



St. James Church

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St. James Parish

Roman Catholic ~ Diocese of Buffalo

The following is the Holy Week & Easter Sunday Schedule:

4/6 *Holy Thursday* - 7pm SSPP (Ss. Peter & Paul)
4/7 *Good Friday* - Seven Last Words, 12Noon SSPP
Service, 3pm St. John
4/8 *Blessing of Easter Baskets* - 1pm St. James
Easter Vigil - 8pm St. James
4/9 *Easter Sunday* - 7am SSPP | 8am St. James
8:30am OLSnow | 9am St. John | 10am Sacred Heart
11am OLLoreto & 11am St. Patrick | 11:30am SSPP

April 2nd, 2023



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THE EUCHARIST

Weekend Masses

Saturday Evening Vigil...4PM

Sunday...8AM

Weekday Masses ~ As of March 5th, 2023

Monday & Friday...8AM

Wednesday...7PM

Mass at Our Lady of Victory, Frewsburg NY

Thursday...5PM

RECONCILIATION in the Chapel Confessional

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

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.*

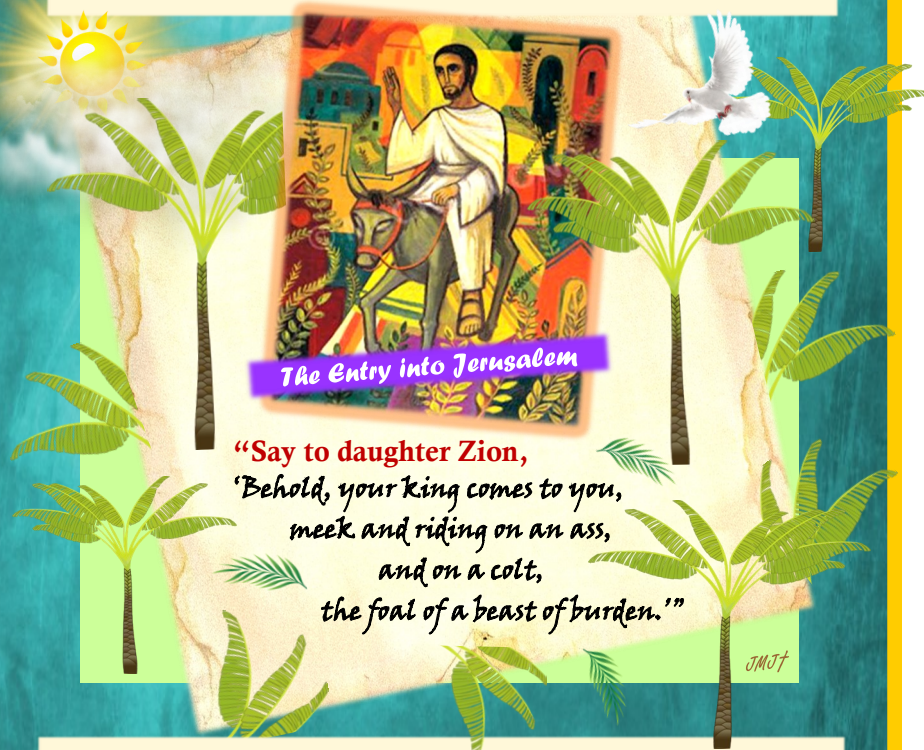
Sacrament of Anointing: Please call the rectory in case of serious illness, before surgery or following an accident.

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.



When *Jesus* and the disciples drew near Jerusalem and came to Bethphage on the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, saying to them, "Go into the village opposite you, and immediately you will find an ass tethered, and a colt with her. Untie them and bring them here to me. And if anyone should say anything to you, reply, 'The master has need of them.' Then he will send them at once."



The Entry into Jerusalem

"Say to daughter Zion,
'Behold, your King comes to you,
meek and riding on an ass,
and on a colt,
the foal of a beast of burden.'"

The disciples went and did as Jesus had ordered them. They brought the ass and the colt and laid their cloaks over them, and he sat upon them. The very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, while others cut branches from the trees and strewed them on the road. The crowds preceding him and those following kept crying out and saying:

"Hosanna to the Son of David;
blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord;
hosanna in the highest."

And when he entered Jerusalem the whole city was shaken and asked, "Who is this?" And the crowds replied, "This is Jesus the prophet, from Nazareth in Galilee."

The Gospel of the Lord

St. James Parish — Sunday, April 2nd, 2023

MASS INTENTIONS *The 2023 Mass book is open.*

Saturday, April 1st—First Saturday

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

4:00 pm **Antonino Trusso †**
by Lenny & Lorraine Melice

4:00 pm **Charlotte Messina †**
by Charles & Grace Ann Gollnick

Sunday, April 2nd—Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

8:00 am **Helena Damond †**
by Dick & Roseanne Calla & Phil Messina

Monday, April 3rd—Holy Week

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

Tuesday, April 4th—Holy Week

No Mass

Wednesday, April 5th—Holy Week

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

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

7:00 pm *For the healing of* **Maureen DePietro**
by Heidi & Gary

Thursday, April 6th—Holy Week (Holy Thursday)

NO 5pm Mass at Our Lady of Victory, Frewsburg NY

7:00 pm **Mass - Ss. Peter & Paul Church, 308 Cherry St.**

Friday, April 7th—Friday of the Passion of the Lord (Good Friday)

12:00 pm **Seven Last Words - Ss. Peter & Paul Church**

3:00 pm **Service - St. John Church, 270 Newton Ave.**

Saturday, April 8th—Holy Saturday, Easter Vigil

1:00 pm **Blessing of the Easter Baskets**

8:00 pm **Deceased Priests of our Parish †**
by the intentions of our Parishioners

Sunday, April 9th—Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

8:00 am **Fiorella & Cala Families †**
by Charles Fiorella



CEMETERY NEWS — *It's Spring Cleanup Time!*

Please remove all winter and Christmas decorations from Holy Sepulchre & Holy Cross Cemeteries by Saturday, April 15th. *Thank you!*

A VOCATION VIEW: *Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion*

The crowds acclaimed Jesus as He rode into Jerusalem, then days later they demanded His crucifixion. Public opinion can change in an instant. Let's forget about what the world wants, and focus on what God desires. If Jesus is calling you to a Church vocation, contact Fr. Dave Baker at 716.847.5535 or visit www.buffalovocations.org.

The Sanctuary Light - will burn this week in memory of *Joan Dolly Trusso* by John, Lucia & Francesca Guarnieri.

The Wine & Hosts - are offered in loving honor of Palm Sunday and the triumphant arrival of Christ in Jerusalem by a Friend.



WELCOME TO ST. JAMES PARISH!

If you are visiting this weekend, we welcome you and thank you for worshipping 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.

SEE COVER — HOLY WEEK & EASTER SCHEDULE

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE CHANGES FOR AREA PARISHES *Effective Monday, March 6th*

Monday:

8am St. James
9am Sacred Heart
12:10pm Ss. Peter & Paul

Tuesday:

8am St. Patrick
9am Our Lady of Loreto

Wednesday:

8am St. John
7pm St. James

Thursday:

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

Friday:

8am St. James
9am Sacred Heart
12:10pm Ss. Peter & Paul

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

Sun. Apr 2 & 9: No classes

Sun. Apr 16: PreK-10th classes, 1st Eucharist - 6th Session



It's COFFEE HOUR!

Please join us for coffee hour and fellowship in the church hall this Sunday, April 2nd after the 8am Mass. Members of the St. James Music Ministry will be hosting our social event!

The **ALTAR & ROSARY** Society also meets this Sunday, April 2nd at 9:30am in the hall. Men and women are encouraged to attend the meeting & welcomed to join us!

Blessing of the Easter Baskets will take place on Saturday, April 8 at 1pm in the church. Place your baskets on the steps in the front of the altar for a special blessing.

FAMILY OF PARISHES TOWN HALL MEETING

Holy Apostles will be hosting a Town Hall Meeting at St. John Hall for all Parishioners in Our Family of Parishes on Wednesday, April 12th at 6:30pm. We will be entering into the Family of Parishes Renewal Process, which includes Holy Apostles, St. James, Sacred Heart, Our Lady of Loreto and St. Patrick. There will be a presentation on what the Renewal Process entails along with a question and answer section.

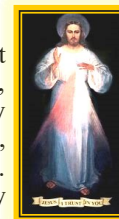
All parishioners from our parishes are encouraged to attend.

DIVINE MERCY NOVENA

Our Lord revealed to St. Maria Faustina that He wanted everyone to say the Chaplet of Mercy, especially the 9-day novena prior to Divine Mercy Sunday. The first day begins on **Good Friday, [April 7]** and is prayed on the beads of the rosary. Each day has a petition that seeks God's mercy for different purposes. The novena finishes on the Saturday prior to **Divine Mercy Sunday [April 16]**. Jesus said, "On that day...The soul that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion [on Divine Mercy Sunday] shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment."...

—Diary, 699

—Copies of the Divine Mercy Novena will be available in the vestibule.



St. James Parish — Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

From the desk of Fr. Paul Cygan

We are quickly approaching the holiest three days of the year, Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday, the Triduum. Every year we enter these three days as a solemn way to participate in Jesus' paschal mystery, His passion, death and resurrection. We reflect on the sublime mysteries of how Jesus offered everything of Himself for our salvation out of pure love for us.

The Jesuit practice of imaginative prayer can be very helpful for us during this holy time. At different times during the Triduum, place yourself at the gates of Jerusalem waving palm branches before the son of David, hoping for the salvation of humankind. Place yourself at the Last Supper beside Jesus as He celebrates the very first Eucharist. Place yourself in the Garden of Gethsemane where Jesus sweat drops of blood, and He accepted the cup of suffering out of loving obedience to the Father's will. Place yourself in Simon Peter's shoes as he denies Jesus three times when Jesus is being led before the Sanhedrin. Place yourself on the way of the Cross and imagine Mary meeting Jesus, Veronica wiping the face of Jesus, Simon of Cyrene helping Jesus carry His Cross or Jesus meeting the mourning women of Jerusalem. Place yourself at the foot of the Cross, and in utmost humility lay down your sins before the Lord thanking God for His sacrifice on the Cross. Place yourself at the tomb of Christ as the stone rolls shut and the sacrifice of God becomes all the more real.

Enter in the Paschal Mystery, the reality of our salvation. This is more than a story; this is God's plan in action and is real today as it was 2000 years ago. May God bless you and your family abundantly as we reflect together on these sublime mysteries. And please join us in all of our various parishes where we will as a whole family of parishes celebrate God's action in us.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of our dearly departed,

Ursula Signorino †

Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her.

May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.



The Stephanie Frucella Gift Fund

A special fund for college scholarships provided by the Frucella Family is available for anyone currently attending college in pursuit of a 2-year associate or technical school program, Bachelors or Master's degree. Applications are available at the rectory. A letter from the priest of the applicant's participation in church or campus ministry is required. Completed applications are due to the rectory office by **April 30**.

Offertory for Sunday,
March 26th, 2023
Collections: \$4,471.22
Monthly: 147.00
Fuel: 32.00
Easter Flowers: 272.00
Total: \$4,922.22

Black & Indian Missions: \$25
During this time of Lent, we have much to reflect on and be thankful for, including your gracious support of our parish! We appreciate your generosity more than you may know, and pray

Parish Life 2023

This week's linens will be cared for by Angie Beckman.



- Sun 4/2** No Faith Formation.
Coffee Hour after 8am Mass Hall.
Altar & Rosary meeting 9:30am Hall.
Youth Group (9th-12th) meet 5-7pm Hall.
- Tues 4/4** Rosary 5:15pm Zoom. *Call the rectory for codes.*
BAM—Be A Man Ministry Bible Study
6:30pm Hall. *All men 18 years & over, no cost!*
Folk Group tonight: 6pm & Choir 7pm Church.
- Weds 4/5** Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 9am, until the 7pm Mass.
Confessions 6-6:30pm Chapel confessional.
- Thurs 4/6** **Holy Thursday** No Mass at OLV Frewsburg
Parish offices close at 12noon today.
- Fri 4/7** **Good Friday - Fast & Abstinence**
Begin 9-day Divine Mercy Novena today!
Divine Mercy Novena 9:30am on Zoom.
Seven Last Words 12pm at SSPP Church.
Service 3pm at St. John Church.
- Sat 4/8** Holy Saturday, **Easter Vigil**: No 4pm Mass
Vigil Mass at St. James, 8pm.

St. Joseph's Table

The St. Joseph Table this year was a great success! We are so blessed as a parish and community! A very special thank you goes out to all our awesome volunteers...those who cooked the delicious spaghetti and meatballs, assisted during the event, to our Altar & Rosary and all the cookie makers, and all those who made this event happen. All the meals and cookies were picked up in a timely manner and everything was delicious!

Thank you also to our church families and community for your support. St. Joseph was surely with us!

We had a gross income of \$6,290, with expenses of \$1,590. The net proceeds totaled \$4,700. With this said, we are donating \$500 to UCAN Mission, \$500 to Options Care (Choose Life), \$500 to St. Susan's Center, and the remainder may be used by our Outreach department as needed to help those in our community.

Father Darrell, Father Paul, Father Don & Deacon Mike



Catholic Charities - Palm Sunday typically means we have reached the mid-point of our Annual Catholic Charities Appeal. Your support of the Appeal is vital in continuing our mission of being a beacon of HOPE to all those we serve. All told, your gifts helped us bring HOPE to more than 124,000 lives last year through Catholic Charities and helped the Diocese support spiritual care through the Fund for the Faith programs. If you have already donated, we offer our sincerest thanks on behalf of the children, individuals, and families we serve. If you have not yet given to Appeal 2023, now is a great time! Visit www.ccwny.org/donate or text GIVEHOPE23 to 44321. No gift is too small to make a tremendous impact right here in Western New York.

CC: St. James' goal for Catholic Charities is \$24,719.

As of March 29 our donations total \$17,139 or 69.3%

UPDATE: The **Personal Care Items** drive was exceptional here at St. James! All of the items were taken to our local Catholic Charities office this week and will remain there to be used for those in need in our area. The Catholic Charities staff wish to extend a grateful thank you for your generosity!

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