# Catholic Neighbors in Faith



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#### **Holy Apostles**

Ss. Peter & Paul

508 Cherry St. Jamestown NY 14701

St. John

282 Newton Ave. Jamestown NY 14701

#### St. James

27 Allen St.

Jamestown NY 14701

## Our Lady of Victory Oratory

6 Institute St. Frewsburg NY 14378

#### Sacred Heart

380 E. Fairmount Ave. Lakewood NY 14750

#### Our Lady of the Snows

36 E. Main St. Panama NY 14767

#### St. Patrick

189 Main St. Randolph NY 14772

#### **Our Lady of Loreto**

309 W. Everett St. Falconer NY 14733

## Happenings within Our Parish Families...

- St. Vincent de Paul meets the 1st & 3rd Mondays of the month at SSPP Church Hall at 3pm.
- BAM Bible Study every Tuesday at St. James Church Hall at 6:30pm.
- 12/11 LTMTP Lord Teach Me To Pray at St. James Church Hall at 6pm.
- 12/11 St. Patrick Advent Penance Service at 6PM
   St. James Bible Study Dinner Celebration 6pm Bible Study will be on break until Jan. 8, 2024
- 12/12 St. James Advent Holy Hour Service 6:30pm
- 12/15 Last day to donate *Toys for Tots*, collection boxes are at each of the churches
   Our Lady of Loreto Morning Star Holy Hour 5:45pm
   St. James Music Ministry Rehearsal 6pm
- 12/17 St. John Christmas Pageant 2pm All are welcome!
   Sacred Heart will be decorating the church after the 9am Mass. All are welcome to come & help.
   Our Lady of Loreto will have a Living Nativity at 11am







# Please Pray For:

## Parish Family members who are ill:

John Adams
Rose Atkins
Gayle Boudreau
James Boudreau
Darrell Cavness
Collins Family
Erica Collins
Michelle Cracker
Grant Damon
Michael Danielson
Gail Gillig

Elizabeth LaMantia
Nancy Johnson
Sam McMaster
Nancy Michaels
Elizabeth Nguyen
My Nguyen
James Post
Louis Rieg
Marty Sargent
Andrea Schneider
Donald Segrue
Dorothy and David Seth
Robert Sprankle

Emily Sechriest
Savannah Steves
Megan and Sean
Ellen Tyler
Therese Whit
The Unborn
People of the Ukraine
Those in the Military

All those touched by loneliness or illness.

And all parishioners in need of our prayers.

Call the parish office if you would like to add a name to our prayer list.

Please Note: You must have the permission of the person you want listed before we can add them to this list.

# **Mass Intentions**

#### Saturday, December 9th

JMS - 4:00 PM † Joe Conti

by Joe & sister, Josie Palermo & Family

† George D. D'Angelo

by St. James Choir

OLS - 4:00 PM Int. Krystyna Muniz (Birthday) by Mom

Int. of Emily Sechrist (99th Birthday)

by Fran Bauer & Kathie Irwin

PAT - 5:30 PM † **Joseph Oishei** by John & Patricia Druar

#### Sunday, December 10th

JMS - 8:00 AM † Maria Immordino

by Giovanna Colletti

JHN - 9:00 AM † Minnie & John Colera & DM of Colera Family

by Children & Grandchildren

SHR - 9:00 AM † Betty Lipari

by John & Joy Hurst and Joanne Grey

OLL - 10:00 AM † **Alan Rogers** (birthday) by the Marcum family

PAT - 11:00 AM † John Ducette

by the Estate

SPP - 11:00 AM † **Rev. Dennis Mende** (birthday) by the Catholic Daughters

#### Monday, December 11th

JMS - 8:00 AM † **Angelo & Maria Giuffre** by Son, Charles

SHR - 9:00 AM † The Cappa Family by the Estate

SPP - 12:10 PM † Living & Deceased Mothers by the Parishioners

#### Tuesday, December 12th

PAT - 8:00 AM † **John Ducette** by the Estate

OLL - 9:00 AM † Evelyn McDonald

by Chris, Sharon & Alexis McDonald

#### Wednesday, December 13th

JHN - 8:00 AM † Living & Deceased Fathers

by the Parishioners

JMS - 7:00 PM † **Rev. John Kuhlmann** (Anniversary) by Ted & Susanna Kurtzhals

#### Thursday, December 14th

OLL - 9:00 AM † Living & Deceased Mothers by the Parishioners

OLV - 5:00 PM **A Special Intention** by Mike & Audrey Shannon

#### Friday, December 15th

JMS - 8:00 AM † Russell & Vienna Gullo by the Family

SHR - 9:00 AM † **Rev. Joseph Dowdell** by the Parish

SPP -12:10 PM † **Michael Welch** (Anniv. of Death) by Linda & Keith Miller and Family

#### Saturday, December 16th

JMS - 4:00 PM † **DMO the Edda Liuzzo Family** 

by Sal Liuzzo

† Joe & Janet Trussalo

by Son, Anthony

OLS - 4:00 PM † Mary Fitzgerald

by Sally Twichell

† James Maleski (birthday)

by Chris, Maryann, Alec & Christopher Blose

PAT - 5:30 PM † Living & Deceased Fathers by the Parishioners

#### Sunday, December 17th

JMS - 8:00 AM † Joe Conti

by Giovanna Colletti

JHN - 9:00 AM † **Matthew Sean Rhoney** (birthday) by the Family

† **Dr. James A. Scarpino** (Anniv.) by Dr. James Scarpino & Family

SHR - 9:00 AM † The Cappa Family by the Estate

OLL -10:00 AM † **Sr. Claudia Malenga** (birthday) by Sister, Lorraine

PAT -11:00 AM † Rita Sienkiewicz & John Andrews by the Family

SPP -11:00 AM † Michael & Pearl Farnella by Josephine Farnella

† **Mairanne de la Cerda** (Birthday) by the de la Cerda Family

JMS—St. James JHN—St. John

OLL—Our Lady of Loreto
OLS—Our Lady of the Snows

OLV—Our Lady of Victory PAT—St. Patrick

SPP—Ss. Peter & Paul SHR—Sacred Heart

# Holy Apostles Parish SS. Peter & Paul Church & St. John Church

508 Cherry St. • 282 Newton Ave. • Jamestown NY 14701 716-664-5703

Wine • Hosts • Sanctuary Lamps • Memorials

#### SSPP Church

**Sanctuary Light In Memory of James Manno**by Wife, Joan and Family

#### St. John Church

Wine

**In Memory of** *Tammy Yezzi* **and** *Minnie & John Colera* by Mom, Dad, Children & Grandchildren

#### Hosts

In Memory of our parents, Vincent & Arasma Consiglio, Sr., Brothers - Vincent Consiglio Jr. & Frank Consiglio Sr. by Gerri Mazzurco & Sam Consiglio

Sanctuary Light
In Memory of June Gullotti
by the Family





#### Thank You...

The Catholic Daughters of the Americas, Court Saint Gertrude #92, wish to thank all those who made the drawing such a success.

# The following individuals were the winners of the Catholic Daughters Drawing :

James Alexander (St. James) \$100; Marilyn Lehman (St. John) \$100; Jim Boland (Sacred Heart) \$200; Martha Wirsen (SSPP) \$200, and Aviel Paul Muscarella (Family Church) \$400

#### Memorials were given to Holy Apostles Parish

In Memory of Dorothy Ludwiczak

by Greg & Diane Kohl

In Memory of Rosalie Consiglio (birthday)

by Sebastian & Gerri Bonfiglio

In Memory of our brother, Frank Consiglio, Sr. (birthday & anniversary)

by Gerri Mazzurco & Sam Consiglio



Please pray for the repose of the soul of *Miriam Albizu Rodriguez*. Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and may perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and all the souls of the faithful

departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen

#### **Christmas Decoration & Flower Donations**

For those who do NOT receive Parish Offertory Envelopes but would like to donate towards Christmas Decorations and Flowers, please fill out the slip below and include it with your donation. All donations must be received by December 18th. If you are able, please donate \$10/plant.

Name:	 	
Address: _	 	
Telephone:	 	
Parish:		

#### Sacred Heart Parish & Our Lady of the Snows

380 E. Fairmount Ave. ● 36 E. Main St. ● Lakewood NY 14750

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#### **Hosts**

**In Memory of Jim Maitland** (anniversary of death) by wife, Joanne

Sanctuary Light In honor of Marilyn Wozneak (birthday) by Mary Griffin & Margaret Swanson





Confession During Lent there will be 2 priests available at St. James Church on Saturdays from 3 - 3:30pm for confession either in the Confessional or in the Chapel. Confessions are also heard on Wednesdays, 6-6:30 pm at St. James or by calling the central office for an appointment.



#### SACRED HEART CHURCH INVITES YOU TO COME DECORATE WITH US



We will be decorating Sacred Heart Church in Lakewood next weekend. Please join us after the 9:00 Mass next Sunday morning as we prepare our church for the birth of our Savior. All ages and skill levels are welcome!

#### Liturgical Dates: December 10 - 16

December 10 - Second Sunday of Advent

December 11 - St. John Damasus I, Pope

December 12 - Our Lady of Guadalupe

December 13 - St. Lucy, Virgin, Martyr

December 14 - St. John of the Cross, Priest, & Doctor of the Church

December 17 - Third Sunday of Advent

#### **IMPORTANT MESSAGE:**

Catholic Neighbors In Faith is the "umbrella name" for our 5 parish families, but it is only that...a name, and not an actual building.

Therefore, you cannot write checks directly to CNIF. When writing checks, you must write the name of the specific parish you wish your donation to be given. *Thank you!* 

#### Our Stewardship

#### Financial reports for Dec 2 - 3

St. James / Our Lady of Victory Parish Improvement & Flowers	•		
Holy Apostles	\$4889.00		
Repair & Main			
Our Lady of Loreto	\$1521.00		
Monthlly	\$219.00		
St. Patrick	\$1415.00		
Sacred Heart / Our Lady of the Snows			
11/25 - 26	\$3235.25		
Repair & Main	\$306.00		

#### **Please Note**

If you are interested in purchasing the Wine or Hosts for a particular month "In Memory Of..." or "In Honor Of..." that special someone, please call the Central Office at 716-487-0125. The cost for the Wine is \$40, the Hosts are \$25; and the Sanctuary Lamp Memorial for one week is \$10. A special card will be sent to the family notifying them of your donation.

#### St. Patrick Parish

**189 Main St.** ● Randolph NY **14772** 

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Wine, Hosts and Sanctuary Light for the Month of December

In Memory of the Killburn & Hoffman families by the Riddell family



Please be sure to bring your Angel Tree gifts to the church by December 10th .



The Holy Name Society of Our Lady of Loreto will hold their meeting on December 14th at 6:30PM in the church hall. If you are interested in knowing more, please join them.

### **Guardians Needed**

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at St. James Church

We have the holy Sacrament exposed in the chapel of St. James every Wednesday from 9:00am to 7:00pm for everyone to come and pray.

We need individuals to sign up for a weekly hour to help keep the sacrament open through these hours.

Please call the Central Office if you can help at 716.487.0125.

### Our Lady of Loreto Parish

309 W. Everett St. • Falconer NY 14733

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#### Lunch & Movie

Join your friends and family for Lunch and a Movie at 11am in the Parish Hall.



Each Sunday at 9:30am there will be a Rosary prayer service prior to the 10am Mass. It is open to anyone who would like to pray the Rosary. All you need is your Rosary.



# St. James Parish Our Lady of Victory Oratory

27 Allen St. ● Jamestown NY 14701 6 Institute St. ● Frewsburg, NY 14738

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Hosts In Memory of *Kevin Caffoe* by Valerie Scarpino Sanctuary Light In Memory of Michael Gullotti by Carl & Maria Gullotti & family

#### **CNIF Family Advent Holy Hour**

Where: St. James Worship Site

When: The next 2 Tuesdays leading up to Christmas -

12, 19

Time: 6:30 pm

"This is a time to pray, reflect and prepare to

celebrate the Birth of Jesus."

#### The Stephanie Frucella Gift Fund

A special fund for college scholarships provided by the Frucella Family is available again this year for anyone who is a registered member of St. James parish and is currently attending college in pursuit of a 2-year associate or technical school program or a master's degree.

The application requirements are available at the Central Office. Applicants will need a letter from their pastor acknowledging participation at Mass and/or assisting other ministries.

Completed applications should be mailed to: St. James Church, 27 Allen Street, Jamestown, NY, 14701, starting Monday, January 1, 2024.

#### Night Prayer

Each evening at 9pm the clergy will be holding a Night Prayer on the Catholic Neighbors in Faith Facebook page. There are Night Prayer books on sale at the Central Office for \$10, 2 at 7 Allen St. Jamestown.



Saint James Prayer Shawl Ministry is seeking to provide a little warmth from those who have... and for those who don't have. We are accepting new or gently used hats, gloves, mittens, scarves and socks for our

clothesline located at the former Thrift store. Please consider donating items to help our neighbors in need. A collection box is located in the vestibule of the church. Thank you for your support and generosity.

Prayer shawls and lap robes are universal and embracing. They comfort and enfold, wrap and warm, mother and hug, shelter and embrace. The gift of a prayer shawl enables the recipient to be surrounded by prayer and is a tangible reminder of God's care, love, encouragement and inspiration.

The Prayer Shawl Ministry invites you to join us on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of each month at 6:00 PM in the Library at Saint James. We knit or crochet a variety of items for those in need of spiritual, mental or physical healing. No experience required - we are happy to share our skills.

#### **Bulletin Mailings for all Parishes**

Due to the cost of rising prices, we are no longer able to mail bulletins each week at no cost.

Effective January 1, 2024, if you would like to have a bulletin mailed to your home weekly, you will need to send a *check made payable to your home parish* in the amount of \$50.00 to:

# Catholic Neighbors in Faith 27 Allen St., Jamestown NY 14701

If you know someone who is homebound and would like to keep connected to the church, ask them if this is something they would like. Or, surprise them and give it to them as a Christmas gift!

For more information, please call the Central Office at 716-487-0125 to get things set up.

#### Reflections

#### Second Sunday of Advent

#### Prepare the Way of the Lord

Saint Peter shows us a characteristic of God that we normally do not think about. He tells us that for God, "a day is like a thousand years and a thousand years like one day" (2 Peter 3:8). Somehow, God is not restricted by time as we are. Taken literally, that seems to violate the laws of physics. Of course, God made those laws, so if anyone can ignore them, God certainly could. More likely, because early Christians sometimes complained that Jesus' second coming had been delayed, Peter is trying to tell us that what seems like a long time to us is nothing to God.

Like the early Christians, we may wonder how long it will take for God to answer our prayers. We may be praying for someone who is looking for a job, a sick relative, an end to abortion, or world peace. Some prayers just take time to be answered, especially if a large number of people need to change their hearts to make it happen. Some prayers require us to change, and we may not be ready.

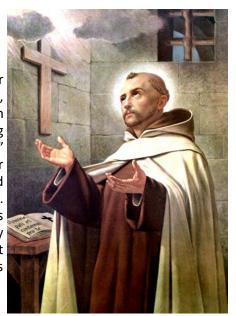
What Peter means is that a thousand years is not too long for God if someone needs that long to repent. God is far more patient than we are. If someone had been fighting me for months or years, I would probably give up on them. But God can wait till we are mature enough to face our sins and be sorry for them. In the same way, God has been "waiting" over two thousand years for us to preach the gospel to all nations. God has been waiting for millennia for people to give up war as a means for solving our problems. God has been waiting since the beginning of the human race for us to learn how to love our neighbor.

We might not be as patient as God but we can help. Saint Peter says that we are not just waiting for the Lord's return, we are hastening it. When we make a choice that is based on faith rather than selfishness, we make it a little easier for people to believe in God. Jesus is the light of the world; he asks us to let our light shine, so that people can see Jesus in us. May our light "prepare the way of the Lord" (Mark 1:3).

### Saint of the Week

#### SAINT JOHN OF THE CROSS (c. 1542-1591) December 14

How beautiful the experience of love for God and neighbor, a fire deep within! How disheartening when love suddenly cools; and our souls grow dark, our prayer arid. How painful when misunderstanding, even rejection, comes our way, sometimes from those we least expect. For all such "seasons of the soul," an inspiring fellow-pilgrim is the poet and mystic, John of the Cross. As a young Carmelite, he was recruited by Teresa of Avila for her Discalced ("barefoot," evangelical poverty) Carmelite reform, striving to renew the Church from within after the Protestant Reformation had led countless religious away. John suffered unspeakably harsh abuse, even imprisonment, from friars who rejected this reform. Yet during these times of deepest suffering, John composed spiritual masterpieces that still guide souls to God, their titles reflecting his own painful yet ultimately victorious journey: from The Dark Night of the Soul, through The Ascent of Mount Carmel, to his Spiritual Canticle and The Living Flame of Love. John summarized his spirituality simply: "Put love where there is no love, and you will find love."



#### **Faith Formation**

Faith Formation classes this Sunday, December 10 at the St. John's site and the Sacred Heart site are from 10am until 11:30 am following the 9 am Mass. The Randolph site classes are from 9am until 10:30am followed by Mass at 11am.

December 17<sup>th</sup> classes for the St. John's site are at 2pm in the church hall for the presentation of the 'Christmas Pageant'. The students from Our Lady of Loreto are presenting the "Living Nativity" after the 10 am Mass at Our Loreto. Everyone is invited presentations. What a wonderful way to prepare our hearts for Christmas.



#### THE GRATITUDE TREE

During the Advent and Christmas season, we are often blessed with gifts and goodies from our family and friends. It's important that we remember to be grateful for all these amazing blessings in our life. By hanging these ornaments on our Christmas Tree, it'll remind us to thank God for all the great things he has given us.

- You'll need:

  Gratitude Tree Ornaments

  Markers

  Ribbon and hole punch

Prep:
Print the ornaments.

- Activity:
  Tell the kids:

  1. Choose your ornaments and cut them out.

  2. Write something that you are grateful for.

  3. Color the ornament and use the ribbon to hang it on your tree.
- Take a picture of you with your ornament and send it to catholickids@catchat.ca
  or tag us on Instagram @catchat\_for\_kids.





# **Catholic Neighbors in Faith Memorial**

# In Loving Memory Memorial Page

This is a great opportunity to have your loved ones remembered. Your loved one's name (s) will be listed each week on a page in the bulletin. A donation is requested.

A yearly donation of \$50 is asked per line. This offering goes to help support the parish community.

There are two options. 1) Listed as one individual name: "Mary Jones," or 2) You may list family groupings: "The Jones Family." 3) Multiple names may be listed; "Tom Smith and Mary Jones." The cost is \$50 per line.

We hope to have the Memorial page ready for print by the beginning of January 2024.

If this memorial listing is complete they will run from January 2024 - December 31, 2024.

Please complete the form below. Make your check out to your parish and mail it to: 27 Allen St. Jamestown NY 14701.



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

May the prayers of Mary, the Mother of God, who stood by the cross as Her Son was dying, help those who mourn for our brothers and sisters and accompany all of us in our time of need. Amen.

This is a great opportunity to have your loved ones remembered throughout the entire year. Your loved ones will be listed bulletin each week.

- Please Include \$50.00 Per line
- Please Print Clearly
- Please Complete This Form and Return It to the Central Office With Your check.

Application For Catholic Neighbors in Faith Memorial				
Memorial Listing				
Name (s)				
Contact Information				
Your Name	Parish			
Street				
City	State	Zip		
Phone				