

April Prayer List

Ann U.	Dakota C.	Linda	Walter M.
Anne W.	Deb	Maggie C.	Mother Laurie
Arnold	DJ	Ryan	Father Alistair
Bella R.	James M.	Sharon	Alex
Betsy	Jean	Sheldon	Don
Betty	Jim U.	Skip	
Father Bill S.	Karla	Timothy C.	
Bonita M.	Larry P.	Tim O.	
Brian H.	Laura	Veronica O.	

We pray for those serving in the Military...

Brian M.
Christopher
Connor W.
Dylan
Guy H.
Ian S.
Matt B.
Ryan R.
Tim S.
Will



The wine being used for the Holy Eucharist has been donated in loving memory of Ruth and Russ Henry

**by the granddaughters,
Jennifer, Mary Beth, Rebecca and Jeanine**

Easter Memorial Flowers If you would like make a donation for Easter flowers in memory of or in honor of a loved one, forms are available in the entryway of the church and in the office on Mondays through Fridays. We are asking for a (4) \$20 donation, but any amount is greatly appreciated.



Please remember those who cannot attend our services with a card or note. They include:

Audrey Baird
Wells House
201 W. Madison Ave.
Johnstown, NY 12095

Tinker Baird
Room 1A
Pineview Commons
201 S. Melcher St.
Johnstown, NY 12095

Erika Crear
Room 33
Pineview Commons
201 S. Melcher St.
Johnstown, NY 12095

John Bernard
Pineview Commons
201 S. Melcher St.
Johnstown, NY 12095

Millie Rathburn
Willing Helpers Home
226 W. Madison Ave.
Johnstown, NY 12095

Cards or notes may be sent to Reverend Small at:
451 State Route 86
Paul Smiths, NY 12970

Updates available online at www.caringbridge.org.

Music for Today's Service

Gradual Hymn: 508
(Verse 1&2 before the Gospel)
(Verse 3&4 after the Gospel)

Anthem: "Since By Man Came Death"
~ Handel

Communion Hymns: 309
335
641

Recessional Hymn: 495



Please note:

Hymns are also posted at the front of the Sanctuary.



Weekly Finance Update March 26-April 1, 2017

Pledges
\$1,981.00

Plate
\$98.00

First Sunday Plate Offering

All loose plate donations from the first Sunday of the month go to Mother Laurie's discretionary fund to help those in need in our community.

May I receive communion?

If you are a baptized Christian you are invited to receive communion, no matter what your affiliation.

May my children receive communion?

Yes, if they receive communion at their own church. Some parents prefer their children receive first communion instruction prior to taking communion.

If I choose to receive communion, how is it done?

The ushers will direct you to the center aisle. The consecrated Bread is received with both hands and carried to the mouth. The consecrated Wine is received lightly grasping the base of the chalice with one hand helping the minister to guide it to our lips and tipping it up until you receive enough.

What if I don't wish to drink from the common cup?

You may dip the Bread in the Wine yourself, or leave the Bread in the palm of your hand. The minister with the Cup will pick up the Bread, dip it into the Wine and place it on your tongue.

Must I receive consecrated Wine?

No, if you wish to receive only the Bread, simply pass by the station with the chalice, or cross your arms over your chest to let the chalice bearer know.

What if I choose not to receive communion?

Then we invite you to receive a blessing at the altar. Kneel at the altar with those receiving communion, and cross your arms over your chest. The priest will give you a simple blessing. You can then stand up and return to your seat.

March-April Events & Happenings

Please welcome Father James Jacobs as Celebrant for today's service.

Throughout Lent the church will be open Wednesdays 4-6 p.m. for prayer.

Friday, April 7th • A Pilgrimage with Jesus 6:30 p.m. - Stations of the Cross

Saturday, April 8th • Acolyte Training • 10:30 a.m.

Thurifer Training (Saturday before Palm Sunday)

Sunday, April 9th • Palm Sunday • 10:00 a.m. Service

Bishop Love will be with us to administer the sacrament of confirmation!

Please pray for our confirmands:

Bobbi Jo Haverly • Caleb Blackmon • Emma Rizzo

Abbie Rizzo • Madisyn Wakefield

Also on Palm Sunday, there will be dramatic performance entitled

"Who will see the King?" directed by Jen Rowland.



Good Friday, April 14th

12:00 Noon - The Way of the Cross • 7 p.m. - Biblical Stations of the Cross

with music and reflections



For the Holy Week Schedule,
please refer to page 7.

Candy Donations still needed for St. John's Children's Easter Egg Hunt after the 10:00 a.m.

Easter Sunday Service Candy donations are gratefully accepted in the Hawkins Room or in the office during the week.

Saturday, April 15th • Community Easter Egg Hunt • 10:00 a.m.

Sir William Johnson Park

All ages are welcome to participate.

Refreshments and Easter Bunny!

Sponsored by the Twin Cities Council of Churches



Ministry and Church Information

Prayer table Update:

Two volunteers prayed for five people.

Prayer volunteers for Wednesday, April 5th are:

Pastor Ed Hackett and Pam Miller



"Whoever is generous to the poor
lends to the Lord, and he will
repay him for his deed." Proverbs
19:17 ESV

Operation Starfish 2017 The Outreach Committee invites you to take an Operation Starfish box home during this Lenten Season.

Just \$43.80 - \$1.10/day of Lent - can feed a child for a year.

If you can find that in your daily budget - or even part of that - there is a child on this Earth who will be eternally grateful. Boxes will be collected at our Easter Service. **Last year St. John's fed 37 children. his year we hope to feed 50!**

Elizabeth & Eileen's Closet is open on Main Street next to the Sunflower Shop each Sat. morning 9-12, as well as Wed. 1-4 and the last Wednesday evening of the month, 6-8 PM. Beautiful prom dresses are available to borrow or buy at a huge savings.

Do you wonder what our Sunday School is up to?



Scan here with your smart phone to see the fun our kids are having while learning to walk closely with the Lord. Show your friends- because at St. John's church school everyone is always welcome.

Mark your calendars for the official ribbon cutting ceremony celebrating the newly transformed Religious Education Center!



Sunday, April 23rd after the 10am service

Invite your friends and join us to share this new journey for our children.

Faith in Action: Alzheimer's Care Team members needed

Care Team info meeting on Sunday, April 2 at 2 pm at Johnstown Reformed Church. Volunteer only 2 - 3 hours per month. All training provided. Call Renee Mandarano to register: 518-238-4162



Girl Scout Cookies "Our" girl scout troop #2485 is coming to sell cookies this Sunday during the coffee hour after the 10 a.m. service. Support our St. John's troop!