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### **Celebration of the Eucharist**

- Saturday 4:00pm @ SJESJ Sunday - 8:00am @ CSM
- Sunday 9:30am @ SJESJ
- Sunday 11:00am @ CSM

#### Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday - 3:30pm - 3:45pm @SJESJ Thursday - 5:00pm - 6:00pm @ CSM

#### **Sacrament of Baptism**

Call the Parish Office of the Church you wish to have your child baptized or visit their website for some additional information.

#### **Sacrament of Marriage**

Call the Parish Office of the Church you wish to be married one year before the wedding date or visit their website for some additional information.

#### Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick

Upon request and communally two (2) times per year.



### PASTOR'S CORNER

Dear Parishioners of St. Mary's and St. John's/St. Joseph's,

The disciple asked, "Does God accept repentance?" The master replied, "Do you throw away dirty clothes?" "No," said the disciple. The master replied, "Neither will God throw you away." *Anonymous* 

When I read this, I felt pretty good inside. I know that I am not perfect and that I am a sinner in so many respects, but the thought that God accepts my repentance, and that God will not throw me away makes me more anxious to repent.

When I go to reconciliation with another priest, I always feel that a weight has been lifted off my shoulders and I feel truly forgiven just by telling another priest about my sinfulness and that God has forgiven me.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation was something when I was growing up that was necessary weekly to receive communion at weekly mass. I know that we are more in line in our faith today, that God loves us no matter what. The God I learned about as a child wasn't the loving God we believe in today. But with the knowledge that God is a loving God, some feel that that Sacrament of Reconciliation isn't as necessary as it was. But know that people feel a weight lifted off their shoulders in the sacrament; maybe you might need a weight lifted. If you do, I am available at the Church of St. Mary on Thursdays, from 5:00pm - 6:00pm in the parish center and at the Parish of St. John Evangelist/St. Joseph on Saturdays, from 3:30pm - 3:45pm for reconciliation. And remember, God will accept your repentance and won't throw you away in the sacrament, and neither will I.

God Bless,

Fr. Tom

### WE PRAY TO THE LORD

# The Parish of The Church of St. Mary at Clinton Heights and The Parish of St. John the Evangelist/St. Joseph extend sincere condolences to the families of those who have died, especially

#### Daniel J. Albright & Rosemary Conway

"Grant them, O Lord, we pray, and all who sleep in Christ, a place of refreshment, light and peace."

### WE PRAY TO THE LORD

| For Our Sick        |                       |                  |                       |   |                       |                     |  |
|---------------------|-----------------------|------------------|-----------------------|---|-----------------------|---------------------|--|
| Eric Allen          | Ida Connolly          | Tiffany Gamache  | <b>Robert Jenkins</b> | Don Miller  | Nick Rizzo            | Michael Swahlan     |  |
| John Amedio         | Mary Corvino          | Michael Garrigan | Erica Kirsch          | Madison Chester Mann  | Joan Roher            | Mark Welcome        |  |
| Joseph Bradley      | Tasha D'Alessandro    | Sharon Griffith  | Donald Kolb           | Frank Moore   | Bev Ryan              | Margaret Waterbury  |  |
| Tom Brownell        | Judy Davis            | Randy Grodner    | Linda Kolb            | Roxanne Nicolla   | Mallorey Schaller     | Mabel Whitcomb      |  |
| Patricia Bruso      | Bernadette Dawson     | Buddy Gutkaiss   | Christine Krenzer     | Richelle Olm  | Gene Schultz          | Kathy Winner        |  |
| Denise Buono        | Barbara Farrell       | Robert Guynup    | Kassidy Krenzer       | Ralph Orciuoli  | Marge Secor           | Harold Wright       |  |
| Marilyn Burt        | Carole Farrell        | Ray Hannan       | Carol Laderas         | Devon Paigo   | Rich Sleasman         | Joanne Zalucki      |  |
| William Burt        | Cheryl Fisher         | Bob Hinkelman    | Bud Melick            | Inga Pepoy  | Myranda Stevens       | Michael Zenzen      |  |
| Mary Beth Centrella | Scarlett McLeod Friot | Carol Hinkelman  | Helen Mertz           | Tommy Raus  | Brady Sullivan        | Rita Zenzen         |  |
| Jeremiah Coonley    |                       |                  |                       |   |                       |                     |  |
| For Our Soldiers    |                       |                  | Г                     | We want to keen these list  | ts accurate and un-to | date. Please let us |  |
| Salvatore Abbamonte | Vincent Catalfamo     | Keenan Krenzer   | Duin a Muunahuu       | We want to keep these lists accurate and up-to-date. Please let us<br>know if, or when, we can remove someone's name, or if someone<br>should be added to this list. Call the Parish Office at CSM - (518) 449- |                       |                     |  |
| Andrew Barresi      | Ryan Johnson          | Sean Markham     | Caray Durge           |   |                       |                     |  |
| Paul Bednarcyzk     | Noah Keneston-Colby   | Garrett McDonald | Arthur Thornton       | 2232 or at SJESJ - (518) 465-0482.  |                       |                     |  |
|                     |                       |                  |                       |   |                       |                     |  |

| LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS<br>FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 2, 2022 |               |                     |          |  |
|--|---------------|---------------------|----------|--|
| DAY  | DATE          | TIME                | LOCATION | INTENTION  |
| Mon  | 10/03         |                     |          | No Mass  |
| Tue  | 10/04         | 12:00 <sup>PM</sup> | SJESJ    | MEMORIAL OF SAINT FRANCIS OF ASSISI  |
| Wed  | 10/05         | 8:30 <sup>AM</sup>  | CSM      | +SAINT FAUSTINA KOWALSKA, VIRGIN; BLESSED FRANCIS XAVIER SEELOS,<br>PRIEST   |
| Thu  | 10/06         | 12:00 <sup>PM</sup> | SJESJ    | +SAINT BRUNO, PRIEST; BLESSED MARIE ROSE DUROCHER, VIRGIN  |
| Fri  | 10/07         | 8:30 <sup>AM</sup>  | CSM      | MEMORIAL OF OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY   |
| Sat  | 10/08         | 4:00 <sup>PM</sup>  | SJESJ    | <ul> <li>+ALECK &amp; MARY KAWOLA, 74<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniv. Remembrance, by their daughter,<br/>Cheryl</li> <li>+JAMES S. MILLEA, JR., 10<sup>th</sup> Anniv., by Jack, Brian &amp; Sheila Millea</li> <li>+CORRIE SILIGATO, by Dan &amp; Sue Shook</li> </ul> |
| Sun  | Sun 10/09 8:0 |                     | CSM      | <ul> <li>+PAUL EDWARD ERKKILA, ALLISON GAY MCATEER &amp; CHRIS DUVALL,<br/>by Pat Erkkila</li> <li>+JACK KLEMCZYK, by Mary Lou Knox and Family</li> <li>+MOYA O'DOHERTY, by Roger &amp; Marilyn Rooney</li> </ul>  |
|  |               | 9:30 <sup>AM</sup>  | SJESJ    | +CORRIE SILIGATO, by Jean VanVoris   |
|  |               | 11:00 <sup>AM</sup> | CSM      | +FATHER JERRY GINGRAS, 1 <sup>st</sup> Anniv., by Judy Pinto<br>+DONALD YETMAN, by Ann Yetman<br>+DONALD LYMAN, by Rosemary Horan<br>+ROBERT C. HART, by John & Camille Casey  |

### THE POPE'S MONTHLY INTENTIONS FOR 2022

### October - A Church Open to Everyone

We pray for the Church; ever faithful to, and courageous in preaching the Gospel, may the Church be a community of solidarity, fraternity and welcome, always living in an atmosphere of synodality.



| STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE<br>REPORT FOR: THE TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME |                    |             |  |  |  |
|---|--------------------|-------------|--|--|--|
| SEPTEMBER 24TH AND SEPTEMBER 25TH COLLECTIONS                                   | SJESJ              | CSM         |  |  |  |
| Offertory received from Regular Collection                                      | \$1,991.50         | \$3,076.00  |  |  |  |
| Offertory received from E-Giving  | \$328.90           | \$2,491.00  | Thanks to all who<br>demonstrate such  |  |  |
| Total offertory received from last week   | \$2,320.40         | \$5,567.00  | Please remember our<br>parishes in your<br>willwe are:<br>"St. Mary's Church,<br>Clinton Heights, NY"<br>or "The Parish of St, |  |  |
| Budgeted weekly need from offertory   | \$5,050.00         | \$6,685.00  |  |  |  |
| Last week's difference ("-" is shortfall; "+" is overage)                       | -\$2,729.60        | -\$1,118.00 |  |  |  |
| Catholic University of America Collection                                       | \$249.00           | \$926.00    |  |  |  |
| Year to date actual offertory   | \$38,608.76 \$86,6 | \$86,683.20 |  |  |  |
| Year to date budgeted offertory   | \$65,650.00        | \$86,905.00 | 2  |  |  |
| Year to date difference ("-" is shortfall; "+" is overage)                      | -\$27,041.24       | -\$221.80   |  |  |  |

### EVANGELIZATION & CATECHESIS

#### 2022/2023 Formation Year

### Elementary Program (Grades - K-5)

- NO SESSION 10/09/22
- 3rd Session, Sunday, 10/16/22; 9:30am 10:45am
- 4th Session, Sunday, 10/23/22; 9:30am 10:45am

### Middle School Program (Grades - 6-8)

- 1st Session, Monday, 10/24/22; 7:00pm 8:30pm
- 2nd Session, Monday, 11/07/22; 7:00pm 8:30pm

#### High School Program (Grades - 9-10)

- 1st Session, Monday, 10/17/22; 7:00pm 8:30pm
- 2nd Session, Monday, 10/31/22; 7:00pm 8:30pm

#### Confirmation



## FAITH FORMATION



Please remember if you took a **red dove** with a confirmation candidate's name on it, the notecard and well wish letter will need to be returned by the next weekend of October 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup>.

The Conferral of Confirmation will be Wednesday, October 19<sup>th</sup>, 2022, at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Albany at 6:30pm. Please join us in this celebration supporting our 35 candidates and their families.

### REVERENCE OF LIFE MINISTRY



Respect Life Sunday is October 2nd. The theme for this year's Respect Life Program is: "Called to Serve Moms in Need."

Our annual "Baby Shower" for Community Maternity Services (CMS), an organization of Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Albany, will be underway throughout the month of October. You can leave requested items in the box at the entrance of the Church.

We will be collecting **needed baby items** throughout the month of October.

Items being collected: infant to size 5 winter clothes and winter coats, infant/toddler toys, infant/ toddler books, child safety (outlet covers, door handle covers), infant/ toddler cups, plates, including sippy cups, bottles, toilet training chairs, thermometers, play dough, finger paints, preschool backpacks and school items.

If you would like to make a monetary donation, Reverence of Life Ministry members will be collecting financial donations after Masses on October 16<sup>th</sup> and 30th.

Our Parish's support of CMS is one way to celebrate precious life and all that God has given to us!

### CAREGIVERS SUPPORT GROUP

Come to me all who labor and are heavy burdened and I will give you rest.....

If you are a Caregiver of any kind, come spend some time renewing your strength and nourish yourself physically, mentally and spiritually through prayer, music, meditation, and sharing.

Facilitated by: Claire Bradley, Counselor, Educator and Group Facilitator

When: Wednesdays, October 26, 2022, November 16, 2022, and December 21, 2022

Where: Church of St. Mary, Chapel Time: 6:00pm - 7:30pm

To Register: Call - CSM 518-449-2232

#### Honored for the Month of October

Bread and Wine: Deceased Members of the Parish Sanctuary Light: Deceased Members of the Parish

#### Prayer Services - Queen of Peace Prayer Group

The Queen of Peace Prayer Group will meet in the Parish Office on Monday, October 10<sup>th</sup> and October 24<sup>th</sup>, at 1:00pm. All are welcome.

#### Cans & Bottles Still Wanted at SJESJ

SJESJ is still collecting cans and bottles for donation. They may be left on the left side of the carport, in the landing area, near the back door of the Parish Offices. If you can help, please consider dropping them off. If you have any questions please contact the parish office at 518-465-0482.

#### Walking with Moms Respect for Life

A big thank you to all those who contributed items. We were able to help several new moms. Blessings to all.

#### Rosary Altar Society

The Rosary Altar Society will say the rosary every Saturday morning at 8:45am in the Church during the month of October. All are welcome. October is the time to pay your dues for the Rosary Altar Society. Your \$8 can be dropped at the desk as you enter Church.

### CSM NEWS

### EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Adoration will be on the Mondays listed below at 6:00pm in the Chapel.

- October 3<sup>rd</sup>
- October 10<sup>th</sup>
- October 17<sup>th</sup>

### JOYFUL HEART PRAYER GROUP

The next meeting of the ABLAZE Prayer Group facilitated by Joyful Heart will be this Tuesday, October 4<sup>th</sup> in the St. Mary's Chapel, 163 Columbia Turnpike, Rensselaer, NY @ 7:30pm - 9:00pm for live worship music, meditating on the week's Gospel readings, and praying for each other's intentions. Please join us to praise Our Lord well! Any questions, please call Julie Teal at 518-477-7511.

### GRIEF SUPPORT

The next meeting of the Grief Support Group will be this **Tuesday**, **October 4**<sup>th</sup>, **at 1:00pm** at CSM in the Raphael Room. Meetings are scheduled for the 1st Tuesday of each month at 1:00pm.

### CONSERNS-U

**ST. MARY'S SUPPORT TO-CoNSERNS-U.** Their pantry needs this week are: peanut butter, canned fruit, canned vegetables, soup (chunky) and toothpaste. Thank you so much for your continuous support.

**Cans and bottles** redeemable in New York can be donated at St. Mary's. Please rinse all containers. Leave caps on to prevent crushed bottles. (Open containers are still accepted.) Keep them in tied bags; nothing loose and place in the green dumpster by the Church garage. Thank you for supporting CoNSERNS-U.

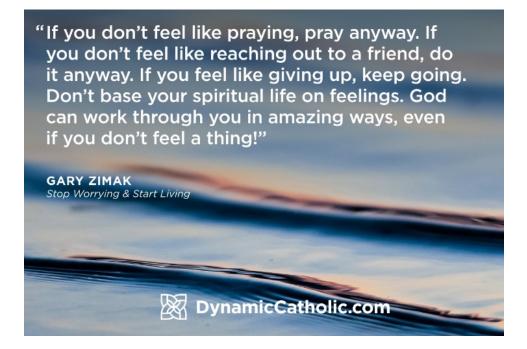


### ALBANY NY CHAPTER OF MAGNIFICAT



Albany NY Chapter of Magnificat (a Ministry to Catholic Women) is hosting a Women's Breakfast on <u>Saturday, November 12</u> from 9:00am – 12:00pm at The Vista Restaurant at Van Patten Golf Club, 924 Main Street, Clifton Park, NY. Tickets: \$28.00; Students: \$18.00; Clergy & Religious - Free. Our Witness Speaker is <u>Sr. Mary Loretta, SV.</u> Sr. Mary Loretta recently celebrated her 25<sup>th</sup> Jubilee with the Sisters of Life. Register by Wednesday, Nov. 2<sup>nd</sup> - send your check payable to <u>Albany NY Chapter of Magnificat</u>, PO Box

340, Clifton Park, NY 12065. Please include your name, address, phone # and email address. Questions, call Kelly @ 518-937-8202. Online registration – <u>www.magnificat-ministry.org/ny-albany</u>. <u>ALL LADIES--TEENS AND OLDER - ARE INVITED!</u> <u>Seats are</u> <u>limited; register early</u>!



### PARISH REGISTRATION

**Please register** as a parishioner! We will automatically get you subscribed to **The Evangelist**, the diocesan newspaper. We will send you offertory envelopes so that you can track your contributions to the parish. You will be on our parish rolls to make things go smoothly when it is time for a wedding, baptism, funeral, or other needs. **You can also call either Parish Office to register**.

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### PARISH OFFICE HOURS

#### Church of St. Mary's :

- Monday 8:30am 4:00pm
- Tuesday 8:30am 4:00pm
- Wednesday 8:30am 4:00pm
- Thursday 9:30am 4:00pm
- Friday 9:30am 12:30pm

St. John's/St. Joseph's :

- Monday 8:30am 1:00pm
- Tuesday 8:30am 1:00pm
- Wednesday 8:30am 1:00pm
- Thursday 8:30am 1:00pm



The door is locked. Ring the doorbell (above the number pad).

Both offices are closed on Wednesdays between 10:30am - 12:00noon for a staff meeting.



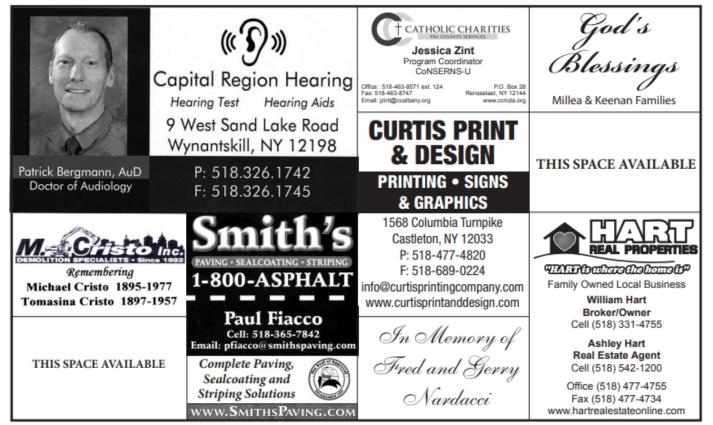
A Message from Bishop Scharfenberger

Dear Friends in Christ,

The Holy Spirit inspires each of us to find a deeper sense of our individual missions and then to help one another to discover them to serve each other. The Holy Spirit helps us put things together – how can the gifts that *I* have and the gifts that *you* have come together in a rich tapestry that is shared? This is Jesus' Church – Jesus came with a wonderful message that when we pause to listen, it is life transforming and energizing. The ways in which we do this as community and ultimately in our roles as Christians, is to introduce others to Jesus – don't we need this more than ever? We are fortunate to have a diocesan family to lift us together in these responsibilities. As you contemplate your investment in this year's Diocesan Appeal, I pray you are inspired by these small insights into the work by the Diocese on behalf of each parish. *Your support of both your parish offertory and the Diocesan Appeal are the most fundamental ways to ensure the health and vitality of our entire Catholic community of 126 parishes in 14 counties, serving you in the day-to-day and milestone moments of your life. God Bless!* 

+Edward B. Scharferberger

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