

St. John the Evangelist Greece

June 9, 2024

2400 West Ridge Road
Rochester, New York 14626

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MISSION STATEMENT

As disciples of Jesus Christ serving on the Parish Pastoral Council, we collaborate with the Pastor and Staff inviting the people of St. John the Evangelist Church to joyfully celebrate the Eucharist, faithfully teach Catholic tradition, and fervently form Catholic spirituality, so that together we may go forth in love to serve the Lord and each other.

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He said to them in reply, "Who are my mother and my brothers?" And looking around at those seated in the circle he said, "Here are my mother and my brothers. For whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother." - Mk 3:33-35

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 Only. *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

1 Kgs 17:1-6/
Ps 121:1bc-8/
Mt 5:1-12

Tuesday

Acts 11:21b-26; 13:1-3/
Ps 98:1-6/
Mt 5:13-16

Wednesday

1 Kgs 18:20-39/
Ps 16:1b-2ab, 4, 5ab, 8, 11/
Mt 5:17-19

Thursday

1 Kgs 18:41-46/
Ps 65:10-13/
Mt 5:20-26

Friday

1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-16/
Ps 27:7-9abc, 13-14/
Mt 5:27-32

Saturday

1 Kgs 19:19-21/
Ps 16:1b-2a, 5, 7-10/
Mt 5:33-37

Sunday

Ez 17:22-24/
Ps 92:2-3, 13-16/
2 Cor 5:6-10/
Mk 4:26-34

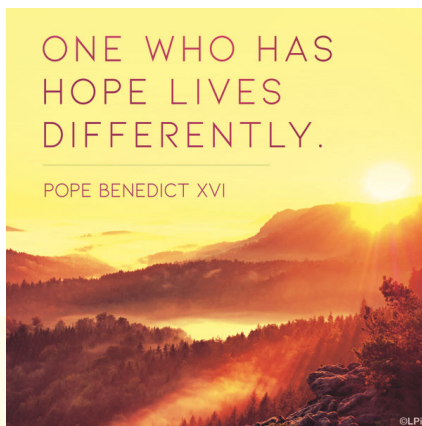
Welcome!

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 so please 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.

Don't Let Anyone Rob You of Hope

We live in a society where what people do or say affects our lives. We tend to lose hope in our family, church, in society, or in some person because of what they did or said. As we lose hope in ourselves and our ability to cope with whatever the situation we are confronting is, we allow others to bring us down with them instead of uplifting and encouraging those who are in despair. It is said that fear and prejudice put up a terrible fight in us when they sense change coming; change we cannot deal with. Change is the root cause of some of us losing hope as we fail in our ability to trust the Lord or even encourage the other. We have all received "constructive criticism" at some point in our lives. This is valuable when the recipient has an open heart and doesn't react defensively. Yet, what is more powerful, criticism or encouragement? The word of God exhorts us to "encourage one another daily while it is still 'today' so that No one grows hardened by the deceit of sin." Heb 3:13

Our Christian faith makes clear to us that



although life involves suffering, suffering does not have to be the end of the story and can even be endured with a sense of peace. Let's not kid ourselves; suffering is still unpleasant, but because Jesus loves us so much he suffered and died for us and, because Jesus now lives in us, risen victorious from the sealed and guarded tomb, we can unite life's unavoidable challenges to that of our Savior in hope, knowing that our journey of faith will end happily as we accept the Lord's gift of salvation and live accordingly.

Hope can be a powerful force. Maybe there's no actual magic in it, but when you know what you hope for most and hold it like a light within, you can make things happen almost like magic. Many people commonly report how they feel better after going to confession. They say things that were on their chest for months or years are now gone. Those who truly repent and confess, realize that their sins, which were once a heavy, dark part of them, are no longer present after being confessed.



Peace and love to all,
Rev. Peter Enyan-Boadu



A Prayer to the Sacred Heart of Jesus

O most holy heart of Jesus, fountain of every blessing, I adore You, I love You, and with lively sorrow for my sins I offer You this poor heart of mine. Make me humble, patient, pure and wholly obedient to Your will. Grant, good Jesus, that I may live in You and for You. Protect me in the midst of danger. Comfort me in my afflictions. Give me health of body, assistance in my temporal needs, Your blessing on all that I do, and the grace of a holy death. Amen.

Masses for the Week—June 10—16

MONDAY, June 10 *Weekday*

8:15 AM + *Rita Stein*
by Father Peter

TUESDAY, June 11 *St Barnabas, Apostle*

8:15 AM + *2nd Lt Carl D. Hoobing*
by Eileen & Mike

WEDNESDAY, June 12 *Weekday*

8:15 AM + *Eleanor Zanni*
by Loving Husband & Family

THURSDAY, June 13 *St Anthony of Padua*

FRIDAY, June 14 *Weekday*

8:15 AM + *Hannah Caverly*
by Eileen & Mike

SATURDAY, June 15 *Weekday*

4:00 PM + *For the People of St John's;*
Living and Deceased

SUNDAY, June 16 *11th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

8:00 AM + *Ken Ward*
by Jean & Family

10:00 AM + *John McTammany*
by Family

Wills/Bequests/Memorials—

Please Remember St. John the Evangelist Parish

Please keep the following ordained in your prayers this week.

June 9	June 10	June 11	June 12	June 13	June 14	June 15
Walter Cushing	Donald Curtiss	Gerard D'Souza	James Fennessy	Joseph Martuscello	Steven Lape	August Deasio



Knights of Columbus C&B Ticket Sales

The Knights of Columbus from Council 3892 will be selling Charity and Benevolent (C & B) raffle tickets here at St. John's NEXT weekend, June 15/16 before and after all Masses. You will find the Knights stationed outside the front of church so please take a moment to stop by to purchase some tickets. The Knights sell these tickets annually and the proceeds go to support a variety of worthy charities including local Catholic schools, Coats for Kids, St. Peter's Kitchen and others. At the same time, your ticket purchase affords you an opportunity to win a monetary prize! Your support is greatly appreciated.

This Week's Schedule

Monday, June 10

9:00 AM Bible Study in Parish Center

Saturday, June 15

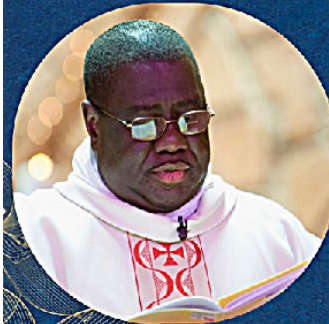
C&B Ticket Sales
Food Drive

Sunday, June 16

C&B Ticket Sales
Food Drive

"The Lord is kind and merciful" Psalm 103

REV. PETER ENYAN-BOADU



40th

ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION
OF PRIESTLY ORDINATION

Celebrating 40 Years of Priestly Ministry

We extend a warm welcome to His Excellency, The Most Reverend Salvatore R. Matano and The Reverend Father Daniel E. White, Priest Secretary to Bishop Matano. We are most grateful for their presence today for the Mass of Thanksgiving in honor of the 40th Anniversary of Priestly Ordination of Reverend Father Peter Enyan-Boadu.

As the faith community of our beloved St. John the Evangelist Church, along with others from various parishes both near and far, we celebrate this milestone anniversary and we are grateful to God for blessing you, Fr. Peter, with 40 years of service to His people, especially as pastor of our beloved St. John the Evangelist Church. We pray for your good health in allowing your priestly ministry to continue in the years to come as, together, we strive to build God's kingdom here on earth.

*God Bless Our
Pastor*

Opportunities to Pray the Rosary with Others



America Needs Fatima Public Rosary Rally—Please join us!

Please join us at the South/East corner of Long Pond & Latta Rd. on the following dates/times:

THIS Thursday, June 13 at 6:00 PM

Sat, July 13 at Noon . Tues, August 13 at 6:00 PM

Friday, September 13 at 6:00 PM .

Sunday, October 13 at Noon

NOTE: Please use the various parking lots in the vicinity so as not to diminish the parking availability for customers at any one business.

We hope to see you there! For any questions, please contact the Parish Office (585) 225-8980.



Food Drive for the Greece Food Shelf

NEXT Weekend, June 15/16

The Greece Food Shelf feeds over 300 Greece residences each month. We are asking for donations of the following items.

- Regular size cans of corn, carrots, and pasta
- Condensed soups and canned fruit
- Cold cereal, 1 lb. boxes of pasta, and rice mixes
- In addition to the food items, bar soap, deodorant, shampoo, and feminine hygiene products

If you can help box and deliver the food to the Greece Food Shelf on the morning of June 17, please contact Pam Tofany-Kern at 585-227-6053 or email gakern85@gmail.com.



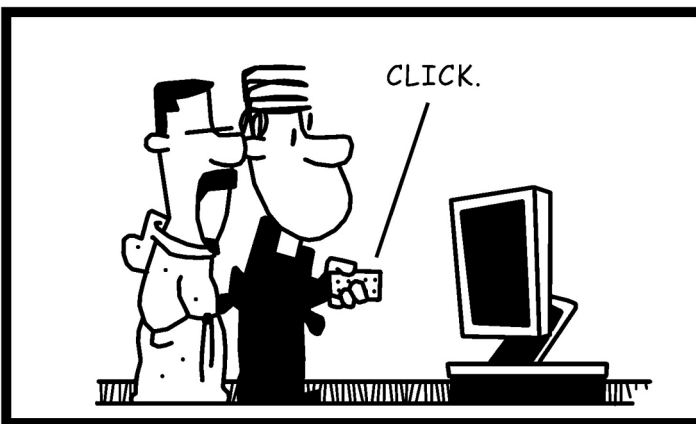
"Gather the Sheep"

Please join us for the Rosary Crusade
THIS Thursday, June 13, 2024 at 6:30 PM
at Holy Cross Church
Sponsored by Holy Cross and Our Mother of Sorrows

Our Lady of Fatima requested in her first apparition, May 13, 1917,

"Pray the rosary every day to obtain peace for the world and the end of the war."

10TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME





JUNE 14 FLAG DAY

I AM THE FLAG

I am the flag of the United States of America.
My name is Old Glory.
I fly atop the world's tallest buildings.
I stand watch in America's halls of justice.
I fly majestically over institutions of learning.
I stand guard with power in the world.
Look up and see me.
I stand for peace, honor, truth and justice.
I stand for freedom. I am confident.
I am arrogant. I am proud.
When I am flown with my fellow banners,
My head is a little higher, My colors a little truer.
I bow to no one! I am recognized all over the world.
I am worshipped - I am saluted. I am loved - I am revered.
I am respected - I am feared.
I have fought in every battle of every war for more than
200 years. I was flown at Valley Forge, Gettysburg,
Shiloh and Appamatox. I was there at San Juan Hill, the
trenches of France, in the Argonne Forest, Anzio, Rome
and the beaches of Normandy. Guam, Okinawa, Korea
and KheSan, Saigon, Vietnam know me. I was there.
I led my troops. I was dirty, battleworn and tired,
but my soldiers cheered me and I was proud.
I have been burned, torn and trampled on the streets of
countries I have helped set free.
It does not hurt for I am invincible.
I have been soiled upon, burned, torn and trampled in the
streets of my country. And when it's done by those whom
I've served in battle - it hurts.
But I shall overcome - for I am strong.
I have slipped the bonds of earth and stood watch over the
uncharted frontiers of space from my vantage point on the
moon. I have born silent witness to all of America's finest
hours. But my finest hours are yet to come.
When I am torn into strips and used as bandages for my
wounded comrades on the battle field, when I am flown at
halfmast to honor my soldier, or when I lie in the
trembling arms of a grieving parent at the grave of their
fallen son or daughter, **I am proud.**

I am the flag of the United States of America.

Originally entitled, *My Name is Old Glory* by Howard Schnauber
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Interview of Mr. Howard Schnauber, the author.

A KINGDOM DIVIDED CANNOT STAND.

MARK 3:25

June 9, 2024

10th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jesus asks us a stunning question this week: “**How can Satan cast out Satan?**” To enter into this question opens up the often-hidden dynamics of what Jesus has done and is constantly doing. If we’re honest, our response to some degree is: “How *else* can we cast him out? Satan is *precisely* how we cast out Satan!” But Jesus wants us to see this finally does not work. Here’s what I mean.

Satanas names the demonic mechanism by which we render wholeness through accusation. When we face a threat, we seek something to protect us (e.g., more money, social status, security, power, etc.). Rivals inevitably arise for these things and so do tensions. Accusation presents

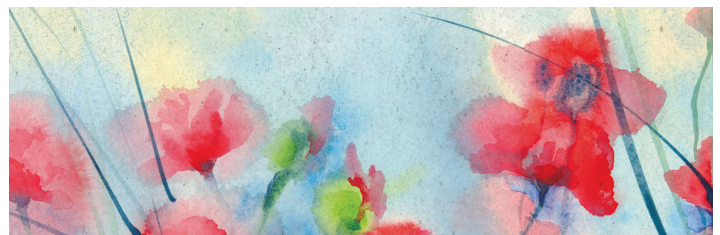
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itself. “I’ll never be successful unless I get ahead of that guy.” “She’s already trying to get

ahead of me.” “That group of immigrants is trying to take our jobs.” And so on. The accusation grows into a fear-inducing threat — things will break apart — no, they already are! Hurry! We inflict violence on the victim and — as if by magic — peace ensues. For a time. Soon fresh accusations are required to hold new chaos at bay, until there is no community left at all. This is essentially humankind’s sad history in a nutshell.

Jesus’ cross and resurrection unmasks this broken system of “casting out Satan by Satan” and ushers in a new one he calls “the Kingdom of God.” He reveals that the dynamic of accusation is nothing compared to his power of divine mercy and love. The cross (and not Satan) is the real power to tear down strongholds of sin and cast out Satan. This is why he describes himself as the “**stronger man who ties up the strong man to plunder his house.**” This week let’s notice the ways we “**cast out Satan by Satan,**” and then refuse to do it anymore. Because in the long run, that divided house cannot stand.

— *Father John Muir* ©LPi





Hector Lombard *Father of John Lombard*
Daniel Kennelly *Father of Susan Kilpatrick*



This Week's Sanctuary Candles burn for

✚ Tabernacle I **Erasmus DiTucci**

✚ Tabernacle II **Wendi Miller**

✚ Marian I **Paula Stearns**

✚ Marian II **In Honor of the Nigro Family**

BLESSINGS OF FINANCIAL



May 25/26	ATTENDANCE.....409
BUDGETED Sunday Offering.....	\$ 9,530.00
SUNDAY Offering.....	\$ 9,154.11
ONLINE Giving.....	\$ 947.00
TOTAL Sunday Offering.....	\$ 10,101.11
OVERAGE for SUNDAY OFFERING.....	\$ 571.11

June 1/2	ATTENDANCE.....410
BUDGETED Sunday Offering.....	\$ 9,530.00
SUNDAY Offering.....	\$ 6,372.02
ONLINE Giving.....	\$ 902.00
TOTAL Sunday Offering.....	\$ 7,274.02
SHORTAGE for SUNDAY OFFERING....	(\$ 2,255.98)

Fiscal Year 2023-24 as of June 2, 2024

YEARLY BUDGET	\$ 486,000.00
BUDGETED TO-DATE.....	\$ 466,970.00
ACTUAL COLLECTED.....	\$ 459,827.04
SHORTAGE TO DATE.....	(\$ 7,142.96)

With sincere gratitude, Fr. Peter thanks all who continue with their financial assistance in support of the many needs in our parish.

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. We use a product from a company that we have been with for a long time and has a long history of working with parishes around the country. 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.




Our Newly Baptized

It is with great joy that we announce the baptism of **Luis Joseph Ferrer** and **Emma Grace Glaser** into the Catholic Church through our faith community here at St. John the Evangelist Church. May Luis and Emma be guided on their journey of faith by the

words and examples of their parents, godparents, and those of our faith community. May God bless Luis and Emma and their families with His love and peace and through the power of the Holy Spirit may they be strengthened in holiness.



St. Charles Borromeo Summer Camp 2024!



July 8 - 19

9 a.m. - 12 p.m.


A 2- week curriculum based, faith formation program for Kindergarten* - 9th grade

*must have completed kindergarten in '22- '23 school year to participate

For more information and/or to request registration forms, call:

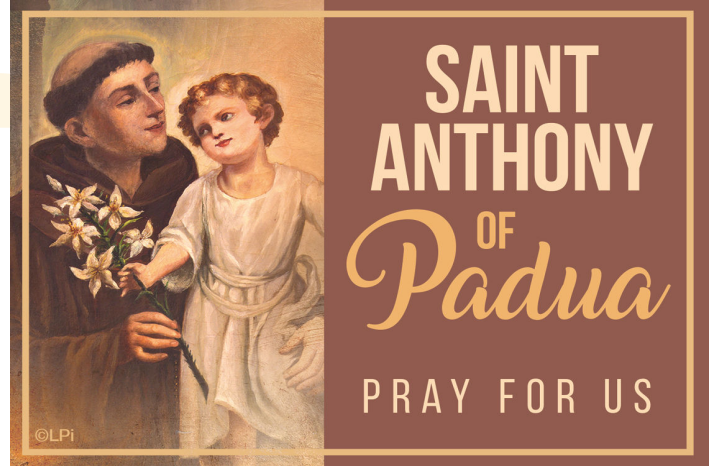
Amanuel Malik
 Faith Formation Director
 At 663-8000 (opt #3)

Registration forms are also on the table at the center doors in the Narthex here at St John's.



**PRAYER TO
ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL**

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle,
be our protection against the wickedness
and snares of the devil.
May God rebuke him we humbly pray;
and do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly host,
by the power of God, cast into hell Satan
and all the evil spirits who prowl about the world
seeking the ruin of souls.
Amen.



Senior Home Communion Service Ministers June 2024

HAMILTON NURSING HOME COMMUNION SERVICE SCHEDULE

June 9, 2024	Ron LaForce
June 23, 2024	Steve and Mary Ann Donato

THE VILLAGE AT UNITY

June 9, 2024	Bob and Barb Gotham
June 16, 2024	Tom Grieco
June 23, 2024	Bob and Barb Gotham
June 30, 2024	Bob and Barb Gotham

ELDERWOOD VILLAGE COMMUNION SERVICE SCHEDULE

June 9, 2024	Chris Hoefler
June 16, 2024	Dan & Melissa Kabasin
June 23, 2024	Terry & Pam Hearne
June 30, 2024	Carolyn Kerhaert