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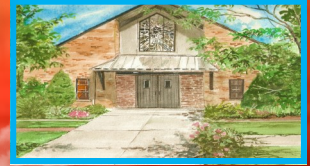


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February 12th, 2023

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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

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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.



Jesus said to his disciples: "Do not think that I have come to abolish the law or the prophets. I have come not to abolish but to fulfill. Amen, I say to you, until heaven and earth pass away, not the smallest letter or the smallest part of a letter will pass from the law, until all things have taken place."



— Matthew 5:17-20

"Therefore, whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments and teaches others to do so will be called least in the kingdom of heaven. But whoever obeys and teaches these commandments will be called greatest in the kingdom of heaven. I tell you, unless your righteousness surpasses that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will not enter the kingdom of heaven. ..."



The Gospel of the Lord

St. James Parish — Sunday, February 12th, 2023

MASS INTENTIONS

The Mass book is now open
for the remainder of 2023.

Saturday, February 11th—Our Lady of Lourdes, B.V.M.,
World Day of the Sick

- 3:15 pm Confessions in the Chapel
4:00 pm **Fernando & Valerie Pintagro** †
by Sister, Josephine Conti & Family
4:00 pm *DMO the **Cinaglia Family** †
by John & Julia Trussalo

Sunday, February 12th—Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time 8:00

am **Laura Capizzi** † (Anniversary)
by Sue Laughlin

8:00 am **Giulia Toscano** † (Birthday)
by Sister, Luigia

Monday, February 13th

8:00 am **JoAnn DeMarco** †
by Marion & Grace D'Angelo

Tuesday, February 14th—Ss. Cyril & Methodius

8:00 am **Angelo & Maria Giuffre** †
by Chuck Giuffre & Family

Wednesday, February 15th

9am-7pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
6pm Confessions in the Chapel

7:00 pm **Eileen Widen** †
by Husband, Bruce

Thursday, February 16th

Mass at Our Lady of Victory, Frewsburg NY:

6:00 pm **Christine Martin** †
by Skip & Renee Sperry

Friday, February 17th—The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order

8:00 am **Vincent Toscano** † (Birthday)
by Sister, Luigia

Saturday, February 18th—B.V.M.

3:15 pm Confessions in the Chapel
4:00 pm **Fred Pappalardo** † (Birthday)
by Sons, Ray & Ron
4:00 pm **Helena Damond** †
by Paul & Sandy Spitalo

Sunday, February 19th—Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am **John & Josephine Lennon** † (Anniversaries)
by Son, Mike & Family

8:00 am **Ryan Tuzzo** † (Birthday)
by Maureen & Rick Tuzzo

*DMO ~ Deceased Members Of

LOST & FOUND

If you are missing a hearing aid since Christmas
or a jewelry item from last weekend 2/5, contact
the rectory office to identify - 716.487.0125.

Intentions for this Week:

The **Sanctuary Light** will burn in memory of
Mary Ann Giordano by Diana Basile & Family.

The **Wine** is offered in memory of
Helena Damond by Frank & Bessie Lovecchio.

The **Hosts** are offered for James G. &
Rose Marie Conti in memory of their wedding
anniversary by their brothers and sisters.

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.

Faith Formation Calendar: Classes 9-10:45am

Sat. Feb-11: 6th grade Children - Mass at 4pm

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

Sun. Feb-19 & Sun. Feb-26: No Classes



Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults Meets after 8am Mass

Sun. Feb-12: Class | Sun. Feb-19: No RCIA Meeting

Weds. Feb-22: Ash Weds. 7pm Mass | Sun. Feb-26: Class

Contact Deacon Mike for more information at 716.487.0125.

Second Collection — Next Weekend, February 18-19

A 2nd collection will be taken after communion next weekend for the
Church in central & Eastern Europe & the Catholic League for Religious
Assistance to Poland. Your donation helps with so many essential
needs and supportive programs—please be generous. Thank you!



CARNEVALE

Also known as “Mardi Gras,” is back after 3 years!
Join the Italian Dancers on Saturday, February 18th for a
fun-filled evening!

Enjoy great homemade Italian Food Stations, Music,
Dancing and Basket Raffle from 5pm to 8pm. Tickets are
\$15 for Adults and \$5 for Children under age 12. Pay at
the door at St. James Church Hall, 27 Allen Street.

Space is limited so make your reservations by calling
the rectory at 716.487.0125 or sign up on the sheets in the
vestibule. **Come Join Us!**



It's COFFEE HOUR!

Please join us for coffee hour and fellowship in the church
hall next Sunday, February 19th after the 8am Mass.
Members of the St. James Altar & Rosary Society will be
providing our social event!

CHIP BAG PROJECT

Cathy Gagliano is still collecting clean empty chip bags
that have the silver mylar lining to make blankets for the
homeless. There is a collection box in the vestibule. *Thx!*

Please pray for the repose of the souls of ~

Derek “Rick” DePietro † Son-in-law to Jim & Mary Lou Scully

Joan “Dolly” Trusso † Arnold “Arnie” Zdrojewski †

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual
light shine upon them. May their soul and the souls of
all the faithful departed through the
mercy of God, rest in peace. **Amen**



Memorials

A memorial donation was received in memory of
Anthony Petruccello by his sister, Felicia Melice
for his anniversary.



St. James Parish — Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time



From the desk of Fr. Paul Cygan

Happy Saint Valentine's Day!

As Catholics, we should remember to put "Saint" in front of Valentine's Day because Saint Valentine was a real and historical figure! So, as you give roses, gifts and chocolates to your sweetheart, also keep in mind this 3rd century bishop of the Church.

His story is actually quite romantic. Let me explain. As you know, the early Church in Rome endured many tyrannical emperors who persecuted the Church. During Emperor Claudius' reign, Christians were persecuted and were often sent to the Roman games to be martyred. Saint Valentine, as a good and faithful bishop, aided the early Church by hiding Christians, celebrating the Sacraments for them clandestinely and visiting Christians in prison. His bravery in his pastoral ministry found him in prison himself multiple times. During this time, Christians were forbidden by the state to be married in the Church. Saint Valentine risked his life by marrying Christian couples in secret. What is more romantic than that? Saint Valentine dedicated his life to sanctifying the gift of love through the Sacrament of marriage!

During his final imprisonment, Saint Valentine would write letters to his faithful, encouraging them and exhorting them to hold fast to the faith. The practice of giving Valentine cards to your sweetheart originates from these letters of Saint Valentine. There is a legend that Saint Valentine wrote a final letter to a girl the day he was martyred. He signed the letter, "Your Valentine." While he was imprisoned, he refused to sacrifice to pagan idols, prayed devoutly, converted fellow prisoners and even managed to heal a jail guard's blind daughter.

As with many historical figures of antiquity, there are some credible facts about them and some that are enhanced by legend. However, a little background on Saint Valentine, whether it be historical or legend, adds some context to this special day of honoring our loved ones.

So, on this happy and lovely day, we remember first of all the love that God has for us that is always overflowing and never ending, and we remember the love of saints like Saint Valentine whose life was dedicated to the love of God. Happy Saint Valentine's Day!

Parish Life 2023

This week's linens will be cared for by Josie Palermo.



Sun 2/12 Faith Formation/RCIA Classes—*See Schedule*
Tues 2/14 Prayer Shawl Ministry 6pm Library
Weds 2/15 Adoration in Church 9am until 7pm Mass;
Confessions 6pm Chapel
Thurs 2/16 Rosary on Zoom 5pm; Folk Group 6pm &
Choir 7pm Church
Fri 2/17 Divine Mercy Prayer on Zoom 9:30am
Sat 2/18 Confessions 3:15pm Chapel
Carnevale Dinner 5-8pm Hall

Prayer to Saint Valentine

Patron of Lovers

Dear Saint Valentine, you championed God's love by performing marriages for soldiers and their sweethearts, against the edict of the Roman Emperor. Because of that, you were martyred for the Faith and became the Patron of Lovers.

O courageous Saint, help us to love God above all else, and to give of ourselves and receive one another through His grace. Help those of us called to marriage to love our spouse with affection and joy. Help those who fervently seek someone with whom they can share their lives to meet the person God has prepared for them. May all of us grow to love Jesus, our true Valentine, forever. *Amen.*



The Lourdes Ladies of St. Mary of Lourdes RC

Catholic Church in Bemus Point will host a **Valentine Card & Board Game Party, Tuesday, February 14th, 2023** at St. Mary of Lourdes Parish Hall, located at 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 w/dessert, beverage and the chance to win a door prize.



FISH FRY AT ST. JOHN'S! ~ Holy Apostles Parish Fish Fry
Starting Ash Wednesday, February 22nd and every **Friday through March 31st!** There will be dine-in meals or take out at St. John Church Hall at 270 Newton Avenue serving sit-down dinners from 4:30 to 7pm; and take-outs from 3:30 to 6pm by calling 716.484.8554. *See you there!* The cost is Adult \$16, Child \$14, Vegetable Lasagna \$14.



ST. JAMES PARISH — ST. JOSEPH'S TABLE

Pasta & Cookie Sale: Sunday, March 19. Preorder & Take-Out Only. *See insert in this weekend's bulletin!*

Tenth Annual 22:32 Men's Conference — Erie PA

Saturday, March 4th, 2023, 8:30am until 1pm at St. Jude the Apostle Parish, 2801 W. 6th St., Erie PA. Two great nationally known speakers: Father Larry Richards and Father Chase Hilgenbrinck, and a concluding Mass with Bishop Lawrence T. Persico, J.C.L. Come Pray, reflect, and be inspired! The event is \$20. For more information and to register call 814.455.7364.

Offertory for Sunday, Feb. 5, 2023

Collections: \$ 5,859.22
Online E-Giving: 828.00
Parish Monthly: 95.00
Fuel: 36.00
= Total: \$ 6,818.22

Thank you for your generosity to our parish & grounds! May God bless you!

LOVE INC. (Love 'In the Name of Christ') is looking for your love this month! They help many in our area with beds, small appliances, cleaning needs, linens, home repairs...and the list goes on. Call Susan at 716.338.9828!

WORD OF LIFE

"Married love differs from any other love in the world. By its nature, the love of husband and wife is so complete, so ordered to a lifetime of communion with God and each other, that it is open to creating a new human being they will love and care for together."

—USCCB, *Married love and the Gift of Love*

Intercession for Life

For all married couples: May their openness to new life bear witness to the generous love of God; **We pray to the Lord.**

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