

## FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT



### TO SAINT ANTHONY'S CHURCH

Parish Office hours are Monday through Friday, 8:30am to 4:30pm.

**The Church Office will be closed on Monday, February 19th.**

**Office Hours for Fr. Carlino:** St. John's Parish Office on Wednesdays from 12 Noon to 4 PM and St. Anthony's Parish Office on Thursdays from 12 Noon to 4 PM. He is available to schedule appointments at other times as well. You can call him personally 7 days a week from 6 AM to 8 PM at 518-374-4591 Extension 7. You can call him for The Last Rites of The Church 24/7 also at 518-374-4591 but at Extension 9.

#### To find out if 8 AM Daily Mass is cancelled due to Bad Weather:

1. After 7 AM call 518-374-4591.
2. When the voice recording comes on press 5.
3. If the voice begins by saying "The recording you are about to listen to is not programmed to receive a message from you," hang up, because it means that **Mass is being celebrated**.
4. Otherwise it will say "**Due to bad weather, today [it will give the day of the week and the date] the 8:00 AM Mass is canceled.**"



#### BAPTISM

Baptisms at St. John the Evangelist and St. Anthony's Churches will take place only on the First Sunday of each month and only **during** Mass. Baptisms are not scheduled outside of Sunday Morning Mass. If you wish to schedule a baptism at St. John's please contact Debbie May at 372-3381 ext. 5. For one at St. Anthony contact **Judy Mavente** at 518-374-4591 ext. 5.

#### BLACK, NATIVE & LATIN AMERICAN MISSIONS COLLECTION

We ask your continued support in the Diocesan Collection this weekend for Black, Native American & Latin American Missions. Funds from this combined collection support projects and are used to help fund catechesis and evangelization programs throughout the United States and the Church of Latin America and the Caribbean. Please support the Black and Native American Missions of the United States and the Church in Latin America by placing your envelope **with** your offertory envelope in the collection basket this weekend. Thank you.

**Charismatic Healing Mass** - Date: **Wednesday, February 21, 2018**. Praise and Prayer 7:00 pm, Mass 7:30 pm. Healing service to follow. Christ Our Light Church, 1 Maria Dr., Loudonville, NY. All are welcome! Information: Call Jack 518-334-6503.



### St. Anthony's Church Bake Sale

**Saturday, February 24th, 8:00 am - 6:00 pm &**

**Sunday, February 25th, 8:00 am - 12:00 noon**

You will find a variety of cookies and pies, Italian bread, rolls, pasta, cavatelli, frozen dough, tomato & broccoli pizza and much more!



**Fasting and Abstinence** - As a sign of our penance, we preserve for the Diocese of Albany the custom of abstinence from meat on the Friday's of Lent. Abstinence binds all Catholics who are 14 years of age and older. Fasting binds all Catholics who are 18 years of age but not yet 59. Fasting refers to the quantity of food eaten. Traditionally, fasting calls for only one full meal per day. By retaining these traditions for our Diocese we do not intend that they be interpreted as laws binding under pain of sin, but as customs from which we will not hold ourselves lightly excused.



#### Operation Rice Bowl

As we travel along our Lenten journey, we grow closer in our relationship with God through prayer. Prayer is also an essential part of reaching out to those in need and growing in solidarity with them. Your participation in Operation Rice Bowl helps reach those in need, both in our own community and around the world. Please join in this meaningful Lenten observance. Materials to assist you in your participation are available near the church entrances.

#### Lenten Services

**Simple Soup Suppers and Lenten Prayer Service** at 5:30pm every Thursday during Lent at St. Anthony's Church.

**Stations of the Cross** at St. Anthony's Church every Friday during Lent - 3:00pm (English) and 7:00pm (Spanish).

#### FESTA 2018



### St. Anthony's

## FESTA

is early this year  
**June 8,9,10**

Many new features this year so mark your calendar and be ready for

**GREAT FOOD WITH SOME NEW CHOICES!  
FAMILY FUN!**

**A NEW LINE UP OF ENTERTAINMENT!**  
More information to follow, so save the date!

#### BISHOP'S APPEAL -

The Office of Development and Stewardship would like to remind all parishioners that the final pledge statements for the 2017 Bishop's Appeal will be mailed in February. The deadline to submit gifts for the 2017 Bishop's appeal is **March 15, 2018**. Thank you for your continued generosity and support.

If you know of a parishioner that is no longer able to attend Mass and would like to receive Communion, please contact the church office at 518-374-4591 ext. 5.

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**Faith Formation News - Best Lent Ever** - Please join our students and families in an exciting online Lenten experience. It's a free email program that will guide you on a 40-day journey to become *the-best-version-of-yourself*, making this a truly life-changing Lent. Participants receive daily emails with short inspirational videos, practical tips to incorporate into their everyday lives, and encouraging stories from Dynamic Catholic team members. Visit, [www.BestLentEver.com](http://www.BestLentEver.com) to learn more.

**CONFIRMATION** - The Sacrament of Confirmation will be conferred by Bishop Edward Scharfenberger on Sunday, **March 18** at 2:00 pm in St. John's Church. Please keep our candidates and their families in your prayers. A reception will follow in the parish center hosted by our Rosarians.

### SAINT ANTHONY'S CHURCH MEMORIAL FUNDS

We acknowledge with great appreciation donations from the following to our Church Memorial Fund, Food Pantry and Restoration Fund in Memory of, in Thanksgiving to, or in Honor of their loved ones:

#### In Memory of:

**Mary Visco** by Lois & Richard Ferro, Patricca Family, Peter & Elizabeth Emmi, Tony & Josephine Frisoni, Phyllis Derenske, Jim & Beth Aviza

**Marjorie Ditoro** by Lois & Richard Ferro, David & Phyllis Fusco, Bonnie Donati, LK Golf League, Tony & Josephine Frisoni, Phyllis Derenske, Deborah Scarchilli

**Louise DiDonna** by Mary Ann Sinnenberg, Cesare & Blanche Bucci, Lois & Richard Ferro, Richard & Marie Pidgeon, Jean Pacelli, David & Phyllis Fusco, Janet MacLachlan, Kenneth & Margaret Frese, John Rotundo, Tim & Ellen Sinnenberg, Chuck & Shirley Butler, Joseph & Matilda Barry, Frank & Toni Ann LaMalfa, Mary Lou Guerriero, Elmerinda & Luigi Fabbri, Joseph & Nancy Lorica, William Civale, Tony & Josephine Frisoni, Phyllis Derenske

**Mary Attanaseo** by M/M Gordon Hamil, Lois & Richard Ferro, Jackie & Mike Kingston, Jeff, Cathy, Victoria & Jake Pardi, Christine Morroni, Maureen & Thomas Marks, Sharon & Bob Dawes, Brian Hicks, Tony & Josephine Frisoni, Phyllis Derenske

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**Sabatino & Maria Parisi** by Giacomo & Dawn Parisi

**Lydia Attanasio Lezzi** by Janet D'Allaird

**Jennifer Marra** by Gene & Flo Falcone

**Dominick DeSimone** by Gene & Flo Falcone, Chris & Ed Kazmierczak

**WORKS OF MERCY INITIATIVE...** We appreciate children's gently worn or new clothing up to age 18. Clothing items may be dropped off to us at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel. Please contact us for drop off days and times at 518-347-0871. For more information go to [www.worksofmercyshdy.org](http://www.worksofmercyshdy.org) and click on the "Good Neighbor" Program tab.

**FIRST THURSDAY FILM PROGRAM - March 1 - DVD *Risen*, 107 minutes.** *Risen* is the epic Biblical story of the Resurrection as told through the eyes of a non-believer. Clavius (Joseph Fiennes), a powerful Roman military tribune, and his aide, Lucius (Tom Felton), are tasked with solving the mystery of what happened to Jesus (Cliff Curtis) in the weeks following the crucifixion in order to disprove the rumors of a risen Messiah and prevent an uprising in Jerusalem. The film will be shown in Room 8 of SJE Parish Center at 1 PM. Please use the double doors under the canopy across from the handicapped ramp to SJE Church.

**FIRST THURSDAY BOOK GROUP FOR APRIL** - On April 5 at 1 PM in Room 5 Sr. Joan will lead a discussion on ***AD 33 by Ted Dekker***. A gripping story of Mavia, a slave who becomes a queen in Arabia, A.D. 33. They call her the Queen of the Outcasts. Mavia, a woman whose fate was sealed on her birth by this world, a slave-subject to the whims of all. But then she met a man named Yeshua who opened her eyes. Because of what he taught her, she has gathered her own traveling kingdom of outcast deep in the desert, wielding an authority few have seen. When her growing power threatens the rulers around her, they set out to crush all she loves, leaving her reeling as a slave once more. She must find Yeshua to save her people, but when she does, she will be horrified to discover that he faces his own death. Enter a story full of intrigue, heart-wrenching defeat, uncompromising love and staggering victory-one that re-examines everything you thought you knew about the heart of Jesus' stunning message and the power that follows for those who follow his easily forgotten way. If you wish Sr. Joan to order this book please call 518-372-3381 ext 224.

**Lenten Fish Fry Dinners: Friday, March 2nd & March 23rd**, from 4:30 – 6:30 pm. Take out or eat in for the same great price of \$9.00 per meal. Proceeds will benefit the parish Faith Formation programs. We invite you to join us for a simple Lenten fish dinner at the Our Lady Queen of Peace Parish Center, 210 Princetown Rd., Schenectady. Tickets may be purchased after all weekend masses or at the door.

**The Journey Bereavement Ministries** consists of a team of Bereavement Ministers available to those who are suffering the loss of a loved one. We invite those in need to call for an individual meeting with one of our ministers at 518-374-4591 Extension 103 to schedule an appointment. Please leave a message with your name and telephone number so we may contact you and know that all communication is held in the strictest of confidentiality.

**STAR EXEMPTION** - Renewal applications for the Enhanced (Senior) School Tax Relief (STAR) Exemption for 2018 are due by **March 1, 2018** in the City of Schenectady. The 2016 income for resident owner(s) is required as part of this process. If there was no income tax filed, we will accept ALL income Statements: Social Security, Pension, Interest Income, Etc. Seniors must turn 65 years old before December 31, 2018. Renewal forms are available in City Hall, 105 Jay St., Room #8 or at [www.tax.ny.gov](http://www.tax.ny.gov) (RP-425 Rnw) Please note that March 1 is deadline for filing all NYS property tax exemptions. For more information call 518-382-5075

**FEBRUARY 18, 2018**



**Monday, February 19 – Lenten Weekday/ Presidents' Day**

8:00 am Elizabeth Maddocks by Jane & Erwin Susich  
Patricia Dunn (Living) by Sister

**Tuesday, February 20 – Lenten Weekday**

8:00 am Carmella Coppola by St. Anthony's Kitchen Crew  
Patricia Dunn (Living) by Sister

**Wednesday, February 21 – Lenten Weekday**

8:00 am In Thanksgiving to St. Francis of Assisi by Devotee

**Thursday, February 22 – The Chair of Saint Peter the Apostle**

8:00 am Antonio Bonacquisto & Theresa Caruso by  
Daughter & Sister  
Sacred Heart & St. Theresa by Devotee

**Friday, February 23 – Lenten Weekday**

8:00 am Mass  
3:00pm Stations of the Cross  
7:00pm Stations of the Cross (Spanish)

**Saturday, February 24 – Lenten Weekday**

8:00 am Benefactors of St. Anthony's Bread by St. Anthony's Bread  
Theresa Rose Caruso by Husband & Children  
4:00 pm Deceased Members Solecki, Ryan & Smith Families by Family  
Raffaele Angelo Godio by Family  
Pasquale Savona by Gina & Anna Mantova

**Sunday, February 25 – Second Sunday Of Lent**

8:30 am Antonio & Antonetta Almaviva by Maddalena  
Louise DiDonna by Joanne & Josephine Parchetta  
Marjorie Ditoro by M/M Louis Petraccione  
Josephine DeMarco by Dominick DiMatteo  
Elia Lecce by sons Vince & Lou  
10:30 am Spanish Mass



*Please pray for the repose of the soul of Antoinette Carboni.*



**Sanctuary Lamp for the week of  
February 18th - February 24, 2018**

**Theresa Rose Caruso by Husband & Children**

**PRAYER TO SAINT MICHAEL**

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle; be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

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**February 25, 2018**

**Altar Linen:** Joanne Parchetta  
**Ellis Hospital & Long Term Care Center:** Joan Estes

**Important Notice to our Audit Teams:**

**Please report to St. Anthony's Chapel at 9:00 am.**

**Audit Team — Team 3, Tuesday, February 27:**

Danielle DePaula, Maria Fagan

**Lectors February, 24th & 25th:**

Saturday, 4:00 pm– Richard Ferro, Michael Basile  
Sunday, 8:30 am– John DeCiero, Bernice Honicki  
10:30am- Ramon Diaz, Ana Diaz

**PARISH SUPPORT**

February 4, 2018: \$5,059.75  
Candles: \$145.10



**PRAYERS \* PRAISE\* PETITIONS**

**COME JOIN US IN OUR WEEKLY  
DEVOTIONS**

**PERPETUAL NOVENA TO SAINT ANTHONY**

Every Wednesday (except during Lent) in St. Anthony's Church at 6:30pm with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from 7:30-9PM. Includes prayers in both English and Spanish. The Saint Anthony's Bread Apostolate will receive your special request for prayer that will be "lifted-up" in silence at the Saint Anthony's Novena on Wednesday evenings. Those requests will be received by email only and thereafter placed in our "Book of Remembrance" for one year. Please submit your prayer request to [saintanthony\\_bread@nycap.rr.com](mailto:saintanthony_bread@nycap.rr.com)

**EVERY SATURDAY FOLLOWING  
THE 8:00 AM MASS**

The Holy Rosary of the Blessed Virgin Mary is offered. First Saturday devotions will continue, led by the Secular Carmelites attending St. Anthony's Church.

**EVERY SUNDAY FOLLOWING THE 10:30 AM MASS**

We pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet in Spanish in St. Anthony's Church.

**EVERY FIRST FRIDAY (except during Lent)  
DEVOTIONS OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT  
from 7:30PM - 9:00PM.**

**ALL ARE WELCOME \* LET US PRAY TOGETHER**

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