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Weekend Masses

Saturday Evening Vigil...4PM

Sunday...8AM

Weekday Masses

Monday & Friday...8AM

Wednesday...7PM

Mass at Our Lady of Victory, Frewsburg NY Thursday...5PM

RECONCILIATION in the Church 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.

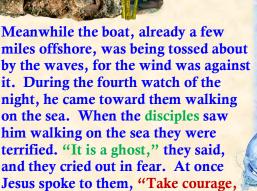
Sacrament of Baptism: Please call the rectory to schedule your pre-baptism class and a date for your child's baptism.

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.

-Matthew 14:22-23



After he had fed the people, Jesus made the disciples get into a boat and precede him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. After doing so, he went up on the mountain by himself to pray. When it was evening he was there alone.



it is I; do not be afraid." Peter said

to him in reply, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." He said, "Come." Peter got out of the boat and began to walk on the water toward Jesus. But when he saw how strong the wind was he became frightened; and, beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!"



Immediately Jesus stretched out his hand and caught Peter, and said to him, "O you of little faith, why did you doubt?"

After they got into the boat, the wind died down. Those who were in the boat did him homage, saying, "Truly, you are the Son of God."

The Gospel of the Lord

St. James Parish — Sunday, August 13th, 2023

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, August 12th—St. Jane Frances de Chantal

Janet Lindell † 4:00 pm

by John & Patty Minavio

4:00 pm Giuseppe Vullo (Birthday) & Teresa Giuffre †

by Mary Vullo

Sunday, August 13th—19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Rosaria Toscano † (Birthday) 8:00 am

by Sister, Luigia

Monday, August 14th—St. Maximilian Kolbe

Angelo & Maria Giuffre † 8:00 am

by Son, Chuck

Tuesday, August 15th—The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

A Holy Day of Obligation

Sacred Heart, Lakewood 8:00 am

St. Patrick, Randolph

Our Lady of Loreto, Falconer 9:00 am

St. James, Jamestown 7:00 pm

Pro-Populo: For the Parishioners

St. John, Jamestown

Wednesday, August 16th—St. Stephen of Hungary

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 9am-7pm

Confessions in the Chapel 6pm-6:30pm

Margaret Cygan † (Anniversary) 7:00 pm

by Sue Laughlin

Thursday, August 17th

Mass at Our Lady of Victory, Frewsburg NY

5:00 pm Carol Swain †

by Mike Lennon

Friday, August 18th

Vincent "Jim" Capizzi † (Anniversary) 8:00 am

by Sue Laughlin

Saturday, August 19th—St. John Eudes, B.V.M., World Humanitarian Day

4:00 pm Francesco Conti † (Birthday)

by Daughter Roseann Yezzi

& Wife, Josephine Conti

4:00 pm Michael P. Hacker †

by the St. James Staff

Sunday, August 20th—20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am In honor of **Jeanette & Tom Gluszak**

(25th Wedding Anniversary)

by the Nutt Family

Please pray for the repose of the souls of our dearly departed

Jacqueline La Tona † and Carol Swain †

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.



The **Sanctuary Light** will burn this week in memory of Francesco "Gino" Iuculano by Wife & Children.

The **Wine** & **Hosts** are offered in loving honor of The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary 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.

MASS SCHEDULE *Area Parishes*

Monday:

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

Tuesday:

8am St. Patrick, Randolph 9am Our Lady of Loreto, Falconer

Wednesday:

8am St. John, Jamestown 6-6:30pm Confessions, St. James 7pm St. James, Jamestown

8am St. Patrick, Randolph 9am Our Lady of Loreto, Falconer 5pm Our Lady of Victory, Frewsburg

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

Saturday:

3-3:30pm Confessions, St. James 4pm St. James, Jamestown 4pm Our Lady of Loreto, Falconer 4-4:30pm Confessions, Sacred Heart 5:30pm Sacred Heart, Lakewood 5:30pm St. Patrick, Randolph

7am Ss. Peter & Paul, Jamestown 8am St. James, Jamestown 8:30am Our Lady of Snows, Panama 9am St. John, Jamestown 10am Sacred Heart, Lakewood 11am Ss. Peter & Paul, Jamestown 11am St. Patrick, Randolph

Weekend Mass Changes Effective ~ Geptember 2 & 3

Saturday:

4pm St. James, Jamestown 4pm Our Lady of Snows, Panama 5:30pm St Patrick, Randolph

Sunday:

8am St. James, Jamestown 9am St. John, Jamestown 9am Sacred Heart, Lakewood 10am Our Lady of Loreto, Falconer 11am Ss. Peter & Paul, Jamestown 11am St. Patrick, Randolph

THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY, August 15th

A Holy Day of Obligation ~ Mass Schedule

8 AM Sacred Heart, Lakewood St. Patrick, Randolph

9 AM Our Lady of Loreto, Falconer

7 PM St. James, Jamestown St. John, Jamestown

FAITH FORMATION NEWS

We are sending out registration packets to all parents this week for our 2023-2024 faith formation classes. Included will be a letter explaining what is happening with our classes, along with a registration form and permission slip. If anyone does not receive this mailing, please contact our office at 716.664.4237 or <u>faithform.stjamesparish@wny.twcbc.com</u>, and we will get it out to you. There will also be copies at the St. James office as well. Bring your registrations to our open house at Sacred Heart, Lakewood, on Saturday, August 26th from 4-5pm.

Job Opportunity — Business Manager

Family #5, which includes the parishes of Christ Our Hope (French Creek), St. Dominic's (Westfield), and St. Mary of Lourdes (Bemus Point) has an approved business manager position for a person trained and experienced in accounting. The position description is on the diocesan website:

- Just go to the **Diocese of Buffalo** website: www.buffalodiocese.org and click the 3-bar image on the upper right of the screen
- Select "Careers & Opportunities", then "Job Board"
- Or, you may call Tom Powers, trustee at St Mary of Lourdes Parish, at 716.316.4315



St. James Parish — The Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

From the desk of Fr. Paul Cygan

This week we celebrate the Solemnity of the Assumption of Mary. It is the fourth Marian dogma of the Church, which means that it is teaching of the Church of the highest degree. The other dogmas of Mary are, 1) Mary as the Mother of God 2) Mary's perpetual virginity 3) Mary's Immaculate Conception. There are other beliefs about Mary such as that she is the coredemptrix and mediatrix, but they are at the level of doctrine and not dogma. Doctrine is also teachings of the Church that are very important but do not reach the level of importance as a dogma. Mary as coredemptrix means that Mary shared in Christ's Passion in such a unique way because she was sinless that her sufferings united with Christ's contributed to the act of redemption (See Colossians 1:24 where St. Paul claims he can "make up what is lacking in Christ's sufferings"). And mediatrix means that God gave Mary the responsibility of giving humanity grace. The grace's origin is still God, but God in turn allows Mary to dispense the grace where it is needed. This is why you see Mary depicted in the Miraculous Medal with rays of grace coming from her hands.

As you can see, the Church places a lot of importance on the Blessed Mother Mary, not because she is equal to Jesus or to God (She is not the fourth person of the Blessed Trinity), but because she always leads the way to God by her example and her motherly care. There is a specific and unique honor that we give to Mary that is higher than the saints and the angels, but lower than that we give to God. And the Church has given such a distinction with the Latin words, Latria, Dulia and Hyperdulia.

Latria means adoration or worship. This honor is given to God alone.

Dulia means reverence or devotion. This honor is given to the saints and the angels. When we direct our intercessory prayer towards the saints and the angels, they bring those prayers to God himself. Instead of saying we are praying to the saints and angels, it may be more accurate to say we are praying through them or through their intercession.

Hyperdulia is a reverence and devotion that is reserved only for Mary. Since she is the queen of the angels and the saints, but she still brings our petitions to God, she deserves an honor that is similar but greater than Dulia, therefore we have the word Hyperdulia.

During this Solemnity of the Assumption, we remember Mary's singular role in the story of salvation and remember that she deserves our reverence and devotion. As our spiritual mother she is always attentive to her spiritual children leading us closer to Jesus. Happy Solemnity of the Assumption!

Offertory for Sunday, August 6th, 2023

Collections: \$6,456.22 + Monthly: \$472 = Total: \$6,928.22 *Retired Priests Fund: \$1,127*

Your generosity to our parish is very much appreciated, as well as the wonderful support offered to the priests of our diocese. May you be richly blessed for all of your good works and selfless giving!

Parish Life

This week's linens will be cared for by Renee Sperry.



Sat 8/12	Confessions heard 3-3:30pm in the Church
Mon 8/14	Finance Committee Mtg, 6pm Hall

Tues 8/15 Holy Day of Obligation, See Schedule of Masses

Bible Study/Bk. of James 6-7:30pm, Library
Weds 8/16 Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, 9am-7pm

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, 9am-7pm Confessions heard 6-6:30pm in the Church

Thurs 8/17 Core & Peer Team Mtg. 7pm

Sat 8/19 Confessions heard 3-3:30pm in the Church

Sun 8/20 Coffee Hour after 8am Mass, Hall Youth Group, 5-7pm Hall



It's COFFEE HOUR! Please join us for coffee hour and fellowship in the church hall **next Sunday**, **August 20 after the 8am Mass**. The Festival Committee will be hosting our social. Come enjoy donuts, coffee and meet great friends!

The Diocese of Buffalo and Survivors Find Common Ground as Mediation Continues

Negotiations have been ongoing between the Roman Catholic Diocese of Buffalo and the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors appointed in the Diocese's chapter 11 reorganization proceeding. The Committee have found common ground on one key issue: they're searching for more insurance coverage.

The Diocese has robust records of insurance coverage beginning in 1972, but has to this point been largely unsuccessful in locating proof of insurance prior to that time. Nevertheless, the Diocese and the Committee are committed to working together to locate additional policies.

"We know the Diocese owned property before 1972, and that it would have been insured. The question is what companies insured the Diocese in those years," said Ilan Scharf, an attorney for the Committee.

"We've agreed to proceed cooperatively on a number of fronts," said attorney Steven Donato, who represents the Diocese. "That includes further efforts to find policy evidence in old diocesan records and inquiries to insurance agencies that may have placed the coverage."

Seeking Help From the Community

The Diocese and the Committee are also asking the public for help. Their hope is to find someone who worked decades ago at an insurance carrier or agency, or who might otherwise have knowledge or evidence of pre-1972 insurance coverage for the Diocese.

Under New York Law, insurance coverage may be available even if a copy of the actual policy is never found. Rather, evidence that a policy was issued can be used to prove coverage. Such evidence might include notes in business records, cancelled checks, accounting ledgers or policy numbers or the memories of people who worked for the Diocese, parishes or insurance companies or brokers.



A memorial gift was presented to our Music Ministry department in memory of **Maria Immordino** by Valerie & Mia Heggarty and family.

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