4:30 PM 7:30 & 10:00 AM

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday approx. 3:30 — 4:15PM

and 1st Fridays/Saturdays after 8 am Mass when possible

PARISH STAFF

Fr. James Altman, pastor Deacon Jason Hutzler, permanent deacon Maria Stegmeier, administrative assistant Michael Abnet, facilities manager Donna Walz, director of religious education



Veritas in Caritate: In the 1920s and 1930s, Catholic leaders made a number of forthright attacks on Nazi (National Socialist) ideology, and

the main Christian opposition to Nazism in Germany arose from the Catholic Church. Some dioceses banned membership in the Nazi Party, and Catholic press condemned Nazism. ... "Into the early 1930s ... the German Catholic bishops and the Catholic media had been mainly solid in their rejection of National Socialism. They denied Nazis the sacraments and church burials, and Catholic journalists excoriated National Socialism daily in Germany's 400 Catholic newspapers. The hierarchy instructed priests to combat National Socialism at a local level whenever it attacked Christianity."
Hitler's ideologues Goebbels, Himmler, Rosenberg and Bormann hoped to de-Christianize Germany . . . The government moved to close all Catholic institutions which were not strictly religious. Catholic schools were shut by 1939, the Catholic press by 1941.

"No Catholic could subscribe even to moderate socialism." Pope St. John XXIII, 1961: Mater et Magistra

The Vatican Flag

The flag consists of two vertical bands, one of gold or yellow (hoist side) and one of white with the crossed kevs of Saint Peter and the Papal Tiara centered in the white band. The crossed keys consist of a golden and a silver key. The Vatican City coat of arms is present in the white half. The coat of arms consists of:

+ the papal tiara (as used under the pontificate of Pius XI); + the two keys which represent the Keys of Heaven (according to the Gospel of Matthew 16:19) given by Jesus Christ to St Peter. The popes are regarded as the successor of Peter. The gold and silver keys have been significant elements in the symbolism of the Holy See since the 13th century. The gold represents spiritual power, while the silver key represents worldly power.

+ a red cord connecting the keys.





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Jesus said to him in reply, "blessed are vou. Simon son of Jonah. for flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my heavenly Father.

And so I say to you, vou are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church, and the gates of the netherworld shall not prevail against it.

I will give you the keys to the kingdom of heaven.

Mt 16:17-19



ST. JAMES THE LESS LA CROSSE, WI 21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME AUGUST 27, 2017

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE



"We belong to the Church Militant; and she is militant because on earth the powers of darkness are ever restless to encompass her destruction."

- Pope Pius XII, 1953

The Rosary is prayed before Holy Mass Monday — Friday 7:35 a.m.

Monday, August 28th - St. Augustine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

8:00 a.m. - S- † Barbara Phillips

Tuesday, August 29th - The Passion of St. John the Baptist

8:00 a.m. - † Elaine Kohner

Wednesday, August 30th

8:00 a.m. - † Gertrude Pendleton

Thursday, August 31st

8:00 a.m. - † Norbert Korger

Friday, September 1st - First Friday

8:00 a.m - † Patrick Randall

Saturday, September 2nd - First Saturday

8:00 a.m. - Deceased Priests of La Crosse

3:30 p.m. - Confessions

4:30 p.m. - Vigil † Ray and Helen Brisson

Sunday, September 3rd - 22ndSunday of the Year

7:30 a.m. - Saint James Parishioners

10:00 a.m. - † Elizabeth Carpenter

Mass intentions available up to one year in advance.

Church Cleaning

September 2 - Cherie Rifenberg, Joe & Mary Lehn Family

September 9 - Mary & Tom McConaghy

September 16 - Mary & Tom Dolle, Joann & Don Wurzer

SERVANTS SCHEDULE

Saturday, September 2nd - 4:30 p.m.

Knights of the Altar: open, please volunteer! Ordinary Minister: Deacon Jason Hutzler

Ext. Minister: Trudy Duffrin Lector: Paul Squire

Ushers: Joe Schwabenbauer/ Mike McArdle

John Sagen

Sunday, September 3rd - 7:30 a.m. Knights of the Altar: Daniel Puent

Ordinary Minister: Deacon Jason Hutzler

Lector: Brian Sullivan
Ushers: Russ Allen/Bill Rudy

Sunday, September 3rd - 10:00 a.m.

Knights of the Altar: Martin Logue/Harrison Schaller

Ordinary Minister: Deacon Jason Hutzler
Ext. Minister: Veronica Brauer
Lector: Bob Rusch

Ushers: Gary Brauer/Tom McConaghy

John Dawidowski/John Koebl

Weekly Readings - August 28th - September 3rd, 2017

MondayThes 1:1-5, 8b-10; Mt 23:13-22TuesdayThes 2:1-8; Mk 6:17-29WednesdayThes 2:9-13; Mt 23:27-32ThursdayThes 3:7-13; Mt 24:42-51FridayThes 4:1-8; Mt 25:1-13SaturdayThes 4:9-11; Mt 25:14-30

Sunday Jer 20:7-9; Rom 12:1-2; Mt 16:21-27

Calendar Reminders

August 30 Craft Group meets 9:00 a.m. Murphy Hall Sept 1 First Friday, Adoration of the Blessed

Sacrament after Mass until Benediction at

2:40 p.m.

Sept 3 Donut Sunday, following 10:00 a.m. Mass Sept 7 St. James Quilters Group, 9:00 am-3:00 pm PCCW meeting, 6:30 p.m., Murphy Hall

Church Support August 20, 2017

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+ SACRAMENTS +

Baptismus

St. James Parish welcomes Kaylynn Julie Lehmann, daughter of Alan and Jaclyn Lehmann, and Grace Anne Mayton, daughter of Sean and Marie Mayton, who were baptized last Sunday, August 20, 2017, here at St. James. Let us pray for the well-being and growth as they begin the life of a Christian

Requiescat in Pace

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated for Robert W. Clement on Thursday, August 17, 2017. Our entire parish family of St. James extends its sympathy and promise of prayers to his children and extended family.

We cannot be a faithful and "in-a-state-of-Grace" Catholic and be a Freemason, period.

Freemasonry is nothing more than Deism, the belief that while God exists, He does not intervene in the world, and the well-being of the world is not dependent on Grace (the existence of which is denied) but on human rational progress and "science". Numerous popes have condemned freemasonry throughout the ages. Pope Leo XIII - whose vision prompted the writing of the Prayer to St. Michael the Archangel - called freemasonry the "synagogue of Satan". In his letter to the Italian people dated December 8, 1892, Leo XIII wrote:

"Let us remember that Christianity and Freemasonry are essentially incompatible, to such an extent, that to become united with one means being divorced from the other. Let us, therefore, expose Freemasonry as the enemy of God, of the Church and of our Motherland."

Pope Leo XIII goes more into the details in his Encyclical Humanum Genus:

We wish it to be your rule first of all to tear away the mask from Freemasonry, and to let it be seen as it really is; . . . as to the depravity of their opinions and the wickedness of their acts. As our predecessors have many times repeated, let no man think that he may for any reason whatsoever join the masonic sect, if he values his Catholic name and his eternal salvation as he ought to value them. Let no one be deceived by a pretense of honesty. It may seem to some that Freemasons demand nothing that is openly contrary to religion and morality; but, as the whole principle and object of the sect lies in what is vicious and criminal, to join with these men or in any way to help them cannot be lawful."—Pope Leo XIII, Encyclical Humanum Genus (1884), par. 31

In 1917, the Code of Canon Law, the law of the Church, Section 2335, said, "Those who join a Masonic sect or other societies of the same sort, which plot against the Church or against legitimate civil authority, incur ipso facto an excommunication simply reserved to the Holy See." When the Code of Canon Law was updated in 1983, Section 1374, in place of the older 2335, said, "A person who joins an association which plots against the Church is to be punished with a just penalty; one who promotes or takes office in such an association is to be punished with an interdict."

Because the word "Masonic" had been dropped in the 1983 code there was some confusion about whether the canon law still applied to such groups. In response, then-Cardinal Ratzinger, the future Pope Benedict XVI, issued a Declaration on Masonic Associations. Issued on Nov. 26, 1983, it states:

Therefore the Church's negative judgment in regard to Masonic association remains unchanged since their principles have always been considered irreconcilable with the doctrine of the Church and therefore membership in them remains forbidden. The faithful who enroll in Masonic associations are in a state of grave sin and may not receive Holy Communion. . . . Consequently, neither the excommunication nor the other penalties envisaged have been abrogated."

The Declaration further says, "In an audience granted to the undersigned Cardinal Prefect, the Supreme Pontiff John Paul II approved and ordered the publication of this Declaration which had been decided in an ordinary meeting of this Sacred Congregation." Baptized Catholics who join the freemasons are not in a State of Grace. Period.