ST. JOSEPH'S PARISH



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*It is the tradition of the church not to exit before the final hymn has been sung.

9:00 AM – Children's Sending: May your holy word take root in them (us). May your holy word bear fruit in them (us). Plant your word within them (us), so that they (we) may grow.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 26TH, 2017 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 3RD, 2017

If you are having a Mass offered, please contact an usher before Mass and let them know you would like to bring up the gifts.

08-26	4:00 PM	Susan Watson – Teresa & Domenico Piria		
		John Layaou – Kathy Brooks		
		Lucille Martinec - Kathy Brooks		
08-27	9:00 AM	Salvatore Grasso, Sr Nadia & Chris		
		Gillette		
		Michael Pedri – Nadia & Chris Gillette		
08-28	9:00 AM	Mass at Immaculate Conception		
08-29	9:00 AM	Mass at Immaculate Conception		
08-30	7:30 AM	Mass		
08-31	7 :30 AM	Timothy Hayes – Jerry & Cathy		
		Virginia Katz – Jerry & Cathy		
09-01	7:30 AM	Mass		
09-02	4:00 PM	Susan Watson - The Family		
		John Peterson – John & Mary Morrette		
09-03	9:00 AM	Antonino Piria – Mr. & Mrs. Salvatore		
		Grasso		
		Lloyd Rhoades - Mr. & Mrs. Charles		
		Hall, Jr.		

	Scripture Readings for the Week				
Mon. 08/28	1 Thes 1:1-5, 8	b-10	Mt 23:13-22		
Tues. 08/29	1 Thes 2:1-8		Mk 6:17-29		
Wed. 08/30	1 Thes 2:9-13		Mt 23:27-32		
Thur. 08/31	1 Thes 3:7-13		Mt 24:42-51		
Fri. 09/01	1 Thes 4:1-8		Mt 25:1-13		
Sat. 09/02	1 Thes 4:9-11		Mt 25:14-30		
Sun. 09/03	Jer 20:7-9	Rom 12:1- 2	Mt 16:21-27		



Anyone who would like to donate school supplies, may place them in the "Food Donation" collection box in Holy Family Hall and we will distribute them to our local food pantry in Scotia. Donations of

new or "gently used" backpacks would also be most welcomed.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS – SEPTEMBER 2 ND AND 3 RD , 2017					
	4:00 PM	9:00 AM			
LECTOR	K. DeMarco	J. Raymond			
CUP 1	J. Masi A. Seaver				
CUP 2	L. Neals	A. Schnore			
BREAD 1	Celebrant	Celebrant			
BREAD 2	C. Kukan	C. O'Connor			
BREAD 3	R. Higgins	A. Stolle			
BREAD 4	Deacon	Deacon			
CUP 3	T. Neals	H. Burke			
CUP 4	M. Boniewski	J. Guzewich			
Server		W. Schnore			
Server		K. Ostrander			
GREETER	M. Schwartz	P. Granger			

FINANCIAL STATISTICS: 8/14-8/20/17						
OFFERTORY	\$3,225.26	ENVELOPE USERS	119			
CHILDREN	3.00	ATTENDANCE	282			
ASSUMPTION	397.00					
DEBT REDUCTION	67.00					
UTILITIES	344.00					
FF/YM FEES	900.00					
POOR BOX RECEIPTS	378.23					
FUNDRAISING	91.85					
TOTAL INCOME	\$5,406.34	TOTAL EXPENSES	\$5,762.67			

Next weekend's second collection will be our monthly collection for *Debt Reduction*. Thank you to those who donated for *Storm Relief* ~ we will be sending a check to Catholic Charities for **\$346.10**. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.



Remember in your prayers those members of our parish who are sick or suffering in any way, as well as those in hospitals and nursing homes and all of our shut-ins. We also pray

for family, friends and those who have died recently, especially *Joan Klock,* wife of Robert. We also pray for men and women in our armed forces who are serving our country.

Farmer's Market – September 9/10



The Farmer's Market will be held September 9/10 before and after the liturgies. Hope your garden is yielding lots of veggies

and fruits that you can donate to the market. Donations of flowers, vegetables, fruit, baked goods, jam, jelly, salsa, homemade pickles, and sauces will be very much appreciated. Didn't have a garden? Consider stopping by a local farm and pick up an item or two to donate -- the farmer will be most grateful for your business. Volunteers are needed to work at the "farm stand" in Holy Family Hall before and after the liturgies. A volunteer sign up sheet is posted on the bulletin board for your convenience or contact me by phone or email. Please bring your goodies to the church after 1 PM on Saturday or before mass. Any questions, contact Kathy Brooks on 280-1478 or email <u>brookska@nycap.rr.com</u>.

The Community of Mary, Mother of Mercy will sponsor a Mass and Holy Hour in support of priests on:

Saturday, September 2, 2017 Coliseum Church. Shrine of Our Lady of Martyrs Auriesville, NY Confession at 10:15 AM Mass at 11:00 AM Followed by Holy Hour Celebrant: Father Francis O'Connor

ATTN: Eucharistic Ministers & Lectors ~ please contact Lori DeSieno at 372-3509 or Idesieno06@yahoo.com by **Sept.** 4th with schedule requests for the period Oct. 1, 2017 – Jan. 1, 2018.

ATTN: Greeters and Altar Servers- Please contact Lisa Hall at 346-2316 or <u>stjosephschurch@albany.twcbc.com</u> by **Sept. 4**th with schedule requests for the period of Oct. 1, 2017 – Jan. 1, 2018.

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We would like very much to begin *Children's Liturgy of the Word* on the weekend of **September 17th** at the 9:00 am liturgy. Children's Liturgy of the Word is a short period of time when young children are brought to the back chapel

and given the opportunity to learn the Gospel message at their level. All materials and handouts are provided for each week, but we need volunteers (usually a team of 2) to present this information to the children. In order to do this, we must have at least 4 teams in place to keep the program running (this makes the time commitment once per month for each team). At this time, we have 2 teams that have committed to helping with this ministry. If you have a child that has participated in the program or if you are a high school student who enjoys working with young children, please consider assisting us. Please see the informational display & sign-up in Holy Family Hall. If you are unsure of what is expected or have any other questions, please contact Deb Griffith at the office (518-346-2316) or email dgriffith@albany.twcbc.com. We will not start this program until we have 4 teams in place.



RCIA will be held again this year with classes beginning soon. Please call the office (518-346-2316), Deacon Stephen Lape (518-429-6190) or Dan Stec (518-399-9649) to register. The RCIA classes are geared towards those

who wish to become Roman Catholic or those who are baptized Roman Catholic but have not received the sacraments of Eucharist and/or Confirmation. St. Joseph's Parish is a welcoming and spirit-filled parish, a place where our spiritual needs are being met. We ask all parishioners to invite family, friends, coworkers and classmates to join us – the Roman Catholic Community in Scotia; a place we are proud to be part of, not part from.



Monthly statements continue to be sent from the Stewardship Office in Albany. Please send all payments to Albany with your remittance stub. To date, we have **\$46,178.56** in payments credited against our

assessment of \$68,853. Donors have until **March 15, 2018** to complete their pledges for the 2017 Appeal. If everyone fulfills their pledge, we will exceed our assessment by \$70.