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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. John's/St. Joseph's and St. Mary's,

I want to thank you for all the presents I received from all of you for Christmas. I usually send Thank You's, but I received so many gifts this year and I can't possibly write all of them. I felt very much loved by all of you!

I received a lot of money, gift cards from so many places, a donation in my name to St. Jude's, so much candy and cookies, I will weigh 300 lbs., a sweatshirt, scotch, wine, gifts for Sadie, a sweater for her and all sorts of treats for Sadie as well.

I am just overwhelmed by all the gifts I received! And you all made me feel that I am loved....



Love you all and God Bless,

Fr. Tom

Happy New Year!

INCLEMENT WEATHER



Remember that if East Greenbush Central Schools or Rensselaer Schools are delayed or cancelled on a given day, the Wednesday, 8:30am Mass at CSM and/or the 12:00 Noon Mass at SJESJ will be cancelled.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

We are pleased to welcome a new member to our parish family.

Noelle Frances Carey

She will receive the Sacrament of Baptism this weekend. May the Lord be gracious to her and her family and bless them always.



| LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS | | | | | | | |
|-------------------------|-------|---------------------|----------|---|--|--|--|
| DAY | DATE | TIME | LOCATION | INTENTION | | | |
| Sat | 01/13 | 4:00 ^{PM} | SJESJ | +JEAN O'DONNELL, by Cheryl Kawola +RITA ZENZEN, by Sue and Dan Shook | | | |
| Sun 01/14 | | 8:00 ^{AM} | CSM | +HENRY PFAFF, by the Billa Family +TOM HABERLAND, by Ann Yetman +BINK & PAUL COLLINS, by their Children | | | |
| | | 9:30 ^{AM} | SJESJ | +EMERSON DAVITT, by Carol Davitt | | | |
| | | 11:00 ^{AM} | CSM | +WILLIAM J. THOMPSON, by Jim and Terry Kois +RALPH PINTO, 11 th Anniv., by Judy Pinto +JOHN KLEMCZYK, by his wife, Bernie +JOHN R. KOIS, by Frances Girzone +JAMIE JOSEPH HAYES, by his Mom, Rory, Joseph, Daniel, and Elizabeth | | | |
| Mon | 01/15 | | | No Mass | | | |
| Tue | 01/16 | 12:00 ^{PM} | | +REVEREND MARIO PACINI, S.A.C. | | | |
| Wed | 01/17 | 8:30 ^{AM} | | No Mass | | | |
| Thu | 01/18 | | | No Mass | | | |
| Fri | 01/19 | | | No Mass | | | |
| Sat | 01/20 | 4:00 ^{PM} | SJESJ | +TOMMASO RAUS, by Sandy Raus +RITA ZENZEN, by Mollie Shook +SHARON POOLE-SAUER, by Deacon Greg Mansfield +RICHARD M. RYAN, 8th Anniv., by his Family +ROSE MADLIN, by her daughter, Edie | | | |
| Sun | 01/21 | 8:00 ^{AM} | CSM | +ROGER CONNOLLY, by Marilyn Rooney +ROSEMARY VOGT, by Ann Marie Pepin +BOB GRANT, Birthday Remembrance, by Ann Marie Pepin +DUSTY BROWN, 16 th Anniv., by Peter and Debbie Krill +MARGARET MOSCATO, by Maria Reardon and Carl Bensi +IDA CONNOLLY & THERESA SWAHLAN, by the Connolly and Swahlan Families | | | |
| | | 9:30 ^{AM} | SJESJ | +RITZ ZENZEN, by Sonya Clay | | | |
| | | 11:00 ^{AM} | CSM | +RUTH & FRANCIS DEVANE, Birthday Remembrance, by Judy Pinto +PIO BUONANNO, by the Rullo Family +ROSEMARIE CHENETTE, 7 th Anniv., by her Children +LARRY NARDACCI, by Joan Heritage | | | |

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

| REPORT FOR: THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD | | | | | | | | |
|---|------------|---------|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| January 6th & January 7th, 2024 Collections | SJESJ | CSM | | | | | | |
| Offertory received from Regular Collection | \$2,777.25 | \$3,122 | | | | | | |

122.00 Offertory received from E-Giving \$907.46 \$2,335.00 Total Offertory received from last week \$5,457.00 \$3,684.71 **Budgeted Weekly Need from Offertory** \$5,245.00 \$6,635.00 Last Week's Difference ("-" is shortfall; "+" is overage) -\$1,560.29 -\$1,178.00 Year to Date Actual Offertory \$97,460.52 \$189,752.00 Year to Date Budgeted Offertory \$141,615.00 \$195,780.00 Year to Date Difference ("-" is shortfall; "+" is overage) -\$44,154.48 -\$6,028.00

Thanks to all who demonstrate such generous care for our parishes!
Please remember our parishes in your will...we are:
"St. Mary's Church, Clinton Heights, NY" or "The Parish of St, John the Evangelist/St. Joseph"

EVANGELIZATION & CATECHESIS

2023/2024 Formation Year

Elementary Program (Grades - K-5)

- 13th Session, Sunday, 01/21/24; 9:30am 10:45am
- 14th Session, Sunday, 01/28/24; 9:30am 10:45am

Middle School Program (Grades - 6-8)

- 6th Session, Monday, 01/22/24; 7:00pm 8:30pm
- 7th Session, Monday, 02/05/24; 7:00pm 8:30pm

High School Program (Grades - 9-10)

- 7th Session, Monday, 01/29/24; 7:00pm 8:30pm
- 8th Session, Monday, 02/12/24; 7:00pm 8:30pm

DO YOU HAVE A CHILD IN COLLEGE?

Help them stay in touch with the parish. The parish would like to send a care package for finals week. The care package is full of well wishes, goodies and treats, in addition to updates on parish activities and a schedule of the upcoming liturgical celebration. If you would like your child to receive a goodie package, please simply email their college mailing address to Maureen Billa at maureenbilla@stmaryny.org



A REMINDER FROM THE OFFICE OF EVANGELIZATION AND CATECHESIS

When school is delayed or closed due to weather conditions, it DOES NOT mean faith formation and youth ministry sessions and activities are cancelled. Sessions cancelled due to inclement weather will be posted on Facebook, Twitter, Church of St. Mary's web page (www.stmaryny.org - check the calendar under upcoming events) and through the School Closing Network, as Church of St. Mary NOT St. Mary's (channels 6, 9, 10 & 13).

Please Note: Weather conditions in the Capital District can vary substantially from one neighborhood to the next. Even though the building may be open or an event has not been cancelled, only you can decide whether conditions in your area will allow for safe travel. Please use your own best judgment regarding travel conditions in your area.

VACATION BIBLE CAMP



MARK YOUR CALENDARS

VBC, AUGUST 5-9, 2024, FROM 9:00AM - NOON

SCUBA: Diving into Friendship with God

We will take your children into an amazing undersea adventure where they will experience the everflowing, never-ending love of God. There are some new changes in VBC, including more Catholic ID and saint content, and a brand-new station where we will dive deep into Sacred Scripture.

CONSERNS-U

ST. MARY'S SUPPORT TO Conserns-U. Their pantry needs this week are: spaghetti sauce, canned tomatoes, mayonnaise. ketchup, peanut butter, and Spaghetti O's. 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.





SJESJ NEWS

Honored for the Month of January

Bread and Wine: Richard Ryan, by Ann Ryan and Family Sanctuary Light: James S. Millea, Sr., by Sheila Millea

Prayer Services - Queen of Peace Prayer Group

The Queen of Peace Prayer Group will be meeting on: Monday, January 22nd. Group meets at 1:00pm in the Parish Office.

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 February (**February 2, 2024**). It will be at 3:00pm in the Church of the Parish of St. John the Evangelist and St. Joseph.

CSM NEWS

Eucharistic Adoration

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

- January 15th Chapel
- January 22nd Chapel



Grief Support

The next meeting of the Grief Support Group will be **Tuesday, February 6th, at 1:00pm,** at CSM in the Raphael Room. Meetings are scheduled for the 1st Tuesday of each month.





Office for Discipleship Formation

invites you to join us for a presentation by

Fr. Richard Fragomeni

- a virtual reflection on

the Feast of the Conversion of St. Paul: Christ's Call to Paul and Us.

> registration via QR or call 518-453-6670

January 25, 2024



[3 - 4:30 pm via zoom webinar]

ALTAR FLOWERS - CSM



January 14, 2024

In Loving Memory of

Our Dearest Sister-in-Law

Patsey Patricelli

Ву

Antoinette and Marlene

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.). We do not do flowers during Advent or Lent.

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.

THE POPE'S MONTHLY INTENTIONS FOR 2024

January - For The Gift of Diversity in the Church

We pray that the Holy Spirit may help us to recognize the gift of different charisms within the Christian community and to discover the richness of different traditions and rituals in the Catholic Church.



PARISH OFFICES



Our parish offices will be closed on **Monday**, **January 15**th, for the Martin Luther King Holiday.

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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.

WE PRAY TO THE LORD

For Our Sick

Eric Allen Rosemarie Cipperley John Conte John Amedio Joseph Bradley Nicholas Conte Jeremiah Coonley Tom Brownell Patricia Bruso Mary Corvino Tasha D'Alessandro Denise Buono Lynn Burdick Judy Davis William Burt Bernadette Dawson Rosa Camaj Barbara Farrell

Jack Farrell Cheryl Fisher Scarlett McLeod Friot Tiffany Gamache Sharon Griffith Randy Grodner **Buddy Gutkaiss** Robert Guynup Ray Hannan Carol Hinkelman

Robert Jenkins Erica Kirsch Donald Kolb Linda Kolb Christine Krenzer Kassidy Krenzer Carol Laderas Edgar MacGregor Helen Mertz Don Miller

Tina Milone Michael Mann Madison Chester Mann Roxanne Nicolla Richelle Olm Ralph Orciuoli Devon Paigo Inga Pepoy Peggy Petitmermet Tommy Raus

Chip Rausch Hank Rivet Joan Roher Bev Ryan Mallorey Schaller Gene Schultz Marge Secor Myranda Stevens Brady Sullivan Michael Swahlan

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

For Our Soldiers

Mary Beth Centrella

Salvatore Abbamonte Ryan Johnson Mason Albert Noah Keneston-Colby Andrew Barresi Keenan Krenzer Connor Danz Sean Markham

Carole Farrell

Garrett McDonald Brian Murphy Corey Russo

Derek Terry 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.

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 call either Parish Office to register.

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Visit www.CapitalDistrictCemeteries.org for cemetery rules and regulations.

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