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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 Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday	9/1/18	4:00 PM	William M. Lape, <i>by Estate</i> ; Albert P. Hopeck, <i>by Ken Hopeck</i> ; Carolina Tobia, <i>by sister Maria Petrosin</i> ; Elinor Connell, <i>by sister Jean.</i>
Sunday	9/2/18	9:30 AM	Carmela Vona, 1 st Anniversary, <i>by Joseph, Mary Ann, & Linda</i> ; Chester Macci, <i>by the Family</i> .
Tuesday	9/4/18	12:10 PM	Beth Smith, <i>by Corrie Siligato</i>
Thursday	9/6/18	12:10 PM	Fr. Edward Konisky, <i>by Estate</i>
Saturday	9/8/18	4:00 PM	Elinor Connell, <i>by Sue & Dan Shook</i>
Sunday	9/9/18	9:30 AM	Margie Wilcox, <i>by sister Joan Gochee</i> ; Leo Salvagni, <i>by the Attura Family</i> ; Dominic J. Carnibucci, Sr., <i>by Cynthia & Dennis O'Sullivan</i> .

HONORED FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER

Bread and Wine: In Memory of Mary E. Cooley, by daughter Joan.

Sanctuary Light: In Memory of Mary E. Cooley, by daughter Joan.

PRAYERS REQUESTED

"Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord; Lord, hear my voice." Joseph Buono, Joe Carney, Marge Davitt, Bob Grant, Marie Ladouceur, Joan McLean, Jackie Nardacci, Richard Palmer, Anita Parese, Harry Seaburg, Wayne Simmons, Greg Scheider, and Ron Wager. **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.

CoNSERNS-U WEEKLY NEEDS

This weeks special needs include: Canned tuna, hearty soups and canned fruit. Thank You! Colleen and Mary D.

A SINCERE THANK YOU FROM THE MAMMANO FAMILY

We received a lovely Thank You note from the Mammano Family, which you will recall lost both grandparents and children in a horrible fire last April 2nd, 2018 in the Catskills, their Mother lives here in Rensselaer. They send their gratitude for our support and generous donation.

In The Parish This Week

Sun.	9/2	1:00PM NA Meeting McManus Rm 100 7:00PM LCC Mass at CSM
<i>End Hosting of Family Promise</i>		
Mon.	9/3	<i>Labor Day- Parish Offices Closed</i>
Sat.	9/8	1:00PM Literacy Sewing McManus Center
Sun.	9/9	1:00PM NA Meeting McManus Rm 100 7:00PM LCC Mass at CSM

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### **COMING SOON! - SEPTEMBER 22, 2018**

We invite you to 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. See the flyer for details. Sign up sheets at the back of Church.

### **SAVE THE DATE FOR A DAY TRIP!**

The **Rosary Altar Society** is sponsoring a day trip on **Wednesday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>**, to Fawn Ledge Farm in Jamaica, Vermont to enjoy a day visiting ***Our Lady of Ephesus House of Prayer***. This is a replica of the home where our Blessed Mother lived in Ephesus, Turkey. Stay tuned for more information!

### **2018-2019 CONCERT SERIES AT THE FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

Celebrating their 44th season, the **First United Methodist Church** is pleased to present this Concert Series as an opportunity to glorify God through the gift of music. The church is located at 603 State Street, Schenectady. Concerts are free of charge. Call the Church Office for more information at **518-374-4403**

**Sept. 30, 2018, at 3:00pm-** *Raul Prieto Ramirez*, Concert Organist.

**March 24, 2019, at 3:00pm-** *The Young People's Chorus of New York City*, Directed by Francisco Nunez.

**May 5, 2019-** at 3:00pm- *Lisa Vroman*- Lyric Soprano, Star of the Broadway Stage.

### **CONVOCATION AT MATER CHRIST PARISH**

On **Wednesday, September 5, 2018, at 7:00pm**, St. Bernard's School of Theology and Ministry will host its Annual Convocation at Mater Christi Parish in Albany, 35 Hearst Ave., Albany. The speaker will be Mary Frohlich, RSCJ, a Professor of Spirituality from Catholic Theological Union in Chicago. Her presentation will be on "A Christological Spirituality for Conversion to the Earth". In the midst of today's ecological crisis, Christians are called to reconnect with the earth and with Christ who lives in every being great and small. All are welcome to attend.



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**Deacon's Desk:**

**THE LIVES OF THE SAINTS**

I hope you enjoyed our summer series as much as I did researching them. You came up with some really good ones, and after looking over the past eight weeks, I hope they gave you some pause for reflection.

Going over their stories, some basic qualities came out for me. Whether well known, as the Blessed Mother, or unknown my many, as St. Aibert of Crespin, they all held a deep and abiding love of Jesus. They proved that, whatever and wherever their call led them, into the deep woods as a hermit, or to the Queenship of the Universe, their trust in Jesus in good times and bad, was unailing.

They loved. They would always place the needs of others ahead of themselves. No crisis of want would go untended. They would sacrifice their personal comfort to tent the needs of those around them. Whether it be hunger or disease, loneliness or a pregnancy of an elderly relative, they would make every effort to insure their comfort and security.

They fasted. They accepted whatever life brought them. They never sought recognition for themselves. They always lived a humble life, in humble places, content with doing the work of Christ in their daily routine.

They prayed. Not only in the celebration of the Mass, or Sabbath in the synagogue, but each day and night. They were always turning to Christ for support and strength, seeking holy perspective in their own lives. Most of all, they were ordinary people performing extraordinary things. Trusting in God, they lived without fear, living each day as a blessing, and blessing those whose lives they touched. May we all seek to emulate our favorite saint in this life, to join with them in the communion of saints in heaven.

In peace,

*Deacon Greg*

**HALF-WAY TO ST. PADDY'S DAY PARTY**

The Sisters of St. Joseph will hold this event on **Friday, Sept. 7<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00pm** at the St. Joseph's Provincial House dining room, 385 Watervliet-Shaker Road, Latham. Tickets are \$20 presale or \$25 at the door. Light fare and drinks available for sale, plus raffles and 50/50! Entertainment by the "Get Up Jack" Band. **Must be 21 to attend.** For information call **518-389-2654** or **518-783-3600**.



| Serving Next Weekend 9/8 - 9/9                        |                            |
|-------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| <b>If unable to serve, please find a replacement.</b> |                            |
| <b><u>SATURDAY</u></b>                                |                            |
|                                                       | <b><u>4:00 PM Mass</u></b> |
| Tabernacle Cup                                        | Nancy Agans                |
| Tabernacle Host                                       | John White                 |
| Center Host                                           | Dawn Gillan                |
| Joseph's Cup                                          | Deacon Greg                |
| Joseph's Host                                         | Sheila Millea              |
| Lector I                                              | Pauline Wohlleber          |
| Lector II                                             | William Wholleber          |
| <b><u>SUNDAY</u></b>                                  |                            |
|                                                       | <b><u>9:30 AM Mass</u></b> |
| Tabernacle Cup                                        | Deacon Greg                |
| Tabernacle Host                                       | Bill Mahar                 |
| Center Host                                           | Steve Janenka              |
| Joseph's Cup                                          | Jerry Wainman              |
| Joseph's Host                                         | Carol Davitt               |
| Lector I                                              | Sean Burek                 |
| Lector II                                             | Peter Mahar                |

**46<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL MARRIAGE JUBILEE CELEBRATION**

This celebration will be held **Sunday, October 7<sup>th</sup>, at 2:00pm** at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, Albany. All couples celebrating their 25<sup>th</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup>, 40<sup>th</sup>, etc. or other special wedding anniversaries are invited to attend this celebration. Bishop Edward Scharfenberger will celebrate the Liturgy at 2:00pm and then greet couples and their guests at a reception in the gathering area at the Cathedral immediately following Mass. Please register through our Parish office at 518-465-0482, or email @ [MarriageJubilee@rcda.org](mailto:MarriageJubilee@rcda.org). Sign up sheets are also at the back table in the Church. Jubilee Certificates will be issued to those who sign up by **September 26<sup>th</sup>**, whether or not participants attend the event.

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| <b>Week Ending August 26, 2018</b>                  |                     |
|-----------------------------------------------------|---------------------|
| Amount Received from Collection                     | \$2,751.00          |
| Amount Received from E-Giving                       | \$45.00             |
| Total Received Last Weekend                         | \$2,796.00          |
| Budgeted Weekly Need                                | \$4,412.00          |
| Last Week's Difference <b>Over (Under) Budget</b>   | <b>(\$1,616.00)</b> |
| <b>Year-to-Date Fiscal Year</b>                     |                     |
| Received Year-to-Date                               | \$34,414.00         |
| Budgeted Year-To-Date                               | \$39,708.00         |
| Year-to-Date Difference: <b>Over (Under) Budget</b> | <b>(\$5,294.00)</b> |

**Home Mission Collection: \$589.25**  
**Weekly Goal (To meet our current needs): \$7,505.00**  
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