

# St. James the Less Catholic Church

## HOLY SACRIFICE OF THE MASS

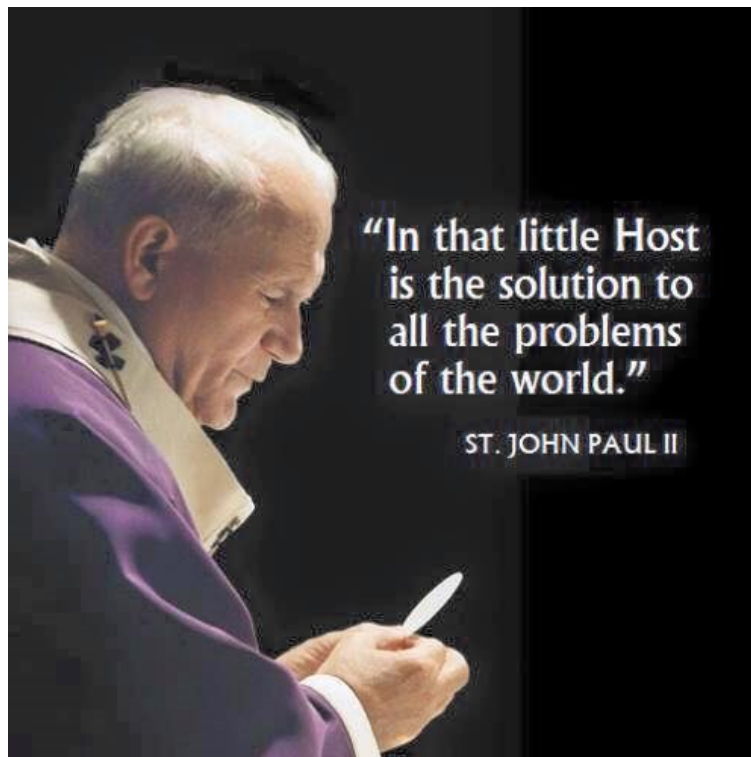
Saturday Vigil 4:30 PM  
 Sunday Masses 7:30 & 10:00 AM

## 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*



*"In that little Host  
 is the solution to  
 all the problems  
 of the world."*

ST. JOHN PAUL II

September 3, 2017

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*Veritas in Caritate*

*"The Christian feast, the Eucharist, plumbs the very depths of death. It is not just a matter of pious discourse and entertainment, of some kind of religious beautification, spreading a pious gloss on the world; it plumbs the very depths of existence . . . what the tradition sums up in the sentence: The Eucharist is a sacrifice, the presentation of Jesus Christ's sacrifice on the Cross."*  
 Pope Benedict XVI



*As Pope Benedict XVI reminds us, the liturgy is not a kind of "self-manifestation" of our "community." It is not "all about us." He warned us that when priests or parishioners try to change the liturgy to make it more "interesting," they can risk forgetting the essential thing:*

*"The liturgy is celebrated for God — and not for ourselves."*

*To counter such erroneous concepts, Pope Benedict's papal liturgies always were celebrated with a crucifix prominently placed centrally upon the altar, and the faithful always received Holy Communion while kneeling, and on the tongue.*

*The Holy Mass pictured here reminds us of exactly what the Holy Mass is all about. We gather to worship Almighty God, not for fellowship.*

*The twenty-four elders and the four living creatures fell down and worshiped God who sat on the throne, saying, 'Amen. Alleluia.' Then the angel said to me, write this: "Blessed are those who have been called to the wedding feast of the Lamb." Rev 19:4, 9*

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## LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

"It is so hard to admit  
that one is a sinner;  
it is so hard to climb  
the hill of Calvary and  
kneel beneath a cross and  
ask for pardon, forgiveness.  
Certainly it is hard.

But it is harder to hang there."

~Archbishop Fulton Sheen~



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

**Monday, September 4th**

8:00 a.m. - † Frank and Joyce Benesh

**Tuesday, September 5th - Blessed Theresa of Calcutta**

8:00 a.m. - † Bill Tisler

**Wednesday, September 6th**

8:00 a.m. - † Norbert Korger

**Thursday, September 7th**

8:00 a.m. - Special Intention for the Nicks Family. That they will all grow closer to Christ.

**Friday, September 8th— The Nativity  
of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

8:00 a.m. - † Patrick Randall

**Saturday, September 9th - Saint Peter Claver**

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

3:30 p.m. - Confessions

4:30 p.m. - Vigil † Patrick Devine

**Sunday, September 10th- 23rd Sunday of the Year**

7:30 a.m. - Saint James Parishioners

10:00 a.m. - † Evelyn Feally

*Mass intentions available up to one year in advance.*

**Church Cleaning**

September 9 - Mary & Tom McConaghy

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

September 23—Sue Lassig & Don Venner

**SERVANTS SCHEDULE****Saturday, September 9th - 4:30 p.m.**

Knights of the Altar: Marcus Skiles  
Ordinary Minister: Deacon Jason Hutzler  
Ext. Minister: Carol Guanella  
Lector: Jeanne Michuta  
Ushers: Joe Schwabenbauer/ Mike McArdle  
John Sagen

**Sunday, September 10th - 7:30 a.m.**

Knights of the Altar: Daniel Puent  
Ordinary Minister: Deacon Jason Hutzler  
Lector: Daniel Rand  
Ushers: Russ Allen/Bill Rudy

**Sunday, September 10th - 10:00 a.m.**

Knights of the Altar: Arvidson boys/Michael Leis  
Ordinary Minister: Deacon Jason Hutzler  
Ext. Minister: Paula Thompson  
Lector: Sharon Dawidowski  
Ushers: Gary Brauer/Tom McConaghy  
Don Seufzer/John Koebel

**Weekly Readings - September 4th - September 10th, 2017**

Monday	Thes 4:13-18; Lk 4:16-30
Tuesday	Thes 5:1-5, 9-11; Lk 4:31-37
Wednesday	Col 1:1-8; Lk 4:38-44
Thursday	Col 1:9-14; Lk 5:1-11
Friday	Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30; Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 or 1:18-23
Saturday	Col 1:21-23; Lk 6:1-5
Sunday	Sir 27:30-28:7; Rom 14:7-9; Mt 18:21-35

**Calendar Reminders**

Sept 3	Donut Sunday, following 10:00 am Mass
Sept 7	St. James Quilters Group, 9:00 am-3:00 pm
Sept 8	Knights of St. Joseph, 6:00 pm
Sept 10	CCD Classes begin, 8:00-9:15 am
Sept 12	PCCW meeting, 6:30 p.m., Murphy Hall
Sept 16	St. James Parish Picnic, following 4:30 pm Mass, Copeland Park

**Church Support**

**August 27 2017**

Envelopes	\$3,644.80
Plate	381.54
Vigils	55.00
Total	\$4,081.34

**PRO LIFE – no apologies – the Faithful *live* and *vote* their Faith.**

Please welcome our new parishioners, and their children,  
to the Parish Family of St. James the Less

Jeffrey & Marian Jean Nylander  
Helen Phelps  
Nicholas & Kathleen Nicks  
Robert & Michelle Rifenberg  
Carl & Olivia Wolk

Ryan & Cherie Clements  
Zachary & Jennifer Gander  
Christopher & Megan Laylan  
Michael & Clara Jane Osowski

*"It is characteristic of any decaying civilization that the great masses of the people are unaware of the tragedy. Humanity in a crisis is generally insensitive to the gravity of the times in which it lives.*

*Men do not want to believe their own times are wicked, partly because they have no standard outside of themselves by which to measure their times. If there is no fixed concept of justice, how shall men know it is violated? Only those who live by Faith really know what is happening in the world; the great masses without Faith are unconscious of the destructive processes going on, because they have lost the vision of the heights from which they have fallen."*

*Venerable Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen*

**From a sermon by Pope St. Leo the Great (c. 400 – 10 November 461)**

Precious in the eyes of the Lord is the death of his holy ones. No type of cruelty can tear down the religion established by the mystery of Christ's cross. The Church is not diminished by persecutions, but rather increased. The field of the Lord is always being enriched with a more abundant harvest, while the seeds which are sown one by one yield a manifold return.

From this field those two famous shoots of the divine seed burst forth into a great progeny, witnessed by thousands of blessed martyrs. To emulate the apostles' triumph, these martyrs have adorned our city far and wide with people clothed in purple and shining brilliantly, and they have crowned it with a diadem fashioned by the glory of many precious stones.

On the commemoration of all the saints it is right for us to rejoice in this heavenly band, fashioned by God as models of patience and support for our faith; but we must glory and exult even more in the eminence of these two forebears, whom the grace of God raised to so high a summit among all the members of the Church, and established like two eyes that bring light to the body whose head is Christ.

As to their merits and virtues, which no words can describe, we should not think of any difference or distinction between them; their calling was the same, their labors were similar, theirs was a common death.

Our experience has shown, as our predecessors have proved, that we may believe and hope that in all the labors of the present life, by the mercy of God, we shall always be helped by the prayers of our special patrons. Just as we are humbled by our own sins, so we shall be raised up by the merits of these apostles.