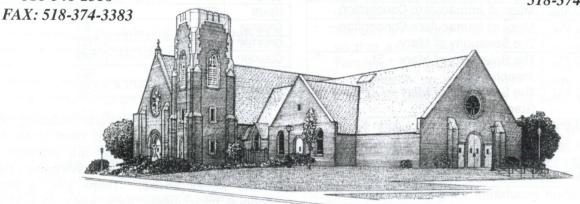
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Office Hours: Monday-Thursday, 9:00 AM — 3:00 PM (Closed on Friday)

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Saturday Evening — 4:00 PM Sunday Morning — 9:00 AM Holy Days: as scheduled

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

A registered parishioner who wishes
to celebrate his or her marriage at St. Joseph's
is asked to contact the Parish Office
at least six months prior to the anticipated date
(and before any other arrangements
are made) in order to begin
sacramental preparation.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

For registered members of the parish,
baptism may be arranged during
a weekend liturgy.

Parents should contact the office to attend class
in preparation for the sacrament of Baptism.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available prior to any Saturday evening liturgy.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

If you or someone in your family is going to the hospital for surgery, please request the Sacrament of Anointing by calling the Parish Office.

Due to federal regulations, the parish is unable to access inpatient information from hospitals and nursing homes without your consent.

NEW PARISHIONERS

Catholics moving into the area are invited to register in the parish by calling the parish office.

Website: http://www.stjosephschurchscotia.net/

Email: stjosephschurch@albany.twcbc.com

St. Joseph's Parish Scotia, New York

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 6TH, 2021 THROUGH FEBRUARY 14TH, 2020

02-06	4:00 PM	Rosemary Pryne - Pat & Frank Rendaci
02-07	9:00 AM	Lawrence R. DeMarco (25 th Anniversary) – The Family
02-08	9:00 AM	Mass at Immaculate Conception
02-09	9:00 AM	Mass at Immaculate Conception
02-10	9:00 AM	Mass at Immaculate Conception
02-11		No Mass
02-12		No Mass
02-13	4:00 PM	John Newcomb - The Family
02-14	9:00 AM	Arthur Bianchi - The Bianchi Family

	Scripture Readings for the Week		
Mon. 02/08	Gn 1:1-19	Mk 6:53-56	
Tues. 02/09	Gn 1:20-2:4a	Mk 7:1-13	
Wed. 02/10	Gn 2:4b-9, 15-17	Mk 7:14-23	
Thurs.02/11	Gn 2:18-25	Mk 7:24-30	
Fri. 02/12	Gn 3:1-8	Mk 7:31-37	
Sat. 02/13	Gn 3:9-24	Mk 8:1-10	
Sun. 02/14	Lv 13:1-2,44-46	1 Cor 10:31-11:1	
		Mk 1:40-45	

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Ash Wednesday

February 17th Liturgy and Distribution of Ashes



St. Joseph's at 7:30 AM Our Lady of Grace at 12:00 Noon Immaculate Conception at 6:00 PM

Our next order for Hannaford gift cards & reloads is scheduled for *Tuesday, February 9th*. Please contact Deb Griffith (518-810-8911) by *Monday, February 8th* to have your gift card reloaded or to purchase a card. Thank you to all who support this ongoing fundraiser!

	The Week Ahead
Tues. 2/9	Sandwich Making – 9:00 AM - PC

LITURGICAL MINISTERS – FEB. 13/14, 2021				
	4:00 PM	9:00 AM		
LECTOR	D. Mayer	E. Yager		
BREAD 1	Celebrant	Celebrant		
BREAD 4	C. Kukan	D. Stec		
USHER	TBD	A. Mitchell		
USHER	TBD	R. Schiavone		
USHER	TBD	C. Reynolds		
USHER	TBD	TBD		
GREETER	M. Schwartz	T. Caldwell		
GREETER	A. Schwartz	P. Johnson		
CLEANER	TBD	T. Caldwell		
CLEANER	TBD	S. Caldwell		
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We have **12 volunteer positions** (including lector and one Eucharistic minister) that need to be filled for each mass. Sign-up sheets are available in Holy Family Hall for each week. We have many empty slots for the weeks ahead. Thank you to those who continue to volunteer each week so that we may remain open ~ we could not continue to hold mass without you.



Parish Stewardship: Our total income for the period **Jan. 25**th**-31**st amounted to **\$3,430.** If attending mass in person, please drop your donations in the

donation box on the way into mass. Any donation for a special Second Collection must be in a **separate envelope**, clearly marked for the designated collection. If you are unable to attend in person, but wish to continue your support of your parish, contributions may be mailed or dropped off at our Parish Office at 45 MacArthur Drive, Scotia. God bless you for your continued support & generosity.

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Thank you to all those who participated in Boscov's "Friends Helping Friends" shopping day last October. We received

a check in the amount of **\$146.44** which represented 5% of all sales from shoppers who designated St. Joseph's as their charity.

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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. We pray for men and women in our armed forces who are serving our country, along with first responders and health care workers during this unprecedented time. We continue to pray for peace and a resolution to the worldwide Corona virus pandemic.

Faith Formation News

Both OLG and St. Joseph's <u>will not be returning to class in February.</u> Most families want to stay with the distance learning. Very few families said they would return to the classroom.

Second grade parents have received their Reconciliation books. They must go over the work in this book and make sure they do all the chapters.

Courses for Catechists: During the month of February I will be offering courses for our catechists at Our Lady of Grace and St. Joseph's. One course will be on Methodology for Elementary Catechesis; three topics throughout February. The other will be on Prayer and Spirituality. All chatechists who are interested must register by e-mailing Roberta Quinn. A list of additional courses will follow soon.

You will receive an e-mail with the zoom link one week before the course begins.

Adult Education:

<u>Lenten Book Club: Speaking Christian:</u> By Marcus J. Borg

Do you ever wonder where our Christian words come from? What they meant yesterday in the bible and what they mean in today's world? Join Grace and Roberta via Zoom, as they explore Sacred Scripture through words during this Lenten season. Starting every Wednesday morning with Roberta, 9:30-11:00 am and evenings with Grace at 7:00-8:30pm.

This is the last weekend we will be collecting for SiCM's "Souper" Bowl Sunday. All donations support SiCM's food pantry which offers groceries, produce, personal care items, baby items, etc. as well as a mass distribution day each month to families living in Schenectady Co. There are designated canisters available in Holy Family Hall or if you are placing a check in the donation box or mail, please be sure to designate on your check or envelope that the donation is for SiCM "Souper" Bowl. Donations can also be made online at https://sicm.salsalabs.org/SouperBowl21.

SiCM will also be hosting a "Fill the Van Food Drive" on Friday, February 12th from 10 AM to 5 PM at the Niskayuna Co-op parking lot on Nott Street in Niskayuna. Your donation of canned & boxed food items would be greatly appreciated. Anyone who would like to volunteer to help on the day of the food drive is asked to contact Shelly Ford (518-374-2683, ext. 111).

"Open Wide the doors, and let the work of Christ begin!"

All interested parishioners and choir members are encouraged to consider cantoring as part of their ministry. Joining the cantor ministry at St. Joseph's will provide an opportunity to develop vocal skills and experience leadership through sung prayer throughout the weekend liturgies. Any interested parishioners are asked to contact Patty Neumann, Director of Music at OLG – lymusik@nycap.rr.com

We are praying for all parishioners that have a love for singing God's praises and say "Yes" to participating in this special ministry.



2020 Diocesan Appeal Update: As of Jan. 27th, we have been credited with 110 gifts/pledges totaling \$37,195 toward our assessment goal of \$60,910 (this is 61% of what is needed). Thank you to all who have

given to this vital campaign so far. It is important to note that any amount received in **excess** of the Parish Assessment Goal will be **directed back to the Parish** at the end of the Appeal in June 2021. If you have not already given, please consider going online or call the Parish Office and we would be happy to send you a donation envelope. Please remember that the Albany Stewardship Office has taken over the handling of this campaign, therefore, all donations must be sent direct to the Diocese. Important information regarding this year's Appeal:

Appeal website: diocesanappeal.org
Donate online: donate.thediocesanappeal.org

Questions: stewardship@rcda.org or phone 518-453-

6680

We currently live stream our **9 am mass** on Sunday mornings. The link to connect with our live stream is:

https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLDgBXL8RT 55biUcsAofgB4w9XGcHR8DA

We remind all parishioners that the dispensation from obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days remains in force until further notice. Those who are at risk or do not feel comfortable attending at this time, are encouraged to remain at home and participate via our live stream mass on YouTube. Please, if you are experiencing ANY cold or flu-like symptoms, DO NOT COME TO MASS. This is for everyone's safety.

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