
Church of St. Joachim – St. John the Evangelist

March 11, 2007

Vigil: 3rd Sunday in Lent

		4:30 p.m.	Rose Burky	Gary Villano
		5:30 p.m.	Charles DelBene	The Moseman Family
Sun.	Mar. 11		3rd Sunday in Lent	
		7:30 a.m.	Ralph Mason	Clara Lou Gould
		9:00 a.m.	Ed Sablinski	John & Sally Berry
		10:30 a.m.	Helen Garnot	John & Maureen Darcy
	Spanish	12:00 p.m.	Sr. Giavanna Polizzi	The Ahumada Family
		12:00 p.m.	Raymond Renzo	Thomas & Bridget DeMercurio
		6:00 p.m.	Special Intention	
Mon.	Mar. 12		Lenten Weekday	
		7:00 a.m.	Joseph Kochay	Zofia
		8:00 a.m.	James Ambury	Wife, Mercedes
		7:00 p.m.	Deceased Members of the Women's Club	Anna Lanari
Tues.	Mar. 13		Lenten Weekday	
		7:00 a.m.	Mary Adams	Bob & Anne Adams
		8:00 a.m.	John N. Robb	Elena Robb
		7:00 p.m.	Howard Pendeleton	Rose & Perry
Wed.	Mar. 14		Lenten Weekday	
		7:00 a.m.	Irene Pavelock	Donald Pavelock
		8:00 a.m.	LeeAnn & Simon Lee Antalek	The Family
		7:00 p.m.	Jennie McKinney	Brenda Barlow McHugh & Richard McHugh
Thurs.	Mar. 15		Lenten Weekday	
		7:00 a.m.	Betty & Bob Murphy	The Family
		8:00 a.m.	Francis Donnelly	The Family
		7:00 p.m.	Mildred & Joseph Petrus	
Fri.	Mar. 16		Lenten Weekday	
		7:00 a.m.	Special Intention	
		8:00 a.m.	Mary & Joseph D'Onofrio	Bea & Elvira
		7:00 p.m.	Special Intention	
	Spanish	8:00 p.m.	Special Intention	
Sat.	Mar. 17		Lenten Weekday	
		8:00 a.m.	James Jones	The Family
		9:00 a.m.	George Matthias	Matt & Sharon Taylor
			Vigil: 4th Sunday in Lent	
		4:30 p.m.	Mary Jablonski	Mary Sholdis & Virginia Stafford
		5:30 p.m.	Special Intention	
Sun.	Mar. 18		4th Sunday in Lent	
		7:30 a.m.	Special Intention	
		9:00 a.m.	Elizabeth Schnetzler	Amy & Rolf Rastadt
		10:30 a.m.	Florence J. Cwill	Josephine Scadura
	Spanish	12:00 p.m.	Jose Lopez	The Family
		12:00 p.m.	Rose Papesca	Cindy, Megan & Amanda
		6:00 p.m.	Daniel Bradley	Kevin & Pat Bradley

Sacramentals

Sanctuary Lamp: St. Joachim's – Joseph Kochay, Casimir & Karol Dokurno

Sanctuary Lamp: St. John's – Leeann & Simon Lee Antalek, Edward & Dale Petrus

Bread & Wine: St. Joachim's - Ann Marie Simmonds

Bread & Wine: St. John's – John & Anna Devine

Altar Candles: St. Joachim's – Charles DelBene

Altar Candles: St. John's – Elvira Ruffalo

Rose for Life: St. John – Rose & Francis Donnelly, Joseph Romanelli, Deceased Members of the Connolly Family

Parish Mission

To expand and improve our Catholic faith community by responding with compassion and understanding to the spiritual and corporal needs of our parishioners and neighbors in the name of Jesus Christ.

Revenue Sharing Program

Winner March 4 Ed & Judi Maher

Attendance

March 4, 2007
1103

March 5, 2006
933 (incomplete)

Pilgrimage/Leisure Tour of "Majestic Italy"

We are pleased to announce that Fr. Fabian and Fr. Irenaeus will be joining us for the 10-day pilgrimage to Italy. We will be visiting Rome, Vatican City, Assisi, Sienna, Florence, and Venice. We will leave on Aug. 12, 2007 and return on Aug. 21, 2007. Price is \$3,150 plus \$250 departure tax inclusive from New York. For more information call Marianne Dahl (831-5406) or Helen Iannone (831-1230).

This Week's Events

Today, Sunday Mar. 11

Religious Ed Classes, 9-10:15 & 10:30-11:45

Monday, Mar. 12

Religious Ed Classes 6:45 – 8:00 p.m. -
Guest Speaker Diana Rhoda. All welcome

Tuesday, Mar. 13

Pastoral Council Meeting, 7pm, St. John's Hall

Wednesday, Mar. 14

Adult Ed on the Councils of the Church
7:30 p.m. St. John's Lower Hall
First Holy Communion Class Parents Meeting -
7 pm, St. Joachim's gym

Saturday, Mar.17

Cursillistas, 7 pm, St. John's Hall

Morning Prayer

Please join us for Morning Prayer beginning at 7:45 each Monday through Friday morning during Lent. Morning Prayer precede the 8:00 am Mass at St. John's.

Adult Education Classes

During Lent, Fr. Nolan is presenting a series of five classes on the Councils of the Church, on the Wednesday evening of Lent following the 7 p.m. Mass at St. John's. This is a great opportunity to learn more about the Church Councils and their impact on the life and history of the Catholic Church. All are invited.

Gregorian Chant Service

St. Joachim - St. John the Evangelist Church presents The Majesata Chanters. They will perform a Gregorian Chant Concert for Lent. This will include traditional and favorite Gregorian Chants as well as readings from Sacred Scripture. We will have 4 Chanters, including Paul Novosel. The service will be on Sunday, March 18, 2007 at 4:00 at St. John's Church. Please plan to attend.

Lenten Black Books - A few copies of these popular books of daily Lenten meditations are still available in the vestibules of the churches.

Honor Fr. Richard

Sunday, Mar. 25 will be Fr. Richard's last Sunday with us before he returns home. Come, celebrate with him at a special Nigerian Mass at 2 pm at St. Joachim's. Light refreshments to follow.

2nd Annual Irish Night

Our parish will once again sponsor Irish Night on Saturday, March 31 at the St. Joachim's Gymnasium. The Irish Rovers will provide the music for the evening. We will also have Irish Step dancing. Ticket price is \$25, which includes dinner, beer, wine and soda. Dinner will be served at 6:15. For reservations, please call Marianne Dahl (831-5406). All reservations must be paid for in advance. Come and enjoy an evening of Irish fun.

Easter Baskets for the Area's Needy

The St. Vincent de Paul Society will be collecting Easter Baskets, candies, toys, dye, etc. for the area's needy. Donations may be left in the rear of the churches.

Bus for Chrism Mass

Our parish will once again have a bus going to the Chrism Mass at St. Patrick's Cathedral on Tuesday, April 3. The bus will leave St. Joachim's parking lot at 1:00 p.m. and return about 11:00 p.m. Cost will be \$16.00. Please call the parish office for reservations.

Revenue Sharing Program

Packets of envelopes for the new Revenue Sharing Program are available in the rear of the churches. Your support is appreciated.

To serve your needs better, Fr. Nolan would like to know:

- Of any parishioner who is hospitalized
- Of any one in need of prayer
- Of any one who would like a pastoral visit

Our parish priests and the Special Ministers of Holy Communion bring the Eucharist to our ill parishioners. The Sacraments of the Sick and Reconciliation are also available from our priests on their visits. If you or someone you know is in need of the Sacraments, please call the parish office.

Through the Outreach Program – Parish Volunteers provide supportive and practical services for seniors and other persons who are in need. These include friendly visiting, telephone reassurance, shopping and local medical transportation/escort. *Drivers are needed for the Outreach Program for doctor's appointments. If you are able to help please call the parish office.*

Pray for the Sick – Annie Bates, Deborah Bonnell, Victoria Burke, Noah Cory, Dorothy Edwards, Cornelius D'Aprile, Gilda D'Aprile, Jane Dirito, Gabrielle Engstrom, Valerian Fernandes, Russell Fullen, Lillian Hughes, Cindy Kyriazis, Jane Licht, Matilda LoPrimo, Eileen Malik, George Maleakas, Aric Morgan, Carol Morrone, Kevin McElduff, Jim O'Donnell, Nancy O'Neil, Marion O'Shea, Diane Pavelock, Mary Rafter, James Rogers, Bibi Rodrigues, Steve Rose, Seabury, Dorethea Tompson, Jean Torrie, Wanda Tortora, Patricia Tribble, Thomas Trochan Jr., and Bill Wassweiler.

In your kindness please remember in your prayers those at home:

Emily Adams	Ann Petix
Antonina Giavatto	Jean Pettorossi
Tomasso Giavatto	Robert Sandford
Anne Komer	Florence Sensel
Charles Morse	Catherine Smith
Debbie Milkovich	Kathleen Thurston

And also our friends in McClelland's, Elant (formerly Fishkill Health Related), Wingate at Beacon, Forrestal Heights and Hamilton Fish.

If you know of anyone who is homebound or ill, please call the parish office.

Recently Deceased

We pray for the people who have recently died, and ask God to grant their family and loved ones the strength to carry on until we all join God in the Resurrection: Jean Gibney, Wayne Kessler, Pat Quirk, and Gloria DeNicholais.

Guest Speaker

On Monday, March 12 at 6:45 p.m. Diana Rhoda, who is a promoter of **Divine Mercy**, will be a guest speaker at our Religious Education (CCD) class. Religious Education that evening will be held in St. Joachim's Church and will be open to all parishioners.

Broadway Musical

The parish has purchased 50 tickets to see the Broadway musical, "Mary Poppins" on Sunday, August 26. Tickets are in the orchestra section of the theater. We will have dinner at Marcelleria Restaurant. The bus will leave St. Joachim's parking lot at 11:30 a.m. This will give you time to walk around NYC before the play. Price of the trip is \$180 and includes the bus, dinner, tips and theater tickets. If interested, please call Marianne Dahl (831-5406). We have only 25 tickets left and will not have an opportunity to purchase more.

Cardinal's Annual Appeal

The 2007 Cardinal's Annual Appeal is in its final stages in our parish. Next weekend is Commitment Weekend. At all Masses, you will have the opportunity to make your commitment to the Appeal. The Appeal is a vital source of funding for the programs and ministries that sustain the parishes across our Archdiocese. Please consider a sacrificial pledge to the 2007 Appeal. Thank you. So far, our parish has pledged \$3,950.00 toward our goal of \$43,050.

Rummage Sale

Coming in April. Save any good, usable clothing and light household items please. Details to follow

Announced Masses

Many Mass intentions are available, especially throughout Lent. What better time to remember our deceased loved ones.

Special Collection

Sister Kathleen Maire, OSF, a friend of our parish who has worked with Fr. Nolan and our Pastoral Council, will serve as team leader for the Global Health Ministry (GHM) Volunteer Mission to Guatemala. GHM volunteers work with volunteers from Guatemala to provide health care in remote villages and towns surrounding Esquipulas where people have little or no access to doctors or medical services. Most of the people there have no access to clean water or electricity. Most travel on footpaths or rugged dirt roads across the mountains. Doctors, nurses, therapists and other medical personnel donate their time and expertise to this effort. Global Health is totally dependent on donations to continue this mission. You are invited to participate in this mission effort by making a donation to Global Health at the Masses this weekend. Thank you.

Outside the Parish

Beacon Volunteer Ambulance Brunch – fundraiser in memory of Vince Arquilla will be held on Sunday, March 25 at Dutchess Manor. Seatings are at 10:30 a.m. and noon: Adults - \$18:00, Seniors - \$15.00 and children (6-12)- \$12.00. For tickets, please call: 831-4540, 569-0569, or 831-3455.

Couples Married 50 Years During 2007

Couples celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary anytime during 2007 are invited to attend the Annual Golden Wedding Jubilee Mass with Cardinal Egan at the Cathedral of St. Patrick on Sunday, May 20, 2007 at 2:00 p.m. Pre-registration is required. Please contact the parish office to register. Registration closes on Friday, May 4. This event is sponsored by the Family Life/Respect Life Office of the Archdiocese of New York

High School Teens

There is a special retreat just for you called Day-by-Day Agape at the Capuchin Youth and Family Ministries in Garrison. Agape is a Greek word, which expresses the love between the human and the divine. So DDA refers to living in God's love as an individual and in community. The next weekend for boys will take place from Thurs. evening Mar. 22 through Sun. Mar. 25. The next weekend for girls will take place Thurs. evening Apr. 19 through Sun. Apr 22. Many teens from Beacon have participated in the past; all have had a great time. If you have any questions or would like an application, please call Michelle Antalek at 831-1544.

Do You Have Any Suggestions for a Lenten Sacrifice? Why not increase your capacity for joy by giving up the things that force joy out of your soul?

Give up resentment, and become more forgiving.
Give up hatred and return good for evil.
Give up complaining and be more grateful.
Give up pessimism and become more hopeful.
Give up worry and become more trusting.
Give up anger and become more patient.

From Christopher News Notes

Catholics Returning Home

St. Denis Church, Beekman Rd., Hopewell Junction will offer a six-week series entitled "Catholics Returning Home" beginning April 10, 7:30 – 9:00 p.m. in the St. Denis Rectory Meeting Room. The sessions are for non-practicing Catholics who are seeking answers to questions about the Church. If you know of someone who has left the Church, please invite them to attend. For more information, call Deacon Enrico at 227-8382.

Ireland Trip

Now is the time to sign up for Msgr. Charlie Coen's annual tour (July 15-24). If you've ever wanted to see Northern Ireland, this is the time and this is the tour – Giant's Causeway, Derry, Belleek, Glens of Antrim, Mountains of Mourne, Downpatrick, and more, plus Dublin, Knock, Westport, Sligo, Donegal, and Bunnratty. For brochure, contact, Msgr. Coen, St. Christopher's Rectory, 7411 Broadway, Red Hook, NY 12571, tel. 758-3732.

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT MARCH 11, 2007

The burning question: "Lord, where are you leading me?"

"So Moses decided, 'I must go over to look at this remarkable sight, and see why the bush is not burned.' When the Lord saw him coming over to look at it more closely, God called out to him from the bush 'Moses, Moses!' He answered 'Here I am.' God said 'Come no nearer! Remove the sandals from your feet for the place where you stand is holy ground ... Therefore I have come down to rescue them from the hands of the Egyptians and lead them out of that land into a good and spacious land flowing with milk and honey.' ... 'Sir, leave it for this year also, and I shall cultivate the ground around it and fertilize it; it may bear fruit in the future. If not you can cut it down.'"

The Lord leads Moses today to the desert and then the mountain of Horeb for a truly special encounter. A unique phenomenon is reported in Exodus. The burning bush was not consumed. Curiosity led him to investigate further. Now not only are his eyes fixed on the plant, his ears hear the voice of God. "The "here I am" is spoken for all of us.

The spectacle of the eternal flame at Arlington Cemetery or in Paris causes wonder and often elicits prayer. A certain solemnity surrounds it. There is only the sound of silence. For Moses, he was reminded that it was a holy place, requiring him to acknowledge the presence of the Almighty, the awesome God, who speaks of His mission to rescue and lead them.

"Lord, where are you leading me?" As Moses acknowledged the hand of God and his presence in the burning bush, we too know that Jesus Christ has come to rescue us from the slavery of sin and lead us to a good and spacious land. That land, our church, is a place for everyone, offering us the gift of God's grace and goodness. We ask that our eyes be open to the remarkable sight in our church, to acknowledge it as our Horeb and meeting place with God. He speaks, and we respond desiring, to come nearer to His grace and forgiveness.

The popular hymn of Dan Schutte "Here I am Lord" becomes our prayer. Yes "I will go Lord, if You lead me ..."

"Lord, where are you leading me?" He calls us to penance and renewal, cultivating and fertilizing us, so that we can bear fruit. As He leads me this week in Lent, may I respect His presence, indicate that I am in His presence and prune and cultivate my life in prayer and penance to bear His fruit.

A Lenten Reminder:

**Morning Prayer at 7:45, Evening Mass at 7 p.m.,
Friday night Stations of the Cross at 7:30 and Friday night Mass in Spanish at 8:00
All at St. John the Evangelist Church.**

