

St. John the Evangelist Parish

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FATHER WILLIAM F. WOODRUFF, PASTOR

MSGR. WILLIAM E. WILLIAMS, PASTOR EMERITUS

MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday- 5:00 PM, Sunday- 8:30 AM, 10:30 AM

Daily: Monday-Thursday & Saturday - 8:30 AM, Morning Prayer 8:15 AM

Holy Days: Please check bulletin

CONFESSIONS: Saturday- 3:30 to 4:30 PM

ALTAR ROSARY:

President: Donna Anderson (246-9719) Meets the first Wednesday of the month

ALTAR SERVERS: Coordinator Joan Jensen (246-9581)

BAPTISM: Baptism upon request. Preparation required.

Leaders in preparation: Patricia & Gary Moore (246-5164)

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS: Coleman Catholic High School - 845-338-2750,

ST. JOHN'S YOUTH GROUP (TEENAGERS): Denise Dudzic (246-2811) & Gabrielle Baker (247-3454)

COMMUNITY ACTION / FOOD PANTRY: Maria Granda (246-3635)

COUNCIL OF CHURCHES: Marilyn Washer (246-5236), Maureen Rothe 246-0305

DEANERY: Frankie Cullen (853-5557)

LAY TRUSTEES: Pat Fitzsimmons (246-4431), Robert Gauvreau (246-3544)

LITURGY COMMITTEE: Robert Howe (246-8510)

MARRIAGES: By appointment. Please make arrangements at least six months prior to wedding. Preparation is mandatory.

MINISTRY TO HOMEBOUND AND ELDERLY: Eileen Oswald (246-7042)

MUSIC MINISTRY: Kelly Rea (246-0395)

OPERATIONS: Robert Gauvreau (246-3544)

SPIRIT OF LIFE PRAYER GROUP: Fr. Woodruff (246-9581) Meets Tuesdays 7:00 PM & first Sunday of each month at 12:00 to 1:00 PM (Instructional Prayer Meeting—All are welcome!)

PARISH COUNCIL: President Pat Fitzsimmons (246-4431)

PARISH NURSE: Anne Grunbaum (246-1667)

RCIA: Fr. William Woodruff (246-9581)

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: Director Joan Corton (339-4391)

RESPECT LIFE COMMITTEE: Joseph Defino Sr. (246-6908), Barbara O'Reilly (246-7810)

SECRETARIES: Joan Jensen (217-7090), Barbara Renner (8:30 AM—8:30 PM Only —246-3424)

ST. JOHN'S GIFT SHOP: Ramona Kemp (246-5149) & Libby Salerno (247-0011)

VOCATIONS: Pat Fitzsimmons (246-4431)



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My coworkers and I have been debating the death penalty and whether or not it should be part of our justice system. Why are so many people who claim to be pro-life believers in favor of it?

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The issues of crime and punishment are never easy because so many factors influence people and how they view problems and solutions. Increased violence, loss of life, cost to taxpayers and the community at large, and the maneuverings of lawyers and courts only add fuel to the fire. When people are fearful or frustrated, they want to resolve it as soon as possible and that can heighten the sense of urgency and need for action. When bad things happen in your neighborhood or to your home or to you, you want relief. Any normal person would feel that way. A pro-life view does not insulate anyone from the bad effects of criminal behavior. Innocent people are hurt every day and it may seem as though those who cause the pain get away with it, or get off easy.

The death penalty is not excluded by church teaching. The state has the right to impose penalties that are commensurate with the crime as well as to defend itself from further harm (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, § 2266). When possible, punishment should help correct the offender, offering a chance of redemption, which is why the pope and bishops have called for an end to the death penalty. For more information, visit the Human Life and Dignity section of the USCCB's website (www.usccb.org).

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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday	8:30	Frank Kandora—Req. by Art & Isabelle DeCelle
	5:00	All The People of The Parish
Sunday	8:30	For The Deceased Rosarians
	1030	Marquerite, Charles & Daniel Leverich—Req. by Their Family
Monday	8:30	Peg Sullivan—Req. by The Avagliano Family
Tuesday	8:30	Eileen Gallagher—Req. by The Brown Family
Wednesday	8:30	Marge Gallagher—Req. by Maureen O'Neill
Thursday	8:30	Eileen Gallagher—Req. by Brian LaTorre
Friday	8:30	Holy Communion Service
Saturday	8:30	In Thanksgiving to God—Req. by The Renner Family
	5:00	All The People of The Parish
Sunday	8:30	Ann Kirvin (Anniversary Remembrance) - Req. by The Arvidson Family
	10:30	In Celebration of The Birthdays of Maddix Cody & Emily Loviza—Req. by Joe Defino Sr.

SAINTS & SPECIAL OBSERVANCES—

Tue— St. Bruno, Priest; Blessed Marie-Rose Durocher, Virgin

Wed—Our Lady of The Rosary

Fri— St. Denis, Bishop and Companions, Martyrs;

St. John Leonardi, Priest

20-WEEK CLUB- If you would like to be part of the next club, which will be beginning in October, please contact Barbara Renner at 246-3424.

LIFE CHAIN 2015- The Life Chain is schedule for October 4th. Stand up for the unborn who have died and for those who continue to die every day to the horror of abortion. All are urged to meet from 2 to 3 PM on Ulster Avenue in Saugerties to make an outward sign of your commitment to life. If you would like to meet at St. John's parking lot first, come at 1:30 PM.

“PRAYER for LIFE

Heavenly Father, from the smallest cell to the largest creature, you are the origin and creator of all life. May we be so in awe of your wondrous power that we never take for granted the wonder of life, the beauty of creation or the potential of every person. We recognize the value and worth of human life, from conception to natural death. Help us to protect and nurture all life so that in perfect harmony we may offer to you a fitting song of living praise. We ask this through Jesus, your Son, who lives and reigns forever. Amen. ~Rev. James Gaffney



INSTRUCTIONAL PRAYER MEETING- Will take place on Sunday, October 4th at 12:30 PM. The topic of discussion is October Church Themes. Come learn more about your Catholic Faith. This discussion will be lead by Fr. Bill.

ULTREYA- Join your Cursillo Community as we gather for Ultreya here at St. John's on October 8th at 8 PM. Bring something for the sharing table. FMI, call Joe at 246-6908.

PRACTICE FOR CONFIRMATION- Will take place on October 9th from 6 to 7:30 PM. The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated on October 11th at 2 PM. Students are asked to arrive at 1:30 PM.

THE ULSTER VICARIATE RESPECT LIFE COMMITTEE

Will hold its 22nd Annual Celebration of Life Mass & Dinner on October 23, 2015. Mass will be at St. Joseph's Church in Kingston at 5:30 PM. Dinner will be at Best Western in Kingston at 6:30 PM. The cost for the Italian buffet dinner is \$30 pp. This year's speaker is Mrs. Lori Keohol, Executive Director of NYS Right to Life. For reservations, or if you are unable to attend and would like to send a donation, call Barbara O'Reilly at 246-7810.

BLESSING OF ANIMALS- Will take place on Oct. 4th, in honor of the Feast of Francis of Assisi, at 11:45 AM here at St. John's.



ADAM'S GIFT CARDS- We have entered into a partnership with Adam's Fairacre Farms. We will be selling their Gift Cards after each of the Holy Mass during the month of October. Each Gift Card will be worth \$25 and our parish will receive 10% of all sales. Payment is due at the time of purchase. Checks are to be made payable to St. John The Evangelist. These cards are a great gift idea for anyone at anytime or use them for your own personal weekly shopping. There is no limit as to how many you can buy!

LIVING ROSARY- This will take place on October 12th at 6:05 PM in the church. Men, women and children are needed to become the beads as we pray this devotion to our Blessed Mother. The students of our Religious Education Program will be joining in this special prayer service. This is a mandatory class.

HOSPICE- Is seeking volunteers who can give 3 hours a week of their time to provide companionship, emotional support and practical assistance to terminally ill patients and their families. Volunteers visit patients at home, in area hospitals or nursing homes. Volunteers are also needed in their Kingston office to help with mailings, filing and special projects. No special training required for office volunteers. FMI, call 338-5397.

HOSPITAL PASTORAL CARE- If you or a family member is admitted to a local hospital, you are under the care of a resident priest who is available 24 hours. He administers the Sacrament of Penance and Anointing of the Sick, and Daily Communion is available from a Eucharistic Minister. Please inform them of your parish and your desire to be visited. Also have someone call your parish priest, because the lists at the hospitals are not always clear.

TWENTIETH-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

From the Pastor's Desk



My Dearest Sisters and Brothers in the Good God,

This weekend certainly has a number of events occurring to which you are more than welcome to participate. This Saturday afternoon, October 3rd, we welcomed Kaylee Grace Mullen into the Church as I had the joy of baptizing her. Please pray in a happy way for all of Kaylee Grace's family at this grace-filled time in their lives.

Confirmation Preparation Day is this Saturday afternoon, October 3rd, from 3:00 until 6:00 P.M. I'll be hearing the Confessions of the sixteen candidates for Confirmation at the start of the Preparation Day. They will take their test to show that they know the basics of the Catholic Faith and Life. They will write their letters to Bishop Dominick Lagonegro; Bishop Dom will administer the Sacrament of Confirmation on Sunday afternoon, October 11th, at 2:00 P.M. and he always enjoys reading the letters that the candidates write to him. The day will conclude with the 5:00 P.M. Holy Mass as the young people preparing for the Sacraments of Reconciliation, First Holy Communion, and Confirmation will be presented to the parish during that Holy Mass.

Also, in keeping with Catechetical Sunday, the catechists of the Religious Education Program will be commissioned by yours truly at the same time. Please pray for all these catechists, young people, their families, and the Sponsors to be faithful Catholics throughout their lives.

On Sunday, October 4th, at the 8:30 A.M. Holy Mass, all of the deceased members of the parish's Altar/Rosary Society will have the repose of their souls prayed as the Holy Intention. The monthly Family Mass will be at 10:30 A.M.

PLEASE NOTE THAT MEMBERS OF THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR PARISH DEVELOPMENT WILL BE SELLING ADAM'S FAIRACRE FARMS GIFT CARDS AFTER EACH OF THE HOLY MASSES THROUGHOUT THE MONTH OF OCTOBER STARTING WITH THIS WEEKEND. MORE INFORMATION IS IN THIS BULLETIN; PLEASE SUPPORT THIS FUN/FUND RAISER FOR OUR PARISH.

The annual Blessing of Pets will be at 11:45 P.M. this Sunday. It actually falls on the Feast of Saint Francis of Assisi this year.

Our monthly Instructional Prayer Meeting will be from 12:30 until 1:00 P.M. this Sunday afternoon, October 4th. The topic will be the Themes of the Church in October: namely, the Month of the Holy Rosary and Respect Life Month. Please note that the Instructional Prayer Meeting will be only half an hour in length because I don't know in advance, how many pets that I will be blessing.

Since this Sunday, October 4th, is Respect Life Sunday, the Annual Life Chain will take place from 2:00 until 3:00 P.M. on Ulster Avenue in the Village of Saugerties. If you want to meet at St. John's Church at 1:30 P.M., we will gather at the Tomb of the Pre-Born Children in the Church Parking Lot area. Please pray that all people will come to obey all of the Ten Commandments as the Church teaches them, especially, the 5th, 6th, and 9th Commandments of God which deal directly with the sacredness of all human life from pre-born babies all the way to praying for the repose of all souls who have gone before Christ in Particular Judgment.

Practice for Confirmation will be this coming Friday, October 9th, in the Church, starting at 6:00 P.M. and concluding by 7:30 P.M. Once again, I am very grateful to Donna Fenaughty, and other folks helping Donna, for filling in for Joan Corton who is continuing to recover from surgery. Joan hopes to return to the Religious Education (Faith Formation) Program by early November. I want to thank you for praying for Joan and for our entire Religious Ed. Program.

Columbus Day falls on the exact date of October 12th, this year. I wish to thank, in advance, the Altar/Rosary Society and the Religious Ed. folks for holding the annual Living Rosary from 6:05 until 7:35 P.M. the evening of Monday, October 12th. It is one of the two required Family Nights that we hold during the year. However, everyone is most welcome to join us.

PLEASE NOTE, WE ARE GOING TO A MONTHLY REPORTING OF OUR PARISH FINANCES IN THE STEWARDSHIP CORNER OF OUR BULLETIN.

Sincerely, with prayers,
Father Bill Woodruff

P.S.: The Cubmobile Fun Day will be in the Parking Lot next Saturday, Oct. 10th, from 12:30 to 3 P.M.

40-DAYS FOR LIFE— This campaign will continue until Nov. 1st. It is a highly-focused, initiative that focuses on 40 days of prayer/fasting, peaceful vigil at abortion facilities, and educational outreach with the goal of protect mothers and their children from abortion. Visit: www.40daysforlife.com



JOKE— My wife and I were at my high school reunion. As I looked around, I noticed the other men in their expensive suits and their bulging stomachs.

Proud of the fact that I weighted just 5 pounds more than I did when I was in high school, the result of trying to beat a living our of a rocky hillside farm, I said to my wife, "I'm the only guy here who can still wear the suit he wore when he graduated." She glanced at the prosperous crowd, then back at me and said, "You're the only one who HAS to."

JUNK IN THE TRUNK— Scheduled for October 17th from 10 to 2 PM. Vendors will park their cars and open their trunks to display their treasures. \$10 car/van/pick-up. Tables will be available to rent. For more information, or to reserve a spot call Aloise at 246-7846.



BAKE SALE ITEMS NEEDED— We would like to sell Bake Sale Items at our Junk In The Trunk Sale. If anyone would be interested in baking an item it can be dropped off at the church anytime before 7 PM on October 16th. Thank you! FMI, call Breeda at 679-6562 or Angela at 246-7311.

FAMOUS ONE-LINERS— Time is a great teacher, but unfortunately it kills all its pupils. Louis Hector Berlioz

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"For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh. So they are no longer two but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, no human being must separate."

- Mk 10:7-9

"Please Pray For All Bishops, Priests, Deacons & Religious!"

STEWARDSHIP CORNER
THE LORD HAS BLESSED US
IN SO MANY WAYS...

Let us return to Him a fair share of

THE MANY GIFTS
He has already given us.

PARISHIONER'S COMMENT— Tithing makes sure that something of 'me' is part of the parish's work.

PASTOR'S COMMENT— The strength of a parish perhaps lies in the faith of the people who believe that their church can be a vital and continual source in our connections with God and His people. Tithing can give us that vested interest in being a part of all activities and programs that are centered in our parish.

"Remember St. John's in Your Will!"

FOOD PANTRY ITEM FOR NEXT WEEK:
SHOPPING BAGS & CANNED FRUIT



YOUR PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR: Erin Frederick, Paul Brazier, Vincent Saturn, Judy Fiero, Grace Yund, Janet Curry, Gene Woodruff, Peter & Brunie Kandora, Carol & Edward Koop, Barbara & Richard Coppey, Susan, Liz & Kerry Parker, Ericka Hinchey, Jimmy Paes, John Lynch, Charlie DeSalle, James Mullen, Betty Suter, Robin Doherty, Gary Granda, Tom Ward, Cooper and Jackson Kravatz, Dalton Bingham, John Mulligan, Joe Hommel, Bob Cranston, Bob Hoy, Richard Masiulani, Connie Novack, Nancy Dwyer, Lucille Nelson, Gail Cortese, Shanna Pesce, and Frankie Cullen.

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PRAYER FOR LIFE

Jesus, Mary and Joseph we love you very much.
Help us spiritually adopt and protect all human life
from preborn to natural death.
Amen.

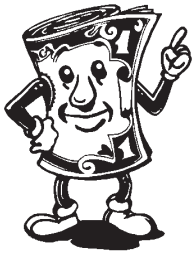
MAKING ALL THINGS NEW

God our Father, through the Gospel and the Eucharist,
You bring us together as Your Church in the
Archdiocese of New York.

Send us Your Holy Spirit, to enlighten our minds and guide our actions
as we plan for the future of parish life in this Archdiocese.

Help us learn new ways to strengthen and revitalize our parish
communities, and to be good stewards of the spiritual and material gifts
that sustain them.

Bless our work, so that our parishes may continue to witness to the truth
of the Gospel, and be a sign of Your love for all people.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.
Amen.



THE MASTER'S PLAN RESULTS-

The children of Mrs. Renner's 4th Grade St. John the Evangelist's Religious Education Class have learned that everything we are given in life; our money, our talents, our time, our knowledge, etc. was never meant for us to keep. God expects us to share it willingly with others, especially those in need.

The last of Mrs. Renner's students just completed their project. Here are the wonderful things they have accomplished.

Each child in last year's class was given \$10 and asked to use it wisely in the Master's name. These are the wonderful things that our children have accomplished:

Thomas Baker and Angel Martinez hosted a Spaghetti Dinner/Dance-A-Thon. They turned their \$20 into \$3,990 and donated it to local families who had children who were going through a difficult illness.

Ryan Curran, Anthony Denier and Austin Kuriplach held a Bake Sale turning their \$30 into \$1,200 They donated their money to Hospice.

Madalyn Dodig, Mackenzie Sullivan and Natalie Vail, raffled off an Arts and Crafts Basket. They turned their \$30 into \$225 and donated it to St. Jude's Children's Hospital.

Zane Grant made cut out posters of sheep, (representing Jesus as the Good Shepherd) he placed these sheep on surrounding neighbor's yards, asking them to donate to Patti Williams, a local woman suffering from cancer. Zane raised \$240.

Addison Peltier raffled off a Movie Night Basket. Addison turned her \$10 into \$500 and donated it to The Wounded Warrior Project.

All in all, they turned \$100, which they received at the Advent Program into \$6,155. Over the past eleven years the Master's Plan Project has donated \$23,533.31 to a variety of different charities.

These are the accomplishments of the children of our parish. May we learn from them and challenge ourselves to look at the gifts God has given us and use them wisely; so that at the end of our lives on earth God will say to us, "You have been a good and faithful servant. Come, you have inherited eternal life."