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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 Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday	7/21/18	4:00 PM	Renato Bonanni, <i>by Sandy Raus</i> ; Elinor Connell, <i>by Sheila Millea</i> .
Sunday	7/22/18	9:30 AM	Joseph Kappes, <i>by the Kappes Family</i> ; Leo F. Salvagni, <i>by America Cardazzi</i> ; Kevin L. Koch(son), <i>by Lynn & Walter Kock, Jr.</i> ; Jeanette M. Daoud, <i>Frederick & Joanne Zalucki</i> .
Tuesday	7/24/18	12:10 PM	Elinor Connell, <i>by Victor & Ronnie Barresi</i>
Thursday	7/26/18	12:10 PM	Viola Gale, <i>by Estate</i> ; Ellis Leo Face, <i>by daughter Judy & son-in-law Danny</i>
Saturday	7/28/18	4:00 PM	Wilfred Poirier, 10 th Anniversary, <i>by wife Diane & daughter Paula</i> ; Elinor Connell, <i>by Rita & Michael Zenzen</i> .
Sunday	7/29/18	9:30 AM	Jack & Mary Keenan, <i>by Jack Millea</i> ; Leo F. Salvagni, <i>by Maria Quattrocci</i> ; Vincentia C. Mahar, <i>by Frederick & Joanne Zalucci</i> ; Mary G. Spath, <i>by Cynthia & Dennis O'Sullivan</i> ; Maria Antoniella Barbalace, <i>by Joe, Lou, & Mario Mosca</i> .

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." Joseph Buono, Marge Davitt, Bob Grant, Marie Ladouceur, Joan McLean, Bill McLoughlin, Jackie Nardacci, Jacqueline Reed, Ann Reilly, Harry Seaburg, and Wayne Simmons **Please Note:** Permission must be obtained from the person being prayed for or from a family member, to be included on our prayer 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.

SECOND COLLECTION JULY 28TH & 29TH

There is a second collection July 28th & 29th, for ***Peter's Pence***, which provides ***Pope Francis*** with the funds needed to carry out his charitable works. This collection benefits our brothers and sisters on the margins of society. Please be a **"Witness to Charity"** and be as generous as possible! Thank You in advance!

In The Parish This Week

Sun. 7/22	1:00PM NA Meeting McManus Rm 100 7:00PM LCC Mass at CSM
Mon. 7/23	7:00PM Our Lady of Peace Prayer Group Celebrating 27 Years!
Wed. 7/25	12:00PM Staff Meeting-- Office Closed
Sat. 7/28	1:00PM Literacy Sewing McManus Center
Sun. 7/29	1:00PM NA Meeting McManus Rm 100 7:00PM LCC Mass at CSM



SAVE THE DATE- SEPTEMBER 22, 2018

We invite you to save the date for the inaugural ***Hearts Aflame 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!

A WARM WELCOME TO DEACON AL !!

Welcome to St. Mary's Parish Community. We here at St. John/St. Joseph's Parish are looking forward to working with you as our parishes work together toward a common goal!

CONSERNS-U WEEKLY NEEDS

This week pantry needs include: Canned meats (spam, hash, chilli, etc.), canned meals (spaghetti, ravioli, etc.), and canned fruit. 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. **Kindegarden through 8th Grade sign up now**.** Must bring 2018-2019 Class school supply list, proof of current address, & proof of income. No appointment necessary to pick up supplies on **Friday, August 17th.** ****We will provide for High School Students once they receive the school supplies information from their teachers.**

NEW CEMETERY RULES & REGULATIONS

New cemetery rules and regulations are available at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery or at the Cemetery Office in the Parish House.

Deacon's Desk:

St. Sharbel Makhoulf

Born Youssef Antoun Makhoulf in 1828, in Lebanon, and growing up with a true Christian upbringing, Youssef had a true love for prayer. Following his two hermit uncles in the hermitage, he converted to monastic life as a hermit at the age of 23, soon entering the Maronite Order and taking the name Sharbel, a second century martyr.

Six years later in 1859, he was ordained a priest at St. Maron's Monastery in Annaya, later residing at their hermitage of the St Peter & Paul. He lived the saintly life of a hermit, spending time in prayer and worship. He would regularly attend to the sacramental needs of the local villages and was known for his holiness and compassion. He fasted regularly and held a deep devotion to the Blessed Sacrament.

After becoming ill in mid-December 1898, St. Sharbel died on Christmas eve and was buried in the St Maron monastery cemetery. Many pilgrims came to his grave, and many sick were cured. In 1925, his beatification and canonization were proposed for declaration by Pope Pius XI. He was beatified by Pope Paul VI in 1965 and canonized in 1981.

Pope St. John Paul II said the Church as two lungs, East and West, and said we must learn to breathe with both. When we honor St. Sharbel, we honor our diversity and unity in the Catholic Church. God speaks to us in many languages and customs. St. Sharbel directs us to God's grace regardless of our individual situation in life. His feast day is this week, July 24th. Prayer, sacrifice, and charity are the hallmarks of the saintly life we are all called to live each and every day.

In peace,

Deacon Greg

Saints Follow-up: Two names have come up these past weeks which need some clarifications. Cornelia was a name that could not be identified as a martyr of the early Church, hence she was removed from the calendar of saints. It is most likely a feminization of St. Cornelius, who baptized Paul, traveled with him, and was subsequently martyred. There is no saint listed for Sharon, and the name most likely refers to the Plain of Sharon from the Old Testament, a coastal region of Israel.

VACATION BIBLE CAMP

VBC will be held the week of **August 6th-10th**, from 9:00am to 12:00pm at **St. Mary of Clinton Heights**. Information is available by contacting Maureen Billa at 518-449-2232 or Maureen@stmaryny.org.

Serving Next Weekend 7/28- 7/29	
If unable to serve, please find a replacement.	
NOTE: Summer Schedule	
SATURDAY	4:00 PM Mass
Center Host	Sandy Raus
Tabernacle Cup	Bill McLoughlin
Joseph's Cup	Deacon Greg
Lector I & II	Walda Cobain
SUNDAY	9:30 AM Mass
Center Host	Theresa Baird
Tabernacle Cup	Deacon Greg
Joseph's Cup	Agata Verrelli
Lector I & II	Bill Mahar

FOR THE LOVE OF BAGS AND BLING!

Join us **Tuesday, July 24th**, at the Zaloga American Legion Post, 4 Everett Rd., Albany. **VIP viewing** 4:30-5:30pm, \$20 pre-event/\$25 at the door, **Gen. Admission** 5:30-8:30pm, \$10 pre-event/\$15 at the door. All proceeds benefit **St. Paul's Center**. More info call 518-434-2910.

"THE RITES OF INITIATION"

Video Recording Session

Be a part of the assembly and participate in the Rite of Acceptance, the Rite of Sending for Election, The Scrutinies and The Vigil. (No charge for this workshop.) **Thursday, July 26th**, from 1pm to 4pm at **Our Lady of Victory Church, 55 North Lake Ave, Troy, NY.**

CONCERT FOR VOCATIONS

This year's **Concert for Vocations** takes place on **Tuesday, August 7th**, 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, then light refreshments at a reception about 8:30pm. Enjoy!

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Week Ending July 15, 2018	
Amount Received from Collection	\$3,327.00
Amount Received from E-Giving	\$145.00
Total Received Last Weekend	\$3,472.00
Budgeted Weekly Need	\$4,412.00
Last Week's Difference Over (Under) Budget	(\$940.00)
Year-to-Date Fiscal Year	
Received Year-to-Date	\$12,976.50
Budgeted Year-To-Date	\$13,236.00
Year-to-Date Difference: Over (Under) Budget	(\$259.50)

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

Average Weekly Collection to Date: \$4,325.50

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

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