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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.



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

From God's Little Instruction Book Volumes, I, II & III:

PASTOR'S CORNER

"Being at peace with yourself,

is a direct result of finding peace with God."

"And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus."

## Philippians 4:7

This is a direct correlation to my homily last weekend about forgiveness and offering forgiveness to others. We all must believe that God forgives us if we ask for His forgiveness and in turn offer that to others. Our peace with God must relate to the fact that God's forgiveness will bring peace to ourselves. I know if I ask for forgiveness from God it brings me much peace. Peace with God is a direct result of finding peace with yourself. Let go of the past and you shall find the peace in yourselves and with God.

God Bless, Fr. Tom

# THE POPE'S MONTHLY INTENTIONS FOR 2023

September - For People Living on the Margins We pray for those persons living on the margins of society, in inhumane life conditions; may they not be overlooked by institutions and never considered of lesser importance.



STEWARDSHIP REPORT FOR: THE TWENTY-FOU	° OF TREASURE RTH SUNDAY IN OR	.DINARY TIM	ΙE	
September 16th and September 17th Collections	SJESJ	CSM		
Offertory received from Regular Collection	\$3,090.50	\$3,592.00	Thanks to all who demonstrate such	
Offertory received from E-Giving	\$639.04	\$2,300.00	generous care for our	
Total Offertory received from last week	\$3,729.54	\$5,892.00	parishes! Please remember our	
Budgeted Weekly Need from Offertory	TBD	\$6,635.00	parishes in your willwe are:	
Last Week's Difference ("-" is shortfall; "+" is overage)	TBD	-\$743.00	"St. Mary's Church,	
Year to Date Actual Offertory	\$40,794.55	\$76,690.00	Clinton Heights, NY" or "The Parish of St,	
Year to Date Budgeted Offertory	TBD	\$79,620.00	John the Evangelist/ St. Joseph"	
Year to Date Difference ("-" is shortfall; "+" is overage)	TBD	-\$2,930.00		
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Waiting for budgeted weekly need \$\$. Will update as soon as possible. All TBD's will be filled in when our budgeted weekly need is known.

# LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS

DAY	DATE	TIME	LOCATION	INTENTION
Sat	09/23	4:00 <sup>PM</sup>	SJESJ	+ALPHONSO RAUS, by Jackie and Jason Paradise +ANNE DELEHANTY, by Ann Ryan +RICHARD RYAN, by the Family +MARIE A. CENSULLO, by Dan and Sue Shook
Sun 09/24 8		8:00 <sup>AM</sup>	CSM	+MICHAEL SCHWIND, by Mary Lou Knox and Family +JAMES P. CAREY, 6 <sup>th</sup> Anniv., by Mark and Susan Carey +MERRILL MCCOLL, by the LeBlanc Family +ROGER ROONEY, by Donna Fitzgerald +LEONARD COURCELLE, by Mr. & Mrs. Burton VanWie
		9:30 <sup>AM</sup>	SJESJ	+MARIE A. CENSULLO, by Carol Davitt
		11:00 <sup>AM</sup>	CSM	+MARIE A. CENSULLO, by Gail DeMarco +MARY C. TESIERO, by Ann Yetman +LINDA GUTTA, by the Bolduc Family +MARY EGAN, by John Conway and Michelle Schultz
Mon	09/25			No Mass
Tue	09/26	12:00 <sup>PM</sup>	SJESJ	+FIDELIA"TIA FIDA" TOLEDANO, by the Smith Family
Wed	09/27	8:30 <sup>AM</sup>	CSM	+MEMORIAL OF SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL, PRIEST
Thu	09/28	12:00 <sup>PM</sup>	SJESJ	No Mass
Fri	09/29	8:30 <sup>AM</sup>	CSM	No Mass
Sat	09/30	4:00 <sup>PM</sup>	SJESJ	+ALPHONSO RAUS, by Danny Martino, Danny and Shane +ANNE DELEHANTY, by Jean O'Donnell +GUISEPPE DETHOMASIS, by Pasqualina Crescenzi +ANGELA DETHOMASIS, by Sandy Raus
Sun	10/01	8:00 <sup>AM</sup>	CSM	+JOHN VROOM, by Larry and Carole Farrell +MARY C. TESIERO, by AnnMarie and Ron Pepin +MARIE A. CENSULLO, by Mary Grace Tompkins
		9:30 <sup>AM</sup>	SJESJ	+MARIE A. CENSULLO, by Connie Welton
		11:00 <sup>AM</sup>	CSM	+MARIE A. CENSULLO, by John and Camille Casey +SANDOR BALOGH, by Brenda and Mike Iwaneczko +ROGER ROONEY, by the Cummings Family +JOHN LASHOFF, JR., by the Family +JOHN MARDIGIAN, 7 <sup>th</sup> Anniv., by Ed Thierbacker

## DIOCESAN CHARISMATIC PRAYER MEETING

**Come to the Diocesan Charismatic Prayer Meeting** at Christ Our Light, 1 Maria Drive, Loudonville, NY on Saturday, October 28<sup>th</sup> and every 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday from 11:00am-12:30pm downstairs in the Fr. Noone Hall. Experience the Holy Spirit in praise, sharing, and intentions. For more info call Julie Teal at (518) 477-7511.

# CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT AND SACRED HEART CHURCH

For your information the Church of the Holy Spirit and Sacred Heart Church have changed their Mass schedule. Below is the new schedule:

Church of the Holy Spirit - Saturday @ 4:00pm - Sunday @ 11:00am Sacred Heart Church - Sunday @ 8:00am - Sunday @ 9:30am

# **EVANGELIZATION & CATECHESIS**

### 2023/2024 Formation Year

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

- 2nd Session, Sunday, 10/01/23; 9:30am 10:45am
- **NO SESSION ON 10/08/23** •
- 3rd Session, Sunday, 10/15/23; 9:30am 10:45am •

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

1st Session, Monday, 10/23/23; 7:00pm - 8:30pm

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

1st Session, Monday, 10/16/23; 7:00pm - 8:30pm

### Confirmation

The Conferral of Confirmation will be Tuesday, October 24th, 2022, at the Parish of St. John/St. Joseph in Rensselaer at 6:30pm. Please join us in this celebration supporting our candidates and their families.



### **Eucharistic Adoration**

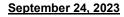
Adoration will be on the Mondays listed below at 6:00pm.

- September 25<sup>th</sup> Chapel
- October 2<sup>nd</sup> Chapel
- October 9<sup>th</sup> Chapel

### **Grief Support**

The next meeting of the Grief Support Group will be **Tuesday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>, at 1:00pm,** at CSM in the Raphael Room. Meetings are scheduled for the 1st Tuesday of each month.

# ALTAR FLOWERS - CSM



In Memory of The Deceased Members of the Hughes Family

By

### **Rosemary Miller**

The fresh flower arrangements placed on the altar are in memory or honor of a loved one or as a thanksgiving for a special occasion (birthday, anniversary, etc.).

If you would like to donate a flower arrangement for the altar, please contact the Parish Office at 518-449-2232 or send an email to: office@stmaryny.org. The cost is \$30.

# 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

### Carmela M. "Dolly" Servidone & Timothy A. Lane, IV

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



FAITH FORMATION







## SJESJ NEWS

### Honored for the Month of September

Bread and Wine: Marie A. Censullo, by the Parish of St. John the Evangelist and St. Joseph. Sanctuary Light: For our students heading back to school this month.

### Prayer Services - Queen of Peace Prayer Group

The Queen of Peace Prayer Group will meet in the Parish Office on **Monday**, **September 25<sup>th</sup>** at 1:00pm. Please join us. 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.

#### CoNSERNS-U

In this time of need, please remember those who don't have enough to eat and drop off food for CoNSERNS-U in the back of Church. Also, personal care items are always in demand.

#### First Friday Adoration

Adoration will not take place until the First Friday in November (**November 3, 2023**). It will be at 5:00pm in the Church of the Parish of St. John the Evangelist and St. Joseph.

#### Bible Study - Wednesday Evening

Want to learn more about our salvation history? On **Wednesday, September 27**<sup>th</sup>, we will continue to study the Old Testament. All you need is a bible and a willingness to share. We meet at 6:30 pm, Wednesday evenings at the SJESJ Parish House. We hope to see you there!

# CONSERNS-U BOOKS COMMITTEE

The St. Mary's CoNSERNS-U Books Committee is looking for retired teachers who are interested in helping select new children's and teens' books for the C-U Christmas Store.

For more information please contact Terry Kois in the Parish Office at 518-449-2232, Ext. 10.

## SISTERS OF LIFE

### St. John's/St. Joseph's and St. Mary's Clinton Heights Welcomes

The Sisters of Life

at all our weekend Masses:

### Saturday, September 30, 2023 - 4:00pm

### Sunday, October 1, 2023 - 8:00, 9:30 and 11:00am

The Sisters of Life are a contemplative/active Roman Catholic community of women religious, who profess the three traditional vows of poverty, chastity, and obedience, and also a fourth vow to protect and enhance the sacredness of human life. They were founded by Cardinal John O'Connor in New York in 1991.

They have a convent in Catskill and work in our diocese. Their missions include serving women who are vulnerable to abortion, giving them the support and resources to be able to choose life for themselves and their children; hosting weekend retreats; evangelization; outreach to college students; and helping women who have suffered after abortion to encounter the mercy and healing of Jesus Christ.

As we celebrate Respect Life Sunday and also for the month of October, it is most fitting that the sisters visit us to speak of their unique vocation and the services they offer to the women and youth of our diocese.

## CHARISMATIC MASS & HEALING SERVICE

Charismatic Mass & Healing Service is held monthly on the 2nd Wednesday of the month. This service is presented by Catholic Charismatic Renewal of the Diocese of Albany. On Wednesday, October 11<sup>th</sup> at Christ Our Light Roman Catholic Church, 1 Maria Drive, Loudonville, NY starting at 7:00pm is Prayer and Praise, followed by a 7:30pm Mass and Healing Service. Presider is Father Kyle Gorenski, Church of the Blessed Sacrament, Albany. For more information: <u>www.albanyCCR.org</u>.

# REVERENCE OF LIFE MINISTRY



**Respect Life Sunday is October 1st.** The theme for this year's Respect Life Program is: "Radical Solidarity"..... to be courageously pro-woman, promoting a choice that truly protects, accompanies, and supports women and their children.

Our annual "Baby Shower" for Community Maternity Services, 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 back of the Church.

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

Items being collected: Diapers (Sizes 4, 5, and 6), 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 15<sup>th</sup> and 29th**.

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

CONSERNS-U

**ST. MARY'S SUPPORT TO CoNSERNS-U.** Their pantry needs this week are: spaghetti sauce, soup, macaroni and cheese, pork and beans, dish soap, and Kleenex/tissues. 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**.



CoNSERNS-U has moved their location to 201 Academy Street, Rensselaer, NY effective Tuesday, September 5<sup>th</sup>. Their mailing address is: PO Box 28, Renssealer, NY, 12144. Their phone number will remain the same - 518-463-8571.

# 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 or get you signed-up for e-giving 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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# 40 DAYS FOR LIFE

You are invited to attend the "kick-off" prayer vigil(s) for <u>40 Days for Life</u> on Sunday, September 24<sup>th</sup>. The vigils will be held in two places locally:

On the sidewalk in front of 120 Hoosick Street (the Hudson River Commons shopping center, where Friendly's is located), from 2:00-3:00pm. Plenty of parking is available in the shopping center.

On the sidewalk in front of the Albany Planned Parenthood at 855 Central Avenue, Albany, also on Sunday, September 24<sup>th</sup> from 4:00-5:00pm. Park in the CVS parking lot.

Bring your rosaries. Signs will be provided.

If you would like more information on either of these events, contact Anne Cronin (518-522-6057 or acronin922@gmail.com).

# WE PRAY TO THE LORD

#### For Our Sick

Eric Allen John Amedio Joseph Bradley Tom Brownell Patricia Bruso Denise Buono William Burt Rosa Camaj Mary Beth Centrella John Conte

Nicholas Conte Jeremiah Coonley Mary Corvino Tasha D'Alessandro Judy Davis Bernadette Dawson Barbara Farrell Carole Farrell Jack Farrell **Cheryl Fisher** 

Scarlett McLeod Friot Donald Kolb Tiffany Gamache Sharon Griffith Randy Grodner Buddy Gutkaiss Robert Guynup Ray Hannan Carol Hinkelman **Robert Jenkins** Erica Kirsch

Linda Kolb Christine Krenzer Kassidy Krenzer Carol Laderas Edgar MacGregor Helen Mertz Don Miller Tina Milone Michael Mann

Madison Chester Mann Frank Moore Roxanne Nicolla **Richelle Olm** Ralph Orciuoli Devon Paigo Inga Pepoy Tommy Raus Joan Roher

Bev Ryan Mallorey Schaller Gene Schultz Marge Secor **Rich Sleasman** Myranda Stevens Brady Sullivan Michael Swahlan Rosemary Vogt

Mark Welcome Margaret Waterbury Mabel Whitcomb Kathleen White Kathy Winner Harold Wright Joanne Zalucki Michael Zenzen Rita Zenzen

#### For Our Soldiers

Mason Albert Andrew Barresi Connor Danz

Salvatore Abbamonte Ryan Johnson Noah Keneston-Colby Keenan Krenzer

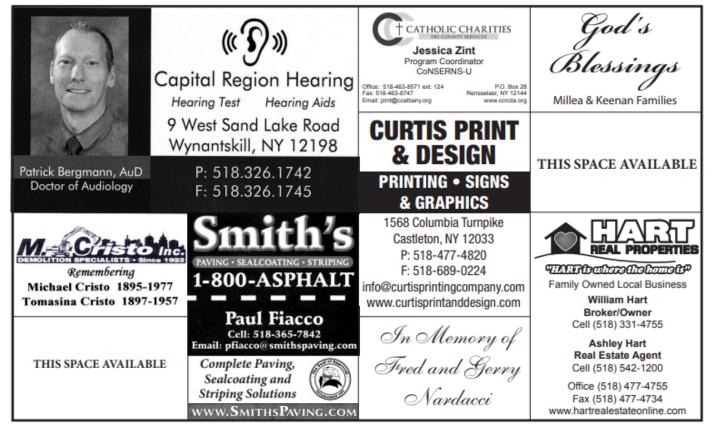
Sean Markham Garrett McDonald Brian Murphy

Corey Russo Arthur Thornton Zaish Sadiq

Please let us know if, or when, we can remove someone's name, or if someone should be added to this list. Call the Parish Office at CSM - (518) 449-2232 or at SJESJ -(518) 465-0482.



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