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Eucharist

SJESJ - Saturday 4:00 pm, Sunday 9:30 am.

Tuesday and Thursday 12:10 pm (Our Lady's Chapel);

Holy Days 12:10 pm (Church) or as posted

Church of St. Mary - Sunday Masses at 8:00am & 11:00am, LCC Mass for entire area Sunday at 7:00pm. Weekdays on Wednesday and Friday at 7:00am in the Chapel, Holy Days at 6:45am & 8:30pm.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

SJESJ - Saturday 3:30-3:45 pm and communally during Advent and Lent, or by request. At St. Mary's on Thursday evening at 5:30pm.

Baptism

Celebrated weekly, except during Lent. Contact the Parish Office for the Sacramental Prep Schedule.

Marriage

Contact the Parish Office at least six months in advance.

Anointing of the Sick

Offered upon request.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

Offered to all seeking full initiation into the Catholic community. Please contact the Parish Office.

Pastoral Care

Members of our parish community and staff regularly visit area hospitals, nursing homes, and our senior citizen residences. Please call the Parish Office if you or a family member are hospitalized.

Mission

Statement

The Parish of St. John the Evangelist and St. Joseph, as the Roman Catholic Faith Community of Rensselaer, embraces young and old as children of God. United by the bonds of faith, family, and friendships, we are rooted in the love and teachings of Jesus. Inspired and motivated by the Holy Spirit, we are committed to continue spiritual growth and service to all.

We welcome you to share activities in the sacramental, prayer, and social life of the parish using your gift of time, talent, and treasure with your family in faith. Please speak to Deacon Greg Mansfield, or call us for more information about our sacramental programs or ministries.

Pentecost Sunday

Saturday	5/19/18	4:00 PM	Pentecost: Robert Hill, 3 rd Anniversary, <i>by Phyllis Hill & Kristen;</i> Yolanda Mugrace, 20 th Anniversary, <i>by Maria;</i> Richard Ryan, <i>by the Family;</i> Antonietta Bonanni, <i>by Sandy Raus;</i> Christian Dabney, <i>by his Mom & Marc.</i>
Sunday	5/20/18	9:30 AM	Pentecost: Nick Cristo, <i>by America Cardazzi;</i> Florence T. Janenka, 8 th Anniversary, <i>by Frederick & Joanne Zalucki;</i> Mary C. O'Neil, Birthday Remembrance, <i>by the Family.</i>
Tuesday	5/22/18	12:10 PM	Fred Spagnola, 14 th Anniversary, <i>by wife Tina.</i>
Thursday	5/24/18	12:10 PM	In Praise and Thanksgiving, <i>by Victor & Ronnie Barresi</i>
Saturday	5/26/18	4:00 PM	Albert Smith, <i>by the Family;</i> Emma "Emily" Scheibly, <i>by Sandy Raus</i>
Sunday	5/27/18	9:30 AM	Joan Morgan, <i>by Joan Gochee;</i> Antonio Cippollari, <i>by Mary Ann Martyn</i>

HONORED FOR THE MONTH OF MAY

Bread and Wine: Albert DeCelle, Jr.,
by Lynda DeCelle & Family

Sanctuary Light: Albert DeCelle, Jr.,
by Lynda DeCelle & Family

PRAYERS REQUESTED

"Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord; Lord, hear my voice." Fran Barrington, Noelle Barresi-Jones, Marge Davitt, Daniel Gallucci, Bob Gawel, Sharon Griffith, Alex McClenton, Sue Parry, Dylan Pollack, Jacqueline Reed, Paul & Ann Reilly, Wayne Simmons, Marge Waterbury, and Christine Wilson. **We pray for our men and women serving in our armed forces, both here and abroad, especially for Andrew Barresi and Corey Russo.** Let us also pray for our Priest Aspirants, all the men who are in Formation with the Diocese of Albany.

SECOND COLLECTION MAY 26TH & 27TH

Collection for the Church in Central & Eastern Europe.
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CoNSERNS-U WEEKLY NEEDS

This week pantry needs include: Canned fruit, canned meals and hearty canned soups. Thank You!

MOTHER'S DAY FLOWERS

For those who missed the Mother's Day Flowers printing.
Intentions: Mrs. Doris Felts remembers Sarah Baird and Ann C. Kilroy; Mrs. Ann Ryan remembers Ruth Ryan and Anna O'Donnell. **Donors:** Sue Parry. Thank you all for your generosity.

In The Parish This Week

Sun.	5/20	1:00PM NA Meeting McManus Rm 100
		7:00PM LCC Mass at CSM
		End Hosting of Family Promise
Mon.	5/21	7:00PM Knights of Columbus East St. Hall
Wed.	5/23	10:00AM Choir Practice- Rm 100
		6:30PM Baptismal Prep- @CSM
Sat.	5/26	8:45AM Rosary in the Chapel
		1:00PM Literacy Sewing McManus Center
Sun.	5/27	1:00PM NA Meeting McManus Rm 100
		7:00PM LCC Mass at CSM



**Celebrate Pentecost today and
Commemorate the Birthday of the
Catholic Church!**

MEMORIAL DAY SERVICE

Monday, May 28th, 10:00am, at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, Third Ave. Ext., East Greenbush, NY. Rain location will be at St. John & St. Joseph's Church, 54 Herrick St. in Rensselaer. Honor the Men and Women who have served in our armed forces.

MARCH FOR LIFE NEW YORK 2018

On June 4th at 10:30am meet for prayer at the Children's Memorial at the Empire State Plaza. We then march to the Capitol Building for a Pro Life Rally. Many pro life speakers, agencies and churches of all denominations will join us. We are hoping you will join us. **March for Life NY, Its For the Babies!**

PRAY THE ROSARY IN MAY

Join the Rosary Altar Society in the Chapel and pray the Rosary at **8:45am, Saturdays in May,** in honor of our Blessed Virgin Mother, Mary.

"KNOCKING ON HEAVEN'S DOOR"

A program for those of us looking at end of life issues for ourselves and/or loved ones. **Wednesday, May 23rd, 9-11am or 1-3pm.** Presented by **Fr. Tom Konopka, MDiv, LCSW.** \$15pp, info/reservations call the Dominican Retreat & Conf. Center, 518-393-4169.

May 20, 2018

Deacon's Desk: *"Trying to do the Lord's work in your own strength is the most confusing, exhausting, and tedious of all work. But when you are filled with the Holy Spirit, then the ministry of Jesus just flows out of you."*

~ **Corrie Ten Boom** ~

Pentecost is here. It is hard to imagine we are already fifty days past Easter and look at what amazing things had occurred in our Church so long ago. From a few huddled disciples, a couple of them giving up and going home, one apostle gone, another denying even knowing Jesus, and one even doubting the Resurrection, to the descent of the Holy Spirit upon those faithful survivors, and three thousand new converts in a matter of minutes. Yes, out of those confusing and exhausting days sprung forth the blossoming of new hope for all peoples.

As we reflect on our own state of life in our Church today we find ourselves also on the cusp of renewed faith and hope. We've seen too many events that leave us disheartened. Here is the chance, the day, to move out of the darkness of the upper room illumined by the light of the Holy Spirit. As flickering lights in the winds of the world, we are made new in the Holy Spirit, to bring forth Christ's message of hope and healing to this broken world.

Reborn in the Spirit, we take a moment of thanksgiving to this great gift we have and to allow our lives to be transformed by the love of Christ in us in the Spirit. Let's lighten up our lives today with a joy flowing forth from us as a torrent of love and peace.

In peace,

Deacon Greg

SAVE THE DATE, MONDAY, JUNE 18, 2018

It's the 19th Annual Church of St. Mary Golf Classic at Wolferts Roost Country Club, Albany NY. Sign-up forms available at the back table in the Church. Come and play golf or just come for the dinner and join in the fun!

GOT DRUGS?

Turn in your **unused or expired medication** for safe disposal on **Mon. May 21st from 6-7pm** at the Rensselaer High School Auditorium, 25 VanRensselaer Dr.

WOMEN'S BREAKFAST

Albany NY Chapter of Magnificat, is hosting a breakfast on **Sat., June 2nd from 9am - 12pm** at the Holiday Inn Express Latham, 400 Old Loudon Rd., Latham, NY. **Tickets \$25.00**, Clergy and Religious- Free! Speaker is Susan Conroy, show host from EWTN. Register by **May 21st**. Call Kathleen @ 518-930-8380 or Magnificat-ministry.net/chapters-websites/Albany-ny/

Serving Next Weekend 5/26 - 5/27	
If unable to serve, please find a replacement.	
SATURDAY	4:00 PM Mass
Tabernacle Host	Mollie Shook
Tabernacle Cup	Rita Zenzen
Center Host	Susan Shook
Joseph's Host	Sandy Raus
Joseph's Cup	Deacon Greg
Lector I	William Wohlleber
Lector II	Pauline Wohlleber
SUNDAY	9:30 AM Mass
Tabernacle Host	Judy Wainman
Tabernacle Cup	Deacon Greg
Center Host	Jerry Wainman
Joseph's Host	Mary Reilly
Joseph's Cup	Agata Verrelli
Lector I	Georgeann Greene
Lector II	Peter Mahar

FEAST OF CORPUS CHRISTI, WITNESS FOR LIFE TROY EUCHARISTIC PROCESSION

On **Thursday, May 31st at 5:30pm**, join us as we publicly express our belief in Christ on the Solemnity of Corpus Christi. The procession starts at St. Anthony of Padua Shrine Church, 28 State St. Troy, then process to Monument Square and return to St. Anthony's for Benediction. First communicants may wear their first communion attire. Sponsored by the Pro Life Society of Our Lady of Guadalupe of St. Joseph's Church, Troy. For information call Maurita McGuire 518-203-6311.

2018 SAGE COLLEGES' BASKETBALL CAMP

Basketball camp available for boys ages 7-15 on **June 25th to June 29th**, from 9am to 4pm, free early drop-off and late pick-up. For information call **Brian Barnes at 518-292-1969**, or barneb@sage.edu, check the flyer!

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Week Ending May 13, 2018	
Amount Received from Collection	\$4,719.25
Amount Received from E-Giving	\$380.00
Total Received Last Weekend	\$5,099.25
Budgeted Weekly Need	\$4,327.00
Last Week's Difference Over (Under) Budget	\$772.25
Year-to-Date Fiscal Year	
Received Year-to-Date	\$194,995.84
Budgeted Year-To-Date	\$199,042.00
Year-to-Date Difference: Over (Under) Budget	(\$4,046.16)

The Ascension of the Lord: \$528.50

Weekly Goal (To meet our current needs): \$7,505.00

Average Weekly Collection to Date: \$4,239.04

Reminder: Our fiscal year is July 1 - June 30.

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