plan on attending please bring a covered dish and/or dessert to share. Register by calling **Sharon Ferro, 518-421-5846** to let her know what food you are bringing and the count of people in your party. All are welcome.

GOOD FRIDAY "WAY OF THE CROSS" AT SCHENECTADY PLANNED PARENTHOOD

Through His Holy Passion, Our Lord united Himself with all the victims of suffering in this life. None suffer more innocently than children in the womb whose lives are taken by abortion. On Good Friday we remember all the victims of abortion—the children lost, the mothers wounded, the communities blighted—in a solemn, ecumenical prayer service:

Event: Way of the Cross for Victims of Abortion

When: Friday, March 29, 10:00 a.m.

**Where: Planned Parenthood, 1040 State St.
Schenectady**

More Info: Call Larry at (518) 847-1630

Join us as we pray for healing for the victims of abortion and for a final end to this injustice in our land.

Race and Ethnicity- Let's Talk Save the Date- Saturday April 20

2:00-4:00 PM, Rosa Road Parish Center

Parishioner panelists and small group discussions

Explore how race or ethnicity have shaped our lives and How we ourselves, our ministries, and our full church community can be even more sensitive and inclusive.

Organized by the Racial Justice Ministry in response to requests from the Synod on Race and Ethnicity.

Register with names & number of people by Friday 4/12 e-mail address: RegisterNow555@gmail.com or call 518-881-7295

SJE/SA BOOK GROUP BEGINNING!

The Passion and the Cross by Ronald Rolheiser is a short but powerful read (only 106 pages). It will help you connect Jesus' death and resurrection to your own life in a new way this Easter season. We will meet to discuss over coffee and tea on Wednesdays 1:00 PM – 2:30 PM in St. John's Parish Center Library.

April 17: Chapters 1-2; **April 24:** Chapters 3-4; **May 1st:** Chapter 5. A virtual option to join is possible if requested. 4 used copies are available in the St. John's Parish Office for \$6 each (call first). Please contact Kris Rooney for more details at 518-346-6137 X239 or kafe@stkateriparish.org.



EASTER FLOWER MEMORIALS

in your packet of envelopes, you will find an Easter Flower envelope. Please place your donation in the collection basket with the names of your loved one or mail them directly to the parish office at 806 Union St. Schenectady 12308. All donations will be acknowledged in the bulletin at Easter and the following week.

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 Thursday 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 Mark Roberts at 518-372-8322.



**Fasting &
Abstinence**

As a sign of our penance, there is the custom of not eating meat on the Fridays of Lent. Therefore, all Catholics, 14 years of age and older are obliged to refrain from eating meat on Good Friday and the other Fridays of Lent. All Catholics who are 18 years of age but not yet 59 are obliged to fast.

Fasting refers to the quantity of food eaten. Traditionally, fasting allows for eating only one full meal per day. Two additional, smaller meals may be eaten and there is no eating in between meals. By following these traditions, it is not intended that they be interpreted simply as laws or just as a duty; but also as signs of our love and devotion as disciples of the Lord. They are ways of expressing our desire to be converted in our hearts, to be reconciled with each other, to love our neighbor. Furthermore, all we have or are, we do not possess, but instead they are gifts. It is helpful to remember that the ability to decide how much or little one will eat is in itself a gift.

BLESSING OF THE FOOD

Fr. Carlino will be blessing Easter Foods on Holy Saturday, **March 30th, 12:00 noon** at St. John the Evangelist Church. The Blessing of the Food is a festive occasion. The three-part blessing prayers specifically address the various contents of the basket with special prayers for the meats, eggs, cakes and breads.



Masses For The Week

MONDAY, 03 – 25 - 24

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

TUESDAY, 03 - 26 - 24

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

WEDNESDAY, 03 - 27 - 24

9:00 AM Mass at St. John
Irene Pecora by Daughter

HOLY THURSDAY, 03 - 28 - 24

9:00 AM NO Mass at St. John

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

7:30 PM St. Anthony -

Mass of the Lord's Supper

11:00 PM St. Kateri Rosa Road Night Prayer

GOOD FRIDAY, 03 - 29 - 24

9:00 AM St. Kateri, Rosa Road - Morning Prayer

7:00 PM St. Kateri, Rosa Road - Liturgy

7:30 PM St John - Passion of the Lord

EASTER VIGIL SATURDAY 03 - 30 - 24

7:30 PM Mass at St. Anthony's

7:50 PM Mass at St. Kateri, Rosa Road

EASTER SUNDAY 03 - 31 - 24

8:30 AM Mass at St. Anthony's

9:30 AM Mass at St. Kateri Union Street

10:30 AM Mass at St. John
Laurence Carroll Rainey by Family
Paul Kehoe Tracy by Rainey Family
Stephanie & Edward Karwan by
Daughter, Stephanie
Edward Puszcz by Stephanie Karwan
Birthday Remembrance - Ellen
La Fontana by Family
Dolores, Malandro, Annunciation Di
Matteo & Carmelina Di Matteo Walkup
by Joseph & Lisa Di Matteo & Family
Deceased Members of Panicia Family
by Family
Rosa, Francesco & John Ferrari,
Maria, Pierino & Gina Palleschi by
Anthony & Rose Ferrari

11:30 AM Mass at St. Kateri, Rosa Road

11:45 AM Spanish Mass at St. Anthony's

1:00 PM Italian Mass at St. Anthony's

4:00 PM Mass at St. Anthony's

Sunday Readings for March 24, 2024 Year B

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

1st Reading Isaiah 50: 4-7

Responsorial Psalm Psalm 22: 8-9, 17-18, 19-20,
23-24

2nd Reading Philippians 2: 6-11

Gospel Acclamation Philippians 2: 8-9

Gospel Mark 14: 1-15: 47 or 15: 1-39

TAKE UP YOUR CROSS AND FOLLOW ME

The purple crosses are available in baskets near the church entrances. You are invited to take a cross as you enter the church. The cross will be worn throughout Lent to signify you are willing to carry your own cross and you may wish to add the intentions of a family member, friend or someone most in need of help during this time. You may return the cross to the baskets during Holy week to be put on our large cross in the sanctuary on Good Friday. Special thanks to the people who volunteered their time to make the crosses.

DECORATING ST. JOHN'S FOR EASTER

The Decorating Committee will be getting the church ready for Easter on **Saturday, March 30 starting at 9:00 AM**. If you are available, we could use your help. Decorating should take around two hours. Whatever time you could give us would be greatly appreciated. Thank you.

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.

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 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.

DIOCESAN APPEAL 2023-2024

The active practice of religion is in jeopardy and the impact on society is evident. It is not enough to quietly attend Mass and privately practice. If not us, who? We need to be Jesus' witnesses, showing people the joy that Jesus brings to us in our life and bringing others to follow him in this beautiful way of life. Let us join together and rebuild our local and regional Catholic church—support our parish offertory and diocesan Appeal goal! Envelopes for your donations or pledges can be found at the entrances of the church.

MASS STIPEND - Just a reminder that the stipend for all weekend or daily Masses increased to \$15.00.

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**.

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

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD



St. Anthony's Church - Sister Maria Rosa and the Venerini Associates distribute food to needy families during the year. Help us restock our supply so that we may continue the good work.

Please join us by dropping off any of 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 without 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.**

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.

**SCHENECTADY COUNTY SENIOR & LONG TERM
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Your trusted source for reliable information and assistance for older adults and people of all ages with disabilities, their caregivers, and families, located at 107 Nott Terrace Suite 305, call 518-382-8481 ext. 1302. Your link to Long Term Services and Supports. www.SchenectadyCounty.com.

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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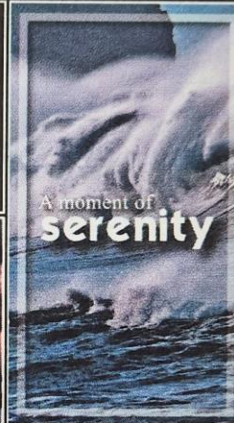
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