

## FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT



### TO SAINT ANTHONY'S CHURCH

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

**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.**"

**FOR YOUR INFORMATION:** The telephone recording on Ext. 280 of the Palm Sunday, Holy Week and Easter Holy Day schedules are recorded quickly to fit all the information in the message. The phone recording only allots so much time.

#### CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES

This weekend, our parish will take up The Catholic Relief Services Collection (CRSC). Funds from this collection help provide food to the hungry, support to displaced refugees, and bring Christ's love and mercy to all people here at home and abroad. Next week, please give generously to the CRSC, and **help Jesus in disguise**. Please place your CRSC envelope along with your Contribution envelope in the collection basket.

**BISHOP'S APPEAL -** The deadline to submit gifts for the 2017 Bishop's appeal is **March 15, 2018**. Thank you for your continued generosity and support.

**You are Invited** The 'Saint Joseph Men's Group' of Saint Anthony's Church cordially invites you to a Brunch in the Church Hall right after the Spanish Mass on **Sunday, March 18**. The event is sponsored by our Group to celebrate the Feast of Saint Joseph. It is free of charge. However, any voluntary donations received will be delivered to the Church for the Church's Restoration Fund. Hope you can attend.



### St. Anthony's Church Palm Sunday Bake Sale

Saturday, March 24th, 8:00am - 6:00pm  
&  
Sunday, March 25th, 8:00am - 12:00noon



**Operation Rice Bowl** 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 Supers and Lenten Prayer Service** at 5:30pm on Thursday, March 15th and March 22nd 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).

#### Seder Meal

You are cordially invited to our Seder Meal sponsored by the RCIA Group, on Wednesday, March 28th at 7 p.m. in the Cafeteria of SJE Parish Center. The Last Supper was a Jewish Passover, a "Seder", a solemn sacrificial meal carried out according to ancient Jewish ritual by Our Lord and His Apostles. This ceremony enables us to enact the events of the Last Supper in the Mass. Booklets will be at each place and the traditional foods of grape juice or wine, lamb, matzos, celery, horseradish and haroses (*ground apples, nuts, cinnamon and raisins*), will be served to all. However, since most of these foods are not taken in great quantities it is advised that those participating have supped on some light fare prior to arriving. Please call Sr. Joan at 372-3381 ext 224 before March 23<sup>rd</sup> to make a reservation. Families with children and the Youth of our parish are most welcome.

**St. Anthony's Holy Thursday Dinner** - You are invited to join us in St. Anthony's Church Hall on **Thursday, March 29th** at 5:30pm for Dinner. Registration forms can be found at the church entrances or call the office to register. Mass will follow at 7:30pm.



#### Palm Sunday

Vigil Mass: Saturday, March 24th

4pm at St. Anthony's & St. John the Evangelist Churches

Sunday, March 25th

8:30am & 10:30am (Spanish) at St. Anthony's

7:30am, 9:30am & 5pm at St. John the Evangelist

#### Holy Thursday

7:30pm Mass of the Lord's Supper at St. Anthony's & St. John the Evangelist Churches

#### Good Friday

3:00pm Stations of the Cross at St. Anthony's  
Liturgy of the Lord's Passion and Death

7:30pm at St. Anthony's & St. John the Evangelist Churches

#### Holy Saturday

There will be no 8am Mass at St. Anthony's on this day.

#### Easter

Vigil Mass: Saturday, March 31st

7:30pm at St. Anthony's & St. John the Evangelist Churches

Sunday, April 1st

8:30am (English) & 10:30am (Spanish) at St. Anthony's

7:30am, 9:30am & 5pm at St. John the Evangelist

**Faith Formation News**

**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.



Next Sunday, **March 18**, our Boy Scout Troup 72 will host a Pancake Breakfast from 8:00am to 12:00noon in St. John's Parish Center Cafeteria. Cost: Adult \$8.00, Children 12 and under \$6.00. Breakfast will include: Pancakes, Syrup, Sausage, Eggs, Juice, Coffee/Tea/Cocoa.

**Lenten Fish Fry Dinner: Friday, March 23rd**, from 4:30 – 6:30 pm. Take out or eat in, \$9.00 per meal. 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.

**St. Paul the Apostle Church Palm Sunday Breakfast** (St. Paul's Parish Center) **March 25, 2018** - 9am to 11am. PREPAY ONLY. \$8.00 for Adults, Seniors with Card \$6.00, Children 5 to 12 \$5.00, Children under 5 Free. Menu: Ham, Sausage, Scrambled Eggs, Estrada, Pancakes, Dessert Shells with Strawberries and Whip Crème, Milk, Orange Juice, Hot Chocolate, Tea or Coffee. Ticket sales will be before and after Masses on Saturday, March 10th & 17th, Sunday March 11th & 18th.

**Sacred Heart League News...**

**To All Women of Our Parish Family**

You are cordially invited to become members of the Sacred Heart League of Saint Anthony's Parish during the Celebration of the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

To be eligible you must be over 18 years of age and attend one meeting and one league function. Meetings and functions will be listed in our church bulletins.

We are an organization that was initiated in the parish in June of 1928 and is canonically established. The Sacred Heart League is a Religious Society which aims at fostering in its members an ardent devotion, to bring about the sanctification of its members, the welfare of the Church and the spread of Christ's Kingdom. Applications will be available at the meetings. Please call any of the following if you have any questions: **President - Chris Kazmierczak (518)785-3426, Vice President - Lois Ferro (518)346-1024, Secretary - Cathy Busher (518)393-1638, Treasurer - Florence Falcone (518)372-2248.**

**THE KING'S MEN APOSTOLATE** - All men, age 18 and over, are invited to join the Schenectady Chapter of the King's Men Apostolate. Join us each Thursday evening at 7:00 pm in the St. John's Parish Center room 8 for an evening of praying the rosary, spiritual reading, discussion, and the Divine Mercy Chaplet. No dues or obligation to attend every week. Just bring a rosary. For more info, contact Mark Roberts at 518-372-8322.

**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 Maviah, a slave who becomes a queen in Arabia, A.D. 33. They call her the Queen of the Outcasts. Maviah, 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.

**WORKS OF MERCY INITIATIVE - Good Neighbor Program continues to grow!** Since the beginning of the 2017-2018 school year, we have served almost 300 local children, providing them with clothing care packages to help them feel comfortable, confident, and ready to learn. We have also given out 73 pairs of sneakers or boots and 86 winter jackets. **WE NEED YOUR HELP!** We have urgent inventory needs for the following sizes: Boys size 7-14 jeans/pants, long and short sleeve shirts, and hooded sweatshirts. Spring is around the corner so please remember us when you are transitioning closets or if you see great clearance sales. We always happily accept clean, gently-used and new clothing in all children, teen, and adult sizes. Remember adult clothing should be basic styles that teens may wear. Please contact us to drop off donations at [worksofmercyschdy@live.com](mailto:worksofmercyschdy@live.com) or at (518) 347-0871.

**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.

**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.**

**St. Anthony's Parish** - Parishioners are individuals who are formally registered and active in our Parish. Please complete this form if you wish to join our Parish family. You may return this form to the Parish Office by dropping it in the collection basket or mailing it to the Parish Office. **Check One:** New Registration (Please Send Parish Registration Form) \_\_\_\_\_ **or** Change of Address (New address is listed) \_\_\_\_\_  
Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

**MARCH 11, 2018**



**Mass Intentions  
for the Week**

**Monday, March 12 – Lenten Weekday**

8:00 am Blessed Mother by Devotee

**Tuesday, March 13 – Lenten Weekday**

8:00 am Mass

**Wednesday, March 14 – Lenten Weekday**

8:00 am Mass

**Thursday, March 15 – Lenten Weekday**

8:00 am Sally Spina by Jane & Erwin Susich

**Friday, March 16 – Lenten Weekday**

8:00 am Marina Cavoli by Cavoli Family

3:00pm Stations of the Cross

7:00pm Stations of the Cross (Spanish)

**Saturday, March 17 – Lenten Weekday**

8:00 am Benefactors of St. Anthony's Bread by St. Anthony's Bread

4:00 pm Rae & Tony Friello by Mae Friello  
Tina Bianchi by Vince  
Vincenza Califano by Anna & Paul  
Deceased Members Dagostino & DiCaprio Families by Family  
Dominic & Jennie Mastroianni by Josephine & Joanne Parchetta

**Sunday, March 18 – Fifth Sunday Of Lent**

8:30 am Cesare Bucci by William & Lois Giniecki  
Nicola & Michelina Valentino by Rosa & Albert  
David Tallcott by Ann Johnson  
Marjorie Ditoro by Joseph Marcello  
Anne Kolman by Family

10:30 am Spanish Mass  
For the People



**Sanctuary Lamp for the week of  
March 11th - March 17, 2018**  
*Louise DiDonna by Carol & Michael DiCerbo*

**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.

**MARCH 11, 2018**

**March 18, 2018**

**Altar Linen:** Robin Skalski

**Ellis Hospital & Long Term Care Center:** Ron McClosky

***Important Notice to our Audit Teams:***

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

**Audit Team — Team 2, Tuesday, March 20:**

Danielle DePaula, Leonard DePasquale, Carol DiCerbo, Lois Ferro

**Lectors March 17th & 18th:**

Saturday, 4:00 pm– Matt Spataro, Mike Basile

Sunday, 8:30 am– Lisa Serafini, Cara Olsen

10:30am– Mercedes Puicon, Jorge Puicon

**PARISH SUPPORT**

February 25, 2018: \$4,601.00

Candles: \$132.00



**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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