

# The Parish of St. John the Evangelist and St. Joseph

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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 Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday	6/30/18	4:00 PM	Rose M. Hopeck, <i>by Ken Hopeck</i> ; The Di Blasio Family, <i>by their Daughter</i>
Sunday	7/1/18	9:30 AM	Salvatore Scattareggia, <i>by sister Marge</i> ; Mario & Sandro Marcoccia, <i>by wife &amp; mother, Ada Marcoccia</i> ; Carol Luizzi Francisco, 5 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary, <i>by Marge Scattareggia</i> .
Tuesday	7/3/18	12:10 PM	Anna O'Donnell, <i>by the Family</i>
Thursday	7/5/18	12:10 PM	Stafford & Mary Gilbert, <i>by Estate</i>
Saturday	7/7/18	4:00 PM	Georgia Janenka, 8 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary, & Vincent Janenka, 1 <sup>st</sup> Anniversary, <i>by Stephen, Vincent, Linda, and Matthew</i> ; William M. Lape, <i>by Estate</i> ; Leo F. Salvagni, <i>by Sandy Raus</i> .
Sunday	7/8/18	9:30 AM	Victor Cipollari, <i>by niece, Mary Ann Martyn</i> ; Paul J. Reilly, <i>by Frederick &amp; Joanne Zalucci</i> ; Debra A. Graves, <i>by SJESJ Rosary Altar Society</i> ; Vincenza "Vinnie" Mahar, <i>by SJESJ St. Anthony's Society</i> ; George Kirsch, 4 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary, <i>by Joe Mosca</i> .

### **HONORED FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE**

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

**Sanctuary Light:** Cristo Family, *by Rose & Pat Cristo*

### **HONORED FOR THE MONTH OF JULY**

**Bread and Wine:** In Memory of Floyd Smith, *by Suzanne Polsinello*

**Sanctuary Light:** In Memory of Floyd Smith, *by Suzanne Polsinello*

### **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, Bill McLoughlin, Sue Parry, Jacqueline Reed, Ann Reilly, Wayne Simmons, Marge Waterbury, and Christine Wilson. **Please Note:** Permission must be obtained from the person being prayed for or a family member to be included on our list. Persons are removed after three months unless a special request is made.

**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.

### **In The Parish This Week**

Sun.	7/1	1:00PM NA Meeting McManus Rm 100 7:00PM LCC Mass at CSM
Tues.	7/3	2:00PM Grief Support Group- CSM
Wed.	7/4	<b>Parish Office Closed- 4<sup>th</sup> of July Holiday</b>
Sat.	7/7	1:00PM Literacy Sewing McManus Center
Sun.	7/8	1:00PM NA Meeting McManus Rm 100 7:00PM LCC Mass at CSM



### **CoNSERNS-U WEEKLY NEEDS**

**This week pantry needs include:** Toiletries (shampoo, conditioner), canned meals and hearty soups (no tomato). Thank You! Colleen and Mary D.

Don't forget the **Back to School Supplies Program!** The supplies list is posted at the back of church. Collection of supplies ends on August 10 to be ready for distribution.

### **VACATION BIBLE CAMP**

VBC will be held the week of August 6<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup>, from 9:00am to 12:00pm at St. Mary of Clinton Heights. Registration form and information is available by contacting Maureen Billa at 518-449-2232 or [Maureen@stmaryny.org](mailto:Maureen@stmaryny.org).



### **SAVE THE DATE- SEPTEMBER 22, 2018**

We invite you to save the date for the inaugural *Hearts Afame Eucharistic Congress*, to be held **September 22**, at the Shrine of the North American Martyrs in Auriesville, NY. A "Eucharistic Congress" is a special gathering led by the Bishop focused on our Lord Jesus in the Eucharist. It is a time of joy, fellowship, prayer, and unity. This will be a time of spiritual renewal for our whole diocese. More to come - stay tuned!

### **MASS CARDS FOR THE SERIOUSLY ILL**

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.

**July 1, 2018**

**Deacon's Desk:** St. Maria Faustina Kowalska of the Blessed Sacrament, OLM.

*Yes, I understand she is not as obscure as I would choose, but I promised to make an allowance for this one.*

St. Maria was born Helena Kowalska, the third of ten children, on August 25, 1905 in Glogowiec, Poland, and died October 5, 1938 in Krakow. She is known as a mystic, whose visions of the Sacred Heart of Jesus became a devotion and inspiration to the Divine Mercy. She is known today as "The Apostle of Divine Mercy."

At the age of 20 years, she joined a convent in Warsaw, Poland. She lived in the Congregation for thirteen years in several religious houses. She spent time at Krakow, Plock and Vilnius, where she worked as a cook, gardener, and porter. She was later transferred to Plock, and then moved to Vilnius where she met her confessor Father Michał Sopoćko, who supported her devotion to the Divine Mercy. They directed an artist to paint the first Divine Mercy image, based on Faustina's vision of Jesus. Fr. Sopoćko used the image in celebrating the first Mass on the first Sunday after Easter. Subsequently, Pope John Paul II established the Feast of Divine Mercy on that Sunday of each liturgical year.

During one of her visions, the Lord spoke to her: "I sent prophets wielding thunderbolts to My people. Today I am sending you with My mercy to the people of the whole world. I do not want to punish aching mankind, but I desire to heal it, pressing it to My Merciful Heart." (*Diary*, 1588)

Throughout her life, Faustina reported having visions of Jesus and conversations with him, of which she wrote in her diary, later published as *The Diary of Saint Maria Faustina Kowalska: Divine Mercy in My Soul*. Her biography, submitted to the Congregation for the Causes of Saints, quoted some of these conversations with Jesus regarding the Divine Mercy devotion. You may visit the National Shrine of The Divine Mercy in Stockbridge, MA. She was canonized April 30, 2000.

In peace,

*Deacon Greg*

**CONCERT FOR VOCATIONS**

You are invited to an evening of sacred and classical music performed by vocalists, instrumentalists, and ensembles of priests, brothers, sisters, deacons and seminarians. This year's *Concert for Vocations* takes place on **Tuesday, August 7<sup>th</sup>, at St. Pius X Church in Loudonville**. The evening begins at 6pm with a Holy Hour and Benediction with Bishop Scharfenberger and will conclude with about 90 minutes of music and light refreshments at a reception about 8:30pm.

Serving Next Weekend 7/7 - 7/8	
If unable to serve, please find a replacement.	
NOTE: Summer Schedule	
<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>4:00 PM Mass</b>
Center Host	Sue Shook
Tabernacle Cup	Rita Zenzen
Joseph's Cup	Deacon Greg
Lector I & II	Dawn Gillan
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>9:30 AM Mass</b>
Center Host	Theresa Baird
Tabernacle Cup	Deacon Greg
Joseph's Cup	Agata Verrelli
Lector I & II	Peter Mahar

~~~~~ **HAPPY 4<sup>TH</sup> OF JULY** ~~~~~

Remember to honor those who have served and those who lost their lives protecting our freedom. Fly your flags proudly and celebrate safely! *Happy Birthday USA and God Bless America! (P.S. Happy Birthday Mollie!)*

**SAVE THE DATE**

**Attention: Altar Servers, Children's Choir and Instrumentalists:** On Saturday, July 14<sup>th</sup>, 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!

**LIVING FAITH BOOKLETS AVAILABLE**

Our newest issues of Living Faith are now available at the main doors of the Church. Please feel free to take an extra copy home for any family member or friend who may be homebound or ill and cannot be with us.

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| <b>Week Ending June 24, 2018</b>                    |              |
|-----------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| Amount Received from Collection                     | \$3,875.00   |
| Amount Received from E-Giving                       | \$45.00      |
| Total Received Last Weekend                         | \$3,920.00   |
| Budgeted Weekly Need                                | \$4,327.00   |
| Last Week's Difference <b>Over</b> (Under) Budget   | (\$407.00)   |
| <b>Year-to-Date Fiscal Year</b>                     |              |
| Received Year-to-Date                               | \$218,693.84 |
| Budgeted Year-To-Date                               | \$225,004.00 |
| Year-to-Date Difference: <b>Over</b> (Under) Budget | (\$6,310.16) |

**Weekly Goal (To meet our current needs): \$7,505.00**  
**Average Weekly fiscal Collection to Date: \$4,205.65**  
**Reminder: Our fiscal year is July 1 - June 30.**

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