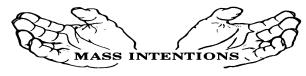


St. James & St. Mary Mt. Carmel





8:15 am Daily Mass Schedule
Tuesday March 27th 8:15 AM at SJ
Communion of the Holy Eucharist
Wednesday March 28th 8:15 AM at SM
(Charles Sopa Jr.)

Holy Thursday March 29th 7:00 PM at SM (Clarence & Frances Shulfer)

Good Friday March 30th 1:00 at SJ Good Friday Service

Weekend March 31 & April 1st
Holy Saturday March 31st 7:30 PM at SM
(Laura Worzella)
Sunday April 1st 8:30 AM at SJ
(Judith Kenowski)

Sunday April 1st 10:30 AM at SM Parishioners of our two Parishes

2018 TRIDUUM FOR OUR PARISHES WILL BE AT ST MARY



- 1) Holy Thursday, March 29 7:00 pm <u>There will be Adoration until 10:00 pm</u> <u>Practice for servers will be at 5:00 pm</u>
- 2) Good Friday, March 30 -1:00 pm Practice for servers will be at 11:00 am
- 3) Easter Vigil, March 31 7:30 pm begins with Divine Mercy Chaplet at 7:30 pm Practice for servers will be at 5:30 pm

Fr. Daniel Hackel, Pastor

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Confession Schedule

St. James Saturday 9:00 am St. Mary Saturday 4-4:45 pm Any time by appointment

Eucharistic Adoration:

St. James, after Mass on first Fridays of the month. St. Mary, Saturday following first Fridays 4pm-5pm and every third Sunday 6pm-7pm of the month.

Pastoral Council

Borski, Cindi SM
Griggs, Lauren SJ
Juris, Michael SJ
Kwiatkowski, Randy SJ
Lea, Shawn SM
Lorsung, Pat SJ
Piesik, Steve SM
Prater, Jacob SJ
Shulfer, Michelle SJ
Spierings, Don SJ
Zinda, Judy SM

Finance Council

Patoka, Gilbert SM Stratton, Sharon SJ Stuczynski, Dave SM Trzebiatowski, Sandy SJ

March 25, 2018
Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

Palm Sunday

It was during the fourth century in Jerusalem that Christians first starting using palm branches in commemoration of Jesus' entrance into Jerusalem. Today, we continue to use palms in most churches on this Sunday, Catholic and Protestant alike. It is one of those traditions of worship that, no matter how far apart we may seem at times, we continue to share due to our common heritage.

But Palm Sunday is also known as Passion Sunday, because we hear an account of the passion of Jesus Christ during the liturgy. Most churches also share this reading in common. Many Catholic parishes use multiple lectors to proclaim the Gospel, while it is not uncommon for a similar reading or even a performance in many mainstream Protestant churches.

The commonality found in the worship on this particular Sunday seems to highlight the fundamental truth in the observance: Jesus Christ died for everyone. He did not die on a cross for just Catholics, or just Orthodox, or just Protestants. Whether one acknowledges it or not, he was crucified for all those who are born of man. Today, we rejoice not just for what he has done for us but also for what he has done for all of creation.

Easter Sunday Memorial Flowers: Would you like to remember your loved ones this Easter? Celebrate the new life in Christ with Easter lilies in the sacristy. Donate towards the flowers! Envelopes are provided in the back of church.

<u>Triduum Contribution Envelopes:</u> Please use your parish's Triduum envelopes during Holy week, to ensure proper documentation of your contribution. All loose offertory monies will go to the church hosting the Triduum. Special note to St James parishioners. There was a mix up at the printers, your Triduum envelopes are behind the Easter envelope in your box.

<u>Ambo Announcement Deadline:</u> Please have all announcements for the weekend Masses into the office by Thursday 12:00 for approval.



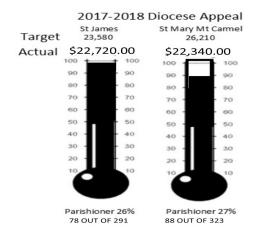
SJ Weekly Contributions
Total Contributions March 18, 2018
\$1,644.74 Total
\$1,261.00 Envelopes
\$148.74 Offertory

We Share On-Line Contributions \$235.00

SMMC Weekly Contributions

Total Contributions March 18, 2018 \$1,871.10 Total \$1,380.00 Envelopes \$276.10 Offertory

We Share On-Line Contributions \$215.00



SCRIP NEWS

St. James SCRIP Update:

January: \$4,800 earning SJ \$211.73 February: \$10,780 earning SJ \$496 As you can see, in two months SJ earned \$707.73!!

This is money that stays in our parish to support various programs. Cards are sold every Sunday before and after the 8:30 am Mass in the Gathering Space. If you haven't used SCRIP gift cards before, stop by to ask us ow the program works.

SMMC SCRIP Update:

Last weekend we sold \$4,655 in gift cards and made \$195 for our parish. A big thank you to everyone who participated. Our next sale will be on April 7th and 8th

Parish News:

Stations of the Cross and Lenten Soup Supper

Thank you to all who attended the Stations of the Cross and Soup Suppers/Presentations during this Lenten Season. A very special thank you to our presenters, Jodi Glodowski, Susan Barrett, Val Bartlein, Alane Flora, the ladies from Destiny Point, and Tricia Oltmann for giving of their time to educate and enlightened us. Thank You!

SJ Altar Servers St. James is in need of altar servers. Anyone in the 4th grade or older is welcome. If you would like to give it a try, please contact Theresa Shulfer at 715-592-4477 or tmshulfer@gmail.com.

LOOKING FOR NEW ALTAR SERVERS AT SMMC

We are looking for new young people to join our servers group at SMMC. Anyone who is 4th grade or older is welcome to join. Maybe you have a child who is thinking about it but not sure what it all involves? We would love to meet with them and show them all a server gets to do during a mass.

Please contact Adam and/or Trish Cohen at 715-824-6840 or cohen@wi-net.com.

<u>SJ & SM Music Ministry</u> Got talent? Jesus is calling <u>you</u> to share it with others! Contact Michelle Shulfer at 715-592-4477 or Jim Sniadajewski at 715-824-6747.

There is need for more Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and Lectors at both St. James and St. Mary Parishes. If you are interested in either of these ministries call Jim or Deb Sniadajewski at 715-824-6747.

50th Jubilee Celebrations

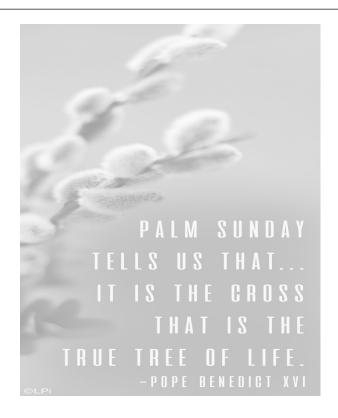
Each year, we ask for your help in securing the names, addresses and phone numbers of those couples in your parish who will celebrate their 50th Wedding Anniversary anytime during this calendar year of 2018. Please sign up at the church entrance.

Sesquicentennial Anniversary books!!

They have arrived!! These books are given to each family as a gift from your parish...the book costs the parish \$33. A donation will gladly be accepted. Make your check out to your respective parish!

GRIEF SHARE resumes on Tuesday, April 10th and at a new location, the Lettie Community Jensen Center, 6:30-8:00 p.m. Please join the 12 week, nondenominational, faith based Grief Share program if you are in need of support and healing after the death of a spouse, child, family member, or friend. Also, spread the word to others in need. We assure confidentiality through the journey. If you have any questions, contact Shawn @ 715-570-5082 or Cindi @ 715-570-0755.

Chrism Mass: Join the St. Point Deanery on Tues, March 27 to attend the Chrism Mass at St. Joseph the Workman Cathedral in La Crosse. We will depart from the Holy Spirit Parish parking lot at 6 am, travel to the Cathedral, and make a stop at the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe before returning home. Stops will be made for breakfast and lunch. The cost is \$10 for the trip, with breakfast and lunch purchases made individually. To reserve your space register online at www.pointdeanery.org/chrism.



The Annual Pontifical Good Friday Collection is mandated by the Holy Father to be taken up in every Catholic parish. The collection sustains Christianity in the Holy Land. With your support, the Franciscans and others minister in parishes, provide the Holy Land are maintained so pilgrims can walk in the footsteps of Jesus. And in theses time of war and instability, we provide humanitarian aid.

Adult & Children Faith Formation

CCD Schedule:

Grades 1-5 for both St. James and St. Mary students: 3:30 p.m. -5:00 p.m. at **St. James** Grades 6-8 for both St. James and St. Mary students: 6:30 p.m. -8:00 p.m. at **St. James** Grades 9-11 for both St. James and St. Mary students: 6:30 p.m. -8:00 p.m. at the Jensen Center

CCD Reminder:

<u>March 28th</u> – No Classes Spring Break

Adult Faith Formation Study:

The Adult Faith Formation study will resume on Mondays at 6:30 at St James. Come join us.



Pilgrimage to Oberammergau: Fr. Al Burkhardt invites you to join him from August 18-28, 2020 on a pilgrimage to visit Classical Europe: Budapest, Bratislava, Prague, Nurnberg, Rothenburg, Heidelberg, Rhine River Cruise, Neuschwanstein, and Oberammergau. The highlight of the trip is attendance at the Oberammergau Passion Play scheduled for 2020! Number is 44 participants – 21 slots are already filled. This invitation is also being extended by Fr. Matt Marshall as co-host to people in the La Crosse area. Reservations are steadily being made! If you are interested in learning more about this pilgrimage, please call St. Anne Parish, 715-849-3930, X302. Share the incredible ability to see this long standing Passion Play, offered only every 10 years!



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Director of Youth Ministries for St. Joseph /St. Stephen Parishes, Stevens Point, WI 54481 Seeking an individual to work full time with youth for a combined ministry position. Youth from St. Peter and St. Casimir Parishes also participate in this Religious Education Program. The successful candidate will be responsible for planning, developing and implementing catechetical, sacramental preparation, relational and service programs for middle and high school teens. Applicants must be organized, self-motivated, and proficient in computer and communications skills. Work nights and weekends are balanced with regular agreed upon office hours. Certification or experience in Catholic youth ministry preferred. Bachelor's or Master's Degree in Religious Studies/Theology are a plus. For more information, contact Renee Schneeberg, St. Joseph Parish Office, 1709 Wyatt Ave, Stevens Point, WI 54481, 715-341-1617 x101. Submit résumé and cover letter to rschneeberg@stjoespoint.org by May 1.

At the Knights of Columbus Clubhouse - Final Steak, Rack of Ribs, Chicken Cordon Bleu Meal of the Season. Saturday April 7th . Serving 5 to 7 p.m. Choose from Hand Cut 16-18 oz Rib Eye (\$22), Full Rack of Pork Baby Back Ribs (covers the plate) with special BBQ sauce (\$17)or Chicken Cordon Bleu with special gravy and cheese topping (\$12). Meal includes baked potato, salad, vegetable, roll, coffee, lemonade and sales tax. Lounge Specials all night. Open to public—last Sat night meal until October—mark your calendar 401 W Clark St.

St. Bronislava. Plover Sunday, April 8th, Serving 8:30 a.m.-Noon. The Holy Name Society will hold its all-you-can-eat breakfast. Menu includes buttermilk pancakes, potato pancakes, French toast, sausage, ham, milk, juice and coffee. The cost is \$7:00 for ages 13-adult, \$4 for ages 5-12, and free for ages 4 and under.

St. Maximilian Kolbe and St Peregrine Shrine Trip—May 4th & 5th

It's time to think Spring and join us on our next pilgrimage. We will start at St. Maximilian Kolbe Shrine in Marytown located in Libertyville, Illinois. We will be staying overnight at the retreat house on site. Our second day will take us to Chicago where we will visit the National Shrine of St. Peregrine (On his feast day!), the Patron Saint of Cancer Patients. Please mark your calendars for these dates and plan to join us. The cost is \$175 per adult. The student rate is \$88. IMPORTANT, there is a limited number of 35 spaces available, so sign up as soon as you can. Call/text Mary at 715-340-7217 or email sheacasL4@gmail.com for registration forms and information.