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# THE EUCHARIST ~ As of August 1st, 2022

Weekend Masses

Saturday Evening Vigil...4PM

Sunday...8AM

### Weekday Masses

Monday, Tuesday & Friday...8AM

Wednesday...7PM

Mass at Our Lady of Victory, Frewsburg NY

Thursday...6PM

RECONCILIATION in the Chapel Confessional

Saturday...3:15PM & Wednesday...6PM

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Every Wednesday...9AM until the 7PM Mass.

# RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

Monday 10AM to 5PM

Tuesday - Thursday 9AM to 5PM, Friday...Closed

Closed for Lunch...12PM to 1PM

### RECTORY

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New parishioners, welcome to St. James Parish! Please register at the rectory.

Sacrament of Anointing: Please call the rectory in case of serious illness, before surgery or following an accident.

Sacrament of Baptism: Please call the rectory to schedule your pre-baptism class and a date for your child's baptism.

**Sacrament of Marriage:** Arrangements for the Sacrament of Marriage must be made at least 6 months before the marriage date. It is necessary to be a registered parishioner to schedule.

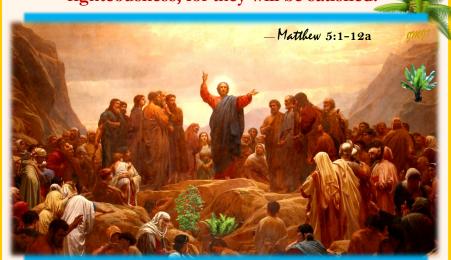
When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain, and after he had sat down, his disciples came to him. He began to teach them, saying:

"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are they who mourn, for they will be comforted.

Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the land.

Blessed are they who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be satisfied.



Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy.

Blessed are the clean of heart, for they will see God.

Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

Blessed are they who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are you when they insult you and persecute you and utter every kind of evil against you falsely because of me. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven."

# St. James Parish — Sunday, January 29th, 2023

# MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, January 28th—St. Thomas Aquinas

3:15 pm Confessions in the Chapel 4:00 pm Donald Guarnieri †

by Bob & Ellen Munella

4:00 pm Charlie Heggarty †

by St. James Rosary Guild

Sunday, January 29th—Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am Dolores Lennon † (Anniversary)

by Husband, Mike & Family

8:00 am Helena Damond †

by Buddy Reale

<u> Monday, January 30th</u>

8:00 am Joseph Gullotti † (Anniversary)

by Children & Family

Tuesday, January 31st—St. John Bosco

8:00 am Angelo & Maria Giuffre†

by Chuck Giuffre & Family

Wednesday, February 1st

9am-<u>7pm</u> Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

**6pm Confessions** in the Chapel

7:00 pm Ruth Mole †

by the Trussalo Family

Thursday, February 2nd—The Presentation of the Lord,

World Day for Consecrated Life

Mass at Our Lady of Victory, Frewsburg NY:

6:00 pm All Souls †

by the intentions of our Parishioners

Friday, February 3rd—St. Blaise & St. Ansgar, First Friday

8:00 am In Honor of Mary Orban

by Husband, John Orban

Saturday, February 4th—B.V.M., First Saturday

3:15 pm Confessions in the Chapel

**4:00 pm Dolores Lennon** † (Wedding Anniversary)

by Husband, Mike

4:00 pm \*DMO the Trussalo Family †

by John & Julia Trussalo

Sunday, February 5th—Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am Robert L. Heffern † (Anniversary)

by Daughter, Valerie Scarpino & Family

8:00 am Mary Ann Giordano †

by Dolly & Anthony Vicario

\*DMO ~ Deceased Members Of

# **Second Collection** — This Weekend, January 28-29

A second collection will be taken after communion this weekend for **Catholic Relief Services**. Your donation helps the world's poorest and impoverished people. Please be generous. Thank you!

# Intentions for this Week:

The **Wine** is offered for *St. John Bosco*, *St. Blaise and all the saints* for a prayer request of a healing, and the **Hosts** 

are offered to honor the *Presentation of the Lord* by a friend.

# WELCOME TO ST. JAMES PARISH!

If you are visiting this weekend, we welcome you and thank you for worshiping with us today. If you are searching for a new spiritual home, come join us! We invite you to become part of our parish family ~ rich in faith, tradition and spirituality.

**OFFERTORY ENVELOPES** — We have individual small stacks of blank offertory envelopes in the vestibule to be used until our new company sends printed ones to you. Please take one and make sure to include your name and address (label), and envelope # if you know it. If you are unable to pick up envelopes, let us know and a set will be mailed to you.

# Faith Formation Calendar: Classes 9-10:45am

NOTE: If there is a **snow day** on Sunday for classes, we will announce the cancellation on Channel 2 Buffalo, and on our Facebook Page.

Sunday, Jan. 29 PreK—10th grade classes, Superbowl Trivia Family Class in the Church Hall. Sunday, Feb. 5 PreK—10th grade classes, #2 session for

First Eucharist. Parents meeting in the Chapel at 10am. **Saturday, Feb. 11** 6th grade Children - Mass at 4pm

Sunday, Feb. 12 PreK—10th grade classes, #3 session for First Eucharist.

# Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults Meets after 8am Mass

**Sunday:** Jan. 29 & Feb. 5 ~ The Sacraments Contact Deacon Mike for more information at 716.487.0125.

### **CHIP BAG PROJECT**

Cathy Gagliano is collecting clean empty chip bags to make blankets for the homeless. The bags need to have the silver mylar lining in them to be ironed together. Small bags are not good because they curl up. Please save your potato chip, Doritos, pretzel bags, etc. and drop them off at the church. There will be a box in the vestibule to put them in. Chip bags do not decompose. You can check out the information on Google, just go to Chip Bag Project. *Eat more chips! Thx!* 

### **CODE BLUE Shelter (-32°) Nights**

A donation box for the Code Blue Shelter in Jamestown is now available in the vestibule for needed clothing items, such as men's & women's socks, gloves, hats & scarves. Thank you!

The Altar & Rosary will be baking for the Saint Joseph's Table beginning Saturday, February 11 & 25 at 9am in the church hall. If you can help, please sign up and join us! Watch for sign up sheets in the vestibule.

# **A** Message from Catholic Charities

Evan was ready to give up. "I had lost my job, had no relationships with anyone, and was having money problems. I was mad, sad and didn't see a future for me," he said. But when he came to Catholic Charities, things began to turn around. "For the first time I could remember, I felt like someone was really listening to me and wanted to help. If it hadn't been for them, I don't know where I'd be today." Your gift to Appeal 2023 helps ensure that people like Evan receive help when they need it most. Give HOPE today by visiting ccwny.org/donation or texting GIVEHOPE22 to 44321. If you are in need of assistance, contact the local Catholic Charities office at 42 Dunham Avenue, Jamestown NY.

Ph.: 716.484.9188 — Tuesdays & Thursdays only.

# St. James Parish — Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

# From the desk of Fr. Paul Cygan

"I thirst." - John 19:28

These words which Jesus painfully said on the Cross are found painted or placed beside every crucifix in the convents of the Missionaries of Charity. In the image below you'll see what I'm describing. Jesus' words were a major theme for the mission of Saint Mother Teresa of Calcutta and her religious sisters. What did Jesus' thirst for? There are a few answers to this question. Theologically, Jesus thirsted for the new and everlasting covenant to be completed, to drink the final cup of His Priestly Sacrifice. In addition to this underlying theological purpose, Jesus thirsts for us, for our submissive yes to His will, for our love to be offered to Jesus. In short, Jesus thirsts for our love.

Let's call to mind when Jesus shared the parable of the sheep and the goats in the Gospel of Matthew. As the sheep and the goats were separated, Jesus commended the sheep for giving food to Jesus when He was hungry, drink when He was thirsty, invitation when He was a stranger, clothes when He was naked, care when He was sick, and visitation when He was in prison; and He condemned the goats for not doing so. All of these charitable acts are echoed in the corporal works of mercy.

When we perform one of the corporal works of mercy, we are giving our love to Jesus on the Cross.

No wonder Mother Teresa focused on the theme of "I thirst." It became the foundation of her mission and ministry, as she served the poorest of the poor and those who were dying, she was really feeding, healing and assisting Jesus.

What comes to mind when you reflect on the words, "I thirst?" Is the Lord thirsting for us to spend more time with Him in prayer? Is He thirsting for our commitment to going to Mass on Sundays? Is He thirsting for our outreach to those who are in need whether it be in your family, friends or community? Is He thirsting for our conversion and turning away from habitual sin?



What is common in all of these questions is that Jesus thirsts for our love. We don't need to come to Christ with the perfect answers, with our lives all figured out or fancy words. All we need to do is bring ourselves. He thirsts for us; He thirsts for our love.

I highly encourage you to look up "I Thirst For You - A Letter from Mother Teresa" online. Then you can hear in her own words her beautiful reflection on Jesus' words on the Cross.

#### Offertory for Sunday, January 15th, 2023

Collections: \$ 4,231.22 Parish Monthly: \$ 70.00 = Total: \$ 4.301.22

#### Offertory for Sunday, January 22nd, 2023

Collections: \$ 4,547.22 Parish Monthly: \$ Fuel: \$ 25.00 = Total: \$  $\frac{20.00}{4.652.22}$ 

Thank you for your generous contributions to our parish! It is always appreciated with prayers of thanksgiving and special blessings to you for your good stewardship!

# **EUCHARISTIC MINISTER** TRAINING

A Eucharistic Minister training will be presented here at St. James on Saturday, February 4th at 9:30am in the hall for anyone interested in helping with the distribution of Holy Communion at Mass or other ministries. Please pick up an application in the vestibule or call the rectory at 716.487.0125 for a copy. The forms are due to the rectory by January 29th.

# Parish Life 2023

This week's linens will be cared for by Gerri McDowell.

Sun 1/29 Faith Formation/RCIA Classes—See Schedule Youth Group Core & Peer Mtg. 7pm Hall

Weds 1/31 Adoration in Church 9am until 7pm Mass;

Confessions 6pm Chapel

Thurs 2/1 Rosary on Zoom 5pm; Folk Group 6pm &

Choir 7pm Church

Divine Mercy Prayer on Zoom 9:30am Fri 2/2

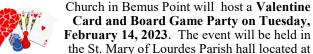
Sat 2/3 Confessions 3:15pm Chapel

## ST. JAMES PARISH — ST. JOSEPH'S TABLE

Pasta & Cookies will be available for sale Sunday, March 19, 2023. *Preorder only*. Pasta with 2 meatballs is \$10 (limit 8 per order), and 1 dz. Biscotti is \$10 (6 white & 6 chocolate Italian cookies). Take out only.

Order your pasta and cookies ahead and pick them up in the church hall between 11am-12:30pm or 12:30pm-2pm. Look for sign up sheets in the vestibule or call the rectory at 716.487.0125 to place your order!

The Lourdes Ladies of St. Mary of Lourdes RC Catholic



41 Main Street, Bemus Point from 12pm to 3pm. Kindly bring your own cards and/or board games, whichever you enjoy. Savor an afternoon of socialization and games with friends, neighbors or sweethearts. All women and men are welcome to attend. Your \$8 donation includes a light lunch with dessert, beverage and the chance to win a door prize.

# MORNING STAR Family Holy Hour

The next Morning Star Family Holy Hour with Father Paul Cygan will be on Monday, January 30th at 6pm, at Sacred Heart Church, 380 E. Fairmount Ave in Lakewood. All newcomers are welcome!

This is a special time that brings parents and children together for a holy hour that involves some fun catechism games, prayer, adoration and fellowship.

The schedule of events are as follows:

5:45 pm - Children's Concert

6:00 pm - Opening Prayers

6:10 pm - Story/Catechism Time

**6:25 pm** - Adoration and Rosary

7:00 pm - Closing and light refreshments

If you have any questions or suggestions, please call the rectory and leave a message for Fr. Paul—716.487.0125.

## WORD OF LIFE

Many people are unaware that someone they know personally is silently suffering from participation in abortion. If a friend confided in you tomorrow that she had an abortion, would you be able to respond in a way that brings her closer to healing? Learn how in -"How to Talk to A friend Who's Had an Abortion":

http://bit.lv/friend-had-abortion

# Intercession for Life

For those suffering after abortion:

May they know that the Lord desires to bring healing, and turn to him for His mercy and peace; We pray to the Lord.

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