

St. John the Evangelist Greece

August 10, 2025

2400 West Ridge Road
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In the Footsteps of St John

A journey of exploration and reflection upon the treasure who is the patron of our parish church, St John the Evangelist.

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CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Saturday Evening: 4:00 PM

Sunday: 8:00 AM and 10:00 AM

Holy Days: As announced in bulletin

Weekdays: Monday–Wednesday & Friday 8:15 AM

CONFESSIONS By Appointment.

Please contact the Parish Office 225-8980.

BAPTISMS For parishioners requesting Baptism for their child, we encourage you to please contact the Parish Office at (585) 225-8980 before the birth of your child to prepare for the Sacrament of Baptism.

MARRIAGE Arrangements for the Sacrament of Marriage must be made at least SIX MONTHS in advance. Call the Parish Office at 225-8980.

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DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS

Monday

Dt 10:12-22/
Ps 148:1-2, 11-14/
Mt 17:22-27

Tuesday

Dt 31:1-8/
Dt 32:3-4ab, 7-9, 12/
Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14

Wednesday

Dt 34:1-12/
Ps 66:1-3a, 5, 8, 16-17/
Mt 18:15-20

Thursday

Jos 3:7-10a, 11, 13-17/
Ps 114:1-6/
Mt 18:21—19:1

Friday

Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/
Ps 45:10-12, 16/
1 Cor 15:20-27/
Lk 1:39-56

Saturday

Jos 24:14-29/
Ps 16:1-2a, 5, 7-8, 11/
Mt 19:13-15

Sunday

Jer 38:4-6, 8-10/
Ps 40:2-4, 18/
Heb 12:1-4/
Lk 12:49-5

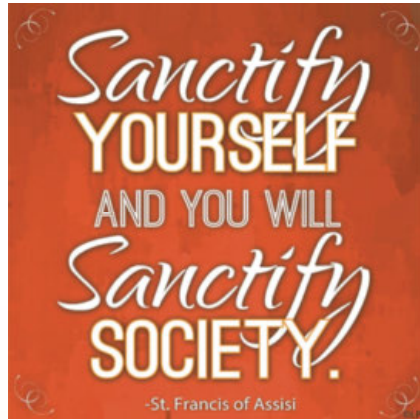
Welcome!

If you are new in the parish, we invite you to become a member of our faith community where we come together to worship the Lord and celebrate the Eucharist. We want to get to know you and recognize there are some challenges in doing so during Covid-19, however, if you can introduce yourself after Mass, we will be grateful. Please know that your prayers, your presence, and support of our beloved St. John's Church are appreciated. Please call or e-mail the Parish Office for registration assistance. You will find contact information on the front cover of the bulletin.

The Eucharist and Us

Several years ago, while a student in France, I heard this story. A community of nuns in Paris usually had a priest come in every evening at 4:00 PM to celebrate the Eucharist with them. One day the priest fell ill and asked the visiting African priest to help him out. The African priest showed up at the convent at 3:55 PM and rang the doorbell. Following the prevailing custom in Paris at the time, he was dressed in a casual not clerical outfit. A nun quickly answered the door thinking their priest had arrived. She was taken aback when she saw the African face. Without giving the visitor a chance to say why he had come, she quickly dismissed him, thinking he had come to ask for help. "sorry we cannot help you," said the nun. "we are having Mass now. Come back some other time." "Thank you, Sister!" said the priest as he turned and left. A few minutes later, the phones were ringing in the rectory. It was the nuns. They said they were still waiting for the priest. You can imagine their embarrassment when they learned he had come and they had sent him away.

Why did these nuns miss the celebration of the Eucharist they were waiting for? No, it was not because they were bad people. It was simply because the person who came did not look like the one they were expecting. The reality before them differed from their expectations, and they did not recognize the moment of their visitation. Our challenge, as Catholics who do attend Mass



regularly and who do believe that Christ is truly present in the Eucharist, is to show the world that coming to Mass does make a difference in our lives. If we believe in Jesus then we cannot remain unchanged by the experience of the Eucharist. If this is not happening, we need to examine how much we are allowing the Eucharist to impact our lives, and the people we meet

along the way.

At the 2013 World Youth Day in Rio de Janeiro in Brazil, Pope Francis, of blessed memory, said, "We need saints without cassocks, without veils. We need saints with jeans and tennis shoes. We need saints that go to the movies, that listen to music, that hang out with friends. We need saints who put God in the first place, ahead of succeeding in any career. We need saints who look for the time to pray every day and who know how to be in love with purity, chastity, and all good things. We need saints, saints of the 21st century with a spirituality appropriate to our new time. We need saints to live in the world, to sanctify the world and not to be afraid of living in the world by their presence in it. We need saints that love the Eucharist...We need saints that are open, sociable, normal, happy companions. We need saints who are in this world and who know how to enjoy the best in this world without being callous or mundane. We need saints."

Peace and May God bless us all.

Father Peter



Masses for the Week—August 11—17

MONDAY, August 11 *St Clare*

8:15 AM + *Gertrude Dentine*
by Gary & Elaine Santangelo

TUESDAY, August 12 *St Jane Frances de Chantal*

8:15 AM + *JoAnne Callahan*
by Husband, David

2:30 PM *Mass at Hamilton*

WEDNESDAY, Aug 13 *Sts Pontian, Pope & Hippolytus*

8:15 AM + *Giuseppe, Filomena, and Cosmo Coccitto*
by Maria Leonardis & Family

THURSDAY, August 14 *St Maximilian Kolbe*

FRIDAY, Aug 15 *Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

9:00 AM + *Living & Deceased Members of St John's*
12:05 PM + *Joe LaLoggia*
by Jean DePetres

SATURDAY, August 16 *St Stephen of Hungary*

4:00 PM + *Sue Grieco*
by Husband, Tom

SUNDAY, August 17 *20th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

8:00 AM + *Deceased Members of St John's*
10:00 AM + *Cindy Fischer*
by Husband, Chuck & Family

Wills/Bequests/Memorials—

Please Remember St. John the Evangelist Parish

This Week's Schedule

Sunday, August 10

8:00 AM Annual Mission Appeal in Church
10:00 AM Annual Mission Appeal in Church

Monday, August 11

9:00 AM Bible Study in Parish Center
6:30 PM Fatima Women's Prayer Ministry
in Parish Center & Church



Wednesday, August 13

11:00 AM Bereavement Luncheon in Parish Center

Thursday, August 14

4:30 PM Cursillo in Meeting Room

Sunday, August 17

4:00 –7:00 PM KofC Chicken BBQ in Parking Lot



Coping with Grief & Loss

– Next Steps here at St. John's

LUNCHEON: in Parish Center THIS Wednesday, August 13 11:00 AM – 12:30 PM

PURPOSE: Talk about Grief and Loss and how we can support each other in our parish.

REGISTRATION: Sign-up in the back of the church so we can get a count.

Your input will shape the future of our Journey Through Grief.

The next steps I would like to have us take together is to build a greater support network. So, let's get together and discuss what you want to see in your parish for your health and well-being.

Thank you, Deacon Lon

Please keep the following ordained in your prayers this week.

Aug 10	Aug 11	Aug 12	Aug 13	Aug 14	Aug 15	Aug 16
Deceased Priests	Gerard Krieg	Scott Kubinski	William Laird	Steven Lape	Frank Lioi	James Lawlor



Welcome Fr. Augustine Kipkemei!

As mentioned in the last two bulletins, THIS weekend is our Annual Parish Mission Appeal. We are happy to welcome Fr. Augustine Kipkemei of the Catholic Diocese of Nakuru in Kenya – East Africa, to our beloved St. John the Evangelist Church. A sincere thank you for everyone's assistance in reaching out to our brothers and sisters throughout the world.

PLEASE NOTE: If you will be writing a check, please be sure to make it payable to: St. John's Church and in the Memo section, please write: MISSION.



The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Holy Day of Obligation – THIS Friday August 15

Our Mass times are 9:00 AM & 12:05 PM

There will be a holy day collection. Please contribute using your church envelope, electronic on-line giving or a loose cash donation.



Knights of Columbus Chicken Barbecue

**NEXT Sunday, August 17
from 4:00 PM until 7:00 PM**

Knights of Columbus Council 3892 will host a chicken barbecue in the

St. John's church parking lot – 2400 W. Ridge Rd. This will be drive-thru only event. We will be taking pre-orders which are highly encouraged to insure you get a meal. To place your order, call or text Rick Paoletti at (585) 489-9555 and leave your name and the number of meals you wish to reserve. The last day to pre-order is THIS Saturday, August 16. People who pre-order are asked to pick up their meal by 5:00 PM the day of the barbecue. The cost is \$13, and the meal includes:

- Half a chicken • Baked beans
- Macaroni salad • Corn bread

Come and get a great meal for a great price!



*Let the LITTLE CHILDREN come to me
and do not hinder them, for the
KINGDOM OF GOD
belongs to SUCH AS THESE.
▼ LUKE 18:16*

It's that time of year again.

**Faith Formation for
2025-2026 school year**

For those who did not

attend one of the summer sessions, please register Home Schooling for all children in grades K thru 7th.

Sacraments for 2025-2026 school year

If you have a child entering the 2nd grade who has not yet made their First Penance and First Communion, please register them to start the preparation.

If you have a child entering the 8th grade, they can be registered for the 2 year Confirmation program.

ALL Registration forms can be found in the back of church or at the office.

**All registration forms should be completed by
Friday, August 22. For additional information you
can contact Cris Simone.**



Prayer to the Immaculate Heart of Mary

Immaculate Heart of Mary, my Mother, I come to you in childlike prayer. I earnestly desire that all the people of the world may be brought back to the humble knowledge and love of the Sacred Heart of your dear Son. I pray, dear Mother of my God, that the wonderful beauty and purity of your own Immaculate Heart may so win our souls that we may detest all sin and dedicate our lives to the honor and glory of the God who created us.

You revealed the secrets of your own sad heart at Fatima and begged for penance, prayer, and conversion of the world to God. What more can I do than unite my heart to yours in this great yearning? What can I add but the fervent prayer that all the world may listen to your pleading?

I give my heart to you, my heavenly Queen, and in confidence I leave to you what is best for me in answer to my prayer for love and reparation.

Immaculate Heart of the Mother of my God, I implore through your powerful intercession, the conversion of the hearts of people, complete victory over sin, and the return of the peace which you have promised. Amen



Back to School Collection Sunday, August 17 through Sunday, August 31

It's that time of year again when many begin their preparation for their children returning to school and we know part of this preparation is gathering school supplies. This can be a challenge for many families, especially those with multiple children and in light of the higher cost for everything. We all want our children to be well-equipped with the supplies necessary so they can start off on the right foot as they begin a new school year; so we turn to you, our parishioners, who have so generously supported this collection in the past. The supplies we collect will be distributed to Mrs. Rhonda Neal, Principal of Nazareth Elementary School, for the benefit of the children of Nazareth Elementary.

You will find the collection bins for the supplies in the narthex of church by the center doors and the two far end doors between Sunday, August 17 and August 31. We thank you in advance for the support of this annual project.



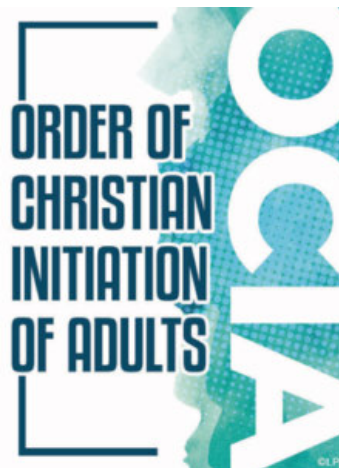
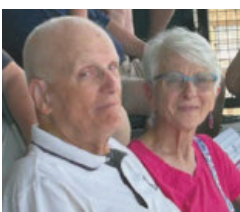


Knights of Columbus Council 3892 Family Night at the Ball Park

The Knights of Columbus Council 3892, their families, Fr. Peter, and Fr. Pius recently enjoyed a nice day in “The Perch” at Innovative Field to watch the Rochester Red Wings play ball!

Family is a big part of the Knights of Columbus. Fr. Peter and Fr. Pius are both Knights themselves and are strong supporters of Council 3892 so it was great to have them join in the fun. It was a wonderful environment for everyone to visit with each other, enjoy some good food and drink and, of course, watch some baseball.

If you are interested in learning more about becoming a Knight of Columbus, please reach out to Rick Paoletti at (585)489-9555.



Please Join Us for Our Parish Information Night for OCIA—Order of Christian Initiation of Adults

Coming this Fall, 2025, St. John's will offer our parish OCIA Program led by Rick and Kathy Paoletti, supported by our pastor, Fr. Peter. What is OCIA you may ask? OCIA is a spiritual journey in which one discerns his/her desire to become a baptized and fully initiated member of the

Catholic Church. OCIA is also a process for those who are already baptized Christians who are seeking to be received into full communion with the Catholic Church through the Sacraments of Confirmation and First Eucharist. Thirdly, OCIA is an opportunity for Catholics who are already fully initiated (Baptism, First Eucharist and Confirmation) in the Catholic Church who desire a deeper understanding of Catholic teachings.

By taking part in the OCIA program, one is not obligated to fulfill what the program's intended purpose is, however, it is our prayerful desire this will come to fruition. Therefore, we encourage you to come and gather more information and have your questions answered at our parish

Information Night for OCIA taking place in our Parish Center on **Tuesday, August 19, 2025, at 6:00 PM.**

For planning purposes, please register on or before Wednesday, August 13 by calling the Parish Office at 585-225-8980 or via e-mail to: gstjohn@dor.org. We look forward to hearing from you, your family members, or friends! God bless.



Micky Corsi *Mother of Tom Corsi*
Sue Virgilio *Mother of Deacon Paul Virgilio*
Nicola Mercone *Husband of Teresa Mercone*



This Week's Sanctuary Candles burn for

✠ **Tabernacle I John Lacek, Sr.**

✠ **Tabernacle II Donald Legee**

✠ **Marian I James Vilar**

✠ **Marian II George Duford**

BLESSINGS OF FINANCIAL



August 2/3 Week 5	ATTENDANCE.....	387
BUDGETED Sunday Offering.....	\$	9,950.00
SUNDAY Offering.....	\$	8,720.65
ONLINE Giving.....	\$	2,586.00
TOTAL Sunday Offering.....	\$	11,306.65
OVERAGE for SUNDAY OFFERING.....	\$	1,356.65

Fiscal Year 2025-26 as August 3, 2025

YEARLY BUDGET	\$	517,500.00
BUDGETED TO-DATE.....	\$	49,750.00
ACTUAL COLLECTED.....	\$	58,674.29
OVERAGE TO DATE.....	\$	8,924.29

As we are underway in our new Fiscal Year, I am encouraged by the early financial report and I am deeply appreciative for the generosity your sacrificial giving offers for the well-being of our parish.

Fr Peter

Online Giving

You can make your weekly, monthly, annual and one-time donations from your checking or savings account, or by using a credit or debit card, electronically, from your own computer. It is easy, safe and secure! A link to Online Giving can be found at our Parish Home Page www.stjohngreece.org.



Don't hesitate to contact the Parish Office, 225-8980 for details or assistance with Online Giving.

Prayer for Generosity

God who has gifted me every good thing,
 Help me to remember what truly matters.
 To treasure love above all else,
 and to serve readily.
 Amen.

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"Walking in Friendship with God: Pilgrims of Hope" Couples Retreat

Friday, August 22, 5:00 PM - Sunday, August 24, Noon
 Suggested Donation for the Weekend: \$300.00 per couple

Retreat Team: Dcn. Greg & Elena Kiley, Dcn. John & Carole Tomandl, Jodie Scordo, *Assistant Director, Notre Dame Retreat House*

"Drawing inspiration from the 2025 Universal Jubilee Pilgrims of Hope and inspired by Sacred Scripture, we invite all to grow in awareness of their friendship with God through prayer, discernment, and service."

Register Online at: <https://notredameretreat.org/register>



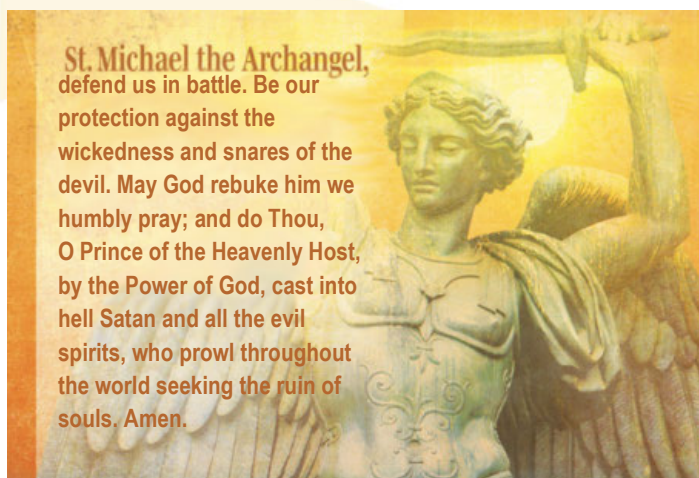
Magnificat Rochester invites all **Women** to a meal at **St Pius X Parish Center** 3010 Chili Ave. on **Saturday, September 13, 2025**; the program begins at 9:30 AM and runs until noon.

Our speaker is **Monique Mousot** from the Bronx, NY. Monique was freed from crippling illness, anxiety, resentment, and rage from her upbringing after she met a community of Prayer Group women who told her about Jesus. Monique will share her experiences of how living a new life and learning how to say 'yes' to Jesus led to unexpected miracles.

Reservations \$25; Student \$20;

***Registration Deadline: Saturday, September 6.**

To register, mail check to: Magnificat Rochester, PO Box 24787, Rochester NY, 14624; include your name, address, phone number and email address. Register also via PayPal at www.MagnificatRochester.org. Janet Pontarelli at 585-451-1918, for more info, or send an email to: RochesterMagnificat@gmail.com.



Senior Home Communion Service Ministers August 2025

HAMILTON NURSING HOME COMMUNION SERVICE SCHEDULE

August 17, 2025 Steve & Mary Ann Donato
August 31, 2025 Ron LaForce

THE VILLAGE AT UNITY

August 10, 2025 Tom Grieco
August 17, 2025 Tom Grieco
August 24, 2025 Bob & Barb Gotham
August 31, 2025 NO Communion Service

ELDERWOOD VILLAGE COMMUNION SERVICE SCHEDULE

August 10, 2025 Chris Hoefler
August 17, 2025 Terry & Pam Hearne
August 24, 2025 Dan & Melissa Kabsin
August 31, 2025 Carolyn Kerhaert

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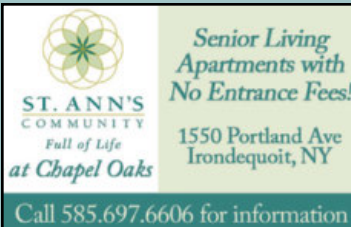
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