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

ST. JOHN’S GIFT SHOP: Brian Kimlin (706-5449) & Libby Salerno (247-0011)

VOCATIONS: Pat Fitzsimmons (246-4431)

I have seen the title of Vicar General and Chancellor used in our Catholic newspaper. Who are they and what do they do?

A bishop is in charge of a diocese and appoints people to help with its administration. Two of those positions are the Vicar General and the Chancellor. Both play a role in the life of a diocese, despite the many jokes priests may tell at their expense! A chancellor is the archivist of a diocese, charged with task of keeping the records of the diocese. Often a bishop may add other responsibilities and the chancellor may end up being like the executive director of the diocesan office. The chancellor does not need to be a priest.

The vicar general is a priest, appointed by the bishop and acts in the name of the bishop in administering the diocese. He has an advanced degree in canon law or theology. He also has executive authority within the diocese. This means that he is involved in the day-to-day pastoral and temporal administration of the diocese. Canon law does not allow a bishop to appoint a relative to the position, nor the priest in charge of the sacrament of penance. In both cases, the purpose of the law is to avoid conflicts of interest.
ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST PARISH

Saturday 8:30  Henry Totter—Req. by Elaine & Richard Arvidson
5:00 All The People of The Parish
Sunday 8:30  In Celebration of The Birthday of John Renner & (Birthday Remembrance) of Katherine Renner
1030 In Celebration of The Birthday of Kieran Defino—Req. by Joe Defino Sr.
Monday 8:30 Special Intention
Tuesday 8:30  Frank Beisel—Req. by Joan Kimlin
Wednesday 8:30 Dr. Michael Greco—Req. by Bernice Palumbo
Thursday 8:30  In Celebration of The 7th Birthday of Jake, Luke, and Zack Behrens—Req. by Their Parents
Friday 8:30 Holy Communion Service
Saturday 8:30  Catherine Penny (Anniversary Remembrance) - Req. by Her Son, Dr. Tom Penny
5:00 All The People of The Parish
Sunday 8:30 Richard King—Req. by the Arvidson Family
10:30 Audrey Pierce (Birthday Remembrance) - Req. by Her Family

SAINTS & SPECIAL OBSERVANCES—
Mon—St. Henry
Tue—St. Kateri Tekakwitha, Virgin
Wed—St. Bonaventure, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
Thu—Our Lady of Mount Carmel
Sat—St. Camillus de Lellis, Priest

MISSION CO-OP COLLECTION— This weekend we welcome Father Francis J. Gargani, C.Ss.R. who will be the guest homilist on behalf of the special collection for the Society of the Propagation of the Faith. Father Francis is a Redemptorist priest of the Baltimore Province. He served as retreat director at Mount Saint Alphonsus Retreat Center in from 2000 until 2009 and many years ago, he served our parish as a catechist seminarian.

20-WEEK CLUB WINNER— The 8th winner of $100 in our 20-Week Club was Rose Oltmann and our 9th winner was John Dickson.

BLOOD DRIVE— We will be having a Blood Drive on Wednesday, July 15th from 3:00 to 7:30 PM. Please come and give the gift of life. Photo ID is required.

100-MILE POWERWALK FUNDRAISER— Feel free to sponsor Fr. Woodruff in his 100-Mile Power Walk. (July 1st – August 29th) Sponsorship money can be given directly to Fr. Bill, or you can drop it in the collection basket with a note indicating the 100-mile walk. Checks are to be made payable to St. John The Evangelist Church with the memo stating 100-Mile Walk. All monies will be used to offset this year’s budget deficit. Thank you for the love of your parish.

RHYTHM ’N GREENS— The Paul Green Rock Academy—Battle of the Bands — Will take place on July 17th. Concert starts at 7 PM. Admission is $15 at the door. Featuring the last battle’s winners! This will take place on the Woodstock Village Green, 16 Tinker Street, Woodstock. FMI, rockacademy.com.

DOMINICAN COLLEGE— An Information Session interested in Undergraduate/Graduate Degrees, including Undergraduate online programs is scheduled for July 22nd from 5:30 to 7:30 PM in the Hennessy Center. FMI, visit http://www.dc.edu.

EUCARISTIC ADORATION— Will take place next 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.

COMMUNITY ACTION COMMITTEE— Will meet on Tuesday, July 14th at 1 PM in the church extension. We would welcome any parishioners who might be interested in learning about our work.

YOUR HELP NEEDED— Community Action will be collecting any type of long-sleeve shirt for the immigrants who will be working in the fields this summer in Ulster County. Shirts can be placed in the Food Pantry Box located at the side entrance of the church. FMI, contact Maria Granda at 246-3635.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL— Will take place from July 27th to 31st from 9 AM to 12 PM at St. Mary of The Snow on Cedar Street. For more information, call 532-5687.

CHICKEN BARBQUE— Will take place at the Plattekill Reformed Church on July 15th from 5 to 7 PM.

SPAGHETTI DINNER/DANCE-A-THON— For our Master’s Plan Project, we will be hosting a Spaghetti Dinner/Dance-A-Thon on July 12th from 3-10 P.M. Dinner will be served from 3-5 P.M and dancing will follow. All of the money will go to families of children affected by cancer or serious illness. At present, we have four children we are benefiting. Eli who is a four-year-old who is battling ALL a type of leukemia. Sean who is a 6th Grader who has a disease called ITP where his blood cannot produce platelets. Aaliyah a three-year-old who is currently being treated for cancer and Jayden who was a 3rd Grader from Grant D Morse who passed away in March from a ruptured brain tumor. We want to do as much as we can to help these families. Suggested donation is $8 pp or $25 per family. This project is being done this in loving memory of Beverly Defino, Benjamin Martinez, Ann Kirvin, Vlasta Matta, and Cecelia Mills. For reservations call Tommy Baker at 247-3454. There will be take out/gluten free as well as vegetarian pasta available. Its going to be a great time for a great cause!!!!

Tommy Baker & Angela Martinez
From the Pastor's Desk

My Dearest Brothers and Sisters in the Good Lord Jesus Christ,

This weekend, we welcome with open arms, Father Francis J. Gargani, C.Ss.R. Father Francis who will be our guest homilist at all three Holy Masses and he has agreed to offer the 10:30 A.M. Holy Mass this Sunday, July 12th. Father will be here representing the Society of the Propagation of the Faith. This weekend’s special second collection will be for the Society. I want to thank you in advance for welcoming Father Francis who will be celebrating 50 years as a Redemptorist next year and he was ordained a priest in 1971. I also want to thank you in advance for your prayers for Father, the Redemptorists, and the Society of the Propagation of the Faith. Last of all, I wish to extend my gratitude in advance for your support of this weekend’s special second collection that will help in the work of the salvation of souls both here and abroad.

You are most cordially invited to support the Master’s Plan Spaghetti Dinner/Dance-A-Thon that Tommy Baker and Angel Martinez are spearheading this Sunday, July 12th from 3:00 until 10:00 P.M. here in our Church Hall. A few local families who have children with serious illnesses will be the beneficiaries of this charitable and fun afternoon/evening event. Suggested donation is $8 per person or $25 per family. I wish to thank you in advance for supporting this event and I am sure that you will have a fun time as well.

This Wednesday, July 15th, from 3:00 until 7:30 P.M., the parish will be hosting our semi-annual Blood Drive. I plan to donate a pint of blood and I want to thank you for doing that yourself if you are able to do that. I wish to extend my gratitude to Elaine Arvisdon for spearheading this life-saving effort. Elaine will be speaking at the end of each of our Holy Masses this weekend concerning the Blood Drive.

CATHOLIC HOMESCHOOL CONFERENCE— The Immaculate Heart of Mary New York Homeschool Conference will be held at Mercy College (at the Rotonda of Mercy Hall), 555 Broadway, in Dobbs Ferry, on July 31st from 12 PM to 6 PM and on August 1st from 9:30 AM to 3:30 PM. Admission is free and pre-registration is not required. For more information, visit www.ihmconference.org, or call 540-636-1946.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND— “I will hear what God proclaims…” Get away from the busyness of life and allow God to speak to your Sacrament of Matrimony or Holy Orders. FMI, visit www.wwme.org.

CHILDREN’S BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP— Grieving the loss of a loved one is difficult at any stage of life. But for children it can be uniquely challenging. This group is designed to help children address the tasks of grief in a supportive, therapeutic setting with other children who share their experience. They do this by participating in age-appropriate activities including music, movement, games, arts and crafts, writing, and grief education through literature and storytelling. Location: Kingston, NY Hospice Inc.’s Children’s Program. For more information, contact: 845-473-2273 Ext. 1127.

NEXT SUNDAY, JULY 19th, WILL BE THE MONTHLY ALL-DAYADORATION OF THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT. PLEASE TRY TO SPEND AT LEAST A LITTLE TIME ADORING OUR LORD IN THE MOST HOLY EUCHARIST. A PARTIAL INDULGENCE MAY BE GAINED BY SPENDING A FEW MINUTES WITH OUR LORD WHILE A PLENARY INDULGENCE MAY BE GAINED, SUBJECT TO THE USUAL CONDITIONS, FOR SPENDING AT LEAST ONE HALF-HOUR ADORING OUR LORD GOD. MY HOLY HOUR BEFORE THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT WILL BE FROM SEVEN-THIRTY UNTIL BENEDICTION AT EIGHT-THIRTY THAT EVENING.

The 100-Mile Power-walk Fundraiser is going along quite well in its early stages; as of this writing of my letter to you on Sunday, July 5th, I plan to do miles nine through twelve and more than $3,800 has been raised thanks to your generosity which will help to off-set part of this fiscal year’s budget deficit. Please note that any person can sponsor me; sponsorships start at a penny per mile which is a dollar, a nickel a mile is five dollars, a dime a mile is ten dollars, a quarter a mile is twenty-five dollars, and it goes up from there. Feel free to ask anyone who you know to sponsor me. God bless you for supporting our parish; it is one of the reasons why we were NOT merged in the Making All Things New process of our Archdiocese of New York.

Speaking of finances, as of this writing, our Finance Council of the parish will have met on Tuesday afternoon, July 7th. I will update you on some details emerging from that meeting in next week’s letter.

I ask the blessing of Almighty God upon you and your family. Sincerely, with prayers, Father Bill Woodruff

CNA— Looking to take care of your loved one. Reasonable rates. Any hours. Call Lilly at 845-417-7973.

COOKIE MINISTRY— This is a prayer ministry with a cookie reward up front. We ask that you stop by our table at the back of the church each week. Just pick up a prayer request and a cookie and pray at least one prayer for the person or intention on the paper. You are invited to add your own prayer requests to the basket. Pay if forward with a prayer and a cookie!

JOKE— Sister Mary Ann worked for a home health-care agency. One day while driving to a house call, she ran out of gas. Luckily, a gas station was just a block away. She walked there to buy some gas. Unfortunately, the attendant didn’t have a container. Sister Mary Ann returned to her car to look for a container that might meet her needs. Lo and behold, she found an unused urinal. She filled it up with gas and headed back to her car. Across the street, two non-Catholics watched. One said to the other, “If that car starts, I’m converting to Catholicism.”

SIGN OF A BAD COMPUTER— The only chip inside is a Dorito!
Jesus summoned the Twelve and began to send them out two by two and gave them authority over unclean spirits. The Twelve drove out many demons, and they anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them.

- Mk 6:7, 13

“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.

**OFFERTORY COLLECTION FOR**

June 20/21, 2015

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**PARISHIONER’S COMMENT**– There seems to be something about giving back to God some of what He has given us, that helps Him strengthen our faith.

**PASTOR’S COMMENT**– Your Father who sees all that is done in secret will reward you. Thank you for tithing and acknowledging God’s precious gift of life.

“Remember St. John’s in Your Will!”

**FOOD PANTRY ITEM FOR NEXT WEEK:**

**CANNED FRUIT**

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.

TOMORROW IS NOT PROMISED

Sometimes people come into your life and you know right away that they were meant to be there, they serve some sort of purpose, teach you a lesson or help figure out who you are and who you want to become. You never know who these people may be: your neighbor, child, long lost friend, lover, or even a complete stranger who, when you lock eyes with them, you know at that very moment that they will affect your life.

And sometimes things happen to you and at the time they seem painful and unfair, but in reflection you realize that without overcoming those obstacles you would have never realized your potential strength, will power, or heart. Everything happens for a reason. Nothing happens by chance or by means of good or bad luck. Illness, injury, love, lost moments of true greatness and sheer stupidity all occur to test the limits of your soul. Without these small tests, life would be like a smoothly paved straight flat road to nowhere, safe and comfortable, but dull and utterly pointless.

The people you meet who affect your life and the successes and downfalls you experience create who you are, and even the bad experiences can be learned from. In fact, they are probably the poignant and important ones.

If someone hurts you, betrays you or breaks your heart, forgive them, for they have helped you learn about trust and the importance of being cautious to whom you open your heart. If someone loves you, love them back unconditionally, not only because they love you, but because they are teaching you to love and opening your heart and eyes to things you would have never seen or felt without them.

Make every day count. Appreciate every moment and take from it everything that you possibly can, for you may never be able to experience it again.

“Live Each Day As If It Were Your Last...
Tomorrow is Not Promised"