Religious Education and Youth Ministry News

Registration for Kindergarten - Confirmation: Grades 11 & 12. Registration forms for the 2019 - 2020 term are available on both church websites along with the Student - Parent Handbook.

Children preparing for First Communion must have participated in a parish program during the previous year. Registered Students in Grades 9 and 10 received course option material during the month of August.

Students in public and private high school are eligible to prepare for the sacrament of Confirmation if they attended a parish program during the previous year. Catholic high school students will be instructed together with the class and must register for the entire program.

Please visit St. John's website at www.sjechurch.com and click on Religious Education and St. Anthony's website at www.stanthonyschurch.net and click on Education. For more information please contact Dianne Galarneau either at dgalarneau@sjechurch.com or 518-372-3381 ext. 226.

The 2019-2020 term for all grades will begin Sunday, October 20. Kindergarten through Grade 10 will meet from 10:45 - 11:45 am with additional classes for Grade 2 and Grade 3 held at 8:15 - 9:15 am. Confirmation candidates will meet from 9:30 - 10:15 am at St. Anthony's in the DeFranco Room.

Please mark your calendar for the following meetings:

Sunday, October 20 Confirmation Orientation for Candidates and Parents - St. Anthony's DeFranco Room beginning at 9:30 am. Please enter through Seward Place entrance.

Thursday, November 7 Grade 2 Parent Meeting - St. John's Church from 6:30 - 7:30 pm.

Christmas Eve Children's Mass - All parish children are encouraged and welcome to participate in the celebration of Jesus' birth during our 4:00 pm Christmas Eve Mass at St. John's. Children do not have to be enrolled in our faith formation program to participate. Rehearsal schedule is as follows: November 17, 24, December 8 from 11:30 am to 12:15 pm in the Parish Center Gym and December 15 from 11:30 am to 12:15 pm in the Parish Center Cafeteria. Dress rehearsal will be Monday, December 23 in St. John's Church from 6:00 to 7:00 pm. For more info. please email Dianne Galarneau at dgalarneau@sjechurch.com. Thank you.

IS ABORTION EVER OKAY - Abortion should be listed as a weapon of mass destruction against the voiceless.
E. A. Buchianeri

Boy Scouts Troop 72 - Pancake Breakfast sponsored by our Boy Scouts Troop 72 will take place on Sunday, October 20, 8:20 am to 11:30 am in the Parish Center Cafeteria. Cost: Adult $8.00; Children 12 and under $6.00, Breakfast will include: Pancakes, Syrup, Sausage, Eggs, Juice, Coffee/Tea/Cocoa. Take out is available. We will be collecting recyclable bottles and cans also.
HUMAN CONCERNS TOY DRIVE

The Human Concerns Committee will be holding its annual ‘Toy Drive’ for three weekends this year starting October 5/6 and ending October 19/20. This year the toys will be going to the City Mission of Schenectady’s ‘Christmas Toy Store’. The City Mission is asking for NEW toys for children ages newborn to 10 years of age. Some suggestions are: board games, books, puzzles, sports items, arts and crafts, jewelry, wallets, hats, gloves, mittens, scarves, pajamas, socks, underwear, educational toys, etc.

You may place your donations in the boxes set up in Church marked ‘Toy Drive’ starting the weekend of October 5/6. Thank you in advance for your support and generosity in this project and for making Christmas a little more exciting for those children who have so little. If you have any questions, please contact Jeanne Servidone 357-9053 or Kathy Carney 377-7444.

THURSDAY EVENING BOOK GROUP

We are excited to launch a book club specifically geared toward parent children with the intention of raising them to be lifelong faithful and committed Catholics. The club is open to men and women, and grandparents are welcome as well. The first book we will be reading is called Building Better Families by Matthew Kelly. For more information on the book itself please visit dynamiccatholic.com to read a synopsis of the book. If you are interested in joining or have questions please email Yvonne Lawton at ylawton35@gmail.com by November 15th and she will order enough books for all attendees. The goal is to have the first club meeting for discussion of the book and fellowship sometime in January. We will meet in Dianne Galarneau's office beginning at 6:30 pm.

CYO Basketball - Instructional division is for boys and girls in Grades 4 and under. This program meets on Saturday mornings from 9:00 - 10:30 am from October through March when the gym is available. The cost for the entire year is $55 and includes a t-shirt. The program starts on October 12th.

Questions regarding the CYO Program may be directed to Coach Larry O'Brien, Program Director at (518) 382-1135.

ROSAry Society Election Day Bake Sale

St. John the Evangelist Rosary Altar Society will hold it’s Annual Election Day Bake Sale on Tuesday, November 5, in the Cafeteria of St. John’s Parish Center. For more information, please call Barbara Mc Evoy, 518-374-8898

ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY THANK YOU

St. John’s Rosary Altar Society would like to thank everyone that donated clothing or helped out in any other way to make our Annual Clothing Sale on September 28th such a success as it was. THANK YOU TO EVERYONE!!! Kathy Carney and Diane Dolan.

All Saints Day

Masses: Friday, November 1, St. Anthony’s 8:00 am
St. John the Evangelist, 12:15 pm & 6:30 pm

All Souls Day

An All Soul’s Memorial Mass will be celebrated Saturday, November 2, 8:00 am at St. Anthony’s Church and 10:00 am at St. John the Evangelist Church. This Mass is to remember all who have died this year and were buried from our Church. Please plan to attend.

Rest in Peace

Your prayers are requested for the repose of the souls of Charles King and Mary Anne Kirsch.

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.

LightHouse Catholic Media CD’s.

- Check out our display of CD’s at our center doors at the Union Street entrance. You will find informative, life changing talks such as 13 Reasons Why You Matter, Anger and Forgiveness, Is Contraception okay, The conversion of a Jewish woman and The Journey of an ardent Atheist to Catholicism. Talks from great speakers such as Bishop Fulton Sheen, Johnette Benkovic, and the humorous Fr. Larry Richards. Please contribute $3 for each CD. This is a not for profit outreach to the families of our parish.

St. Anthony’s Church

Chicken Parmesan Dinner
Friday, October 18th and Saturday, October 19th
4:00 to 8:00 pm both nights

Dinner includes a side of Ziti and Salad, Sr. Maria Rosa’s Homemade Bread, Dessert & Coffee. Cost: $13.00 for adult, Children $6.00. Takeout available. Tell your friends & neighbors, and share a meal together.

THE FELLOWSHIP DINING GROUP

The Fellowship Dining Group will gather to support St. Anthony’s Church at their Chicken Parm Dinner on Saturday, October 19th, 5:30 pm. Please call Dot Maher 518-374-6913 to reserve your place. Limited transportation is available. All are welcome.
SATURDAY, 10 - 19 - 19
4:00 PM  In Honor of the 50th Wedding Anniversary of John & Betty Bergin
Mary Zyra by Rosary Society
Donald Keenan by Diane & Bill Dolan

SUNDAY, 10 - 20 - 19
7:30 AM  John & Helen Stone by Estate
Betty J. Lyons by Estate
9:30 AM  Deceased Members of Hoffa Family by Richard & Julie Hoffa
Michael Posillico by St. John’s Choir
Maxie Renzi & Ellen Renzi by Family
Robert A. Liebers by Mr. & Mrs. Harry Miller
5:00 PM  Robert & Mary C. Emmet by Estate
Florence Paurowski by Estate

HOLIDAY CRAFT SHOW & BAKE SALE
The Rosary Society will host a Craft Show and Bake Sale at the Parish Center Gym on Saturday, December 7th, 10:00 am to 3:00 pm. Crafters or vendors interested to reserve a table may contact Joanne McGrath 518-356-2996 for details.

WORKS OF MERCY: BACK TO SCHOOL
Good Neighbor Program provides clothing to school age children in need to help them feel comfortable, confident and ready to learn. Please help by donating any of the following: Boys & Girls Sizes 4-18 (may be new or gently used) - Jeans, long pants, capris or shorts, long and short sleeve shirts, zip front hooded sweatshirts. (The following must be brand new) sneakers, socks and underwear. Please leave clothing items in the white baskets at entrance of the church. For more information contact Doreen Murdock at sayersd@icloud.com.

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.

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”, Thursdays, 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.
TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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.

Called to Serve Family Sunday - If you would like to attend the Called to Serve Family Sunday taking place on Sunday, November 10, from 2:00 to 5:00 pm at St. Paul the Apostle Church, 2777 Albany St. please pick up a registration form located in the vestibule of the church or in the Parish Office. Registration Forms are due October 28. For question call 518-347-0871 or email worksofmercy schdy@live.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).

Name: _______________________________________

Address: _____________________________________

City: ____________________Zip Code: ____________

DO YOU HAVE 2-3 HOURS PER MONTH TO HELP SOMEONE IN YOUR COMMUNITY?

- 1 in 8 persons over 65 and nearly half of those over 85 will be diagnosed with Alzheimer’s Disease.
- 80% of Alzheimer’s patients are cared for at home by family.

Caring for someone with memory loss can be both isolating and exhausting for family members. THESE FAMILIES NEED YOUR HELP! Belonging to a Care Team, you only give the time you can when you can because there are several of you to share the role of helping the family. The average volunteer offers just 2-3 hours per month. The team provides non-medical support and friendship. All volunteers are offered training and continued support from the staff at Eddy Alzheimer’s Services. If you would like to receive more information about our Faith In Action Care Team Program, please contact Sandy Monahan at Eddy Alzheimer’s Service 518-238-4167 or email Sandra.monahan@sphp.com.

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