

Strykersville:

Saturday, March 14–Vigil-Third Sunday of Lent
5:00pm [+Bill Becker-Lynn & Hazel Stone]
[All Parishioners]

Sunday, March 15-Third Sunday of Lent
8:00 am [Don, Helen & Terry Hyman-Family]
[All Parishioners]

Monday, March 16-
9:00am [+Bea McCormick-Strykersville Fire Co.]

Tuesday, March 17-
9:00am [+Fran Lefort-Jim, Mary & Gannon McNall]

Wednesday, March 18-
no mass

Thursday, March 19-
9:00am [+Virginia Martin-Ed & Marie Redden]

Saturday, March 21–Vigil-Fourth Sunday of Lent
5:00pm [+Rose Mary Reding-John & Theresa Zielinski]
[All Parishioners]

Sunday, March 22-Fourth Sunday of Lent
8:00 am [+Burt Farrant-Mark & Michelle George]
[All Parishioners]

****6:15AM Communion Service—Strykersville Site Monday thru Friday during Lent****

Sheldon:

8:00pm [+Kathie Kania-Steve Perl family]
[All Parishioners]

10:30 am [+Lisa Witt-Gert Meyer]
[All Parishioners]

Friday, March 20- Stations & Mass
7:00pm [+Ken Martin-John & Joan Knab]

8:00pm [+Emily Spencer-Gerald & Joan Scharf]
[All Parishioners]

10:30 am [Ed & Alice Braun-Ruth Frier]
[All Parishioners]

ST. JOHN NEUMANN CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

Church Bulletin

Rev. Johnson Machado, Pastor

John Zielinski, Deacon

*Third Sunday of Lent
March 14 & 15, 2020*



PARISH CENTERS

The worship site at:

Strykersville

3854 Main St., Strykersville, NY 14145
Masses: Sat. Vigil- 5:00pm, Sun. 8:00am
Weekday Masses: Mon., Tues, Thurs. & Fri. 9am
Confessions: Sat. 4:15-4:45pm

The worship site at:

Sheldon

991 Centerline Rd. Strykersville, NY 14145
Masses: Sat. Vigil -8:00pm, Sun. 10:30am
Confessions: Sat. 7:15-7:45pm

Office: 585-457-3222 Fax: 585-457-3222
@ 3854 Main St. School Building
Office Hours: Monday- Friday 8:00am-3:00pm

Email: stjohnneumannparish@gmail.com
Parish Website: www.sjnchurch.org

Catholic Cemeteries: Donations greatly appreciated for all Cemeteries.
St. Cecilia's Cemetery, Sheldon Site St. Mary's Cemetery, Strykersville Site
St. Nicholas Cemetery, North Java St. Patrick's Cemetery, Java Center
Inquiries: 585-457-3222

Eucharistic Adoration: Strykersville Site --- 9:30am -7:00pm
First Friday of the Month or as announced

Please Pray for: world peace, our country, for those serving overseas, for victims of war, violence and natural disaster, for the sick and suffering including: Bernie Possinger, Fred Marcheson, Todd Hart, Lacey Bach Moore, Carl Schiltz, Gert Hyman, Cathy Keem, Jean H., Elizabeth, Madonna Zittel, Sheri Zittel, Kathleen Anderson, Paul Switalski, Len Mazurkiewicz, Diane Paquin, Ruth Z., Isabelle, Prudy Allein, Peter, Gayle Lane, Jeanine Peehler, Bob Daniel, Jean Dominesey, Esther Roberts, Anne, Donna, Leona Meyer, Judy Perl, Diane Dutton, Betty Becker-Beu, Rose Gielow, Shirley Becker, Bernie Eley, Michael Bankers, Annabelle Ziegler, Father Jim Fugle, Bob Schuessler, Bill Calmes, Sylvia Nowak, Marilyn Noecker, Mildred Ash, Liz, Lorne LeMieux, Norm Kehl, Ellsworth Smith, Sabrina Marlowe, Nancy Cox, Gerry Fugle and Father Johnson. Please be advised after 60 days the names will be removed from the prayer list unless otherwise notified.

+++Please remember the recently deceased, Regina Meyer and her family in your prayers. May she rest in peace+++

PARISH OFFICE: Russ Reisdorf, Office Manager
Faith Formation Director –Melissa Weisenburg e-mail: mw.sjnchurch@gmail.com or call the office and leave a message

SACRAMENTS POLICY

Baptism: Call the office for preparation ☐ 585-457-3222 – Baptisms on Saturdays: 12:00 Noon – Strykersville Site and Sundays: After 10:30am Mass- Sheldon Site
Marriage: Six months lead time. Diocesan approved preparation program (Pre-Cana) required, after Pastor interview
Communion to the sick: Please contact Pastor for special circumstances. Monthly and Sundays by Eucharistic Ministers or Pastor
Anointing of the Sick: Night or day ☎ 585-457-3222 or daily during Mass prior to surgery.

Today's Readings:

Exodus 17: 3-7

Romans 5: 1-2,5-8

John 4: 5-42 or 5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42

Water takes center stage in scripture today. The Chosen People grow thirsty in the desert and the LORD provides water from the rock in Horeb. The Psalmist recalls this event to urge us not to harden our hearts as they did. Paul suggests the image of water in stating that the love of God has been poured into our hearts. A thirsty Samaritan woman realizes that in Jesus she has received the living water. Let us quench our thirst with God's word.

Next week's readings:

1 Samuel 16: 1b, 6-7, 10-13a

Ephesians 5: 8-14

John 9: 1-41, or 9: 1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38

Did you Know??

Why are the Gloria and Alleluia omitted during Lent?

The Lenten season is marked by two very distinct liturgical omissions. Neither the hymn known as the Gloria (Glory to God in the Highest) nor the Alleluia verse sung before the Gospel are permitted during the entire 40 days of Lent (with a few small exceptions).

Why is that?

First of all, the Gloria is a hymn that celebrates the coming of the Lord using words from the angels at Christ's birth. The Church during Lent returns in spirit to a time when the people of God were in exile, waiting for the Messiah to come and save them. It is a similar season of expectation as is Advent, but instead of awaiting Christ's birth from the womb of Mary, the Christian people await Christ's second "birth" from the womb of the sepulcher.

Secondly, following this same spirit of exile, the Church joins Moses and the Israelites as they wander in the desert for 40 years. It is a time of agony and purification, one where the faithful join together in saying, "How shall we sing the Lord's song in a foreign land?" (Ps 137:4) The word "Alleluia" is rooted in a Hebrew expression that means "praise the Lord" and is thus omitted during Lent.

As a result, our focus in Lent is not in rejoicing, but in mourning our sins, looking at those things that prevent us from an authentic relationship with God. Once these are removed through prayer, fasting, and almsgiving, we are able to rejoice again at Easter, for it is not only Christ's resurrection that we celebrate, but our own rebirth in the spirit.

Pastor's Pen

Parish Auction

Saturday May 2nd, 2020

Starting @ 11:00am @ Weber Hall

Start collecting those "good saleable" items along with baked goods.

We will be at Weber Hall on Saturdays April 18th and 25th from 11:00am until 2:00pm for you to drop off items.

Items too large or too hard to handle, please call the office and we will schedule a time to pick them up.

All proceeds to benefit the parish community!

Upcoming Meeting: Finance Council will meet on Monday March 23rd @ 7:00pm—Strykersville site.

St. John Neumann Prayer Chain: If you have any requests for prayers please contact Michelle Schubert (585-689-0098) or Carol Comstock (585-317-9459) or email st.j.n.prayer@gmail.com.



Gifts to God

March 7 & 8 - \$2913.00

God Bless you for your generosity!

A VOCATION VIEW

At the sight of the burning bush, Moses was responsive to God's call, while his followers were too self-righteous to hear it. God's call will only lead us to what is best for us. If God is calling you to a Church vocation, call Fr. Andrew Lauricella at 716-847-5535.



Miss Mildred Suttell C/O Absolut Care Unit C-room 160
292 Main St. East Aurora, NY 14052

Mrs. Bernice Possinger C/O Absolut Care
292 Main St. East Aurora, NY 14052

Mrs. Nancy Drescher C/O Livingston County Rehab Center
11 Murray Hill Rd. Mt. Morris, NY 14510

Mrs. Mildred Ash C/O WCCHS--SNF
400 North Main St. Warsaw, NY 14569



Thursday March 19th

1:30-5:30 pm

North Java Fire Hall



Brrrrr---these nights are still cold – we need to do something about them. The Social Committee is again sponsoring their “**Annual Soup Supper**” on Saturday March 21st following the 5:00pm mass in the Strykersville School Hall. It has been well attended in the past few years and hope you can stop by and have a bowl of warm soup (all homemade), breads and desserts. All donations dropped into our “cast iron pot” to stir, will go to a local non-profit organization. ALL ARE WELCOME for a delicious bowl of soup and a gathering of friends and family!



Folsom Trailblazers Annual

“ALL YOU CAN EAT” Breakfast

Sunday March 15th 7:30-11:30 am

Held at the Strykersville Fire Hall



Chiavetta's Chicken BBQ

Sunday March 29th

11:00 am until sold out

St. John's United Church of Christ

Eat in or Take out

HEALTH ALERT: We will abstain from shaking hands at the sign of peace, along with holding hands during the “Our Father”. You will also only be allowed to receive the Eucharist in the hand. Please remember to practice good hygiene during the flu season—wash your hands frequently!

Ministry Schedule March 21st & 22nd :

5:00pm--

Eucharistic Ministers: Jen Lingenfelter

Cantor: Pat Lefort

Lector: Diane Hart

Altar Server: Lilli Harloff

8:00pm--

Eucharistic Ministers: Dana Kirsch

Lector: James Kirsch

Altar Server: Madelyn Burger, Elizabeth Kirsch

8:00am--

Eucharistic Ministers: Alice Hyman

Lector: Michael Jackson

Altar Server: **HELP NEEDED**

10:30am--

Eucharistic Ministers: Sharon Molik

Lector: Jim McNall

Altar Server: Adrienne Shanahan, Mary Zielinski

Please note, schedule of ministers and lectors have changed for this week as Deacon John's schedule changed—please take note

Please arrange for substitute if you are unable to make your scheduled ministry.

Did you know? Last year, Catholic Charities impacted more than 1,500 people through its Department of Workforce and Education, empowering them with services such as job readiness skills, hands-on training and high school equivalency classes. Your contribution to the 2020 Appeal helps students of all ages and backgrounds chase and achieve their dreams. Will you think of them this Appeal season? Make a secure donation online at ccwny.org/donation or by calling

(716) 218-1400. **Think of Me.**





Pancake Dinner

As maple syrup season quickly approaches and arrives here in WNY and Wyoming County, it's easy to taste the fresh syrup on our pancakes already! Join us at St. Michael's in Warsaw for a Pancake Dinner as part of Maple Syrup Weekends this month. The Pancake Dinner will be on **Saturday, March 28, 2020** from 5:00-7:00 pm. \$8 for adults; \$4 for children under 10, FREE for children under 5. Dinners include home-made applesauce and hash browns plus sausage links. There will be a mini-basket raffle and activities for kids! Dine-in only at 171 N. Main St., Warsaw, NY