



# **St. James & St. Mary Mt. Carmel**



## **8:15 am Daily Mass Schedule**

**Tuesday June 5<sup>th</sup> 8:15 AM at SJ**  
(Dorothy Worden)

**Wednesday June 6<sup>th</sup> 8:15 AM at SM**  
(Special Intention of Germaine Borski)

**Thursday June 7<sup>th</sup> 8:15 AM at SM**  
(All Soul's Day)

**Friday June 8<sup>th</sup> 8:15 AM at SJ**  
(Ian Yenter)

## **Weekend June 9<sup>th</sup> & June 10<sup>th</sup>**

**Saturday June 9<sup>th</sup> 5:00 PM at SM**  
Diane & Richard Rzentowski  
50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

**Sunday June 10<sup>th</sup> 8:30 AM at SJ**  
(Chris Lassa)

**Sunday June 10<sup>th</sup> 10:30 AM at SM**  
Parishioners of our two Parishes



**Susan and Mark Groshek**

## **Fr. Daniel Hackel, Pastor**

**Catholic Central Office**

**453 S. Main St., P.O. Box 280, Amherst 54406**

**Phone: 715-824-3455**

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**Senior Priest: Fr. Bob Pedretti**

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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

**June 3, 2018**  
**The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ**

In our modern times, symbol can seem to have lost its value. The most recognizable "signs" are ones we see on the road or the branding in advertisements. The logos for major companies don't do much more than perk our interest or disdain. They surely don't deliver on their promises for our lives to be happier, healthier, and easier.

On this feast of Corpus Christi, we hear the account of the Last Supper. This was Passover, an ancient sign of the covenant of Moses. The Hebrew people celebrated God's providential care for His people. To the listening disciples, Jesus makes a very bold claim. "This is my blood of the covenant." At the time of the first Passover -- the redemption of the Hebrew people from slavery to the Egyptians -- the blood of the sacrificial lamb was spread on the lintels of the doorpost. Tomorrow, some of the disciples would witness the blood of the new covenant spread across the wood of the cross.

Christ's Body and Blood are more than a sign. They are a sacrament. In the sacrament, the sign makes real what it signifies. More than ritual, a sacrament enacts truth of the covenantal love of God and His promise of fidelity. It's a promise God keeps. The same bread and wine of that first Holy Thursday liturgy becomes -- throughout the centuries and until the end of time -- the very Body and Blood of Christ. On this feast, we celebrate the unfailing covenantal love of our God. As you partake in the Eucharist today, and next Sunday, and the Sunday after that, remember that you receive neither a meaningless sign nor an empty offer. You receive God Himself, as He fulfills His promise to remain with us always.

#### **Televised Mass**

Come join our parishes in celebrating two televised Masses for the La Crosse Televised Program. This will be taking place at St. Bronislava on Wednesday, June 6th, at 11 am until 1:00 pm. Help support our parishes and those who are home-bound and rely on the televised Mass to meet their spiritual needs.

### **SJ Contributions**

**Total Contributions June 3, 2018**

**\$1,761.04 Total**

**\$1,504.00 Envelopes**

**\$177.04 Offertory**

**We Share On-Line Contributions \$80.00**

### **SMMC Contributions**

**Total Contributions June 3, 2018**

**\$2,225.15 Total**

**\$1,827.00 Envelopes**

**\$358.15 Offertory**

**We Share On-Line Contributions \$40.00**

**DAA Reminder:** This is a reminder that the end of the Diocesan Annual Appeal year is 6/30/18. All payments must be received and deposited in the Diocesan office by 6/30/2018. Any payments received after 6/30 will be applied toward next year's appeal. Please remind all parishioners to send their payments directly to La Crosse. The mailing address to La Crosse is: **Diocese of La Crosse, Attn: Annual Appeal, P.O. Box 4004, La Crosse, WI 54602-4004**

### **SCRIP NEWS**

#### **SJ SCRIP**

Total sales: \$3,125

Total earned: \$141

Local sales: \$725

Thank you to all who participated! Father's day is June 17th. It's grilling season and we have the gift cards you need to make some fabulous ribs or steaks!

#### **SMMC SCRIP Update:**

Gift cards on sale this weekend. Check next week's bulletin for results.

### **GRIEF SHARE**

Sessions have resumed in a new location. We are meeting on Tues evenings in the L. Jensen Center in Amherst from 6:30-8:00 pm. Participants are welcome to join the group. We will meet weekly until the end of June. There is a variety of topics each week. Contact Cindi (715-570-0755) or Shawn (715-570-5082) with questions.

### **Cleaning of the Church at SMMC**

Wednesday, June 13 9:00 am – Noon

4:00 – 7:00 pm

Thursday, June 14 9:00 am – Noon

4:00 – 7:00 pm

It is ***Spring Cleaning*** time! We need the help of ***all parishioners*** to clean the kitchen, dining rooms & church. As a member of the family of SMMC we ask that you join in to help with our annual cleaning. ***Group leaders*** are asked to call your group & find 6 volunteers to help. Thank you to the ***CCD students*** who signed up to help. ***WE NEED YOUR HELP! PLEASE GIVE AN HOUR OR MORE TO HELP CLEAN OUR BEAUTIFUL CHURCH.***

**St. James PCCW** is hosting its 2nd "Girls Night Out" on Wed. *June 6th* in St. James Gathering space. Registration 6 pm, Dinner 6:30 pm. Our theme "Have You Got Purse-Onality!" All Ladies 0 to 100+ from St. James and SMMC are invited to attend this fun filled event. We are catering the event. Reservations must be made by Mon June 4, 2018 by calling Linda Pionkowski 715-824-5686 or Karen Jastromski 715-824-2475. Free will offering will be taken up. Come Join us for an evening of fun!

**St. James Kitchen** is in need of a cleaning. It was decided at our last meeting that the cleaning would be done on Wed June 13, 2018 at 8:am. Hopefully you can spare an hour to make our kitchen sparkle.

**St James PCCW:** Thank you all who took the time to walk with us and give your ideas for the flower beds. We have devised a plan! Some of the plants will be taken out. If anyone would like some of plants, please help yourself. The beds will be marked for removal of all plants.

**Praying Book Club** In order to deepen our relationship with God, we must create and protect time in prayer for it is our spiritual hideout. A place where we feel safe, renewed, nourished, and at peace. Commit to 10-15 minutes a day. Create a simple space that is dedicated to prayer and nothing else. It should be peaceful, devoid of distractions and include a crucifix, a candle, or a bible to make the purpose of the space clear. Relax, breathe deeply and slowly, invite the Holy Spirit to enlighten your mind, read Sacred Scripture slowly and turn your heart to God. If your mind wanders, gently bring your attention back to God.

### **SMMC PICNIC NEWS:** **PICNIC ON JULY 1, 2018**

**Picnic Yard Signs** – Help us to advertise our picnic by taking ***'Yard Signs'*** & place in your yard or place of business. The Yard Signs are in entryways at SMMC. **Please RETURN them after picnic.** Return even if damaged.

**Raffle Tickets Available** – Please pick up your Raffle Tickets from the back of Church. We encourage you to take envelopes for friends & family members to help us distribute all the tickets. Return envelopes, with money & ticket stubs, in the weekly collection or to the parish office. If you need more tickets, please call Adam & Tricia at 715-824-6840. Additional tickets in church.

**Prizes Needed for the Children's Games** – NEW items such as bubbles, books, school supplies, small toys, coloring books or any larger NEW items suitable for prize for children. Also looking for "Gently used" or new stuffed animals. Please leave items in the St. Joseph room. Thank You for your support. Please call Jenny at 715-824-5924 if you have questions.

**WANTED: Donations for Silent Auction** – Please see the handout with examples of donations wanted for the Silent Auction. Some items listed are: Set of sporting event tickets --- Artwork, especially by local artists --- New power or hand tools for garage, garden, yard & wood-work --- Hand crafted items --- and much more. See bulletin boards or take a copy from picnic table. If you have questions, please call:

Dana @ 608-220-1592

Jodi @ 715-630-6827

Kathy @ 715-252-9561

**SMMC Restoration Committee** welcomes two new members. Laura Przekurat and Joe Anderson are joining this group, and we thank them for sharing their time and talent. Other members on the committee are Fr. Dan, Pete Suski, Peter Ostrowski and Pat Zielinski. Dave Stoltz will continue to act as a consultant from the Buildings and Grounds Committee. We are looking for someone who has a background in creating Needs Assessment Reports to help write a report which will be submitted to the Diocese. Please note that all the supporting documentation for this report will be generated by the Restoration Committee, and we are looking for an individual to present it in such a way that will be most acceptable to the Diocese. Contact Fr. Dan if you are interested.



### **JOINT PARISH PICTORIAL DIRECTORY**

**TIME IS QUICKLY RUNNING OUT!**

**We NEED YOU to SIGN UP for directory pics NOW!**

**PHOTO SESSIONS BEGIN IN A WEEK!**

**You may sign up for your picture at either parish.**

**ONLINE REGISTRATION is via the SJ/SM**

**parish website:**

**[sjsmmcc.weconnect.com](http://sjsmmcc.weconnect.com)**

**OR: CALL JAN @715 824-5622 or**

**MURT @715 824-5561 to sign up.**

**PHOTO DATES**

**@ ST. JAMES are JUNE 11 & 12; and JUNE 26, 27, 28, 29 & 30.**

**PHOTO DATES**

**@ ST. MARY OF MT. CARMEL are**

**JUNE 19, 20, 21, 22 & 23.**

**WEEKDAY HOURS 2pm to 9 pm**

**SATURDAY HOURS 10am to 5pm**

**ANY QUESTIONS??**

**Call Jan Sopa @824-5622 or**

**Murt Spierings @824-5561**

## *Upcoming* EVENTS

**You're invited to Theology on Tap!** Adults of all ages are invited to join us for a period of fellowship, an inspirational faith talk, discussion, & drinks at the Sky Club in Plover. On Wednesday, June 20<sup>th</sup>, Luke Gietman, DRE at St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception, will speak on his conversion from atheism to an apologist! On Wednesday, July 18<sup>th</sup>, Kristin Bird, director of Burning Hearts Disciples, will talk about how the Five Love Languages can impact our relationships with family, friends, and co-workers. On Wednesday, August 1<sup>st</sup> Fr. Matt Marshall will speak on the Examen: Praying in Daily Experiences. Bring money for drinks & food. The social will begin at 6:30 pm followed by the talk & discussion at 7:00 pm. This is a great opportunity to quench your thirst for your faith this summer! No registration is necessary for this event sponsored by the JPPI Group of Portage County & the Stevens Point Deanery. Questions? Email [jp2portagecounty@gmail.com](mailto:jp2portagecounty@gmail.com) or visit <http://tiny.cc/JPIIGroup> for more information!

**Holy Spirit Parish:** There is a Sunday night Mass opportunity throughout the year in the Stevens Point area, including summertime. Mass is celebrated at 6 p.m. Sunday at Holy Spirit Parish, 838 Fremont St., Stevens Point.

### **DIOCESE OF LA CROSSE GUIDELINES FOR REPORTING INSTANCES OF CHILD ABUSE**

The Diocese of La Crosse, through its policies and procedures, seeks to provide a prompt, appropriate and compassionate response to reporters of sexual abuse of a child by any diocesan agent (employee, volunteers, vendors, religious or clergy). Anyone wishing to make a report of an allegation of sexual abuse should send that report to the Most Reverend William Patrick Callahan, bishop of La Crosse, at the Diocese of La Crosse, P.O. Box 4004, La Crosse, WI 54602-4004. Alternatively, you can contact Mrs. Karen Becker, Victim Assistance Ministry, 608-519-8002. The reporting form is available through the Diocese of La Crosse Office of the Vicar for Clergy or on the diocesan website at: [www.dioclc.org](http://www.dioclc.org). Individuals are also encouraged to take their reports directly to civil authorities. Copies of the diocesan policy are available through your local parish and on the diocesan website. If you have any questions about the Diocese of La Crosse and the implementation of the Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People, please contact Monsignor David Kunz, Vicar for Clergy, Diocese of La Crosse, at (608) 791-2679; or [dkunz@dioclc.org](mailto:dkunz@dioclc.org).