

# ST. ANTHONY'S CHURCH

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## MISSION STATEMENT

WE ENDEAVOR TO SHARE OUR  
TIME, TALENT AND TREASURE  
TO PROCLAIM THE GOSPEL OF  
JESUS CHRIST,  
AND AS HIS CHURCH,  
TO GROW IN FAITH AND LOVE,  
TO ACT IN CHARITY AND TO SERVE  
ALL OF HIS PEOPLE.



Through the intercession of  
**St. Anthony**

When I'm depressed, Help me find hope.  
When I feel alone, Help me find love.  
When I can't see God anywhere, Help me find faith.  
When I'm afraid, Help me find trust.  
When I am weak, Help me find courage.  
When I am sick, Help me find healing.  
When I am overcome by grief, Help me find comfort.  
When I am angry, Help me to let go.  
When I'm in trouble, Help me find God.  
We ask this, through Our Lord, Jesus Christ, Amen.

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## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

OUR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAMS ARE PRESENTED  
AS A COOPERATIVE EFFORT WITH THE PROGRAMS OFFERED AT  
ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST CHURCH  
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## MASS SCHEDULE

**NO DAILY MASS**

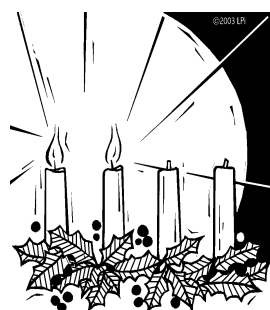
**SUNDAY MASS CELEBRATED AT 8:30 AM &  
11:45 AM (SPANISH), & 4:00 PM**

## RECONCILIATION

CALL 518-374-4591 EXT. 9 FOR AN APPOINTMENT BY THE WEDNESDAY-  
BEFORE.



## SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT



### SAINT ANTHONY'S CHURCH Sunday, December 7, 2025

#### Regular Parish Office Hours

Monday 9:00am to 3:00pm

Tuesday through Thursday

7:00am to 3:00pm.

Fridays, the Parish Offices are

**St. Anthony's Mass Book is open for 2026  
Mass Cards Available-Mass Intentions are \$15.**

#### St. Anthony's Church Extensions 518-374-4591

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#### Sunday Readings-December 7, 2025 Secon Sunday of Advent

**1st Reading:** Isaiah 11:1-10  
**Responsorial:** Ps. 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17  
**2nd Reading:** Romans 15:4-9  
**Gospel Acclamation** Luke 3:4, 6  
**Gospel:** Matthew 3:1-12

#### OFFERING CONFESSION BY APPOINTMENT ONLY

Fr. Carlino will be hearing Confessions by Appointment only. For those wishing to participate will need to call Fr. Carlino at (St. John's) 518-372-3381 ext. 9 or (St. Anthony's) 518-374-4591 ext. 9 no later than 3:00 pm the WEDNESDAY before.

**Hispanic Community--"Sundays-11:15 AM:** Rosary Prayer-Church." Divine Mercy Chaplet will be prayed after the Spanish Mass. **Sunday Nights-Spanish Prayer Meeting-6:00 PM-9:00 PM DeFranco Room. Monday Nights-6:00 PM-9:00 PM, Spanish Bible Study in the DeFranco Room.**

**PASTORAL CARE DEPARTMENT** - Do you know someone who is homebound and would like to receive a visit/Communion? Please call our Pastoral Care Coordinator, Ron Mc Closky 518-374-4591 ext. 103.

**CAREGIVERS' PROGRAM** - please call St. John's office and leave a message at (518)-372-4619 Extension 326.

### Sunday, December 7, 2025-MASS INTENTIONS

**8:30 AM** Janet Lake & Deceased Members of the Latorra, Bacchi & Visco Families by Joseph & Anne Latorra  
 Carmela D'Auge by Friends  
 St. Pauline & St. Lucy by Devotee  
**9:30 AM** St. Kateri-Union Street  
**10:30 AM** St. John the Evangelist  
**11:30 AM** St. Kateri-Rosa Road  
**11:45 AM** **Spanish Mass-St. Anthony's**  
 Sacred Heart & St. Theresa by Devotee  
**4:00 PM** St. Anthony's Bread by St. Anthony's Bread  
 Mario Massaroni by Family  
 Eleanor F. Capra & Nicholas Capra by Nieces & Nephews  
 Mario Isopo & Anna Isopo by Arthur & Lidia Pasquarello  
 We pray for the repose of the soul of: Dorothy Morrett



### Week Day Masses

#### Monday, Dec. 8, 2025-Holy Day-Immaculate Conception

**9:00 AM** St. Kateri, (Union Street)

**7:00 PM** St. Kateri (Rosa Road)

#### Tuesday, Dec. 9

**9:00 AM** St. Kateri, (Union Street)

#### Wednesday, Dec. 10

**9:00 AM** St. John the Evangelist

#### Thursday, Dec. 11

**9:00 AM** St. John the Evangelist

**6:00 PM** St. Kateri, Rosa Road

#### Friday, Dec. 12

**9:00 AM** Mass St. Kateri-Rosa Road

#### Saturday, Dec. 13

**4:00 PM** Mass St. John the Evangelist

**5:00 PM** Mass St. Kateri, Union Street



### FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

(Holy Day of Obligation)

**Monday, December 8, 2025**

**St. Anthony's Church 7:00 AM**

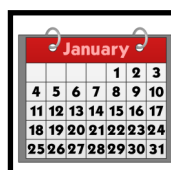
St. Kateri Tekakwitha Church, Union St. 9:00 AM

**St. John the Evangelist Church 12:15 PM**

St. Kateri Tekakwitha Church, Rosa Road, 7:00 PM

### CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

Anyone wishing to make donations toward the purchase of flowers for Christmas is invited to do so. Donations may be made in memory of loved ones, and all donations will be acknowledged in the bulletin. Using your Christmas Flower donation envelopes please either send your envelope to the church office at 331 Seward Place or just place in the collection basket.



**2026 CALENDARS** have been generously provided by DiToro/Rossi Funeral home again. We are grateful for this wonderful and useful gift. They will be available TODAY in English,

Spanish & Italian.

**Please take one per household.**



## SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT



### COLLECTION

**Nov. 23, 2025-Regular-\$4,353.80**

**Candle: \$54  
CCHD-\$51**

**Altar Linens:** 12/7-Melanie Delf 12/14-Sr. Christeena

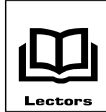
**Audit Team:** 12/8-Team B 12/15-Team C

**Lectors:** Next Week- Dec. 14, 2025

8:30 AM: David DiToro

11:45 AM: Arinka Abad

4:00 PM: Sharon Ferro



**A GIFT FROM YOUR PARISH** - Please do not forget to pick up your **Little Blue Books - Advent/Christmas Seasons 2024**. It is a pre-Christmas gift to you from your parish to assist you as you journey through the 43 days of the Advent/Christmas season. We suggest you start with *How to use the 'Little Blue Book* and that for each of the next 43 days you take but six minutes to let God speak to you.

### SANCTUARY CANDLE

**Week of Nov. 30-Dec. 6**

Eugene Quattrociochi by Anthony Cassillo

**Week of Dec.7-Dec. 13**

Carmela & Sammy Iovinnelli, Rose & Antoinette

Rosamino by Annette & Andy D'Auge

**Week of Dec. 14-Dec. 20**

Antonio & Mary Bonaquistio by Daughter, Betty



### St. Anthony's Church

The Venerini Associates help distribute food to needy families during the year. Help us **restock** so the good work can continue. **No gift is**



**too small. Monetary gifts for the food pantry should be placed in an envelope marked clearly Food Pantry c/o St. Anthony's Church. Nonperishable food items can be brought directly to St. Anthony's Church placed in the food containers by doors, 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM, Monday through Friday or to St. John the Evangelist on weeks days 7am to 11:00AM or on weekends before Masses at either church.**

Canned Fruit, Canned Applesauce, Canned Cranberry Sauce, Canned Vegetables, Canned Green & Yellow Waxed Beans, Soups, Boxed Stuffing, Canned Sweet Potatoes, Canned Yams, Boxed Scalloped Potatoes, Canned Beans, Canned Peas, Canned Corn, Canned Stews, Pudding, Cereal, Pasta, Pasta Sauce, Jelly/Jam, Peanut Butter, Cooking Oil, Tuna Fish, Mayonnaise, Canned Meats. **Thank you.**



**ADULT FAITH FORMATION**-We are never finished learning, if you feel the desire to grow in faith, we are here to help you do just that. Our faith-life is grounded in developing a personal relationship with Jesus. If you wish to receive the sacraments, or simply have questions about the process, **please call Dianne Galarneau via email at [dgalarneau@sjchurch.com](mailto:dgalarneau@sjchurch.com) or 518-372-3381 ext. 226.**

DECEMBER 7, 2025

**SCHENECTADY SOCIAL CLUBS**-Catholic Charities offers opportunities for seniors 55+ to gather to socialize, share a meal and participate in activities to improve emotional and physical health. **Current social clubs meet on Mondays at St. John the Evangelist Parish Center and Fridays at Bellevue Cafe.**

**St. Luke's Parish Center-Upcoming Activities-December**  
**Thursday, December 4, 11:30am-1:00pm** for Intro to Chair Yoga.  
**Wednesday, December 17, 1:00-2:30pm** for Crafting Fun  
**Please RSVP to Kristin Black at [stlukescares@gmail.com](mailto:stlukescares@gmail.com) or 518-347-9955**

### ST. JOHN'S MOVIES

Due to darker evenings this time of the year, we will also offer Sunday afternoon films.

The same film will be offered Monday evenings.

For the complete movie listing please visit our website at [www.sjchurch.com](http://www.sjchurch.com), click on Religious Education, you will find the Movie.

**The Wonders of God's Creation, Sunday, December 7,**

**2:30—3:41 PM Monday, December 8, 6:30 – 7:41 PM.**

**Animal Kingdom –How Great Are Thy Works Psalms 92**

**Saturday Movies for Children of All Ages!** We are happy to invite all children to an assortment of Saturday movies. All movies will be shown in St. John's cafeteria from 11:00AM - 12:00PM.

**December 20** to see the movie - **Holy Night – The King is**

**Born** Celebrate the wonder and joy of Christmas with Brother Francis in this heart-warming presentation of the birth of God's son! This is a wonderful way to remind everyone of Who we celebrate during the Christmas season.



### CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS EVE PAGEANT

**All children from Kindergarten to 8th Grade** are invited to participate in the 2025 Children's Christmas Eve Pageant that will take place at the 4:00PM Christmas Eve Mass at St. John the Evangelist Church. Needed are angels and shepherds, kings and stable animals, Mary and Joseph, narrators and choir members. **Participants will be required to attend rehearsals on the following Sundays from 12:45-1:30PM. December 7, 14 and 21.** All participants will sing! Student participants who attend Faith Formation classes will simply stay in the gym or cafeteria after class as directed by their teachers until rehearsals begin. Students who do not attend Sunday Faith Formation classes at St. John's will need to be escorted by their parent/guardian into the parish center gym or cafeteria by 12:30PM. Please enter the parish center through the Eastern Avenue parking lot. **If you are interested in helping with the pageant email Laurie Barone at [lauriejbarone@gmail.com](mailto:lauriejbarone@gmail.com)**

**If your child/ren are interested in participating in the pageant,** email Dianne Galarneau at [dgalarneau@sjchurch.com](mailto:dgalarneau@sjchurch.com). Please provide child's name, grade, home/cell phone number, parent/s name/s and email address. Additional telephone number of second adult. Thank you!

**THE KING'S MEN APOSTOLATE**-All men ages 18 and above are invited to join the Schenectady Chapter of the King's Men Apostolate. We meet each **Tuesday** evening at 7:00 PM in the St. John's Parish Center, room 8 to pray the Rosary, Divine Mercy Chaplet, spiritual reading & discussion. There are no dues or obligation to attend every meeting. For more information, contact Michael Zaccaria 518-779-2317.

DECEMBER 7, 2025



Father in Heaven, though I go to bed many nights uncertain of my works, I trust in Your love. Strengthen me in trust.

**St. Anthony's Exposition  
of the Blessed Sacrament and Holy Hour**  
Every Saturday 10:00 AM  
518-374-4591 Ext. 8 Bro. Ron



**ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST ADVENT GIVING TREE**

The Advent Giving Tree in front of Mary's altar is decorated with various gift cards. If each family would take at least one gift tag from the tree and purchase the item requested, it would help to brightened the Christmas Season for so many in our community who have so little. Wrap the gift in holiday paper, securely attach the **original tag to the outside of the package** and return the gift under the Giving Tree. To ensure the gifts reach their recipients in time for Christmas, **we ask that all gifts be returned by the 10:30 a.m. Mass NEXT Sunday, December 14th.** If you have any questions, please call Jeanne Servidone at 357-9053 or Kathy Carney at 377-7444. Your continued generosity to those less fortunate is greatly appreciated.



The Works of Mercy Initiative's **Good Neighbor Program** is looking for a few compassionate volunteers to help us serve our community. **Join Us:** Be a Good Neighbor & Make a Difference!

**Volunteer tasks include:**

- Receiving and sorting incoming clothing donations
- Packing care packages based on referrals
- Organizing clothing inventory and storage space

**Details:**

- **Volunteer hours:** Tuesdays between 10:00 AM and 1:00 PM (come for all or part of the time) No weekly commitment required
- Must be able to navigate stairs (workspace is on the second floor, no elevator)
- **Location:** Our Lady of Mount Carmel's Parish Center  
**Training provided.**

If you're interested in lending a hand, please contact us at [worksofmercyschdy@live.com](mailto:worksofmercyschdy@live.com) or 518-347-0871. To learn more about the Good Neighbor Program, visit [worksofmercyschdy.org](http://worksofmercyschdy.org). Thank you for considering this opportunity to make a meaningful impact!

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SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

**HOLIDAY CRAFT SHOW & BAKE SALE**-St. John the Evangelist's Rosary Altar Society is having their Annual Holiday Craft Show & Bake Sale on **Saturday, December 13th from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Parish Center.** A variety of delicious foods will be available for purchase for lunch. Admission is free.

--There will be many fabulous vendors selling a variety of items which would be great for gifts.

--We will raffle great gift baskets that include generous donations from area restaurants and businesses.

**Our Annual Bake Sale table is in need of your delicious baked goods.** You may drop off your baked goods either **Friday, December 12th from 12 noon to 6 p.m. or Saturday, December 13th from 8 a.m. to 9 :30 a.m.** Please call Joanne McGrath at 518-356-2996 if you have any questions. **Thank You!!**

Also, our "Elegant Leftovers" (aka White Elephant Sale) will be accepting your donations of gently used items (please no large items) on **Friday, December 12th from 12 noon to 6 p.m.**

**Please join us at our Annual Holiday Event**



**DECORATING COMMITTEE:**

**REQUEST FOR HELP for St. John's!**

The following dates have been set up to decorate St. John's for Christmas:

**Thursday, December 11, 6:00 PM** – We will need people (men especially) to help bring up the Nativity set, risers, Christmas trees and all the boxes of decorations from the basement and put them in the room opposite the sacristy.

**Thursday, December 18, 6:00 PM** - decorate the church including putting up the Nativity.

**Tuesday, December 23, 9:30 AM** - arrange flowers

If you have any questions, call Kathy Carney – 518-377-7444



This year we will celebrate Christmas and its Vigil at the following times:

**CHRISTMAS EVE (Wednesday 12/24/25)**

**St. John's** - 4:00 PM (Children Mass)  
7:00 PM

**St. Kateri** - 4:00 PM (Union Street)  
7:00 PM (Rosa Road)  
Midnight Mass (Union Street)

**CHRISTMAS DAY (Thursday 12/25/25)**

**St. Anthony's** - 8:30 AM (English)  
11:45 AM (Spanish)

**St. John's** - 10:30 AM

**St. Kateri** - 10:00 AM (Union St.)



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