

Catholic Neighbors in Faith



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Ss. Peter & Paul
508 Cherry St.
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St. John

282 Newton Ave.
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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

Office Hours: Monday - Friday 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM

February 11, 2024 • The Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Happenings within Our Parish Families...

- St. Vincent de Paul meets the 1st & 3rd Mondays of the month at SSPP Church Hall at 3pm.
- Holy Apostles Handbell Choir practice Tuesdays - Peter & Paul Church at 6:30-7:30pm.
- Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is at St. James chapel every Wednesday - 9am until the 7pm Mass.
- Confessions are heard at St. James Church, Wednesdays, 6 - 6:30pm followed by Mass at 7pm & Saturdays from 3 - 3:30pm followed by Mass at 4pm.
- Knights of Columbus meets at K of C Hall located at 25 Twenty-first St., Jamestown at 6pm on the 2nd Thursday of each month.
- St. James Music Ministry rehearses on Thursdays in the Church at 6pm.
- Holy Apostles Jubilate Singers practice on Thursdays at St. John Church, 6:15 - 7-30pm.
- Liturgy of the Hours on Zoom on Fridays at 9am. Call the central office at 716.487.0125 for the ID & passcode information to join.
- This week Feb. 11, the Linens for St. James will be cared for by Josie Palermo.
- Our Lady of Loreto Holy Name Society will meet this Sunday, Feb. 11 at 11:00AM at the OLL Church Hall.
- Be A Man Ministry meets at St. James on Tuesdays, Feb. 13, 20 & 27 at 6:30pm in the Hall Classroom.
- Coffee Hour at St. James after the 8am Mass next Sunday, Feb. 18 in the Hall.
- St. James Altar & Rosary meets next Sunday, Feb. 18 at 9:30am in the Hall.
- Youth Group meets next Sunday, Feb. 18 for grades 9-12th at St. John's Church from 5-7 pm
- Lord Teach Me To Pray meets at St. James on Mondays, Feb. 19 & 26 at 6-7:15pm in the Hall Classroom.
- St. Patrick's Day party at Our Lady of Victory Hall in Frewsburg on March 16, 6-9pm. Please call the central office for reservations - limit to 100 persons. See the enclosed bulletin ad.
- St. Joseph's Table , March 19 at St. James Church Hall - Look for more info. in next week's bulletin.

ASH WEDNESDAY MASS TIMES

7am - OLL
8am - JHN

8am - SHR
12:10 - SSP

7pm - JMS
7pm - PAT

Please Pray For . . .

Parish Family members who are ill:

John Adams
Rose Atkins
Timothy Bean
Gayle Boudreau
James Boudreau
Darrell Cavness
Collins Family
Erica Collins
Michelle Cracker
Marcia de la Cerda
Grant Damon
Gail Gillig
Bohdan Kanicki

Miles Sebastian Laska
Elizabeth LaMantia
Burke Lindquist
Shelly Pacheco-
Johannessen
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.
Those in purgatory.

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, February 10

JMS - 4:00PM † **Theodore & Elizabeth Kurtzhals**
By Ted & Susanna Kurtzhals
† **Amy Paterniti**
By John Damond

OLS - 4:00PM † **Louise McAndrews**
By the Wescott family

PAT - 5:30PM † **Rita Sienkiewicz**
By the Hoffman family

Sunday, February 11 - Sixth Ordinary Sunday

JMS - 8:00AM † **L & DMO the Scully & Miller Families**
By Jim & Mary Lou Scully

JHN - 9:00AM † **Miriam Rodriguez**
By Rita Marsh

SHR - 9:00AM † **L & D Mothers**
By Parishioners

OLL - 10:00AM † **Beverly Foote**
By Samuel Raimondo & Family

SPP - 11:00AM † **James Buziak**
By Mother, Sylvia & Robert Burnett

PAT - 11:00AM † **L & D Mothers**
By Parishioners

Monday, February 12

JMS - 8:00AM **Mass for the Parishioners**
By the Priest

SHR - 9:00AM † **Patricia Moniot**
By Ingrid Grunert

SPP - 12:10PM † **Mary Hendrickson**
By Family

Tuesday, February 13

PAT - 8:00 AM † **L & D Fathers**
By Parishioners

OLL - 9:00 AM † **Amelia Malenga** (*Birthday*)
By Daughter, Lorraine

Wednesday, February 14 Ash Wednesday

OLL - 7:00 AM † **Evelyn McDonald**
By Alexis, Chris & Sharon

JHN - 8:00 AM † **Dominick & Angelina Lombardo**
By Laura Felice

SHR - 8:00 AM † **Souls of the Faithful Departed**
By Parishioners

SPP - 12:10PM † **Tiffany Hall**
By Pat O'Hara

JMS - 7:00 PM † **Fernando Pintagro** (*Birthday*)
By Sister, Josephine Conti & Family

PAT - 7:00 PM † **Living & Deceased Fathers**
By Parishioners

Thursday, February 15

OLL - 9:00 AM † **Living & Deceased Fathers**
By Parishioners

OLV - 5:00 PM † **Living & Deceased Mothers**
By Parishioners

Friday, February 16

JMS - 8:00AM † **Mary Elizabeth Calanni** (*Birthday*)
By Sister, Carol Proestler

SHR - 9:00AM † **Beverly Foote**
By Morning Mass Group

SPP - 12:10PM † **Bessie Riolo & Sara Rapp**
By Nina Riolo

Saturday, February 17 St. Scholastica

JMS - 4:00PM † **Fred Pappalardo** (*Birthday*)
By Sons, Ray & Ron

† **Jim Corkery**
By Sally Corkery & Daughters

OLS - 4:00PM † **Larry Dupere**
By the Wescott Family

PAT - 5:30PM † **Souls of the Faithful Departed**
By Parishioners

Sunday, February 18 - First Sunday of Lent

JMS - 8:00AM † **Ryan Tuzzo**
By Mom, Dad & Birdie

JHN - 9:00AM † **Concetta Griffo** (*Birthday*)
By Jon & Mary Harmon

SHR - 9:00AM † **Peter & Genevieve Buckley** (*Anniv.*)
By Daughter, JoAnn Silk & Family

OLL - 10:00AM † **Evelyn McDonald**
By Alexis, Chris & Sharon

SPP - 11:00AM † **Nancy Mistretta**
By Elizabeth Traniello

PAT - 11:00AM † **Living & Deceased Mothers**
By Parishioners

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

CATHOLIC NEIGHBORS IN FAITH

Wine, Hosts, Sanctuary Lights and Memorials



Wine

St. James Church

For a Prayer Answered

by Mary Paterniti

St. John Church

In Memory of Concetta Griffo

by Becky McGrath

Our Lady of the Snows

In Memory of John Wozowicz

by Barbara J. Crowley

Hosts

St. James Church

In Memory of Vincent & Anna Cinglia

(Wedding Anniversary)

by John & Julia Trussalo

St. John Church

In Memory of Josie & Frank Marcello

(Wedding Anniversary)

by Daughter, Joan

Our Lady of Loreto

In Memory of Beverly Foote

by Samuel Raimondo & family

Our Lady of the Snows

In Memory of Blazen, Casper & Stephen Wozowicz

by Barbara J. Crowley

Savor an afternoon of socialization and games with friends, neighbors or sweethearts. All women and men are welcome to attend. Your \$8 donation includes a light lunch with dessert, beverage and the chance to win a door prize!

Sanctuary Light

St. James Church

In Memory of Gert Melice

by Erminia Iuculano and Mr. & Mrs. Carl Gullotti

Ash Wednesday

**The following is the UPDATED Mass schedule for
Ash Wednesday, February 14, 2024**

7am	Our Lady of Loreto, Falconer
8am	Sacred Heart, Lakewood
8am	St. John, Jamestown
12:10pm	Ss. Peter & Paul, Jamestown
7pm	St. James, Jamestown
7pm	St. Patrick, Randolph

Stations of the Cross Schedule

St. John - Wednesdays: Feb. 21 - Mar. 27 at 6pm

St. James - Fridays: Feb. 16 - Mar. 22 at 5:15pm

ASH WEDNESDAY Prayer, fasting, and almsgiving: these disciplines, prescribed by Jesus himself in the Sermon on the Mount, along with strict instructions not to flaunt them in public to win recognition and praise (Mt 6:1-18), have been embraced by all the saints at the beginning of every Lent for almost two thousand years. But mention Lent, and many react with a grimace or slight shudder—even now, years after official obligations have been reduced to a minimum! No wonder the Eastern Rite’s “Lenten Announcement” sounds surprising: “Let us receive with joy, O faithful people, the divinely inspired announcement of Lent! The Lenten Spring shines forth! Begin the fast with joy! Let us fast from passions as well as food, taking pleasure in the good works of the Spirit, and accomplishing them in love!” Saint John Chrysostom, whose feast is September 13, elaborates: “Do you fast? Give proof by your works. If you see a poor person, take pity. An enemy, be reconciled. A friend gaining honor, don’t be jealous.” A positive approach! May the saints help us keep such a Lent!

St. Mary of Lourdes Church

Fat Tuesday Card & Board Game Party

The Lourdes Ladies of St. Mary of Lourdes Church in Bemus Point NY will host a **Fat Tuesday Card and Board Game Party** on Tuesday, February 13, 2024. The event will be held in the St. Mary of Lourdes Parish Hall located at 41 Main St. Bemus Point, from noon to 3pm. Kindly bring your own cards and/or board games, whichever you enjoy. Savor an afternoon of socialization and games with friends, neighbors or sweethearts. All women and men are welcome to attend. Your \$8 donation includes a light lunch with dessert, beverage and the chance to win a door prize!

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DONATIONS NEEDED...

Ss. Peter & Paul Church and St. James Church are in need of your help.

The Rosetta Window at the back of the church at Ss. Peter & Paul is in need of major repairs. We are asking for your help in trying to ensure that this beautiful window be restored and made structurally sound again.

St. James Church and Rectory are in need of foundation masonry repairs. Any donations would be tax deductible. If you have any questions or would like more information, don't hesitate to contact the Central Office.

NIGHT PRAYER continues each night beginning at 9:00pm. Join the clergy on Facebook at Catholic Neighbors in Faith and pray with them and fellow parishioners. **Night Prayer books can be purchased at the Central Office for just \$10 each.**

Important Reminder...

If you have your offerings automatically sent to the church, please be sure to update the address for which they are to be mailed. The correct mailing address is 27 Allen St. Jamestown NY 14701.

Our Stewardship

Thank you for your support of our parish ministries

Holy Apostles

1/28/24 - \$5,974.00
Relief & Maintenance - \$781.00
Catholic Relief - \$894.00

St. James

1/28/24 - \$5,450.22

Sacred Heart

1/28/24 - Reg - \$2327.00

St. Patrick

1/28/24 - \$2287.00

Our Lady of Loreto

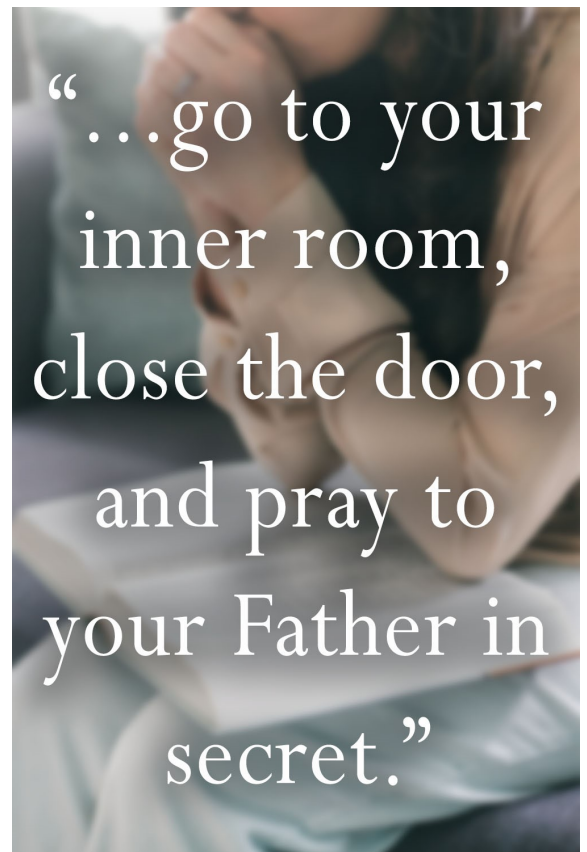
1/28/24 - \$1407.00

PASCHAL CANDLE AT ST. JAMES OR ST. JOHN

If an individual or family would like to sponsor the Paschal Easter Candle at St. James, St. John or Ss. Peter & Paul, please contact the church office at 716.487.0125. The cost is \$400 for a candle, and the donation will appear in the bulletin with any associated intention or memorial.



The Paschal candle represents Christ, the Light of the World. During the Easter Vigil, on Holy Saturday, the priest carries the candle during the procession into the dark church. A new fire, symbolizing our eternal life in Christ, is kindled which lights the candle. The Paschal candle is lit throughout the year for all baptisms, weddings and funerals.



The Mass book is open for your Mass intentions. Please call the central office at 716.487.0125 to schedule for 2024.

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SACRED HEART - ALTAR & ROSARY SOCIETY

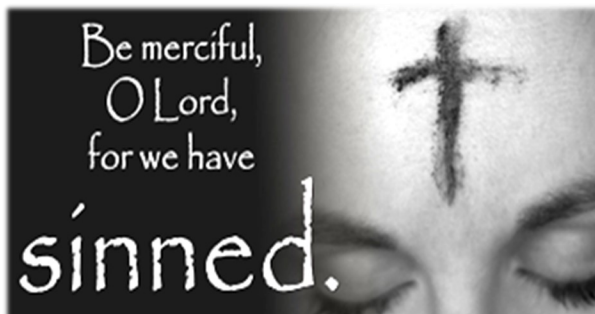
The Altar and Rosary Society of Sacred Heart Parish in Lakewood will be meeting this Wednesday, February 14, at 4:00pm in the Parish Center. We have moved the meetings to 4:00 for the winter months. All women of the parish are invited to attend.

The importance of stretching a dollar is essential these days – and a charitable donation is no different! That's why Catholic Charities is happy to report that each dollar raised during the annual Appeal leverages an additional \$5 to \$6 of government support and contracts – meaning your gift goes five to six times as far. More funding means more services for those in need, which in turn builds stronger, healthier communities!

Make a donation today at www.cwny.org/donate or text HOPE4WNY to 44321.

Catholic Neighbors In Faith invites you to a **St. Patrick's Day Corn Beef & Cabbage Dinner** at *Our Lady of Victory hall in Frewsburg* on Saturday, March 16th from 6 to 9pm. Entertainment will include the traditional Irish dancers.

The cost is \$20 at the door. Take-outs available. Please bring a box of cereal or canned goods for the Frewsburg Food Pantry. Reservations are required as seating is limited to 100 persons. Call the central office to RSVP at 716.487.0125.



ASH WEDNESDAY IS FEBRUARY 14TH

Our Lady of Loreto

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

Dear Friend,

It is time for our next series, and I am excited about the ones I've got planned for February 19 to November 18. It's called, "**My 19th Annotation.**"

The Ignatian Adventure: a textbook by Fr. Kevin O'Brien, SJ.

I don't know about you, but for the last few weeks I've been making goals and resolutions, and beginning anew for 2024. Maybe this is something similar to what mode you are in right now—preparing, looking ahead, planning, and refining.

A new year provides us with a fresh start and a chance to reset our thinking about what's to come this year. As we go through this annual process in the new year, are we allowing God to be part of it? *Is there room for God?*

That's what this series is about—taking a look at how we can bring God into all aspects of our lives and not just some of them. It's moving God from being displayed nicely on the shelf and bringing God into the heart of our homes and the center of our lives.

Over the next 33 weeks (2/19/24 to 11/18/24), you will have the opportunity of a lifetime ***to find God in All things*** with in-person classroom study, Zoom Meetings and Home Study. You will receive an email that will include a prayerful reflection, suggested "Spiritual Exercises and reflection questions.

Some of the themes are:

Making Room for God

Readying the Space for God

Decluttering

Inviting God into the Heart of Our Homes

Living Life with God.

If you are new to our community, welcome and please join us for this series. For those of you already part of LTMTTP, you are all set.

I look forward to walking with you friends, new or old, over the next 33 weeks!

Peace, Love, and Joy

God's Son, Jesus

Jesus

PS: By the way; your two facilitators are Patty and Tom Franco who have been presenting the "Lord Teach Me To Pray" since 2014. Call the CNF Central at 716-487-0125 or just stop by on Monday, February 19 at 6:00 pm SHARP, and give Me one hour of time.

Saints of the Week

Saint Valentine



As Catholics, we should remember to put “Saint” in front of Valentine’s Day because Saint Valentine was a real and historical figure! So as you give roses, gifts and chocolates to your sweetheart also keep in mind this 3rd century bishop of the Church.

His story is actually quite romantic. As you know, the early Church in Rome endured many tyrannical emperors who persecuted the Church. During Emperor Claudius’ reign, Christians were persecuted and were often sent to the Roman games to be martyred. Saint Valentine as a good and faithful bishop aided the early Church by hiding Christians, celebrating the Sacraments for them clandestinely, and visiting Christians in prison. His bravery in his pastoral ministry found him in prison himself multiple times. During this time, Christians were forbidden by the state to be married in the Church. Saint Valentine risked his life by marrying Christian couples in secret. What is more romantic than that? Saint Valentine dedicated his life to sanctifying the gift of love through the Sacrament of marriage!

During his final imprisonment, Saint Valentine would write letters to his faithful, encouraging them and exhorting them to hold fast to the faith. The practice of giving Valentine cards to your sweetheart originates from these letters of Saint Valentine. There is a legend that Saint Valentine wrote a final letter to a girl the day he was martyred. He signed the letter, “Your Valentine.” While he was imprisoned he refused to sacrifice to pagan idols, prayed devoutly, converted fellow prisoners and even managed to heal a jail guard’s blind daughter.

St. John Paul II’s categorization of types of love from his book, “Love and Responsibility.” He wrote this book before he was pope, drawing his experience of ministry as a priest and bishop. He lists three types of love 1) Love as attraction 2) Love as desire 3) Love as goodwill.

So on this happy and lovely day, we remember first of all the love that God has for us that is always overflowing and never ending, and we remember the love of saints like Saint Valentine whose life was dedicated to the love of God. Today we not only celebrate Saint Valentine, but Ash Wednesday; the beginning of our Lenten Season!

OUR LADY OF PARIS

February 15

A fourteenth-century statue of the Virgin and Child is situated at the southeast pillar of the transept of the Notre Dame Cathedral in Paris. Known by the title Our Lady of Paris, it is always surrounded with flowers.



Reflections

Last week we heard St. Paul saying that he was all things to all people. This week, we hear that he tried to please everyone. To modern ears, that sounds more like a people-pleaser. But that wasn’t what Paul meant. The key to Paul’s way of life is the last line of the second reading: “Be imitators of me, as I am of Christ.” (1 Cor 11:1)

When Jesus spoke to Paul in his conversion, he asked why he was persecuting Jesus. Paul later began to understand that all Christians make up the body of Christ. As members of that body, we can show others what Jesus is like, by our example. That seems to be a two part process.

First, to show Christ, we have to know Christ. We can do that by reading the scriptures and praying with them. We can receive the sacraments regularly, especially Reconciliation, where we experience his forgiveness and love, and the Eucharist, where Jesus unites himself with us, so that we can become more like him.

The second part is acting like Jesus. Forgive people who hurt us, care for the sick, the dying, the poor. Don’t be afraid to tell people what God has done for you; encourage others to be grateful for what God has done for them.

Lent? ...What is Lent?

Lent is a 40-day season in the Church Calendar beginning Ash Wednesday and ending on Easter Sunday. Lent is observed on Wednesdays, but Sundays during Lent are treated as 'Little Easters', and not counted as part of Lent. During this time, we focus on what Jesus did to win our salvation. He lived a perfect life and died for us under God's wrath. His sacrifice shows the true horror of our sins and moves us to turn from them.

But Why is Lent 40 Days?

The 40 days of Lent are taken from Christ's 40-day experience in the wilderness (**Matthew 4:1-11**). Here He faced off with the devil as our Champion, overcoming three temptations common to all mankind...

First, Christ was tempted to doubt God's loving care and thus to satisfy His needs Himself -- but instead Christ looks to God's Word and directs us back to trusting in God.

Second, by Satan's mishandling of Scripture, Christ was tempted to false belief in God -- but Christ dismisses such self-righteous spiritualism as tempting God, and reminds us of the need to seek out true Scriptural teaching.

Finally, Christ was tempted to forsake God in return for worldly pleasures, powers, and possessions -- but Christ forcefully rejects this notion as a ridiculous exchange of the priceless for the worthless, of a relationship with God for eternal separation from Him.

Do you face temptation?

Are you tempted to doubt God, or to believe things about God that the Bible says are not true, or even to *forsake God*?

Do you give in to this temptation?

**Turn to Christ this Lenten Season!
He is your Champion!**

And Why is Lent so Important?

- **It shows us the true result of our sins ...they separate us from a righteous and just God.**

During Lent, we contemplate our sinful condition and need for a Saviour -- a man who is Holy in His nature and who lived a sinless life. In our natural condition, we are stained with an evil, fallen nature and are incapable of the perfect sinlessness required by God. As a result, all human effort fails to please God, we cannot have a relationship with Him, and we don't deserve one.

- **It shows us the only payment for sin that God could accept ...the death of His Son.**

Though we are undeserving, God in His Grace desires a relationship with us. To accomplish this, He sent His Son, Jesus Christ, to live among us as a human. Because Jesus is God, He has the Holy nature we don't have, and lived a perfectly sinless life the way we never could. And, in obedience to God the Father, Jesus -- that is, God the Son -- willingly went to the cross, took upon Himself the sin of the whole world, and suffered for us sin's penalty: separation from God and death.

- **It shows us the extent of God's Love ...by His Grace, through Faith in Jesus Christ, forgiveness of sins, life and salvation are ours for eternity.**

Jesus was innocent of the sin He carried for us, and the penalty He suffered held no power over Him. Thus, He was reconciled with His Heavenly Father and returned to life. Through faith in Christ, we are granted this blessing as well. He was Holy *for us*, He was perfect *for us*, He suffered the penalty of sin *for us*, and it is by faith *alone* -- not by our works, but by the finished work of Jesus Christ -- that we have forgiveness of sins, we are given a new, holy nature, we are reconciled with God, and at the Resurrection we will be given a new body that is unstained by sin.

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Year of Prayer:

After the year dedicated to reflection on the documents and the study of the fruits of the Second Vatican Council in 2023, Pope Francis has asked that 2024 be marked as a Year of Prayer. The Holy Father announced its launch on Sunday, January 21, 2024, on the fifth annual celebration of the 'Sunday of the Word of God'. One way to pray more is to join the thousands of people who have signed up on email to receive novenas. I have done this for years and I feel by praying the novenas that it has made a difference in my life and others. Just go to **PrayMoreNovenas.com** and sign up. Currently we are praying the Novena to Our Lady of Lourdes. It costs nothing to join. Of course they always accept donations, but it is not necessary. Novenas give us the opportunity to focus on the Lord and enter into conversation with Him each day. The prayers are emailed to you each day of the novenas. It only takes a couple of minutes each day to pray. Don't wait to try this. If you don't like praying this way, you can unsubscribe at any time. I have never been sorry I signed up. St. Augustine wrote that, "Whether we realize it or not, prayer is the encounter of God's thirst and ours." As the Lord is constantly seeking us out, prayer is a chance for us to let ourselves be found and loved by Him.

Nothing Frightens Jesus Away

Two words in this Gospel are almost terrifying: Jesus “touched him.”

We are so far removed from what leprosy signified in biblical times, that this image of Jesus stretching out his hand to touch a person whose body was consumed by the disease has no effect on us.

Lepers were the walking dead who were banished to live outside towns in caves, tents, or garbage dumps. Even breathing the same air as a leper was thought to be dangerous, since leprosy was considered highly contagious. Leprosy consumed a person’s body, leaving stumps where fingers, hands, feet, or noses had once been. The laws dictated that lepers were to maintain a twelve-step distance from others, cover their mouths with a cloth, and cry out “unclean, unclean” to announce their presence.

Most of us still have lingering memories of the fear we experienced with COVID-19, when being within six feet of another or breathing the same air conjured up the possibility of a painful death. We learned to stay away from others to protect ourselves and those we love.

Jesus, instead, “touched” the leper. He stepped over the imaginary line, entering into the danger zone of closeness with the leper. He got close enough to this man to smell the putrid odor of his decaying flesh. He could feel the man’s foul breath on his face. He got closer still in order to touch the body of the leper, putting his fingers into the wounds of his oozing sores. He conveyed to this man that he wanted to heal him so much that he himself was willing to risk his life, to give his life. He was close enough to look directly into the eyes of a person whose face was horrifically disfigured and perhaps even unrecognizable. And Jesus touched him.

Sometimes we may feel that we have become disfigured, unrecognizable, because of the wounds we have received in our lives and the brokenness of our own sin. And Jesus touches us. We may consider certain people in our lives “lepers” in the sense that they think, speak, or act in ways that threaten us or walk outside the path of discipleship with the Lord Jesus. And Jesus touches them.

There is no leprosy that frightens Jesus away, no disfigurement that makes him draw back. One day, when thinking of certain people in my life, wondering how they could be at peace with what they were doing, I heard God say to me this: “I know. Only I know.” Jesus touches each of us in the places of our leprosy. Each of us is known intimately and lovingly by a God unafraid to enter into our misery and walk with us on our journey to the Kingdom.

I invite you to ask yourself in a moment of prayer today: “Jesus, what does this say about you and about me?”

By Sr. Kathryn James Hermes

Faith Formation

Super Bowl Party!!!

On February 11th, at St. James Church Hall from 10:00am-11:30am, this is for the St. James and Sacred Heart kids and their parents. It is a fun time with Catholic learning. The party will be your actual class, so be sure to come. There will have lots to eat, so come hungry! Hope to see you there!

Correction:

It was brought to our attention that one of the children making their First Reconciliation had their name misspelled. We would like to apologize and again offer congratulations to **Juliet Voorhis** on making her First Reconciliation!



In Loving Memory Memorial Page

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.

Leroy & Ethel Anderson

Christopher Baczynski

Fred Baker

Beaver & Stearns Families

Cora Bonfiglio

Tichy, Howvath & Brunecz Families

Charles E. J. Cassidy

DMO the Crasti & Marino Families

John & Tillie Cusimano

Rev. Msgr. Joseph M. Dowdell

DMO the Dominick & O'Hagan Families

Dr. Anthony Floccare

DMO the Floccare & DePetro Families

Stephanie A. Frucella

Alexander Gil

Angelo Giuffre & Maria Cali Families

Glenard A. Grabow

Dr. Joseph & Concetta Griffo

Charles "Charlie" Heggarty

Grunert & Perk Families

Hacker & Tuzzo Families

Hedrich & Peterson Families

Rev. John T. Horne

Hutchinson & Truax Families

L & DMO the Irons & Pfurtscheller Families

For the Soul of Judas Iscariot

Phyllis Johenning

Andrew B. & Eleanor H. Johnson

Kilburn & Hoffman Family

Edda Liuzzo

Giuseppe & Giuseppina Liuzzo

Joseph X. & Mary R. Lombardo

Marie F. MacNamara

Frank & Josephine Marcello

Marchiando & Dominici Families

Nina Claire Marsh

Rev. Dennis W. Mende

Mary Jo Mason Montagna

Renaldo E. & T. Silvia Muniz

Janet & Henry Napier

L & DMO the Pappalardo Family

Mary Ann Pappalardo

James Patti

Robert J. Perron

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