

*The Temptation  
of Jesus*

# St. James Parish

Roman Catholic ~ Diocese of Buffalo



## St. James Church



**27 Allen Street  
Jamestown, NY 14701**



**FEBRUARY 26TH, 2023**

## Our Lady of Victory Oratory



**6 Institute Street  
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At the time *Jesus* was led by the Spirit into the desert to be tempted by the devil. He fasted for forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was hungry. The tempter approached and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command that these stones become loaves of bread." He said in reply, **"It is written: One does not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes forth from the mouth of God."**



Then the devil took him to the holy city, and made him stand on the parapet of the temple, and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down. For it is written: *He will command his angels concerning you and with their hands they will support you, lest you dash your foot against a stone.*"

Jesus answer him, **"Again it is written, You shall not put the Lord, your God, to the test."** Then the devil took him up to a very high mountain, and showed him all the kingdoms of the world in their magnificence, and he said to him, "All these I shall give to you, if you will prostrate yourself and worship me." At this Jesus said to him, **"Get away Satan! It is written: The Lord, your God, shall you worship and him alone shall you serve."** Then the devil left him and, behold, angels came and ministered to him. *The Gospel of the Lord*

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### THE EUCHARIST

#### Weekend Masses

Saturday Evening Vigil...4PM

Sunday...8AM

#### Weekday Masses

Monday & Friday...8AM

Wednesday...7PM

#### Mass at Our Lady of Victory, Frewsburg NY

Thursday...6PM

### RECONCILIATION

Saturday...3-3:30PM & Wednesday...6-6:30PM

### ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Wednesdays...9AM until the 7PM Mass

### RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

Monday...10AM to 5PM

Tuesday thru Thursday...9AM to 5PM

Closed for lunch...12PM to 1PM

Friday...Closed

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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.



# St. James Parish — Sunday, February 26th, 2023

## MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, February 25th—Saturday after Ash Wednesday

3-3:30 pm **Confessions in the Chapel confessional**

4:00 pm **Frank Conti & Letizia Walden †**  
by Wife & Mother, Josephine Conti

4:00 pm **Charles & Louise Palermo †** (Birthday & Anniversary)  
by Joe & Josie Palermo & Family

Sunday, February 26th—1st Sunday of Lent

8:00 am **\*DMO the Vallone & Reiser Families †**  
by Steve & Gesele Koehler

8:00 am **Mary Ann Giordano †**  
by Dave & Josette Cromey

Monday, February 27th—St. Gregory of Narek

8:00 am **Salvatore & Anne Dolce †**  
by Daughter, Sheila Turck & Family

Tuesday, February 28th

8:00 am **Henry & Adeline** (Birthday) **Karg †**  
by Ted & Susanna Kurtzhals

Wednesday, March 1st

9am-7pm **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**

6-6:30pm **Confessions in the Chapel**

7:00 pm **John Joseph Danos †**  
by George & Bless So

Thursday, March 2nd

Mass at Our Lady of Victory, Frewsburg NY:

6:00 pm **Christopher Sperry †**  
by Mom & Dad

Friday, March 3rd—St. Katherine Drexel, FIRST FRIDAY

8:00 am **Helena Damond †**  
by John & Lucille Genco

5:15 pm **Stations of the Cross**

Saturday, March 4th—St. Casimir, FIRST SATURDAY

3-3:30 pm **Confessions in the Chapel**

4:00 pm **\*DMO the Floccare & DePetro Families †**  
by Lisa Cooper

4:00 pm **Don Guarnieri †**  
by Richard & Joann Engelbrecht

Sunday, March 5th—2nd Sunday of Lent

8:00 am **Marie LaMarca Lawson & Anthony LaMarca †**  
by Lenny & Lorraine Melice

8:00 am **Don Burngasser †**  
by Brother, Dan

\*DMO ~ Deceased Members Of

The **Sanctuary Light** will burn in memory of **Mary Beth Palermo** by Joe & Josie Palermo & Family in honor of her Birthday and anniversary. The **Wine & Hosts** are offered in loving honor of **Saint Katherine Drexel** and all the saints whose love for our Lord and holy 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.

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

**Sun. Feb. 19 & Sun. Feb. 26:** No classes

**Sun. Mar. 5:** Pre-K—10th classes

**Sat. Mar. 11:** 3rd grade children & First Eucharist Rite of Enrollment at 4pm Mass. Family interviews after Mass with priest in the chapel. Banners due to Lisa at interview.

**Sun. Mar. 12:** Pre-K—10th classes; #4 First Eucharist Session w/love letter & wallet photo due to Lisa.

**Sun. March 19:** No Classes; 9th & 10th grades working at St. Joseph's Table

**Sun. Mar. 26:** Pre-K—10th classes; #5 First Eucharist session



**Rite of Christian Initial of Adults ~** Sundays after 8am Mass

**Sun. Feb. 26:** No Class | **Sun. Mar. 5:** Class

**Sun. Mar. 12:** Class & First Scrutiny

**Sun. Mar. 19:** Class & 2nd Scrutiny

**Sun. Mar 26:** Class & 3rd Scrutiny

For more information contact Deacon Mike at 716.487.0125.

### BAKING DATE CHANGE:

The **Altar & Rosary** will be baking cookies for St. Joseph's Table **next Saturday, March 4 at 9am in the church hall.** Please join us if you can help!

### St. Patrick's Day Corn Beef & Cabbage Dinner

will be held at Our Lady of Victory hall in Frewsburg on Saturday, March 11 from 6 to 9pm. The cost is \$20 at the door. Entertainment will include traditional Irish dancers! Please bring a box of cereal for the Frewsburg Food Pantry. RSVP is required as the seating is limited to 100 persons. Call the rectory at 716.487.0125.



**St. Joseph's Table Pasta & Cookie Sale is Sunday, March 19.** Pre-order & Take Out Only. Pasta w/2 meatballs \$10 and 1-dozen Italian cookies \$10. Call the rectory at 716.487.0125. Pick up times are 11am-12:30pm or 12:30-2pm at St. James Church Hall, 27 Allen St.



### STATIONS OF THE CROSS, Fridays at 5:15PM

Please join us to pray the Stations of the Cross during the Fridays of Lent at St. James Church. Friday March 3 will be lead by members of the RCIA. Let us be of good company to him...

*Come follow the pathway of our Lord!*



Please pray for the repose of the soul of our dearly departed, **Edda Liuzzo † & Bess Guido †**  
*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls, and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen*

# St. James Parish — First Sunday of Lent

*From the desk of Fr. Darrell*

There have been many challenges which the churches in this area have faced during the last two years. COVID has resulted in too many of our brothers and sisters forming the habit of not coming to celebrate the Lord's presence in the Eucharist. Additionally, the tragic loss of Pastors and retired clergy has created a feeling of uncertainty about the future. We have also had to face the reality of an aging population, with many of them returning to the Lord.

For years, the Clergy have been spreading themselves thin trying to maintain all the usual mass times for each worship site. Fewer clergy are trying to handle all aspects of parish life while taking on the responsibility of more and more parishes. This unfortunately is not sustainable. We find ourselves faced with some hard decisions.

Starting Monday, March 6<sup>th</sup> there will be a new weekday mass schedule.

## Monday

8am St James  
9am Sacred Heart  
12:10pm SSPP

## Tuesday

8am St Patrick  
9am Our Lady Loreto

## Wednesday

8am St. John  
7pm St James

## Thursday

8am St. Patrick  
9am Our Lady Loreto  
5pm Our Lady Victory

## Friday

8am St James  
9am Sacred Heart  
12:10pm SSPP

The time of Confessions will be moved back 15 minutes to allow the clergy appropriate time to get ready for Mass. Confessions will be Wednesday from 6pm to 6:30pm at St James, Saturday from 3pm to 3:30pm at St James, and 4:30pm to 5pm at Sacred Heart. They are also available by appointment as well.

I am very hopeful about the future. Yes, there are many challenges, but we have been given this opportunity to evaluate where we currently are, and to put our energy into those areas which are important for the Faith to be strengthened in the present and the future. The Holy Spirit will guide us.

God's Blessings to you and your family,

*Fr. Darrell*



**Magnificat Ministry to Women presents a Lenten Day of Reflection** on March 11 from 9am to 2:30pm at the hotel Millennium Hotel, 2040 Walden Ave., Cheektowaga, NY. Registration is required. Visit <https://www.facebook.com/magnificatbuffalo> or call Christine Holden at 716.759.8135. >Call the St. James rectory for information on carpooling!

## Offertory for Sunday, February 19th, 2023

Collections	\$ 3,800.97
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*Thank you for all of your kind support and faithfulness to our wonderful parish!*

*From the desk of Fr. Paul Cygan*

Hi everyone! I hope you've had a fantastic start to this Lenten Season. Please take the following short list tongue in cheek, but also as seriously as possible. ;)

Ten Reasons **NOT** to give up things / fast / abstain / give alms / pray for Lent:

1. Fasting/abstaining... dieting... same difference. I'm going to be so slim by Easter! (*Dieting is all well and good, but Lent shouldn't be New Year's Resolution Round 2*)
2. If I give up \_\_\_\_\_ then I'm going to be so much better than \_\_\_\_\_.
3. On Sunday I can indulge in all the things I have been giving up and I'm gonna live it up!
4. Wait! We were supposed to give up things?
5. I'm going to focus hardcore on giving up certain things, but prayer and almsgiving... not so much.
6. Another year, another Lent, another 40 days giving up chocolate. Checkmark!
7. Fasting and abstaining makes me grumpy, hangry and miserable and this is what God wants for me.
8. For Lent I'm giving up \_\_\_\_\_ sin. (*We should be giving up sins at all times not just during Lent.*)
9. I'm going to take more penances than humanly possible, instead of choosing one to three that I can do with intentionality.
10. I'm going to focus only on what I can give up and not what I can take on this Lent.

I'm sure there can be many more reasons. I'd love to hear your ideas! Have a very happy and holy Lent everyone!



## MORNING STAR Family Holy Hour

The next Morning Star will be on Monday, February 27 at 5:45pm at St. John's Church, 270 Newton Ave. All newcomers are welcome! We will keep to the same schedule of events:

- 5:45 pm - Children's concert
- 6:00 pm - Start of Holy Hour and Opening Prayers
- 6:10 pm - Story/Catechism Time
- 6:25 pm - Adoration and Rosary
- 7:00 pm - Close and light refreshments

If you have any questions or suggestions, please contact the rectory and leave a message for Fr. Paul!

*This week's linens will be cared for by Roz Doremus*



**Sun 2/26** No Faith Formation or RCIA classes; Youth Group (9th-12th), 5-7pm hall

**Mon 2/27** Morning Star Holy Hour, 6pm - St. John's

**Tues 2/28** Prayer Shawl Ministry, 6pm hall

**Weds 2/29** Adoration 9am-7pm in the church via chapel door. Confessions via church entrance at 6-6:30pm.

**Thurs 3/1** Rosary on Zoom, 5pm; Folk Group practice 6pm & choir at 7pm

**Fri 3/2** Divine Mercy Prayer on Zoom at 9:30am.

## ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

You are invited to join us in **Eucharistic Adoration** each Wednesday in the Church from 9am until the 7pm Mass. If you can schedule one hour weekly, please call the rectory at 716.487.0125. **Reconciliation: Confessions are heard at 6pm in the Chapel Confessional before the 7pm Mass.**

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