

Church of St. Joachim – St. John the Evangelist

February 17, 2008

		<i>Vigil: Second Sunday of Lent</i>	
		4:30 p.m. Dorthea Hearney	Husband, Richard
		5:30 p.m. Lucy Orsini	Jack & Rosemarie Cahill
Sun.	Feb. 17	<i>Second Sunday of Lent</i>	
		7:30 a.m. Elizabbeth Ibaugh Derx	Marie Puvogel & Hallam Derx
		9:00 a.m. Rose Barrack	The Family
		10:30 a.m. Joseph L. Yanarella	Mary Jane & Joe Yanarella
	Spanish	12:00 p.m. Asuncion & Antonio Tavares	Aquiles Hernandez
		12:00 p.m. Alfred Palisi	Norma Sommerville
		6:00 p.m. Dennis Bennek	Edna Pettorossi & Family
Mon.	Feb. 18	Lenten Weekday	
		7:00 a.m. Lucy R. Orsini	Peggy Barry
		8:00 a.m. Matthew Staniewicz	Ralph & Mary Collins
		7:00 p.m. Rev. Martin J. Connolly	Rose & Perry Pendelton
Tues.	Feb. 19	Lenten Weekday	
		7:00 a.m. James & Mary Doyle	Catherine & Family
		8:00 a.m. LeeAnn & Simon Lee Antalek	Fred Antalek
		7:00 p.m. Special Intention	
Wed.	Feb. 20	Lenten Weekday	
		7:00 a.m. Alfred Palisi	Argia DeDominicis
		8:00 a.m. Maureen Campbell-Corves	Bridget DeMercurio
		7:00 p.m. Ruth Chaya	Linda & Tom Fisher
Thurs.	Feb. 21	Lenten Weekday	
		7:00 a.m. Ann Aliotta	Teresa Amoroso Williams
		8:00 a.m. Anthony & Esther Daddario	Son
		7:00 p.m. Special Intention	
Fri.	Feb. 22	Lenten Weekday	
		7:00 a.m. Casimir & Karol Dokurno	Zofia Kochay
		8:00 a.m. Cathryn Malone (living – birthday)	Clara Lou Gould
		7:00 p.m. Reinaldo Alejandro	Members of Cape-DC
Sat.	Feb. 23	Chair of St. Peter, Apostle	
		8:00 a.m. Patricia Archer	Ed & Mary Madeline
		9:00 a.m. Francis X. Smith	Mary DiGiovanni
		<i>Vigil: Third Sunday of Lent</i>	
		4:30 p.m. Edward Soltish	Jean Stanulwich & Family
		5:30 p.m. Alfred Palisi	David & Allie Eraca
Sun.	Feb. 24	<i>Third Sunday of Lent</i>	
		7:30 a.m. Ruth Chaya	Catholic Daughters, Court Liberatta
		9:00 a.m. Joseph L. Yanarella	Beacon High School Class of 1958
		10:30 a.m. Brenda McHugh	Jane Travis
	Spanish	12:00 p.m. Special Intention	
		12:00 p.m. Alfred Palisi	
		6:00 p.m. Special Intention	Mr. & Mrs. Craig Winther

Sacramentals

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

Sanctuary Lamp: St. John's – Leeann & Simon Lee Antalek, Anthony Melfi

Bread & Wine: St. Joachim's – Robert Sandford

Bread & Wine: St. John's – Michael Usifer

Altar Candles: St. Joachim's –

Altar Candles: St. John's – Dorthea Hearney

Rose for Life: St. Joachim's – Michael Scoba, Sr.

Rose for Life: St. John's – Rose & Francis Donnelly, Joseph Romanelli, Hayden Elliott

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: February 10 – Patricia Ballo

Attendance

Feb. 10, 2008	Feb. 11, 2007
1318	1,020

This Week's Events

Today - Sunday, Feb. 17

**No Religious Ed Classes today
Parish Teen meeting, 7 pm**

Monday

**Cemetery Board, Parish Office, 4pm
No Religious Ed Classes today**

Wednesday

**Women's Club trip to GCT
Buildings & Grounds, Parish Office, 7pm**

A Lenten Reminder:

**Morning Prayer at 7:45,
Evening Mass at 7, Mon. thru Fri.
Friday night Stations of the Cross at 7:30
Friday night Via Crucis (en Espanol) at 8:00
All at St. John the Evangelist Church**

Peter's Pence Donations will be collected this weekend, Feb. 16-17. Please deposit your special Peter's Pence envelope in the regular collection basket. The Peter's Pence Collection supports the emergency relief works of the Holy Father throughout the world. Thank you.

The Daily Lenten Meditation "Black Books" are available (free) in the vestibules of the churches. Many parishioners have found these booklets very helpful in the past.

Breaking Open the Word

Will be suspended during Lent. We invite all parishioners to attend the "Purpose Driven Life" discussions following the 7pm Mass Mondays through Fridays.

Lenten Discussion Group

We are holding a Lenten discussion group – every evening, Monday through Friday at 7:30 at St. John's following the 7:00 pm Mass. We will have a brief reading from the book, "A Purpose Driven Life" and a short discussion on the reading. All are welcome.

Prayer Group for Family Members of Active Duty Military Personnel

Will meet on Monday evening, Feb. 25 at St. John's at 7:30 (following the 7pm Mass) for prayer and support. All parishioners who have family members who are serving on active military duty are invited to attend,

Lenten Information

Fasting – prescribes only one full meal plus two small ones to maintain strength. Obliges from 18 to 59th birthdays.

Abstinence forbids eating meat. Obliges from 14th birthday.

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fast and abstinence.

All Fridays in Lent are days of abstinence.

There is a serious obligation to observe these penitential practices in a serious way.

Broadway Musical Gypsy

The parish is sponsoring a bus trip to see the Broadway revival of the classical musical GYPSY starring Patty Lupone on Sunday, April 27, 2008. Gypsy has been referred to as the greatest American musical by numerous critics and writers. Don't miss out on this great opportunity. We have purchased 50 orchestra seat tickets for the afternoon show. Ticket price is \$170 which includes bus transportation and dinner at Marcelleria Restaurant. Please call Marianne Dahl (831-5406) for reservations.

To server 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 and Homebound:

Emily Adams, Minoo Aibara, Barbara Amoroso, Lorraine Barnett, Deborah Bonnell, Kevin Bradley, Victoria Burke, Julia Carbonaro, Bill Coatney, Christine Connelly, Mike Connelly, Romona Concessao, Noah Corey, Cornelius D'Aprile, Gilda D'Aprile, Tom DeMercurio, Christine DiDonato, Paul DiGiovanni, Hilda D'Silva, Jeffrey Dolan, Dorothy Edwards, Christine Ferguson, Valarian Fernandes, Russell Fullen, Marie Ann Gama, Antonina Giavatto, Tomasso Giavatto, Earl Groza, Arthur Hanna, Joan Houghtalin, Kathy Juhasz, Donna Juliano, Jim Killeen, Frances Lester, Julie LaColla, Jane Licht, Mary Lynch, Eileen Malik, Venita Martis, Sue Mather, Jella Moloney, Aric Morgan, Carol Morrone, Sharon Nichols, Jim O'Donnell, Anna Opielinska, Diane Pavelock, Ann Petix, Jean Pettorossi, Cayla Pignatello, Florence Sensel, Catherine Smith, Joanne Smith, Lawrence Solomon, Teresa Solomon, Nick Steffanci, Dorethea Tompson, Jean Torrie, Thomas Trochan, Jr., Patricia Tribble, Sarah Villafane, Bill Wassweiler, and Ave Wolfe.

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

Recently Deceased

We pray for the people who have recently died and ask God to grant their families and loved ones the strength to carry on until we all join God in the Resurrection: Arthur Guilbault, Mark Sovik, Agnes McCallen

Masses Available

There are a number of openings for Mass intentions for the 7 pm Masses during Lent. Please visit the parish office if you would like to schedule one.

Bicentennial Campaign

Even though the Cardinal's Annual Appeal is in progress, we remind you to please continue to make your regular pledged donations to the Bicentennial Campaign. We have accomplished much with your support so far and plan to continue the work when our next rebate check arrives in April.

From the Pastor

To all the wonderful men and women, boys and girls who volunteer their time building up the kingdom of God here in Beacon – THANK YOU!! We are holding our adult volunteer dinner to thank all of the adults who work tirelessly here at St. Joachim – St. John the Evangelist. This includes all Lectors, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Religious Education teachers and aides, members of the RCIA Team, Ushers, members of the Choir, adult volunteers with our children's Mass, members of our parish groups: the Women's Club, Seniors, Divine Mercy, Boy Scout Leaders, Altar Rosary, Outreach, St. Anthony Sodality, CYO leaders, Pastoral Council, Finance Council, St. Vincent de Paul, Circulo de Oracion, Cursillistas, Sagrado Coragon de Jesus, those who take care of the religious articles counter, Buildings and Grounds Committee, Cemetery Board members, Liturgy Committee, Teen Group Leaders and anyone else we might have missed in this lengthy list.....

Adult Volunteer Appreciation Gathering

Sunday, February 24, St. Joachim's gym at 4pm.
All adult parishioners who have volunteered over the past year please come and join in this gathering.

FRANCE PILGRIMAGE

The parish invites you to a 10 day pilgrimage, **August 11 – 20, 2008 "SHRINES OF FRANCE."** We will begin our journey in Ars with a visit to the Shrine of St. John Vianney. Next on to the French/Swiss Alpine region of Annecy and a visit to Geneva. We will travel on to Paris and on to Lisieux, the home of St. Therese. We will visit Lourdes and take part in the candlelight procession and in the reciting of the Rosary. Our trip also includes a visit to Normandy, Mont-St. Michel, Chartes and Paray-Le-Monial. Price: Inclusive from New York \$2995.00 + \$275.00 departure tax. Please mail deposit of \$350 in as soon as possible. For more information, see the brochure in the back of the churches or call Marianne Dahl at 831-5406.

Cardinal's Appeal

The Cardinal's Annual Appeal dedicates \$1,250,000 to the support of retired priests and religious who have served our parishes and communities well. Your gift to the 2008 Appeal will help to support these men and women who have dedicated their lives to the service of others as they live out their golden years. Our parish goal is the same as in the past several years, \$43,050. Please prayerfully consider your situation and be generous in your response. For your information, last year our parishioners pledged \$39,235 and actually donated \$38,640 (225 donors) toward our goal of \$43,050.

Next weekend is Commitment Weekend. You will have the opportunity to make your commitment to the Cardinal's Appeal at Mass. If you haven't already responded by mail, you can make your pledge at that time.

PAX CHRISTI

Hudson Valley PAX CHRISTI local chapter of the International Catholic peace movement holds a regular meeting every THIRD Wednesday at 7:30pm at St. Joseph's Church Center, New Paltz, NY. Meetings are open to anyone interested in learning about peace and social justice from a faith perspective. The next meeting will be Wed. February 20th. Call 845-691 8015 or 896-8474.

WHAT ON EARTH AM I HERE FOR?

Six Week (40 days) "The Purpose-Driven Life" Seminar. An uplifting boost to your Lenten Experience, FEB-9TH through MARCH 15, Sat. Mornings 8-9:00 at St Mary's, Fishkill, NY. Featuring Catholic discussion, DVD/workbook, Meditation/Music, Coffee/Bagels, Teaching/Fellowship. Sponsored by St. Mary's Men's Fellowship. 896-6400

40 HOURS FOR THE END OF ABORTION

It is said that only prayer and fasting can overcome certain evils. Since we have had 35 years of legalized murder of little babies in their mothers' womb, all human efforts have thus far proven fruitless. So, with Lent upon us, what a wonderful time to follow the Gospel and pray and fast for the end of abortion now. Please join us at Planned Parenthood on the Arterial (Church Street) for one hour from 3 PM to 4 PM each day of the week except Sunday to prayer for the end of abortion in our own city of Poughkeepsie. Also, on your own, fast from something during Lent offering it up also for the end of abortion. If you wish to register your time and day, please call Rich at 297-7930. Otherwise, just show up to pray.

Vigil Volunteering

Vassar Brothers Medical Center, in collaboration with Hospice, Inc. and with support from the Community Foundation of Dutchess County, is creating a volunteer program to support dying patients and their families. Vigil volunteer will be able to provide unique understanding, guiding the family and providing a comforting presence so dying patients are not alone. The initial training will take place Thursday, Mar. 6th and 13th from 6:30pm to 9:30 pm and Saturday, Mar. 15th from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. There is no cost, but an expectation that a trained volunteer will be available 4 hours a week for those in need. For more information, please call Rev. J. Simon at 483-6644.

Lenten Contemplative Studies Series

The Redemptoristine Nuns of Mother of Perpetual Help Monastery, Route 9W, Esopus, on the grounds of Mt. St. Alphonsus are conducting this Lenten series on Mondays beginning at 7pm, Input and discussion will be followed by Night Prayer with the community at 8:15. Please call 384-6533 to register for any or all sessions and for directions. Discussion topics are: Feb. 25 – Contemplative Values for Everyday Living. March 3 – The Art of Contemplative Prayer. March 10 – Contemplative Life into the 21st Century.

Maryknoll Sisters Charity Concert Featuring The Hudson Valley Symphonic Wind Ensemble
Sunday Mar. 2 at 3:00 pm at the Maryknoll Sisters Center in Ossining. The proceeds from the \$25.00 ticket price will help support the Sisters' ministries among the poor worldwide. Tickets can be ordered by calling 866/662-9900.

The Catholic Widow and Widowers of Dutchess and Putnam Counties

will meet on the third Tuesday of the month at 7:00 pm at the East Fishkill Community Center, Route 82 in Hopewell Junction, NY. (845) 223-3097.

Weekend Retreats

Bethany Spirituality Center, Highland Mills, is offering a Weekend Directed Retreat, led by staff members for retreat newcomers and veterans March 14-16 and an Easter Triduum Retreat with Rev. Steve Schoenig, SJ, presiding and Rev. Jim Coughlin, SJ, music director, March 20-23. Please call 845/469-3061 for info or to register.

2^{do} DOMINGO DE CUARESMA**LECTURAS PARA EL DIA DE HOY:****1 Lectura: Gn 12,1-4a:** Vocación de Abrahán**2 Lectura: 2Tm 1,8b-10:** Dios nos llama y nos ilumina.**Evangelio: Mt 17,1-9:** La transfiguración.

Hoy, camino hacia la Semana Santa, la liturgia de la Palabra nos muestra la Transfiguración de Jesucristo. Aunque en nuestro calendario hay un día litúrgico festivo reservado para este acontecimiento (el 6 de agosto), ahora se nos invita a contemplar la misma escena en su íntima relación con los sucesos de la Pasión, Muerte y Resurrección del Señor. En efecto, se acercaba la Pasión para Jesús y seis días antes de subir al Tabor lo anunció con toda claridad: les había dicho que «Él debía ir a Jerusalén y sufrir mucho de parte de los ancianos, los sumos sacerdotes y los escribas, y ser matado y resucitar al tercer día»

Pero los discípulos no estaban preparados para ver sufrir a su Señor. Él, que siempre se había mostrado compasivo con los desvalidos, que había devuelto la blancura a la piel dañada por la lepra, que había iluminado los ojos de tantos ciegos, y que había hecho mover miembros lisiados, ahora no podía ser que su cuerpo se desfigurara a causa de los golpes y de las flagelaciones. Y, con todo, Él afirma sin rebajas: «Debía sufrir mucho». ¡Incomprensible! ¡Imposible!

A pesar de todas las incomprensiones, sin embargo, Jesús sabe para qué ha venido a este mundo. Sabe que ha de asumir toda la flaqueza y el dolor que abrumba a la humanidad, para poderla divinizar y, así, rescatarla del círculo vicioso del pecado y de la muerte, de tal manera que ésta —la

muerte— vencida, ya no tenga esclavizados a los hombres, creados a imagen y semejanza de Dios.

Por esto, la Transfiguración es un espléndido icono de nuestra redención, donde la carne del Señor es mostrada en el estallido de la resurrección. Así, si con el anuncio de la Pasión provocó angustia en los Apóstoles, con el fulgor de su divinidad los confirma en la esperanza y les anticipa el gozo pascual, aunque, ni Pedro, ni Santiago, ni Juan sepan exactamente qué significa esto de... *resucitar de entre los muertos*, ¡Ya lo sabrán!

ANUNCIOS**EVANGELIZACION EN LOS HOGARES.**

Se informa a toda la comunidad que se esta llevando a cabo la evangelización en los hogares, todos los miércoles en la noche. Si esta interesado en obtener mas información comuníquese con la señora Orfa Alzate al TEL: 845-8312761 o con la Señora Marina Ahumada TEL: 845-8314288.

VIA CRISIS.

Se informa a la comunidad que todos los viernes se estará llevando a cabo el via crisis en español a las 8:00 de la noche en la iglesia de San Juan Evangelista.

Ayuno y Abstinencia:

Ayuno: obliga a hacer una sola comida durante el día, pero no prohíbe tomar un poco de alimento por la mañana y por la noche. La ley del ayuno obliga a todos los mayores de edad hasta que hayan cumplido 59 años. Son días de ayuno y abstinencia el miércoles de Ceniza y el Viernes Santo.

Abstinencia: prohíbe el uso de carnes, pero no el uso de huevos, lacticinios y cualquier condimento a base de grasa de animales. Obliga a los mayores de 14 años. Son días de abstinencia todos los viernes de Cuaresma.

Estas mortificaciones mínimas de ayuno y abstinencia deben ser completadas por cada uno según las personales necesidades y exigencias espirituales. La Cuaresma no es sólo tiempo de mortificación. Es, además, tiempo de retiro espiritual en el que la meditación y la oración personal deben ser intensificadas para lograr la renovación espiritual que se anhela conseguir durante este tiempo.