

Church of St. Joachim – St. John the Evangelist

March 2, 2008

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| | | | <i>Vigil: Fourth Sunday of Lent</i> | |
| | | 4:30 p.m. | Rose Barrack | The Family |
| | | 5:30 p.m. | Lucy Orsini | Palma Webb |
| Sun. | Mar. 2 | | <i>Fourth Sunday of Lent</i> | |
| | | 7:30 a.m. | Mark Sovik | Marcia, Rhonda, Maureen |
| | | 9:00 a.m. | Frances Lester | Mary DiGiovanni |
| | | 10:30 a.m. | Anne Robillard | Catholic Daughters #704 |
| | Spanish | 12:00 p.m. | Elena & Roberto Hernandez | Aquiles Hernandez |
| | | 12:00 p.m. | Alfred Palisi | The Goodall Family |
| | | 6:00 p.m. | Special Intention | |
| Mon. | Mar. 3 | | Lenten Weekday | |
| | | 7:00 a.m. | John M. Stella | Peggy & John Stella |
| | | 8:00 a.m. | Special Intention | |
| | | 7:00 p.m. | Rev. Donald Licata | Ed & Mary Madeline Archer |
| Tues. | Mar. 4 | | Lenten Weekday | |
| | | 7:00 a.m. | Alfred Palisi | Mrs. George Domenico |
| | | 8:00 a.m. | Dennis Smith | Marie, Brian, Matt & Chrissy |
| | | 7:00 p.m. | Special Intention | |
| Wed. | Mar. 5 | | Lenten Weekday | |
| | | 7:00 a.m. | Lucy Orsini | Mary Calaluca |
| | | 8:00 a.m. | Domenico Lucia & Luigi Iallonardo | Carmela Formichelli |
| | | 7:00 p.m. | Ruth Chaya | Bob & Helen Savoit |
| Thurs. | Mar. 6 | | Lenten Weekday | |
| | | 7:00 a.m. | Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Garbo | Olga Mihanowich |
| | | 8:00 a.m. | Special Intention | |
| | | 7:00 p.m. | Ray & Barbara McEnroe | Patricia & Jim Letterio |
| Fri. | Mar. 7 | | Lenten Weekday | |
| | | 7:00 a.m. | Frances Lester | Tom & Lucy Healey |
| | | 8:00 a.m. | Special Intention | |
| | | 7:00 p.m. | Debra Milkovich | Helen LaFalce |
| Sat. | Mar. 8 | | Lenten Weekday | |
| | | 8:00 a.m. | Joseph Kochay | Zofia Kochay |
| | | 9:00 a.m. | Donald White | |
| | | | <i>Vigil: Fifth Sunday of Lent</i> | |
| | | 4:30 p.m. | Francis X. Smith | Peggy Barry |
| | | 5:30 p.m. | Charles Del Bene | Moseman Family |
| Sun. | Mar. 9 | | <i>Fifth Sunday of Lent</i> | |
| | | 7:30 a.m. | Joan Puvogel Tarrant | Marie Puvogel & Hallam Derx |
| | | 9:00 a.m. | Rose Barrack | Willis & Betty Neth |
| | | 10:30 a.m. | Brenda Barlow McHugh | Johanne Milkovich |
| | Spanish | 12:00 p.m. | Felicia Tejada & David Warner | Aquiles Hernandez |
| | | 12:00 p.m. | Alfred Palisi | Tom & Bridget DeMercurio |
| | | 6:00 p.m. | Special Intention | |

Sacramentals

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

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

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

Bread & Wine: St. John's – Diane Cable

Altar Candles: St. Joachim's – Gen Price

Altar Candles: St. John's – Ann Marie Simmonds

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

Rose for Life: St. John's – Rose & Francis Donnelly, Joseph Romanelli, Marguerite Moscato, Marion Moscato

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 24 – Women’s Club

Attendance

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| Feb. 24, 2008 | Feb. 25, 2007 |
| 1,207 | 1150 |

This Week’s Events

Today - Sunday, Mar. 2
Religious Ed Classes
Parish Teen meeting, 7 pm

Monday
Women’s Club, St. John’s Hall, 7pm
Religious Ed Classes

Friday
First Friday Adoration,
St. John’s, 8:30 am - 6:45pm
Seniors meeting at 1:00, St. John’s
Lower Hall

Saturday
First Reconciliation, St. John’s, 10:30

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

The 2008 Daily Lenten Meditation “Black Books” are still available (free) in the vestibules of the churches. Many parishioners have found these booklets very helpful in the past.

Early Deadline

Sorry for the inconvenience, but the absolute deadline for items for the bulletin for March 16 is Thursday March 6. Thank you.

St. Joachim- St. John’s Senior Club

Will meet Friday, Mar. 7 at 1:00 pm . Refreshments will be served. Membership is open to all parish and community seniors.

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.

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.

Girl Scout Sunday

All Girl Scouts of the parish are invited to participate in the 9:00 am Mass next Sunday, March 9 for Girl Scout Sunday. Please assemble in the vestibule of St. Joachim’s Church by 8:45. Thank you.

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 and 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, Mino Aibara, 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, 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, Jella Moloney, Aric Morgan, Carol Morrone, Sharon Nichols, Jim O'Donnell, Anna Opielinska, Diane Pavelock, Ann Petix, Jean Pettorossi, Cayla Pignatello, James Schettino, Florence Sensel, Catherine 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: Rose Jakab, Alexander Robertson

CHRISM MASS

The Chrism Mass at St. Patrick's Cathedral will be on Tues., March 18. The parish is again organizing a bus trip that will leave St. Joachim's at 1:00 pm and arrive back in Beacon at approximately 10 pm. The cost for the bus is \$17 per person. If you are interested in attending please call the parish office to make reservations.

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.

Easter Items

The St. Vincent de Paul Society will be collecting Easter items for the area's needy. Donations of baskets, toys, candy, etc. may be left in the boxes in the rear of the churches.

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

Now that we have had our "in-pew" weekend, we encourage all parishioners to prayerfully make their decision about supporting the Cardinal's Appeal and send in your pledge soon. Pledges can be paid over five months. The Cardinal's Appeal Office will send monthly reminders. Remember that we need a few more families to donate this year, or a few families to donate more than last year if we are reach our goal of \$43,050. We would like to wrap up the solicitation phase of the Appeal for our parish soon and your "just do it" generous response till be very much appreciated. Thank you.

Catholics Returning Home

St. Denis Church, Hopewell Jct. Will offer a six-week series beginning Mar. 25, 7:30-9:00 pm in the Rectory Meeting Room. The sessions are for non-practicing Catholics who are seeking answers to question about returning to the Church. If you know someone who has left the Church, please invite them to join us. For additional information, please call Deacon Enrico at 227-8382.

March 2008

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| | | | | | | 1 Altar Rosary Society , after 9 am Mass, St. John's Cursillistas , 7-8pm, St. John's Hall |
| 2 Teen Group , 7pm , gym 7pm Mass | 3 Women's Club , St. John's hall, 7 pm 7pm Mass | 4 7pm Mass | 5 7pm Mass | 6 7pm Mass | 7 FIRST FRIDAY, Adoration at St. John's, 8:30 am– 7pm Seniors 12:30 -3 7pm Mass 7:30 Stations 8 pm Via Crucis | 8 First Reconciliation, St. John's, 10:30 |
| 9 Cursillistas , 10-11:30, Convent GS Sunday , 9 am Mass Teen Group , 7pm , gym | 10 Cemetery Board , 4pm, Office 7pm Mass | 11 Pastoral Council , 7pm, St. John's hall 7pm Mass | 12 7pm Mass | 13 Valentine's Day Mass and Dinner, 7pm, St. John's 7pm Mass | 14 St. Patrick's Day in AD of NY 7pm Mass 7:30 Stations 8 pm Via Crucis | 15 Cursillistas , 7-8pm, St. John's Hall |
| 16 Palm Sunday Teen Group , 7pm, gym | 17 Parish Office Closed 7pm Mass Penance Service, 7:30, St. John's | 18 Chrism Mass, St. Patrick's Cathedral No 7pm Mass | 7pm Mass | 20 Holy Thursday See | 21 Good Friday ... Holy Week Parish Office Closed. | 22 Holy Saturday ... Schedule |
| 23 Easter Sunday <hr/> 30 | 24 <hr/> 31 Annunciation | 25 Active Duty Military Family Prayer Group, St. John's Hall, 7pm | 26 19 Buildings & Grounds , 7pm, Parish Office | 27 | 28 | 29 St. Patrick's Day Party |

4^{to} DOMINGO DE CUARESMA

LECTURAS PARA EL DIA DE HOY:

1 Lectura: 1Sam 16,1b.6-7.10-13a: David es ungido rey de Israel

2 Lectura: Ef 5,8-14: Levántate de entre los muertos

Evangelio: Jn 9,1-41: Curación del ciego de nacimiento



Hoy, cuarto domingo de Cuaresma, toda la liturgia nos invita a experimentar una alegría profunda, un gran gozo por la proximidad de la Pascua. Jesús fue causa de una gran alegría para aquel ciego de nacimiento a quien otorgó la vista corporal y la luz espiritual. El ciego creyó y recibió la luz de Cristo. En cambio, aquellos fariseos, que se creían en la sabiduría y en la luz, permanecieron ciegos por su dureza de corazón y por su pecado. De hecho, «No creyeron los judíos que aquel hombre hubiera sido ciego, hasta que llamaron a los padres del que había recobrado la vista»

¡Cuán necesaria nos es la luz de Cristo para ver la realidad en su verdadera dimensión! Sin la luz de la fe seríamos prácticamente ciegos. Nosotros hemos recibido la luz de Jesucristo y hace falta que toda nuestra vida sea iluminada por esta luz. Más aun, esta luz ha de resplandecer en la santidad de la vida para que atraiga a muchos que todavía la desconocen. Todo eso supone conversión y crecimiento en la caridad. Especialmente en este tiempo de Cuaresma y en esta última etapa. Sólo una cosa nos puede apartar de la luz y de la alegría que nos da Jesucristo, y esta cosa es el pecado, el querer vivir lejos de la luz del Señor. Desgraciadamente, muchos (a veces

nosotros mismos) nos adentramos en este camino tenebroso y perdemos la luz y la paz. San Agustín, partiendo de su propia experiencia, afirmaba que no hay nada más infeliz que la felicidad de aquellos que pecan.

La Pascua está cerca y el Señor quiere comunicarnos toda la alegría de la Resurrección. Dispongámonos para acogerla y celebrarla. «Vete, lávate», nos dice Jesús... ¡A lavarnos en las aguas purificadoras del sacramento de la Penitencia! Ahí encontraremos la luz y la alegría, y realizaremos la mejor preparación para la Pascua.

ANUNCIOS**RETIRO DE CUARESMA.**

En este tiempo especial de cuaresma los invitamos a participar en la preparación para la semana santa con un retiro que se llevara a cabo en el sótano de la iglesia de San Juan Evangelista el próximo **sabado 15 de Marzo**, a las **9:30** de la mañana, terminando con la Santa Misa en la tarde. **Tema: Camino a Jerusalén.** Toda la comunidad esta cordialmente invitada. Los esperamos.

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 CRUSIS.

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

MISAS DISPONIBLES

Tenemos un número abierto para las intenciones en la misa de las 7 de la noche. Por favor visítenos en la oficina de la parroquia si le gustaría reservar un día.

MUSICAL GYPSY EN BROADWAY.

La parroquia esta planeando un paseo para ver el musical de gipsy, el próximo domingo **27 de Abril, 2008.** GYPSY ha sido catalogado como uno de los grandes musicales de América según los críticos y escritores. No se pierda esta gran oportunidad. Nosotros Tenemos 50 Tickets para el show de la tarde. El costo del ticket es de **\$170** el cual incluye el transporte en bus y cena en el restaurante Marcelleria. Para más información por favor llamar a Dahl tel: 845-831-5406