

# 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 CHURCH STORE:** Ramona Kemp (845-417-6638) & Elaine Arvidson (246-4468)

**VOCATIONS:** Pat Fitzsimmons (246-4431)



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*June 24 celebrates the feast of the Nativity of Saint John the Baptist. How was that date chosen and why?*

The date set for John the Baptist's birth only came into existence once the date to celebrate Jesus' birth was set. Evidence shows that by the middle of the fourth century Christians were celebrating the birth of Jesus around December 25. No one at that time knew when Jesus was born, but the date seemed to be selected to counter the Roman festival to the sun god.

Once December 25 had been selected for the birth of Jesus, a number of other dates could be set, using the biblical evidence at hand. When the angel appeared to Mary and she conceived, her cousin, Elizabeth, the mother of John the Baptist, was in her sixth month. If Jesus was born on December 25, then he had to be conceived nine months before, on March 25. If Elizabeth was then in her sixth month, then John the Baptist was due three months later on June 25.

Then why June 24? A rather convincing reason stems from John's witness in John's Gospel. There John the Baptist says that Jesus must increase and he, John, must decrease. The other Gospels also have John point to Jesus and not himself as the chosen One of God. In making John's birth a day less than Jesus' full nine months the Christian community communicated this Gospel reality in its liturgical calendar. Thus the Christian community continued to highlight John's mission and ministry. Maybe we could strive toward that same mission in our own lives.

## ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST PARISH



## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday	8:30	Carlos Ruiz—Req. by Michaela Graham
	5:00	Loretta Himberger (Birthday Remembrance) - Req. by Her Family
Sunday	8:30	For All Dads (Living & Deceased) - Req. by The Renner Family
	10:30	For All The People of The Parish
Monday	8:30	In Celebration of The Birthday of Tommy Baker—Req. by Joe Defino Sr.
Tuesday	8:30	Fr. James Derrenbacher (Birthday Remembrance) - Req. by The Renner Family
Wednesday	8:30	In Celebration of Msgr. William E. Williams 57th Anniversary of Ordination To the Priesthood —Req. by Mary Mayone, Donna Anderson & Marilyn Washer
Thursday	8:30	For The Deceased Members of My Family—Req. by Nora Drefin
Friday	8:30	Holy Communion Service
Saturday	8:30	Holy Communion Service
	5:00	Claudia Andreassen Balay—Req. by Mary Mayone & Ralph Mayone Jr.
Sunday	8:30	Erica Hinchey—Req. by Dave & RoseMarie LaTourette
	10:30	All The People of The Parish

### SAINTS & SPECIAL OBSERVANCES—

Tue—St. Aloysius Gonzaga, Religious

Wed—St. Paulinus of Nola, Bishop; St. John Fisher, Bishop  
and St. Thomas More, Martyr

Fri—The Nativity of St. John The Baptist

**20-WEEK CLUB WINNER—** Our 6th winner of \$100 is our 20-Week Club was No. 80 Al Brooks.

### INFECTION CONTROL & EMERGENCY MEDICATION

**ADMINISTRATION—** This workshop demonstrates how to keep children healthy in a group by using infection control techniques that reduce the spread of germs. This workshop will also include the proper use of Epi-pens and asthma medications. Proper guidelines and required paperwork for emergency medications will be included. This will take place here at St. John's on June 29th from 6 to 9 PM. Trainer — Anne Grunbaum RN/BSN, Health Care Consultant. The cost is \$25—bring payment with you made payable to RWCS — Register with Child Care Connections. For more information, call 331-7080 Ext. 126 or jmarkle@fowinc.org.



**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED—** We are looking for volunteers to help park cars at Junk in The Trunk Sales. You need not volunteer for every sale — we are looking to start a pool of people to draw from. If interested, please contact Vince Brennan at 246-8072.

**FATHERS' DAY SPIRITUAL BOUQUETS—** In appreciation for their countless acts of love, have your father or grandfather (living or deceased) remembered at Mass this Fathers' Day with a Spiritual Bouquet. Cards are available at the doors of the church.

### SPECIAL RECEPTION IN HONOR OF ST. JOHN'S NEW

**DEACON—** On June 25th Bob Cranston will be ordained into the Diaconate. The parish is invited to participate in the celebration of the 10:30 AM Holy Mass on June 26th with our very own Deacon Robert Cranston. There will be a special reception following Holy Mass. Congratulations!

**BLOOPER HEADLINE—** "Autos Killing 110 a Day; Let's Resolve to Do Better:



**SECOND COLLECTION—** There will be a special second collection this weekend! All monies raised will help defray the cost of the air-conditioning in the Church Hall. Every penny donated our parish will be able to keep to use for this purpose. Special red and white envelopes marked "Semi-Annual Fuel Collection" will be available at the entrances of the Church this weekend. Thank you in advance for your support and love for our parish.

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION—** Will take place this weekend after the 10:30 Mass and continue until after the 8:30 PM Benediction. Evening prayers will be prayed at 5:30 PM. Sign up sheets at the side entrance of the church.

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS—** Registration has begun for our 2016-2017 Religious Education Program. Our program is open to all children from 4 years of age through 9<sup>th</sup> grade. Please stop by the church or rectory office for a registration form or call Joan Corton at 339-4391 for more information. Our program will be meeting on Mondays from Grade Pre K-6 from 6:05 to 7:35 PM. Seventh and Eighth Graders will continue their program in modular form. Come join us! Please note that if you register on or before June 30th you will receive a discounted rate.

**YOU DID IT FOR ME—** If you know of someone who would enjoy a visit from their fellow parishioners, please call the church office (246-9581) to let us know.

Bob Hoy—Ten Broeck—1 Common Drive, Lake Katrine  
Barbara Coppey—Ferncliff—21 Ferncliff Drive, Rhinebeck  
Irene Geick—Kingston Hospital—105 Mary's Avenue, Kingston  
Janet Curry—The Pines—154 Jefferson Heights, Catskill  
Judy Fiero—The Pines—154 Jefferson Heights, Catskill  
Fr. Al Pizzuto—Our Lady of Consolation Residence  
3103 Arlington Avenue, Bronx, NY 10463-3305  
1-718-548-0888 or 1-718-548-0889  
Msgr. Williams—845-399-9837

**MARRIAGE PREPARATION SPEAKERS NEEDED—** The Archdiocesan Marriage Preparation Program is seeking married couples to share the blessings of their marriage and the Catholic Faith with engaged couples. The commitment is minimal and training is provided. FMI, call 212-371-1000 X3185.

## TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### From the Pastor's Desk



My Dearest Sisters and Brothers in the Lord Jesus Christ,

Next Saturday, June 25<sup>th</sup>, at 9:00 A.M., Cardinal Dolan, the Archbishop of New York, is scheduled to ordain Bob Cranston and his eleven classmates as Permanent Deacons at Saint Patrick's Cathedral. Each new Permanent Deacon will be assigned to one's home parish; so Deacon Bob will be assigned to our parish by the Cardinal. Each one of the twelve will become incardinated clergy of the Archdiocese of New York. We rejoice most wholeheartedly with Deacon Bob and his family as he receives the Sacrament of Holy Orders; he will be among the very few to have received all seven Sacraments that the Church confers. It has been a long five years of preparation for him and he has overcome a number of obstacles along the way, not the least of which, making a full recovery from cancer of the bloodstream. God has been working powerfully in his life and now he undertakes a new role of ministry for all of us at Saint John the Evangelist: a ministry of Word, Sacrament, and Service as it is stated in the Ordination Rite for the conferral of a Deacon. On behalf of all of you, I want to extend to Deacon Bob how proud we are of him and his family, who have given him such great support during this five year period of Spiritual Formation for the Order of the Diaconate. He and his family will have a private reception later that day; however, it does not end there.

The next day, Sunday, June 26<sup>th</sup>, Deacon Bob will Assist at the 10:30 A.M. Holy Mass here at Saint John the Evangelist. Following that Holy Mass, we will have a reception for him and his family in our Church Hall. I want to thank, ever so much, the Vocations Committee of our parish for spearheading the reception following the 10:30 A.M. Holy Mass. You are, of course, most welcome to the 10:30 A.M. Holy Mass and reception on that Sunday, June 26<sup>th</sup>.

IF YOU ARE AMONG THE 45 FOLKS WHO HAVE SIGNED UP FOR THE BUS TRIP TO AND FROM SAINT PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL ON SATURDAY, JUNE 25<sup>th</sup>, MAY I ADVISE YOU ONE MORE TIME TO BRING A BAG BREAKFAST, A BAG LUNCH, AND A BOTTLE OR TWO OF WATER FOR THE RIDE BACK AND FORTH. THE

DEPARTURE TIME IS 5:30 IN THE MORNING AND WE SHOULD RETURN BY 3:00 THAT AFTERNOON. I wish to extend my wholehearted gratitude to Joe Defino, Jr. for arranging the availability of the bus. Please keep Deacon Bob and all of his family in your prayers on this very happy, eventful occasion. I should note that if you are not signed up for the bus trip but would want to drive/car pool to the Cathedral, you may feel free to call the Parish House of Saint Patrick's Cathedral for directions at 1-212-753-2261.

In other news, our Church Hall will hold a workshop on Infection Control and Emergency Medication Administration on Wednesday, June 29<sup>th</sup>, from 6:00 until 9:00 P.M. I want to thank our Parish Nurse, Anne Grunbaum, for spearheading this workshop.

This Saturday, June 18<sup>th</sup>, we had Junk in the Trunk in our parking lot; I will write to you in next week's letter how that occurred.

This Sunday, June 19<sup>th</sup>, is Fathers' Day. I want to extend my prayerful best wishes to all the Dads, Granddads, Godfathers, and expectant Dads; I will continue to pray at the infinite momentos of every Holy Mass that I offer in the month of the Sacred Heart, June, for all of them, living or deceased, who have been, or will be, intended to be remembered.

ALL DAY ADORATION OF THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT IS THIS SUNDAY, JUNE 19<sup>th</sup>. Please spend a little time visiting Our Lord in the Eucharist from after the 10:30 A.M. Holy Mass until Benediction at 8:30 P.M. that day.

Last, but not least, this weekend's special second collection is our semi-annual fuel collection. We keep every penny of that second collection to help to defray the cost of the air-conditioning. There are special red and white envelopes at the entrances of the Church available for your convenience. I wish to thank you for your wonderful generosity.

May God bless you.

Sincerely, with prayers,  
Father Bill Woodruff

**HEALING AFTER ABORTION**— Ocean of Mercy — Entering Canaan Days of Prayer and Healing For Women. June 25<sup>th</sup>. FMI, contact Sisters of Life at : 866-575-0075 or visit [hopeandhealing@sistersoflife.org](mailto:hopeandhealing@sistersoflife.org). For men, call 877-586-4621.

**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.

**MASS TIMES**— When you go on vacation or travel for business you can find information on churches and Mass times by visiting [www.masstimes.org](http://www.masstimes.org). The data provided includes instructions for locating the church nearest to the caller's location, its handicapped accessibility and the language in which the service is offered. This website also provides a map option to view a local street map to find the church's location.

### **CROSS COUNTRY SUMMER SERIES RUNNING**

**PROGRAM**— Five races on Wednesday evenings 7/6, 7/13, 7/20, 7/27, & 8/3 — run at various local locations. Kids Race (14 years old and under start at 6:45 PM — Adult Race start at 7 PM. Entry fee Children \$10, Adults \$25. FMI contact 340-9170 Ext. 107 or visit [Walter.Gaceta@archny.org](mailto:Walter.Gaceta@archny.org).

### **SEVEN DAY PILGRIMAGE TO FATIMA PORTUGAL**

This will take place from November 14 –20, 2016. The cost is \$1,699 all-inclusive. FMI, call Catholic Tour at 877-627-4268 or visit [jimadair@thecatholictour.com](mailto:jimadair@thecatholictour.com)



**JOKE**— “You’re in incredible shape,” the doctor said. “How old are you again?” “I am 78,” the man said. “78?” asked the doctor. “How do you stay so healthy?”

You look like a 60 year old.” “Well, my wife and I made a pact when we got married that whenever she got mad she would go into the kitchen and cool off and I would go outside to settle down,” the man explained. “What does that have to do with it?” asked the doctor. “I’ve pretty much lived an outdoor life.”



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"Then he said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" Peter said in reply, "The Christ of God." He rebuked them and directed them not to tell this to anyone. He said, "The Son of Man must suffer greatly and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed and on the third day be raised." - Lk 9:20-22

**"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.

**May 2016**

Attendance: May 2016 — 1,376

Attendance: May 2015 — 1,297

		<b><u>YTD</u></b>
Collections:	\$12,198.50	\$92,537.56
Other Income:	\$ 5,055.36	\$70,460.75
Total Income:	\$17,253.86	\$ 162,998.31
Expenses:	\$18,729.27	\$ 155,336.53
Total:	\$ (1,475.41)	\$ 7,661.78

**PARISHIONERS' COMMENT**— As I reflect on the scriptural basis for tithing, on my relationship with God, and the fact that God has been good to me—He has given me so many blessings—my attitude changed. I began to think that, despite the fact that 5% seems like a lot of money to me, I think I can do it."

**PASTOR'S COMMENT**— the splendor of God's life within us shines forth in love. Thank you for your generosity.

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

**FOOD PANTRY ITEM FOR NEXT WEEK:**

**COFFEE**



**YOUR PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR:**

Vincent Saturn, Bob Nealon, Judy Fiero, Grace Yund, Janet Curry, Gene Woodruff, Peter & Brunie Kandora, Liz Parker, Jimmy Paes, John Lynch, Tom Ward, Ian & Kathryn Melville, Nancy Dwyer, Claire Miller, Roseann Chiodo, Margaret Todd, Meredith McSpirit, Mary McDermott, Aloise Bedell, Griffen Defino, Mary Brazier, George Nau, Irene MacNamara, Dennis Houlihan, Bill Mower, Bill Swart, Marion Benz, Furtino Martinez, Daniel Rinadli, William & Judith Langdon, Rose Topple, Joe Vermeesch, Leanne Dixon, Janet Teitter, Arlene Molfino, Gloria Carolfi, Andrew Remsen, Bernadino Santos, Fr. Brian Brennan, Walt Andersen, 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 4<sup>th</sup> 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.

At last year's Advent Program, each child in the 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:

Katie Nowitzki, Michele Loebbaka, Leo Loviza, Robert McDonald and McKayla Weber decided to join forces and host the "Helping Hands Café" on two separate weekends. The students, along with their parents, provided homemade breakfast treats and hot and cold beverages. All monies raised were donated to five charities: The ASPCA received \$300, The American Cancer Society received \$532.72, Cerebral Palsy received \$200, The Ronald McDonald House received \$211 and Wounded Warriors received \$255. Together with the parishioners of our church the children were able to turn their \$50 into \$1,498.72. Over the past 12 years the Master's Plan Project has donated \$25,032.03 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."