

ST. JAMES ST. MARY MOUNT CARMEL PARISHES

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-- Fr. Jerzy Rebacz --

Office Hours: Monday, Tuesday & Thursday 8:30 am to 12:00 pm

Parish Website: sjsmmcc.weconnect.com myparishapp.com/download



Sunday, October 24th, 2021

Mission Statement:

We, the stewards of St. James and St. Mary Mount Carmel Parishes in the Diocese of LaCrosse, strive to live as disciples of Christ.

Vision Statement:

As Parishioners of St. James and St. Mary Mount Carmel Parishes, we are called as stewards to celebrate the presence of Christ in our life as we worship together in prayer, in liturgy and in the Sacraments. We endeavor to strengthen our Catholic faith and Christian service as individuals, as families, and as a parish community as we seek to spread the teachings of Christ through our words, through our witness, and through our actions.



Weekday Mass Intentions

Weekend Mass Intentions

Saturday, October 30th, **4:00 PM** @ SJGary & Karen Jastromski 50th Wedding Blessing Sunday, October 31st, 8:30 AM @ SJDeceased Members of Repinski Family Sunday, October 31st, 10:30 AM @ SMParishioners of Our Two Parishes

October is Respect Life Month

A PRAYER FOR LIFE

Father and maker of all,
You adorn all creation with splendor and beauty,
And fashion human lives in Your image and likeness.
Awaken in every heart reverence for the work
of Your hands,

And renew among Your people a readiness to nurture and sustain Your precious gift of life.

Grant this through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

God forever and ever. Amen

ADORATION:

St. Mary: First Thursday of the month after morning Mass.

St. James: First Friday of the month after morning Mass; Third Sunday of the Month from 4:00-6:00 PM

CONFESSION SCHEDULE:

After weekday Masses at respective Church. Saturday at 3:30 PM at St. James.

Sunday after 10:30 AM Mass at St. Mary.

(Leave a note in Sacristy for Father before Mass if you wish to go to Confessions after Mass)



On October 31st, at the 8:30 am Mass at St. James, and the 10:30 am Mass at St. Mary's, we will be honoring members of each parish, respectively, who have passed away this past year. As a parish community and family, let us join together to pray for the repose of their souls and for those who mourn their loss. "Eternal Rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them".



The 2021-2022 Diocesan Annual Appeal (DAA) for both St. James and St. Mary of Mt. Carmel is underway. The Diocese will be mailing the materials for the 2021-22 Diocesan Annual Appeal. Our parishes have done a terrific job supporting the Diocesan Annual Appeal. THANK YOU!! All dollars received in excess of the target amount are returned directly to our parishes.

		2020-2021 Results			2021-2022	
		Target	Actual	Over	•	Target
	St James	\$20,925	\$25,100	\$ 4,175	\$	21,580
	St Mary of MC	\$28,680	\$30,040	\$ 1,360	\$	28,470

Stevens Point Deanery Fall Convocation



Painting a picture of the Church God calls us to become.

Saturday, October 30, 2021

8:00am-3:30pm Stevens Point Holiday Inn Convention Center

Revive your faith, your creative spirits, and your holy imagination!

For more information and to register visit www.pointdeanery.org/revive



Stewardship a way of living

St. James Contributions

Week Ending October 17, 2021

Received \$2,676 Budget \$3,430 (\$754)

	Month of Sep 2021	Jul 2021- Sep 2021	Jul 2020- Sep 2020
Received	\$11,062	\$35,906	\$48,749
Budget	<u>\$14,578</u>	<u>\$43,734</u>	
	(\$3,516)	(\$7,828)	

St. Mary of Mt Carmel Contributions

Week Ending October 17, 2021

Received \$1,889 Budget \$3,564 (\$1,675)

	Month of	Jul 2021-	Jul 2020-	
	Sep 2021	Sep 2021	Sep 2020	
Received	\$8,708	\$36,101	\$31,507	
Budget	\$15,148	\$45,444		
	(\$6,440)	(\$9,343)		

Scrip Gift Cards

SJ Scrip Cards:

Scrip will be sold at SJ Church after 8:30 mass on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month. Scrip cards can always be purchased during normal office hours in the church office or by calling Hydie Laidlaw at 715-347-3544 to place an order. In addition, please consider checking out the online/mobile app to access a variety of electronic gift cards either on your smartphone or computer.

SMMC Scrip Update:

Our next Scrip gift card sales will be on November 7th and November 21st. Gift cards can be purchased at any time by calling Pat Zielinski at 715-824-3762. Thanks to everyone who supports our Scrip program.

Please contact Hydie Laidlaw or Pat Zielinski for more information.

Parish News ...

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY, OCT. 24, 2021:

Reminder, This weekend is Mission Sunday. Your envelope is attached. Please keep the Pope's missions in your prayers and be generous. Please make checks payable to your respective Parish.

For more information for **World Mission Sunday:** www.missio.org/resources

COFFEE AND DONUTS:

The Family Life Committee would like to start coffee and donuts on the first Sunday of each month but we need your help. We need volunteers to order and pick-up the donuts, set-up before Mass and clean-up after. We have very detailed, easy to follow instructions. The first weekend will be Sunday, Nov. 7 after the Sunday Morning Masses at St. James and St. Mary. For instructions & sign-ups see the front entrance of St. James or the Lost & Found table at St. Mary or contact Misty at mistyprater@gmail.com or 715-824-6061. Thank you in advance and we look forward to seeing you on November 7th!

A SPECIAL THANK YOU:

"THANK YOU" to all who have opened their hearts and took the journey to volunteer for one or more ministries in the church. May you experience the Mass in a deeper, richer way, as you grow in your faith. Your time and help are greatly appreciated. ~ SW Committee ~

NOVEMBER WORD AMONGS US

are in and available to be picked up at respective churches.

LET US STORM HEAVEN WITH PRAYERS TO END LEGAL ABORTION: All are encouraged to pray and fast for wisdom and courage for the members of the Supreme Court as they prepare to take up the Dobbs case in December which could lead to overturning Roe vs. Wade. Relevant Radio, EWTN and the NAPA Institute are joining together to pray the daily Rosary for "the end to legal abortion in America and an outpouring of support for expectant mothers." If everyone does something we could have more than a million Catholics praying daily in the Month of the Rosary. We invite you, your family and your friends to join Relevant Radio each evening on the Family Rosary Across America at 7 pm during this crucial time. For more information go to: RelevantRadio.com, EWTN.com, and Napa-Institute.org

JOIN THOUSANDS OF OTHERS TO STORM HEAVEN WITH PRAYERS!!
Our Lady of the Rosary, pray for us!

THE STEVENS POINT DEANERY:

is collecting new winter clothing for the more than 10,000 Afghan Refugees currently living at Fort McCoy. Clothing is needed for both children and adults. All items must be brought to St James or St Mary Mt Carmel by October 31st. They will be delivered to Fort McCoy the 1st week in November. There is a special need for boots, athletic shoes. coats, hats, gloves and mittens. All donations are greatly appreciated.

BIBLE DICUSSION GROUP:

St. James on Monday, October 25th, at 5:30 pm to discuss and reflect on Father Mike Schmitz's 365 Day Bible Study. All are welcome.

SMMC CEMETERY: — Please remove your items from the cemetery so it can be cleaned up for winter by October 31st. Thank you.

DEANERY FALL CONVOCATION:

Dear Parishioners, Please take a moment to view this: https://vimeo.com/633080001 We hope that you would consider attending the Deanery Convocation on October 30th. For more information & to register visit www.pointdeanery.org/revive.

Faith Formation...

CCD Classes

Parents were emailed a class schedule. Please refer to the schedule to know when your child's in person class takes place. Please make sure you have downloaded "myparishapp" for any unexpected cancellations. Please keep the students & teachers in your prayers.

and Grow in your Faith: stpaulcenter.com — Click upper right 'Log In', then enter Email: sjsmevangelization@gmail.com -- Password: WeBelieve -- Click on Bible Studies (upper left), then click on Video Studies, scroll down to Genesis to Jesus or whichever study you would like and click on the blue "Watch Now" button to begin & let the Bible come alive to you.

TO SIGN UP FOR FR. MIKE SCHMITZ'S new podcast, 'The Bible in A Year':

https://ascensionpress.com/pages/biy-registration
-- Father Mike will be using The Great Adventure
Bible Timeline learning system, a groundbreaking
approach to understanding Salvation History
developed by renowned Catholic Bible teacher
Jeff Cavins.

Upcoming ...

SACRED HEART STEAK NIGHT DINNER &

Raffle. Saturday, November 6th at Sacred Heart Church in Polonia. Dinner tickets cost \$23 per person and can be bought at the following locations: Sacred Heart Parish Office, Polonia Cafe, Sylvia's, Pineries Bank, Rosholt Cafe, Backyard Grille in Ellis, Kim's Barrel Inn, The Watering Hole, and Ski's Meat Market. Dinner service will begin after the 4:00pm Mass. Raffle drawing held at 7:30pm.

SACRED HEART PARISH SOUP SALE:

sponsored by the PCCW of Sacred Heart. Saturday, November 13th. Chicken Noodle Soup (with homemade noodles) and Vegetable Beef Barley Soup. \$6.00 per quart. **Preorders only** by calling Betty Ostrowski at 715-824-6096. The last day to place your order will be Saturday, Oct. 30th Please make checks payable to Sacred Heart Parish and memo PCCW soup sale. Payments can be mailed to Sacred Heart Parish, 7375 Church St. Custer, WI 54423. Pick up will be on Saturday, November 13th from the church basement between the hours of 2:30pm-5:30pm or on Sunday, November 14th directly after the 8:00am Mass.

Diocese News...

WHAT ARE YOUR LOOKING FOR?

The first question that Jesus asks in John's Gospel is, "What are you looking for?" He is speaking to John's disciples as they follow after Him, desiring to know who Jesus is and what His mission is all about. After the disciples respond, Jesus gives them an instruction, "Come and you will see!" Whether we can hear it or not, that same question is being asked to you. What are YOU looking for? So often, we find ourselves searching, not knowing exactly where to go or what to do in life. We seek things that will hopefully fill the emptiness and longing that we have in our hearts, but nothing seems to satisfy. The real answer to this can be found in Jesus' response as He invites each of us to follow after Him, to get to know Him, and to follow the path He has placed before us. For some men, that path is a very special invitation to walk in Jesus' footsteps as a priest. If you or someone you know is interested in discovering more about this call to the priesthood, please contact: Fr. Nate Kuhn, Director of Vocational Recruitment for the Diocese of La Crosse at: 608.791.2667. God bless you!

FALL DINNER: St. Michael's in Junction City – Drive Thru ONLY on November 14. They are serving from 11am to 1:30pm and meals are \$12. They will have mass at 9am that day.

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS ARE INVITED:

November 20, 2021, all high school age students are invited to join us for a local/live event at Pacelli Catholic High School in Stevens Point, WI, where we will participate in the simulcast stream of the National Catholic Youth Conference being held in Indianapolis, IN. This event will be more than just watching a screen. We will have live music and speakers who will lead us in praying together, learning together and, most importantly, growing together as disciples! More info to follow.

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Please send your request via email by *midnight Sunday*. Please refrain to a maximum of 100 words and in a word document.

Church Councils

Pastoral Council

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Family Life: Laura Gould & Tiffany Ostrowski

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Barb Groholski

Social Concerns: Pat Zielinski and

Laura Trzebiatowski - Przekurat

Education: TBA Stewardship: TBA