

St. John the Evangelist Greece

October 29, 2023

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.



“You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind.” - Mt 22:37

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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 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

Rom 8:12-17/
Ps 68:2, 4, 6-7ab, 20-21/
Lk 13:10-17

Tuesday

Rom 8:18-25/
Ps 126:1b-6/
Lk 13:18-21

Wednesday

Rv 7:2-4, 9-14/
Ps 24:1bc-4ab, 5-6/
1 Jn 3:1-3/
Mt 5:1-12a

Thursday

Wis 4:7-14/
Ps 25:6, 7b, 17-18, 20-21/
Rom 5:17-21/
Mt 11:25-30

Friday

Rom 9:1-5/
Ps 147:12-15, 19-20/
Lk 14:1-6

Saturday

Rom 11:1-2a, 11-12, 25-29/
Ps 94:12-13a, 14-15, 17-18/
Lk 14:1, 7-11

Sunday

Mal 1:14b—2:2b, 8-10/
Ps 131:1, 2, 3/
1 Thes 2:7b-9, 13/
Mt 23:1-12

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.

Everyone has His/Her Own Way of Evangelizing

We must all acknowledge the importance of evangelization by referencing a personal way of obeying the Lord's command to tell others about the Son of God and His saving grace.

For our mission (which is God's mission) to go forward in the grace of God, those who are comfortable with their own way of evangelizing also will say and use the Name Jesus, knowing His Name is the only name that saves. Our mission (which is commanded by Jesus) is built upon those who have their own way of evangelizing as they also explain to others the beauty of Christ's Catholic Church and the sanctifying grace of the sacraments. We Catholics know these truths deep in our hearts but many people of good will really have no idea about the great gift of Catholic Christian faith. Who will tell them? We can and We will!

So, beloved parishioners of St John the Evangelist Church, please take the time to think about your own way of evangelizing.



Maybe you are a lector, an altar server, an usher/greeter, a sacristan, an extraordinary minister of Holy Communion or perhaps you are in the choir. You know what your own way is to bring Jesus to people and bring people to Jesus. Our mission will become fruitful as we grow in faith and some

come back to Church and others become Catholic, and the Church grows and grows.

As each of us takes the time to reflect on how we show others the saving good news in our lives and the difference Jesus, the Word of the Lord and the real Eucharistic Presence of Christ, makes in our lives, please consider telling someone else. Rather than keep this Good News to yourself, tell your story, share your joy. Proclaim Jesus Christ. We, who know the Lord, cannot be silent and must not keep the savior to ourselves. People are hungry and thirsty for God. God is calling us. It is

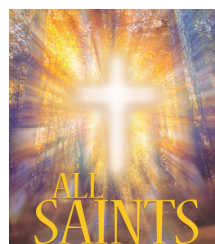
MISSION POSSIBLE.

Peace and God bless,

Father Peter



Turn Back Your Clock NEXT Sunday, November 5 at 2:00 AM—Daylight Savings Time Ends



All Saints Day

—Holy Day of Obligation

Wednesday, November 1

Masses at 9:00 AM and 12:05 PM

All Saints Day Collection

Please be sure to make your All Saints Day donation THIS weekend or when you come to one of our All Saints Day Masses on Tuesday, November 1.

MASS Mark Your Calendar

INTENTIONS On Wednesday, November 15, 2023, we will begin scheduling Masses, by telephone, for the months of January through April, 2024.

All Souls' Day

Thursday, November 2

Fr Peter will celebrate 8:15 AM morning Mass.

Masses for the Week—Oct 30—Nov 5

MONDAY, October 30 *Weekday*
8:15 AM + *Cindy Fischer*
by Tracy & Ron Schrader

TUESDAY, October 31 *Weekday*
8:15 AM + *Julia Caruso*
by Friend

WEDNESDAY, November 1 All Saints Day
9:00 AM + *Renee Sergisson*
by Knights of Columbus Council 3892
12:05 PM + *For the People of St John the Evangelist*

THURSDAY, November 2 All Souls' Day
8:15 AM + *The Faithful Departed*

FIRST FRIDAY, November 3 *St Martin de Porres*
8:15 AM + *Joseph Tominez*
by Anna Giuliano
10:00 AM + *Benediction*

FIRST SATURDAY, Nov 4 *St Charles Borromeo*
NO First Saturday Mass
10:00 AM Parish Memorial Mass
4:00 PM + *Anthony Battisto*
by Family

SUNDAY, November 5 *31st Sunday in Ordinary Time*
8:00 AM + *For the People of St John the Evangelist*
10:00 AM + *Gary Walz*
by Mother, Mary

**Wills/Bequests/Memorials—
Please Remember St. John the Evangelist Parish**

This Week's Schedule

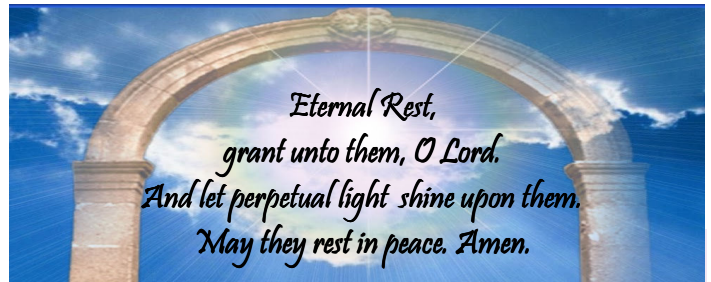
Sunday, October 29
9:00 AM RCIA in Parish Center

Monday, October 30
9:00 AM Bible Study in Parish Center

First Friday, November 3
8:15 AM Mass followed by Adoration
with Benediction at 10:00 AM in Church

First Saturday, November 4
No First Saturday Mass
10:00 AM Annual Parish Memorial Mass in Church
10:00 AM Prayer Shawl Ministry in Parish Center

Sunday, November 5 Daylight Savings Ends
9:00 AM RCIA in Parish Center



Memorial Mass

NEXT Saturday, November 4 at 10:00 AM in Church

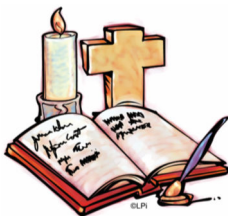
St. John's Parish will celebrate a Memorial Mass, sponsored by St. John's Women's Guild. Relatives and friends of those who died between October 1, 2022 and September 30, 2023 are cordially invited. This is the list in chronological order of death.

Please mark your calendar for November 4.

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| James Zarud, Jr. | Jennifer C. Mangan |
| *Mary Jane Consler | Delmar Leach |
| James Vilar | Madeline B. Resch |
| Alphonse Palermo | Frank Magliocco, Jr. |
| *Carol Ann Lennox | Herbert C. Mattle |
| Josephine Embury | John R. Ort |
| Helen Gibaud | Maria C. Sciortino |
| Margaret Barnickel | Mario Girolamo |
| Joseph Pulvino | Kenneth Ward |
| Mary Tartaglia | Louis J. Polizzi, III |
| Anthony Circhirillo, Jr. | Giovanna D'Elia |
| James A. Pierce | James Burdick |
| Gilbert Nettles | Cynthia Fischer |
| Evelyn Powers | Dolores West |
| Herbert C. Mattle | Florence DiPonzio |
| Margaret Curtis | * Women's Guild Member |

No First Saturday Mass

Due to our Annual Parish Memorial Mass at 10:00 AM on November 4, 2023, there will be NO First Saturday Mass at 8:15 AM on that same day. First Saturday Mass will resume on December 2, 2023. All are invited to attend the Parish Memorial Mass.



Book of Remembrance

During the month of November, our community of faith remembers those who have gone before us into God's light by inscribing their names in the Book of Remembrance. We will place our Book of Remembrance near the

Pascal Candle. Please write in this book the names of departed relatives and friends. Throughout November we will remember those listed in the book in our Masses.

Sunday, October 29 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time**First Reading** Ex 22:20-26

Thus says the LORD:

“You shall not molest or oppress an alien, for you were once aliens yourselves in the land of Egypt. You shall not wrong any widow or orphan. If ever you wrong them and they cry out to me, I will surely hear their cry. My wrath will flare up, and I will kill you with the sword; then your own wives will be widows, and your children orphans.

“If you lend money to one of your poor neighbors among my people, you shall not act like an extortioner toward him by demanding interest from him. If you take your neighbor’s cloak as a pledge, you shall return it to him before sunset; for this cloak of his is the only covering he has for his body. What else has he to sleep in? If he cries out to me, I will hear him; for I am compassionate.”

**Responsorial Psalm** Ps 18:2-3, 3-4, 47, 51**R. I love you, Lord, my strength.**

I love you, O LORD, my strength,
O LORD, my rock, my fortress, my deliverer.

R. I love you, Lord, my strength.

My God, my rock of refuge,
my shield, the horn of my salvation, my stronghold!
Praised be the LORD, I exclaim,
and I am safe from my enemies.

R. I love you, Lord, my strength.

The LORD lives and blessed be my rock!
Extolled be God my savior.
You who gave great victories to your king
and showed kindness to your anointed.

R. I love you, Lord, my strength.**Second Reading** 1 Thes 1:5c-10

Brothers and sisters:

You know what sort of people we were among you for your sake. And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, receiving the word in great affliction, with joy from the Holy Spirit, so that you became a model for all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia.

For from you the word of the Lord has sounded forth not only in Macedonia and in Achaia, but in every place your faith in God has gone forth, so that we have no need to say anything. For they themselves openly declare about us what sort of reception we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols to serve the living and true God and to await his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead, Jesus, who delivers us from the coming wrath.

Alleluia Jn 14:23**R. Alleluia, alleluia.**

Whoever loves me will keep my word, says the Lord,
and my Father will love him and we will come to him.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.**Gospel** Mt 22:34-40

When the Pharisees heard that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, and one of them, a scholar of the law tested him by asking, “Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?”

He said to him, “You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the greatest and the first commandment. The second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. The whole law and the prophets depend on these two commandments.”



The Diocesan Catholic Ministry Appeal Continues
The goal for St. John's is \$81,000

Good Stewards Avoid "Compassion Fatigue"

One of the spiritual maladies Christians face today is "compassion fatigue." The media inundates us with details of disasters, natural and man made, far and wide... Our efforts to respond generously can become scattered and not well thought out, and sometimes our giving becomes motivated by guilt rather than compassion. Eventually, we may stop giving. Christian stewards prayerfully discern how they are able to respond to the needs of the world. They budget their time and resources so that their response can be generous but focused, sacrificial but not overwhelming. They begin with a prayerful commitment to their immediate family of faith. Being generous to one's faith community can go a long way toward meeting the needs of others. Their response to the diocesan annual appeal and to special collections also makes them part of a larger faith community's response to the poor and marginalized... The decision to give is made prudentially and without guilt... Good stewards realize that the greatest gift they can give is the gift of prayer... It is the



"Find out how much God has given you and from it take what you need; the remainder is needed by others."

- St Augustine

kind of compassionate heart good stewards seek to cultivate within themselves through prayer, planning and focused generosity; ready to respond, without experiencing fatigue or weariness, to the cries of the world.

Excerpts from International Catholic Stewardship Council e-Bulletin

IMPORTANT AND HELPFUL INFORMATION:

- Prayerfully consider your commitment.
- Make your check payable to: CMA (not to St. John's).
- Please write in the memo section: **St. John's-Greece #039**
- If your pledge card has a parish listed other than St. John's-Greece #039, please cross off the other parish name and number and write in St. John's -Greece #039. This will alert the processor that your gift/pledge is to be put toward our parish goal (and not your previous parish).
- If you are a new parishioner, did not receive a personalized pledge card or have misplaced it, please know there are CMA envelopes available in Church and at the Parish Office at the Rectory.

Visit www.dor.org. View the CMA video. See how the funds are distributed. Make your gift TODAY!

Please pray for the success of our efforts.

For those who have already made a pledge/donation, we are very grateful! As of Tuesday, October 24, 127 households have pledged \$33,240 taking us to 41.04% of our \$81,000 goal.

Please fill out your envelope, be sure to make your check payable to: *CMA* and put 039-St John's—Greece in the check memo.

Mr. John B. Adams, III
 Mr./Mrs. Donald Annechino
 Mr./Mrs. Joseph Arbia
 Mr./Mrs. James L. Bailey
 Mr./Mrs. Barry J. Balch
 Mr./Mrs. Peter Balcom
 Mrs. Rose Marie Battisto
 Mr./Mrs. Michael Bessette
 Mrs. Angela L. Borrelli
 Mr./Mrs. Stephen Braya
 Mr./Mrs. Paul J. Brescia
 Mr./Mrs. Richard Bridgeman
 Mr./Mrs. Allen Briggs
 Mr./Mrs. Michael Buda
 Mrs. Kathryn Burke
 Mr./Mrs. Armand Cantatore
 Mr./Mrs. Alan Christodaro
 Mr./Mrs. Daniel Conte
 Mrs. Sylvia Coppeta
 Mrs. Jeanne Corbit
 Ms. Donna Cross
 Miss Ann Marie Cullen
 Mrs. Barbara H. Czajka
 Miss Catherine DeConinck
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 Mrs. Jean DePetres
 Ms. Marie A. DeRosa

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 Mr./Mrs. Robert DiLaura
 Ms. MaryAnn DiRaddo
 Mr. Nicholas DiStasio
 Mr./Mrs. Michael A. DiStefano
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 Mr./Mrs. Gerald Dominik
 Mr./Mrs. Michael Drexler
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 Ms. Jill Finan
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 Mr./Mrs. Michael Fredericks
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 Mr. Thomas Galligan
 Mr./Mrs. Ronald Gaudelli
 Mr./Mrs. David Giarrizzo
 Mr./Mrs. Richard Giarrizzo
 Mrs. Mary Gilligan
 Mr./Mrs. Mark Gionta
 Ms. Anne Giuliano
 Ms. Patricia Gogal
 Mr. Thomas J. Grieco
 Mr./Mrs. Philip Hart

Mr. Frank G. Haszlauer
 Mrs. Shirley Healey
 Mrs. Mary Ann Heh
 Ms. Christine Hoefler
 Mr. William Hueber
 Mr./Mrs. Paul Hugh
 Mrs. Jennifer M. Hull
 Mr./Mrs. Daniel Kabasin
 Mrs. Marianne M. Katz
 Mr./Mrs. Michael Keenahan
 Mr./Mrs. Robert Keenehan
 Mr./Mrs. John Kerhaert
 Mr./Mrs. Gary Kern
 Mr./Mrs. John N. Kilpatrick
 Mr./Mrs Glenn Klingenberger
 Mrs. Annabelle Kowalski
 Mr./Mrs. William L. Lafferty
 Mr. Ronald LaForce
 Miss Norma Lamendola
 Mr./Mrs. John E. Leary, Jr.
 Ms. Carol Lombardo
 Mr./Mrs. Timothy Mahns
 Mr. Joseph T. Marchese, Sr.
 Mr. James E. Markese
 Ms. Mary C. Martin
 Mr./Mrs. Edward J. Mattson
 Mr./Mrs. Roger Measer
 Mrs. Carol O. Napierala
 Mrs. Linda Niccoli
 Mr./Mrs. Richard Noterfonzo
 Mr./Mrs. Richard Paoletti
 Mr./Mrs. Raymond Parsons
 Mrs. Elaine Passero
 Mr./Mrs. David Pawlak
 Mr./Mrs. James E. Pellman
 Mr./Mrs. Jorge L. Perez

Mr. Gilbert Picard
 Mrs. Mary Ann J. Pino
 Mr./Mrs. Joseph Pizzi
 Mr./Mrs. David Post
 Mrs. Marie Quercia
 Mr. Kevin A. Rath
 Mrs. Jeanne Reiser
 Ms. Veronica Richardson
 and Ms. Joan Richardson
 Mrs. Jean A. Rossignolo
 Ms. Sara Rossignolo
 Mrs. Mary Martha Ryan
 Ms. Roseanne Scarson
 Mr./Mrs. Philip Schmerbeck
 Mr./Mrs. John Secash
 Mr./Mrs. James Seelman
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 Ms. Mary Walz
 Mr./Mrs. Jerome Wasilewski
 Mr./Mrs. Michael Watt
 Mr./Mrs. Paul Westlake
 Mrs. Dorothy M. Yax
 Mr. Anthony J. Zanni



Mary Sue Fantauzzo *Parishioner of St. John's Church*



This Week's Sanctuary Candles burn for

- ✚ Tabernacle I **Bishop Matano and the Priests of DOR**
- ✚ Tabernacle II **People in the Middle East**
- ✚ Marian I **Vocations to the Priesthood in DOR**
- ✚ Marian II **Christian Unity**

BLESSINGS OF FINANCIAL



October 21/22	ATTENDANCE.....	416
BUDGETED Sunday Offering.....	\$	9,530.00
SUNDAY Offering.....	\$	7,080.03
ONLINE Giving.....	\$	2,648.00
<u>TOTAL Sunday Offering.....</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>9,728.03</u>
OVERAGE for SUNDAY OFFERING.....	\$	198.03

2nd Collection

World Mission Sunday.....	\$	1,012.50
ONLINE Giving.....	\$	152.00
<u>TOTAL World Mission Sunday.....</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>1,164.50</u>

Fiscal Year 2023-24 as October 22, 2023

YEARLY BUDGET.....	\$	486,000.00
BUDGETED TO-DATE.....	\$	162,010.00
<u>ACTUAL COLLECTED.....</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>160,184.40</u>
SHORTAGE TO-DATE.....	(\$	1,825.60)

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.

A Wonderful Time had by All!

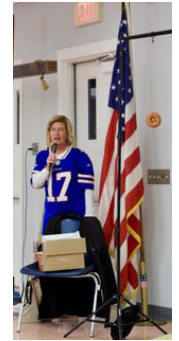
I take this opportunity to say THANK YOU to Karen & Mike Bessette, Melissa Ryan, Wayne Howard and the rest of



those who helped put together this wonderful Fall Festival. It was planned on short notice yet turned out so well. I could tell how much everyone was enjoying themselves especially sampling the different chili options so

they could vote for their favorite. There were many fun options for the children and some adults we know even joined in on the fun! The winners of the chili cook-off were:

1st Place— Melissa Kabasin, 2nd Place— Mike Bessette and 3rd Place— Gary Kern.
- Fr Peter



A Note of Gratitude

The Lord calls us to feed the hungry and St. John's Parishioners answered that call in abundance! Twelve large boxes of canned goods were collected and delivered to the Greece Food Shelf on October 23, 2023. When our volunteers arrived with the donation, the people at the Greece Food Shelf weighed the donation which totaled 965 lbs.! The generosity of our parishioners is amazing! Many, many thanks to Fr Peter who supported the food drive and blessed all the food, the wonderful parishioners who donated the food, the volunteers who helped fill the boxes, and to those who helped transport the boxes to the



Greece Food Shelf. These blessed canned goods will help put food on the table for hundreds of families, especially hungry children in the Greece Community. Again we say, "Thank you! Thank you!"

Carol Napierala and Fr Peter

*Please join in praying together at the end of each Mass
the Prayer to St. Michael the Archangel*

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.**



**Women's Guild
Holiday Luncheon**

**Our holiday luncheon will be on
Tuesday, Dec 5 at noon at Bella Pasta.**

You will have a choice of entrée: Chicken French, Chicken Parm, Eggplant Parm, or Ravioli and meatballs. The entree will include a non-alcoholic drink and dessert. Checks for \$19 should be made payable to: *St. John the Evangelist Church* and mailed to arrive by Monday, November 20. We will again have a \$10 grab bag exchange if you want to participate. All women of the parish are invited plus friends, relatives, or neighbors. We will have a private room and have no limit to the number that can come. We look forward to seeing everyone then.

Senior Home Communion Service Ministers October/November 2023

HAMILTON NURSING HOME COMMUNION SERVICE SCHEDULE

November 5, 2023 Ron LaForce
November 19, 2023 Steve and Mary Ann Donato

THE VILLAGE AT UNITY

November 1, 2023 Tom Grieco and Bob Gotham
November 5, 2023 Tom Grieco
November 12, 2023 Bob and Barb Gotham
November 19, 2023 Tom Grieco
November 26, 2023 Bob and Barb Gotham

ELDERWOOD VILLAGE COMMUNION SERVICE SCHEDULE

October 29, 2023 Chris Hoefler
November 5, 2023 Dan & Melissa Kabasin
November 12, 2023 Carolyn Kerhaert
November 19, 2023 Chris Hoefler
November 26, 2023 Dan & Melissa Kabasin