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Eucharist

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

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

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

Church of St. Mary- Sunday Masses at 8:00am & 11:00am

Sunday, 7:00pm LCC Mass for entire area. Weekdays on
Wednesday and Friday at 7:00am in the Chapel, Holy Days
at 6:45am & 5:30pm.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

SJESJ Saturday 3:30-3:45 p.m. 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.

The Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday	6/16/18	4:00 PM	Harold Bonacker, <i>by Sandy Raus</i> ; Barbara Yonkers, <i>by Judith A. Marquardt</i> ; Concetta Concolino & Giuseppi Concolino, <i>by the Family</i> ; Joseph Concolino, 10 th Anniversary, <i>by the Family</i> .
Sunday	6/17/18	9:30 AM	Father's Day - Emma "Emily" Scheibly, <i>by Joan Gochee</i> ; Pat Celella, 90 th Birthday Anniversary, <i>by Nancy, Mike & Erika</i> ; Nicholas Cristo & Dominick Galluzzo, <i>by Rose & Pat Cristo</i> ; Helen Gregory, <i>by Frederick & Joanne Zalucki</i> .
Tuesday	6/19/18	12:10 PM	Jim Rich & Howie Judd, <i>remembered by the Class of 1959 at St. John's Academy</i> .
Thursday	6/21/18	12:10 PM	Fr. Joe Cotugno, <i>by Estate</i> .
Saturday	6/23/18	4:00 PM	James West, 29 th Anniversary, <i>by Mary Ann West</i> ; Rose Bix, <i>by Joan Uvyn</i> ; Richard Ryan, <i>by the Family</i> .
Sunday	6/24/18	9:30 AM	Dan Lioi, <i>by Estate</i> ; Elizabeth Sepcilka, <i>by sister Joan Gochee</i> ; Vincenza "Jennie" Testa, <i>by Frederick & Joanne Zalucki</i> ; Debra A. Graves, <i>by the Bereavement Ministry</i> .

HONORED FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE

Bread and Wine: Galluzzo Family, by Rose & Pat Cristo

Sanctuary Light: Cristo Family, by Rose & Pat Cristo

PRAYERS REQUESTED

"Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord; Lord, hear my voice." Noelle Barresi-Jones, Marge Davitt, Daniel Gallucci, Bob Gawel, Sharon Griffith, Alex McClenton, Joan McLean, Sue Parry, Dylan Pollack, Jacqueline Reed, Paul & Ann Reilly, Wayne Simmons, Marge Waterbury, and Christine Wilson.

For those who would like a special Mass said for a seriously ill family member or friend, Mass Cards are available for \$10 and intentions will be listed.

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.

DON'T FORGET: THIS MONDAY, JUNE 18TH

Monday, June 18th, the St. Mary's Golf Tournament, Wolferts Roost, Starting around 11:00am. **AND**

The Rosary Altar Society Dinner at 6:00pm at Illusive Restaurant. HOPE YOU ALL SIGNED UP!

In The Parish This Week

Sun.	6/17	1:00PM NA Meeting McManus Rm 100 7:00PM LCC Mass at CSM
Mon.	6/18	11:00AM St. Mary's Golf Tournament 6:00PM Rosary Altar Soc. Dinner- Illusive 7:00PM Knights of Columbus- East St. Hall
Sat.	6/23	1:00PM Literacy Sewing McManus Center
Sun.	6/24	1:00PM NA Meeting McManus Rm 100 7:00PM LCC Mass at CSM

CATHOLIC COMMUNICATION CAMPAIGN

There will be a second collection this weekend, **June 16 & 17**. The Catholic Communication Campaign connects people to Christ here in the diocese and around the world through radio, TV, internet and print. Thank you for your generosity.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Romeo Miguel de los Santos and **Amilio Michael de los Santos** are Baptized into Faith this Saturday, June 16th. We wish them and their family many prayers and blessings on this special day and welcome them to our Parish Family!

THANKS TO ALL WHO ATTENDED THE BBQ!

Special thanks to **Chris Desany** for his culinary skills and all those that helped him by providing the homemade salads, beans, etc., on Sunday, June 3rd. Perfect weather, good company, and a well orchestrated event contributed to the good time that was had by all. **Thanks again to the St. Mary's Crew!**

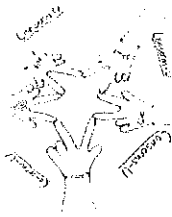
CATHOLIC CHARITIES

"NIGHT AT THE MUSEUM"

Thursday, June 21st, at 5:30pm at the NYS Museum in Albany. The annual summer event will honor the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet with the Bishop Howard Hubbard Humanitarian Award and John Murray, Jr. with the Sr. Maureen Joyce Charities Award. The evening feature food by Mazzone Hospitality, drinks, live music, and a silent auction of world class vacations! Tickets are \$125 online at www.ccrda.org or call 518-453-6650. All proceeds benefit Catholic Charities of Albany.

CoNSERNS-U WEEKLY NEEDS

This week pantry needs include: Toiletries, canned fruit and canned soups! Thank You! Colleen and Mary D.



CoNSERNS-U

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June 13, 2018

Dear Friends,

CoNSERNS-U will be holding our free school supply program again this year. This program allows students to get the school supplies that they need and at no charge to them. The program has been extremely successful in the past, due largely to the wonderful support we have gotten from area churches and organizations. So, once again, we are appealing to you for help.

We will be setting up our "store" in August and need the following items: dry erase markers, plastic pocket folders, 3 and 5 subject notebooks, (please, NO one subject notebooks), 3 ring binders (1 ½ inch, 2 inch, and 3 inch), scientific calculators (TI 34 priced under \$20), composition books, glue sticks, colored pencils, markers, highlighters, subject dividers, zippered pencil cases, loose leaf paper (wide rule only), scissors, index cards, pens, pencils... and especially **new backpacks**.

The cost of school supplies can make it very difficult for low income families to purchase what is needed. Our free supply program not only allows the students to be prepared for the first day of school but it also helps those students to start the school year in a positive way.

Last year we served 365 students and we are hoping to serve even more this year. Any help you can give us will be greatly appreciated! Our store will be held on Friday, August 17. Please have supplies to CoNSERNS-U by Friday, August 10. Thank you.

For more information please call CoNSERNS-U at 463-8571 or **Sandy Barnhart at 674-2747**.

Sincerely,

Colleen Pidgeon
Program Coordinator

Sandy Barnhart
Volunteer Coordinator for
the Back to School Supplies Program

Father's Day - June 17, 2018

Deacon's Desk: Our first submission, I hope you find this inspirational and enlightening.

~ St. Lutgarde of Aywières ~

The first known woman to receive the stigmata, St. Lutgarde was born in 1182 in Tongres Belgium. At 12 she entered in St. Catherine's Benedictine Convent. After a vision of Christ, she professed her vows and dedicate her life to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. In her last years, she became blind and died on June 16, 1246.

Her life was marked by penance and prayer and soon became known as one of our Medieval mystics of the Church. During a vision with Jesus she prayed: *"Take (my heart), dear Lord. But take it in such a way that the love of Your Heart may be so mingled and united with my own heart that I may possess my heart in Thee, and that it may always remain there secure in Your protection."*

A later vision of Christ crucified, and of St. John the Evangelist as the "Eagle of Patmos" set her on the theological pathway of wisdom, discernment and truth. In 1205 at the age of 23, she was elected Superioress, but chose rather to enter the Cistercian (Trappist) convent. There, after a vision of the Blessed Virgin Mary, she entered a seven year fast (the first of three) for the conversion of sinners and heretics.

During this time, at the age of 29, and with two witnesses, while praying to St. Agnes, she collapsed with an open wound in her side, she received the stigmata and given a bloody sweat. The third fast led her up to her death. Again, Christ appeared to her warning of attacks on the Church.

In her life she continued to intercede for those in purgatory and is credited with the release of several souls to heaven. She is also known to have performed several miraculous healings, including an epileptic and a deaf woman.

Her life story was recounted in her biography "What Are These Wounds" by Thomas Merton. She is the patron saint of the blind and physically disabled.

SAVE THE DATE

Attention: Altar Servers, Children's Choir and Instrumentalists: On Saturday, July 14th, from 10:00am to 1:00pm, the FunFlex Fun Park has been reserved for you as a thank you for all your great work serving in your ministry in the Parish of St. John the Evangelist and St. Joseph this past year. (Food and drink is additional and can be purchased at the park). More information to come, stay tuned!



Serving Next Weekend 6/23 - 6/24	
If unable to serve, please find a replacement.	
NOTE: Summer Schedule	
SATURDAY	4:00 PM Mass
Center Host	Mary Ann West
Tabernacle Cup	Sheila Millea
Joseph's Cup	Deacon Greg
Lector I & II	Pauline Wohlleber
SUNDAY	9:30 AM Mass
Center Host	Judy Wainman
Tabernacle Cup	Deacon Greg
Joseph's Cup	Jerry Wainman
Lector I & II	Dawn Gillan

"FIND A SAINT"

Have you a special Saint in mind you'd like to know more of? If you would like to have answers, drop a note, email or call the office this summer and they'll be highlighted in the weekly "Deacon's Desk".

THANK YOU FROM THE ST. ANTHONY'S SOCIETY

Thank you to Father Tom, Deacon Greg, Mary Memole, and ministers for the wonderful services for the St. Anthony Triduum. Thanks to all who attended the services and the great Brunch put on by Al Pollack and his crew, and to the Society members who helped make this event a success.

ROMAN CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF ALBANY

Annual Respect Life Forum

This annual meeting will take place at **St. Ambrose Church Parish Hall**, 347 Old Loudon Road, Latham, NY, on **Friday, June 22nd, from 7:00PM - 9:00PM**. Learn more about Respect Life Ministry in the diocese. Contact Renee Morgiewicz at the Respect Life Ministry Office @ 518-453-6609 or email at: renee.morgiewicz@rcda.org.

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Week Ending June 10, 2018	
Amount Received from Collection	\$4,436.00
Amount Received from E-Giving	\$665.00
Total Received Last Weekend	\$5,101.00
Budgeted Weekly Need	\$4,327.00
Last Week's Difference Over (Under) Budget	\$774.00
Year-to-Date Fiscal Year	
Received Year-to-Date	\$211,333.84
Budgeted Year-To-Date	\$216,350.00
Year-to-Date Difference: Over (Under) Budget	(\$5,016.16)

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

Average Weekly Collection to Date: \$4,226.68

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

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