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A MESSAGE FROM FR. WENCY

Looking forward to work with you

People waiting for the new priest have a certain look or expectations. Oftentimes, it's a look of: "Are you a better replacement or at least as good as the former one?" It sounds great! Someone said to me at Holy Child, my previous parish, "Father, it is sad that you are going!" I said, "Cardinal will send a better priest when I am gone?" Without missing a beat she replied, "They said the same when your predecessor was transferred"! I was flabbergasted with little hesitancy.

Well, I am here now. I was warmly welcomed by Fr. George to St. John the Evangelist when I arrived here. I felt at home from the word go. Thank you Fr. George! Although I had been assigned to many parishes in the Archdiocese in the last two decades, St. John will be another addition in my list of assignments. I thank God for this opportunity and look forward to sharing my priestly ministry with people of God.

Taking the place of a brother priest is daunting. You want to be yourself, but you can't help but compare yourself to what you perceive the other priest to be. Sometimes you replace a brother priest who seemed to walk on water in your eyes, only not to give you a map detailing where the rocks are beneath the surface. Or you replace a brother priest who had to make some difficult and unpopular decisions. Then you can catch yourself trying to be everyone's friend, not wanting to offend anyone and wanting to be known as "the nice guy." Compare, competition, and complaining are the three cancers for a priest. We sometimes find ourselves comparing our ministry or parish with that of another priest, competing for popularity, and complaining about our assignment, authority, or brother priest.

As I look forward, I ask your prayers and support in carrying out the mission of Jesus by the guidance of the Holy Spirit. I already received a warm welcome from many of you.Thank you and God bless you!

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4th Annual Golf Outing

Where: Stony Ford Golf Course
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When: Wed., September 22, 2021
Time: 8:30am sign in, 9:00am shotgun start

18-hole scramble format
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BBQ to follow

Price: $115 per golfer, $460 per foursome
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The Sunday Eucharist

Saturday	5:00pm
	6:30pm (Spanish)
Sunday	8:00am
	10:00am
	12:00pm

The Sunday 5:00pm Mass will resume on September 12, 2021.

The Eucharist is celebrated on weekdays in the church:
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and *Friday* at 6:30am
Friday at 9:00am (when school is in session)
Wednesday at 5:15pm, followed by Eucharistic adoration
Saturday at 8:00am

Sacrament of Penance (Confession)
Saturday, 3:30 - 4:45pm and Wednesday, 8:00 - 8:45pm

Sacrament of Baptism
The sacrament of Baptism is celebrated on the first two Sundays of the month at 1:30pm. Couples who are awaiting the birth of a child are invited to contact the parish office to schedule an appointment with one of the clergy.

Sacrament of the Sick
The sacrament of the sick is available to anyone who is acutely or chronically ill, or suffering the effects of age. Please speak with one of the priests.

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Twenty-First Sunday of Ordinary Time
Announced Masses for the Week

Saturday, August 21, 2021
8:00 AM Lori Denisco
5:00 PM the parishioners of St. John's
6:30 PM

Sunday, August 22, 2021
8:00 AM Deceased members of the Degnan family
10:00 AM Mary Bartholomay
12:00 PM Helen Redmond

Monday, August 23, 2021
6:30 AM Julia and Charles Gallagher

Tuesday, August 24, 2021
6:30 AM Intentions of Margaret Buhler

Wednesday, August 25, 2021
5:15 PM Anthony Korycki

Thursday, August 26, 2021
6:30 AM Joseph Faber

Friday, August 27, 2021
6:30 AM Alice Scanlan

Saturday, August 28, 2021
8:00 AM James and Frances Murphy
5:00 PM Charles Maloney
6:30 PM

Sunday, August 29, 2021
8:00 AM Sanok and Andryshak families
10:00 AM the parishioners of St. John's
12:00 PM Eileen, Tom, Bill and Jim

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Fr. Giacona will return to St. John's to celebrate the 12:00pm Mass on Sunday, September 5; a reception will follow in McCaffrey Hall. Please call or email the parish office to RSVP. All are invited!

Next week's second collection is the annual collection for the Missionary Cooperative Appeal. This collection financially supports missionary work, helps increase missionary awareness, spread the Gospel and to teach about missionary life. For more information; https://propagationarchny.org/mission-cooperative-plan.

The Catholic Daughters will be having a Junior Catholic Daughter painting party on Sunday, September 5 from 1:00 to 3:00pm at Craigville Park pavilion. RSVP via email (cda918@outlook.com).

READINGS FOR AUGUST 22 - AUGUST 15

Sunday: Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b; Ps 34:2-3, 16-17, 18-19, 20-21; Eph 5:21-32 or 2a, 25-32; Jn 6:60-69
Monday: 1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10; Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a, 9b; Mt 23:13-22
Tuesday: Rv 21:9b-14; Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18; Jn 1:45-51
Wednesday: 1 Thes 2:9-13; Ps 139:7-8, 9-10, 11-12ab; Mt 23:27-32
Thursday: 1 Thes 3:7-13; Ps 90:3-5a, 12-13, 14, 17; Mt 24:42-51
Friday: 1 Thes 4:1-8; Ps 97:1, 2b, 5-6, 10-12; Mt 25:1-13
Saturday: 1 Thes 4:9-11; Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9; Mt 25:14-30
Sunday: Dt 4:1-2, 6-8; Ps 15:2-3, 3-4, 4-5; Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27; Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

Pray for the safe and speedy return of our men and women serving overseas, especially
PFC Kevin Crowe Jr.,
1LT Michael Grasso,
Capt. Peter Kingston, USMC,
SGT. Steven Marasco and
SGT. Timothy Marino.

Religious Education

Is God calling you to our ministry? Your love for children and your willingness to share your time and effort will have an eternal impact!
St. John's Religious Education is looking for catechists (means to echo God's word) for the following grades and times:

Grade 2 and Grade ML1 (grades 3-5)
Sunday 9:00am - 9:50am
preparing students for First Holy Communion
Grades 3, 4, 6 and 7
Monday 3:45pm - 5:15pm
Grade 5
Monday 6:30pm - 8:00pm
Grades 3 and 4
Tuesday 3:45pm - 5:15pm

Classes run weekly from mid-September through the end of April. If you feel God calling you, contact Cathy Fife at the Religious Education office at 845-294-6847 or email re@sjegoshen.org.
Catechists are people who keep the memory of God alive; they keep it alive in themselves, and they are able to revive it in others. - Pope Francis

Please remember to pray daily for an increase in vocations to the priesthood and religious life.

The Catholic Daughters will be hosting a garage sale in October. They are asking for gently used items you wish to donate. Please contact Joy at 294-0149, or email cda918@outlook.com, to arrange pickup/drop off. Thank you.

In your prayers, please remember
James Felczak, John Hopkins,
Jamie O'Donnell, Alice Scanlan,
and all the souls in Purgatory.

Weekly Collection

Pastoral Solidarity Fund Church in Africa $1,202
August 14/15, 2021 $6,427

Thank you for your continued generosity!

Thank you to everyone who has made a pledge or gift to the 2021 **CARDINAL'S ANNUAL STEWARDSHIP APPEAL**. We are over 80% of our parish goal of $78,500. To make a gift electronically, please scan the QR code. Thank you!

Please join us in **adoration** Wednesday evenings from the end of the 5:15pm Mass to 9:00pm, and spend some time with the Blessed Sacrament.

In your prayers, please remember **Tiffany Adams, Janet Begnoche, Clare Boyle, Nicholas Castellane, Kellie Connolly, James Cully, Carol Crisman, Jo DeLuca, Daniel P. Daly, Jr., Susan Davis, Marie Fazzino, Howard Geissler, Alison Gray, Sandy Greene, Jim Iaquinto, Ann Jacobs, Christine Katz, Eric Katz, Zachary Krawczyk, Anne Kuznetsky, Josephine Lasa-ponara, Olivia Lipnicky, Sydney Lundgren, Kim Martin, James McArdle, Danielle Lasaponara-McDaniells, Caroll McGrath, Fr. Francis Nash, S.J., Shawn Peck, Jennifer Mary Purcell, Lidio Quaranta, Margaret Savage, Frank Shanley, Ryan Sheehan, Kathie Siebold, Ryan Siebold, Carol Silvernail, Liliana Sudarto, Lauren Velez,** and all those in need, that they may recover through the healing power of Our Lord.

BULLETIN SICK LIST

We will place names in the list for a period of six (6) weeks. If you wish the name repeated you must submit a new form. Requests will be accepted only from the sick person or an immediate family member; please include the relationship with said person.

I would like my name entered in the Bulletin Sick List and give my permission.

NAME (print)_____

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SIGNATURE, RELATIONSHIP & TELEPHONE # (MUST BE A FAMILY MEMBER)

Kindly join us for the virtual **Mariapolis 2021**. This year's theme is *Horizons of Hope for a New World.*

Saturday August 28, 2021 from 10:00am to 12:00pm
Sunday August 29, 2021 from 3:00pm to 5:00pm

The Mariapolis is the Focolare's annual summer gathering. It is a place to live Focolare spirituality together, a place to experience unity (and not just talk about it). It is sort of like a conference, but for families and people of all ages, including those who have a lot of experience with Focolare spirituality and those who have only just heard about it. For more information and to register, go to www.facebook.com/Mariapolis-Luminosa-445836642103476/ or call 845-229-0230 ext.127.

The Catholic Corps Monthly Gathering

Join The Catholic Corps for their monthly gathering which includes prayer, a short formation and fun! Spread the Word and bring a friend!

Thursday, August 26, 2021,
7:00 - 9:00 PM
St. John's Parish House
67 Murray Ave.
Goshen, NY

For more information or to RSVP, please email us at thecatholiccorp@gmail.com.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES

Food Bank of the Hudson Valley

Catholic Charities Feeding Our Neighbors pop-up drive–thru food pantry needs volunteers for both set-up and distribution. Easy online volunteer sign-up: www.tinyurl.com/CCPopUp8-25

Wednesday, August 25, 2021
Food distribution: 11:00am – 2:00pm
2nda Iglesia La Mision Church
80 Elmendorf St, Kingston, NY

First-come, first-served food give-away! Contact-free; no reservations needed; walk-ups welcome. For more information, contact Dominigue.Mills@cccsos.org.

TRICKY TRAY

Saturday, September 18, 2021 (rain date 9/19/21)

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1:00pm/Calling begins 2:30pm

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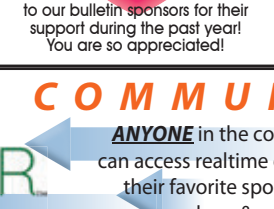
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August 19, 2021

Dear Parents:

We hope this finds you and your families in good health and enjoying the waning days of summer.

Last spring, we made the decision to delay registration for 2021-2022 as long as possible, with the hope that we'd have a clearer picture by now of what the new school year would look like. Unfortunately, like you, we find ourselves with more questions than answers, especially as the Delta variant of the coronavirus has led to a return to restrictions, conditions, etc., that we all thought would have passed by now.

That being said, we can no longer hold off registration for the new year. Here's what you need to know:

- Registration will open on Monday, August 23 at 8:00am. The link will be on the parish website (www.sjegoshen.org) and the parish Facebook page (https://www.facebook.com/sjegoshen); it will also be sent out via Flocknote to families previously registered in the program.
- There will be two options:
    - the increasingly-popular home study program for grades 3-7;
    - the traditional classroom-based weekly classes.
- It is our plan at this time that the classroom-based weekly classes will be in person. There is always the possibility, though, that conditions will change such that we have to return to remote online classes. Please know that we are most reluctant to make that decision and will do so only after exhausting every other possibility.
- We are not offering a hybrid model for the classroom-based weekly classes; it's either the entire student body in the building, or the entire student body remote.
- We only learned this week that St. John School will be dismissing twenty minutes later than in the past. Thus, in order to give us time to sanitize and prepare the classrooms, the Monday and Tuesday afternoon sessions will begin at 4:00pm and conclude at 5:30pm. (The evening sessions will begin, as they have in the past, at 6:30pm.)
- If you have the least concern about sending your child/children into the building, we encourage you to register for the home study program. As in the past, families in the HSP will meet together on three Saturday mornings during the school year; weekly attendance at Mass will also be recorded.
- Regarding the wearing of masks, we will have to follow whatever mandates are in effect as of the beginning of classes. As of this writing, masks are required, as is three-feet distancing.
- Because we are beginning registration later than we had hoped, classes will begin one week later than normal, i.e., Sunday classes will begin on September 19, Monday classes on September 20, and Tuesday classes on September 21.

Like you, we are frustrated that there is not clearer guidance from responsible parties regarding what protocols we should follow. Our primary goal is to help you transmit our Faith in Jesus Christ to your children; obviously, the most effective way to do that is through interpersonal communication and relationships – hence our sincere desire to avoid a return to remote, online classes. Our secondary goal, which flows from the first, is to see that everyone is kept as safe and healthy as possible. Please be assured that we are doing everything we can to make both happen.

St. John the Evangelist, pray for us!

Mrs. Cathy Fife
Coordinator of Religious Education

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