

## PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction**

A holy hour of adoration of the Blessed Sacrament concluding with Benediction will be held on **Thursday, January 15<sup>th</sup>** at 7:00 PM. Come and adore the Lord Jesus bodily present in the Eucharist.

### **Parish Pastoral Council Meeting**

There will be a meeting of the Parish Pastoral Council on Tuesday, January 13<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM in the Hayes Room. All parishioners are welcome to attend.

**Prayer Group** - Meets on Wednesdays at 7:00 PM in Church.

### **Charismatic Healing Mass**

The Regional Charismatic Mass and Healing Service of the Syracuse Diocese will be celebrated here at St. John's on Tuesday, January 13<sup>th</sup> at 7:15 PM. Praise & worship music begins at 6:45 PM and is led by the Life Teen Band from St. John the Baptist Church in Rome. The celebrant will be Rev. Amedeo Guida. Prayers for healing will follow the Mass. All are welcome.

### ***Festival of Nations Dinner***

Reservations are being accepted for the Festival of Nations Dinner to be held here on Sunday, January 25<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 PM in the Church auditorium. Admission is a recipe for the "***Come to the Table***" cookbook to benefit Hope House *and* bring a dish to pass **OR** \$10.00 per person, children 5-12, \$5.00. Come and celebrate the rich cultural diversity of our community. ***Reservations are required.*** Please RSVP to either Mary Joan Foresti at 735-6340 or Joe Fariello at 272-7443. Don't forget to secure your copy of the cookbook! Deadline for orders with April delivery is January 25<sup>th</sup>.

### **Catholic Sun**

We are pleased to offer our diocesan newspaper, The Catholic Sun, delivered free, right to your door. If you are seriously interested in learning more about your faith, consider having this publication in your home. Articles that deal with national, diocesan and local topics appear regularly in each issue. Call the rectory to reserve your copy. Allow a few weeks for delivery to begin.

### **Father Andy's Christmas Cheer**

This is the last week for the Christmas gift for Father Andy. If you would like to contribute, you may either put it in the collection basket marked for Fr. Andy, give to Mollie Provasnik or stop by the rectory office. **Gift will be sent out Thursday, January 15<sup>th</sup>**, with the list of those contributing to follow through the mail service.

### **Hospitalized, Nursing Home or Homebound Parishioners**

To assist our staff and volunteer ministers, please call the rectory if a family member or friend becomes hospitalized, enters a nursing home or is confined at home.

### **Lector**

The Lector schedule for January – April has been mailed along with your preference sheet for the Easter Liturgies. **Please return the Easter availability sheet to Jerry Pitarresi by February 1<sup>st</sup>.** If you did not receive your copy, please contact the rectory office.

### **Support Group Held At St. John's**

Alcoholics Anonymous - Wednesdays - 8:00 PM  
For more information, call the rectory at 732-8521 and we will refer you to a contact person.

### **Faith Connection**

Pick up and read a copy of the *Faith Connection* which can be found at the entrances of the church. If you do, you will get more from the readings at Sunday Mass.

**Morning Rosary** – The rosary is recited every morning immediately following the 9:00 AM Mass.

### **Remembrance Book**

We would be happy to inscribe the name(s) of your loved one(s) who have died, along with their date of death, in our Remembrance Book located on the stand, by the railing, on the St. Joseph side of the church. Just take one of the 3x5 cards in the basket by the stand, fill out, and return it to the office (or the collection basket) and *we will inscribe the name.*

## MASS INTENTIONS: JANUARY 10 - 18

### Saturday, January 10 – (Vigil) Baptism of the Lord

4:00 Raymond J. Ferris – The Trainor Family  
4:00 Agnes G. Martin – Family  
4:00 Bernice Luker – David & Mary Reynolds

### Sunday, January 11 – Baptism of the Lord

7:30 Linda Marsh – St. John's Parish  
7:30 George Koury – St. John's Parish  
9:00 In Honor of St. Raphael the Archangel  
9:00 Gina Deyo – Matthew & Patricia Bohn  
9:00 Christopher Connors – Greg & Chris Eichler  
10:30 Al Conte – Kyle & Clare Burth  
10:30 Anna Saddier – Ken & Loretta Boyer  
10:30 Nina Scarafile - Family

### Monday, January 12 – Weekday

6:45 David Rinaldo - St. John's Parish  
9:00 Nicholas Royko – The Donohue Family  
9:00 Carole B. Brady – St. John's Parish

### Tuesday, January 13 – St. Hilary

6:45 Frances Pontero – St. John's Parish  
9:00 William Fraser – Gerald Cunningham  
9:00 Leona Ballard – St. John's Parish

### Wednesday, January 14 - Weekday

6:45 The People of St. John's  
9:00 Irene Hall - Family  
9:00 Jane Sanderl – St. John's Parish

### Thursday, January 15 - Weekday

6:45 Agnes Juidiciani - St. John's Parish  
9:00 F.X. Matt - Family  
9:00 Richard & Josephine Everett – Goddaughter

### Friday, January 16 – Weekday

6:45 Marie Kresse - Marie  
9:00 Janet P. Williams – Joann Alberico

### Saturday, January 17 – St. Anthony

8:00 Adelina Saporito Knapp - Mother  
8:00 Frank Kolanko – Wanda Gregory

### Saturday, January 17 – (Vigil) 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 Robert Owens – Daughter Joan  
4:00 Stanley Babrowicz – John & Mary Ballard  
4:00 George & Mary Bergstrom – George & Eileen Bergstrom

### Sunday, January 18 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 Frank Kolanko – The Burth Family  
7:30 Donald Mojave – Lowell Family  
9:00 Christopher Connors – Mary Curtis Daly  
9:00 Gina Deyo – Ann Rebeck  
9:00 Edward Gallagher - Friend  
10:30 Thomas Mulchy – Kyle & Clare Burth  
10:30 Harold Behlmer – Nicholas Vescio Family  
10:30 Victor Fariello - Family

### NEXT SUNDAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS

1 Samuel 3:3b-10, 19 (65B); 1 Corinthians 6:13c-15a, 17-20; John 1:35-42

### Gospel question of the week for January 18<sup>th</sup>

**Adult:** When have I been able, by my word or example, to lead someone closer to Jesus? How can I continue to do this in the future?

**Child:** How can I draw others closer to God by the good things that I do?



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*“You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased.”*

# St. John the Evangelist Church

## ADULT DINING CENTER

**Monday, January 12** – Yoga, Watercolor & Spanish, Knitting & Crocheting, Aerobics, Senior Theatre Group

**Tuesday, January 13** - Bridge Entertainment, BINGO

**Wednesday, January 14** – Yoga, Chair Yoga, Erie Canal with Frank Tomaino

**Thursday, January 15** – Pinochle, Computer, AARP Driving

**Friday, January 16** – Bridge, Aerobics, AARP Driving

## Smart Shopper Books

“Smart Shopper Books”, “Entertainment” and “Lights of the City” books are available at the Senior Center for \$20 each. Proceeds from sale of these books will be used to help fund programs for Seniors.

## Bad Weather Alert

Please...if our area is experiencing inclement weather, it would be a good idea to listen to your radio or watch TV before leaving home. If schools in the New Hartford School District close, the Senior Center will also close. For your safety, consider staying home during bad weather to avoid the chance of serious injury.

## FINANCES

Collection – Week Ending:	January 4, 2009
Regular Collection	\$ 11,129.75
Solemnity of Mary	\$ 2,737.00
Additional Christmas	\$ 1,467.75
Total	\$ 15,334.50
Special Donation	\$ 2,500.00

Thank You

Second Collection

Next Weekend: Fuel

## End of Year Contributions

Contributions for calendar year 2008 must have been received no later than December 31, 2008.

Contributions received after 1-1-09 will be posted for the year 2009.

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

**Religious Education** classes are at the usual times this week.

**Confirmation I** meets Monday, January 12<sup>th</sup> in the Parish Center at 7:00 PM. Father Zareski will speak on Honoring God.

**Confirmation II** is on retreat this Sunday. Father will come for liturgy in the afternoon.

**Child Church** takes place during the 10:30 Mass. Children are welcome.

## Youth Ministry - Sr. Lynn Abdelnour

The Youth Group will meet this Sunday, 01-11-09 at 4:00 PM in the Youth Ministry Room.

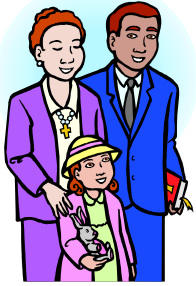


## “Souper Bowl” Collection

The Youth Ministry will once again be participating in “Souper Bowl” Sunday. Our collection weekend is scheduled for January 31/February 1, 2009. Please consider supporting this endeavor. Your generous donations will help feed families in need in the Utica area. All donations stay local. *Last year we raised \$4,100.00!!!!* The money went to support the Thea Bowman After School Dinner Program and many struggling local families were given grocery gift cards. You are such a generous community. Many of our area’s children depend on your generosity. There will be baskets at all the doorways to the church on Jan 31/Feb 1. We ask that you drop your monetary donations in one of these baskets. Checks may be made out to St. John the Evangelist Church. ***Thank you again for all you do to make a difference in this small patch of land God has entrusted to us.***

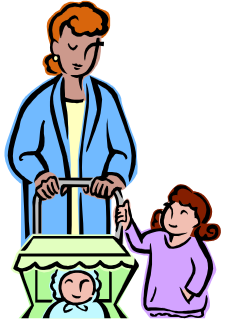
## Angels Among Us – Please Help

There is an immediate need for volunteers to staff the Children’s Corner at Mohawk Correctional Facility in Rome. The hours are 10 – 3 Saturdays and Sundays. The Children’s Corner provides books, games and videos for the children to use during their visit to the prison. It is not accessible to the children without a volunteer on duty. For more information, call Joe Fariello at 272-7443.



*New Parishioner Gathering*

*Please join us on Sunday, January 18, 2009, after the 10:30 A.M. Mass in the Church Auditorium.*



*We would like to extend an invitation to all New Parishioners who have joined St. John the Evangelist Church in the year 2008, and to our established parishioners. Come and enjoy some refreshments meet other new parishioners and see what St. John's has to offer.*

*All Liturgical Ministers and Parishioners are invited to participate in an afternoon or evening of Adult Education about*

**The Mass,  
the Heart & Center of Parish Life**

*Facilitated by Father Joseph Scardella*



Fr. Scardella is highly qualified to speak about liturgy. His topic will be:  
***“Liturgy: A Bridge in Time linking God & Creation,  
Past & Future, Personal & Communal Prayer, Sanctuary & Marketplace.”***

Date: Wednesday, January 14, 2009

Place: Hayes Room, downstairs in the Church

Time: **1:30 or 7:00 PM**

*Please return tear-off portion to rectory office by collection basket, mail or in person by January 12<sup>th</sup>.*

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Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Session you will attend: \_\_\_\_\_ 1:30 PM or \_\_\_\_\_ 7:00 PM