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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.

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

Emma Joseph Godell, Romana Salvagni, Anne L. Gregory, and Carol A. Seiffert

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

LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS				
DAY	DATE	TIME	LOCATION	INTENTION
Sat	01/06	4:00 ^{PM}	<i>SJESJ</i>	+JEAN O'DONNELL, by Jack, Brian, and Sheila Millea +MIKE REMINGTON, by the Remington Family +REVEREND PETER G. YOUNG, by the Remington Family
Sun	01/07	8:00 ^{AM}	<i>CSM</i>	+ALICE & LARRY FARRELL, by Larry and Carole Farrell +CATHERINE BERGMANN, by Mark and Maureen Billa +ELIZABETH ANN WOODARD, by Alma Prebble
		9:30 ^{AM}	<i>SJESJ</i>	+JEAN O'DONNELL, by Connie Welton +EDWARD KAPPES, 6 th Anniv., by the Kappes Family
		11:00 ^{AM}	<i>CSM</i>	+WILLIAM J. THOMPSON, by Frances Girzone +ASHLEY BAGLEY, by Julie Teal +JANE BEAUDOIN, by Norma Boston-Beaudoin +ALEX CARINO, by Norma Boston-Beaudoin +ELAINA CARINO, by Norma Boston-Beaudoin +PATRICIA MOORE, by Norma Boston-Beaudoin
Mon	01/08			<i>No Mass</i>
Tue	01/09	12:00 ^{PM}		+REVEREND JOSEPH DWOARK
Wed	01/10	8:30 ^{AM}		+REVEREND EDWARD J. FITZPATRICK
Thu	01/11			<i>No Mass</i>
Fri	01/12			<i>No Mass</i>
Sat	01/13	4:00 ^{PM}	<i>SJESJ</i>	+JEAN O'DONNELL, by Cheryl Kawola +RITA ZENZEN, by Sue and Dan Shook
Sun	01/14	8:00 ^{AM}	<i>CSM</i>	+HENRY PFAFF, by the Billa Family +TOM HABERLAND, by Ann Yetman +BINK & PAUL COLLINS, by their Children
		9:30 ^{AM}	<i>SJESJ</i>	+EMERSON DAVITT, by Carol Davitt
		11:00 ^{AM}	<i>CSM</i>	+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



EVANGELIZATION & CATECHESIS

2023/2024 Formation Year

NO FAITH FORMATION ON SUNDAY, JANUARY 14TH OR MONDAY, JANUARY 15TH

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)

- 6th Session, Monday, 01/08/24 ; 7:00pm - 8:30pm
- 7th Session, Monday, 01/29/24; 7:00pm - 8:30pm



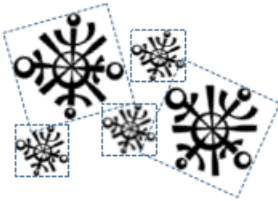
FAITH FORMATION

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 ever-flowing, 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: pasta, spaghetti sauce, peanut butter, jelly, ketchup, mustard and vegetable oil. 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 8th** and **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 8th - Chapel
- January 15th - 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.



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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]



STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE
REPORT FOR: THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

DECEMBER 23RD AND DECEMBER 24TH, 2023 COLLECTIONS	SJESJ	CSM	<i>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"</i>
Offertory received from Regular Collection	\$4,449.50	\$3,283.00	
Offertory received from E-Giving	\$409.04	\$2,260.00	
Total Offertory received from last week	\$4,858.54	\$5,543.00	
Budgeted Weekly Need from Offertory	\$5,245.00	\$6,635.00	
Last Week's Difference ("-" is shortfall; "+" is overage)	-\$386.46	-\$1,092.00	
The Nativity of the Lord Collection	\$7,300.00	\$11,335.00	
Year to Date Actual Offertory	\$89,157.24	\$178,132.00	
Year to Date Budgeted Offertory	\$131,125.00	\$182,510.00	
Year to Date Difference ("-" is shortfall; "+" is overage)	-\$41,967.76	-\$4,378.00	

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE
REPORT FOR: THE FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY, AND JOSEPH

DECEMBER 30TH AND DECEMBER 31ST, 2023 COLLECTIONS	SJESJ	CSM	<i>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"</i>
Offertory received from Regular Collection	\$4,261.40	\$3,903.00	
Offertory received from E-Giving	\$357.17	\$2,260.00	
Total Offertory received from last week	\$4,618.57	\$6,163.00	
Budgeted Weekly Need from Offertory	\$5,245.00	\$6,635.00	
Last Week's Difference ("-" is shortfall; "+" is overage)	-\$626.43	-\$472.00	
The Solemnity of Mary Collection	\$160.00	\$1,504.00	
Year to Date Actual Offertory	\$93,775.81	\$184,295.00	
Year to Date Budgeted Offertory	\$136,370.00	\$189,145.00	
Year to Date Difference ("-" is shortfall; "+" is overage)	-\$42,594.19	-\$4,850.00	

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	Jack Farrell	Robert Jenkins	Tina Milone	Chip Rausch	Mark Welcome
John Amedio	John Conte	Cheryl Fisher	Erica Kirsch	Michael Mann	Hank Rivet	Margaret Waterbury
Joseph Bradley	Nicholas Conte	Scarlett McLeod Friot	Donald Kolb	Madison Chester Mann	Joan Roher	Mabel Whitcomb
Tom Brownell	Jeremiah Coonley	Tiffany Gamache	Linda Kolb	Roxanne Nicolla	Bev Ryan	Kathleen White
Patricia Bruso	Mary Corvino	Sharon Griffith	Christine Krenzer	Richelle Olm	Mallorey Schaller	Kathy Winner
Denise Buono	Tasha D'Alessandro	Randy Grodner	Kassidy Krenzer	Ralph Orciuoli	Gene Schultz	Harold Wright
Lynn Burdick	Judy Davis	Buddy Gutkaiss	Carol Laderas	Devon Paigo	Marge Secor	Joanne Zalucki
William Burt	Bernadette Dawson	Robert Guynup	Edgar MacGregor	Inga Pepoy	Myranda Stevens	Michael Zenzen
Rosa Camaj	Barbara Farrell	Ray Hannan	Helen Mertz	Peggy Petitmermet	Brady Sullivan	
Mary Beth Centrella	Carole Farrell	Carol Hinkelman	Don Miller	Tommy Raus	Michael Swahlan	

For Our Soldiers

Salvatore Abbamonte	Ryan Johnson	Garrett McDonald	Derek Terry
Mason Albert	Noah Keneston-Colby	Brian Murphy	Arthur Thornton
Andrew Barresi	Keenan Krenzer	Corey Russo	Zaish Sadiq
Connor Danz	Sean Markham		

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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