

St. James Parish

Roman Catholic ~ Diocese of Buffalo

St. James Church



27 Allen Street
Jamestown, NY 14701

The Man Born Blind

—John 9: 1-7, 35-39

Our Lady of Victory Oratory



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MARCH 19TH, 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.



As *Jesus* passed by he saw a man blind from birth. His disciples asked him, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?" Jesus answered, "Neither he nor his parents sinned; it is so that the works of God might be made visible through him. We have to do the works of the one who sent me while it is day. Night is coming when no one can work. While I am in the World, I am the light of the world."



When he said this, he spat on the ground and made clay with the saliva, and smeared the clay on his eyes, and said to him, "Go wash in the Pool of Siloam"—which means Sent—. So he went and washed, and came back able to see. ...

... When Jesus heard that they had thrown him [the blind man] out, he found him and said, "Do you believe in the Son of Man? He answered and said, "Who is he, sir, that I may believe in him?" Jesus said to him, "You have seen him, and the one speaking with you is he." He said, "I do believe, Lord," and he worshiped him. Then Jesus said, "I came into this world for judgment, so that those who do not see might see, and those who do see might become blind."

The Gospel of the Lord

St. James Parish — Sunday, March 19th, 2023

MASS INTENTIONS The 2023 Mass book is open.

Saturday, March 18th—St. Cyril of Jerusalem

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

4:00 pm **Raymond Hacker & Andrew Hacker †**
by Maureen & Rick Tuzzo

4:00 pm **Mr. & Mrs. Sebastiano Iuculano †**
by Erminia & Family

Sunday, March 19th—4th Sunday of Lent

8:00 am **James Patti †** (Anniversary)
by Wife, Helen

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

Monday, March 20th—St Joseph, Spouse of the B.V.M.

8:00 am **Donald Guarnieri †**
by Mary & Toni Indiole

Tuesday, March 21st

No Mass

Wednesday, March 22nd

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

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

7:00 pm **Dorothy Arlene Heffern †** (Anniversary)
by Granddaughter, Valerie Scarpino & Family

Thursday, March 23rd—St. Turibius of Mogrovejo

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

5:00 pm **Ann Brigiotta †**
by Mike, Audrey & Rebecca Shannon

Friday, March 24th—World Day of Truth concerning Human Rights
Violations and for the Dignity of Victims

8:00 am **Edda Liuzzo †**
by Ann Galbato & Family

Saturday, March 25th—THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD

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

4:00 pm **Helen Damond †**
by John & Mary Nelson

4:00 pm **Marie LaMarca †**
by Sister, Elvera & Jim Paterniti

Sunday, March 26th—5th Sunday of Lent

8:00 am **Joanne DeSantis †**
by Cousins, the Racitano Family



ST. JOSEPH'S TABLE PASTA & COOKIE SALE

This Sunday, March 19th. Pick up orders in the hall.

Also, extra orders are available until supplies last!

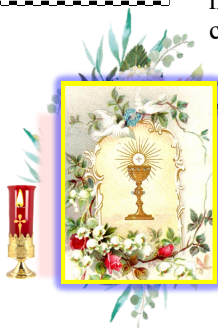
Pasta w/2meatballs \$10 and 1-dozen Italian cookies \$10.

Times for preorder pick ups are 11am-12:30pm or 12:30-2pm at St. James Church Hall, 27 Allen Street.

The Sanctuary Light - will burn this week in Tony Galbato by his Wife, Ann Galbato in memory of his anniversary.

The Wine - is offered in honor of St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary by a Friend.

The Hosts - are offered in memory of Ann Brigiotta by Gert Melice.



WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS! - Congratulations to our new parishioners! In the past year, 17 new families have joined our church. Many are willing to join a church ministry and many of them have. So, if you see someone you don't recognize please introduce yourself and welcome them to St. James!

Father Darrell, Father Paul, Father Don & Deacon Mike

The following is the Holy Week & Easter Sunday Schedule:

Holy Week: Holy Thursday - 7pm SSPP

Seven Last Words - 12Noon SSPP

Good Friday - 3pm St. John | Easter Vigil - 8pm St. James

Easter Sunday: 7am SSPP | 8am St. James | 8:30am Snow
9am St. John | 10am Sacred Heart | 11am OLLoreto & 11am St. Patrick | **Note: No 11am Mass at SSPP**

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



PARISH CALENDAR UPDATES!

Morning Star Holy Hour will meet Monday, March 20th at St. James Church at 5:45pm.

PLEASE NOTE: The Area Penance Service scheduled on Monday, March 27th has been moved to **St. John Church, 270 Newton Avenue at 7:00pm.**



Faith Formation Calendar: Classes 9-10:45am

Sun. Mar 19: No classes: 9th & 10th grades are working at St. Joseph's Table.

Sun. Mar 26: PreK—10th classes; #5 First Eucharist session.



Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults ~ RCIA

Meets after the 8am Mass

Sun. Mar 19: Class & Second Scrutiny 11am Mass *Sponsors*

Sun. Mar 26: Class & Third Scrutiny 11am Mass *Sponsors*



It's Cradle Collection Month!

March is **Options Care Center's Cradle Collection** month here at St. James Church. Options Care Center is supported mainly by individual and church donations. They provide free pregnancy testing, options counseling and a Post-Abortion healing group. The cradle can be found in the vestibule of the church. *Thank you for your donations!*



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. This **Friday, March 24** will be led by our Faith Formation.

Let us walk with our Lord and be of comfort to him.

St. James Parish — Fourth Sunday of Lent

From the desk of Fr. Paul Cygan

Something fascinating is happening in our country. Have you noticed it? There is a very current surge of religious fervor throughout our country. The movie Jesus Revolution outperformed Marvel's new release Ant-Man Quantumania in the box office by nearly ten million dollars! Not to mention the religious revival that took place in Asbury! Throughout most of February, college students led a 24/7 praise and worship revival! Something amazing is happening! And we are here for it!

Two weeks ago, we read from Matthew's account of the Transfiguration. Jesus led Peter, James and John up the mountain of Tabor and then Jesus' clothes shone bright as the sun, and Moses and Elijah appeared by his side representing the law and the prophets. When the three disciples saw this amazing spectacle, they were in awe. Peter did not want this amazing event to end and wanted to build tents to set camp there for who knows for how long. Maybe indefinitely! To which God the Father speaks and says, "This is my beloved Son, listen to him."

I mention this Gospel story because it speaks to what is happening in our country. There is no question that our nation is in desperate need of Jesus. Whether it be political upheaval, the loneliness and loss that came from COVID and many other causes have increased a deep longing within people. Most people tried to fill that void with worldly things, but that has left people feeling more alone, with greater anxiety and increasing feelings of despair. The mental health crisis in our country only grows greater, exacerbated by the surrounding circumstances of the past couple of years. With that, there has been a growing longing for wholeness and healing within our country within all generations.

The Transfiguration reminds us that religious experiences are real and God wants to impact our lives in ways that we can't even imagine. This is evident in Asbury and the remarkable attendance nationwide to see the Jesus Revolution movie. But similar to the Transfiguration story, Jesus calls us down from the mountain to then share that with other people, "Come see Jesus who changed my life and he can change yours too." Many of us have beautiful religious experiences that have formed us and have confirmed belief in God.

In recent years, we have been plagued by the collective sense that faith is only meant to remain in the personal sphere. God has been pushed out of our schools, our political sphere and slowly out of family life. I pray that this period of revival in our country will embolden people to share their faith because the alternative is not working. We desperately need Jesus; we need these Transfiguration and revival moments in our lives to spark the gift of the Holy Spirit within us and to stir our souls to love as God does. But to make this happen we first need to climb the mountain; we need to take the first step. A few suggestions for those first few steps, go to Adoration (every Wednesday at St. James), go to Confession and clean your soul, increase a longing for the mystery of Jesus in the Eucharist and receiving him at Mass, pray together as a family, don't be afraid of sharing Jesus with others. Lord let revival take place in our hearts! Bring the fire of your Holy Spirit!

Parish Life 2023



This week's linens will be cared for by Mary Nelson.

- Sun 3/19** No Formation - See Schedule
RCIA class meeting after mass, 2nd Scrutiny
St. Joseph's Table, Pasta & Cookie Takeouts in the hall. Extra Orders available. Come support this special event!
- Mon 3/20** Morning Star Holy Hour, St. James - 5:45pm
- Tues 3/21** No Mass on Tuesdays.
BAM—Be A Man Ministry Bible Study
6:30pm Hall. All men 18 years & over, no cost!
Rosary 5:15pm Zoom. Call the rectory for codes.
- Weds 3/22** Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 9am, until the 7pm Mass.
Confessions 6-6:30pm Chapel confessional.
- Thurs 3/23** Mass at OLV in Frewsburg is now **5pm**.
Folk Group 6pm & Choir 7pm Church
- Fri 3/24** Divine Mercy Novena 9:30am Zoom
Stations of the Cross 5:15pm Church
- Sat 3/25** Confessions 3-3:30pm Chapel confessional.



Catholic Charities - Personal Care Items Drive
Donations of toothpaste, toothbrushes, soap, shampoo and condition, feminine hygiene products, deodorant, lotion, razors and shaving cream or gel are being collected at St. James until March 26th to be distributed to individuals and families in need across our eight counties and in our area. Please bring your donated items to the box located in our church vestibule. *Thank you for your generosity & kindness!*

CC: St. James' goal for Catholic Charities is \$24,719.
As of March 14th our donations total \$15,134 or 61%.

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 30th**.

Offertory for Sunday, March 12th, 2023

Collections: \$6,373.22 + Online E-Giving: \$831.90 +
Monthly: \$372 + Fuel: \$239 + Easter Flowers: \$295
= Total: **\$8,111.12**

A grateful 'thank you' for your kind and generous support!

United States Bankruptcy Court For the Western District of New York
In re The Diocese of Buffalo, N.Y., Case No. 20-10322

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT, On February 28, 2020, The Diocese of Buffalo, N.Y. ("Diocese") files for protection under chapter 11 of title 11 of the United States Code (the "Bankruptcy Code").

The Court entered an Order (the "**Supplemental Bar Date Order**") setting April 17, 2023 at 11:59 P.M. (prevailing Eastern Time) (the "**Supplemental Bar Date**") as the deadline to assert claims against the Diocese arising from or relating to abuse that occurred when the survivor was 18 years of age or older, and which, prior to the enactment of the Adult Survivors Act (S.66A/A.648A) would have been subject to a statute of limitations defense ("**Adult Claims**").

If you have an Adult Claim against the Diocese you must file a claim on or before the Supplemental Bar Date.

ANY CLAIM FILED PURSUANT TO THE SUPPLEMENTAL BAR DATE ORDER SHALL BE WITHOUT PREJUDICE TO THE RIGHT OF ANY PARTY IN INTEREST TO ASSERT OBJECTIONS TO ANY CLAIM OR ITS TIMELINESS.

Please visit <https://case.stretto.com/dioceseofbuffalo> or call (855)292-7696 for more information on how to file your proof of claim.

IF YOU DO NOT TIMELY FILE A PROOF OF CLAIM, YOU MAY FORFEIT YOUR RIGHT TO VOTE ON ANY PLAN OF REORGANIZATION AND TO SHARE IN ANY DISTRIBUTIONS TO CREDITORS IN CONNECTION WITH THE DIOCESE'S CHAPTER 11 CASE.

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