



**ST. JAMES  
ST. MARY MOUNT CARMEL  
PARISHES**

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**-- Fr. Jerzy Rebacz --**

**Office Hours: Monday, Tuesday & Thursday  
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**Sunday, October 31st, 2021**

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**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**

Tuesday, November 2nd, 8:15 AM @ SJ  
..... Harleigh Firkus  
Wednesday, November 3rd, 8:15 AM @ SM  
..... Charles & Susan Sopa  
Thursday, November 4th, 8:15 AM @ SM  
..... Rose Genereau  
Friday, November 5th, 8:15 AM @ SJ  
..... Elsie Modrzewski

**Weekend Mass Intentions**

Saturday, November 6th, 4:00 PM @ SJ  
..... Michael & Emily Wierzba  
Sunday, November 7th, 8:30 AM @ SJ  
..... Parishioners of Our Two Parishes  
Sunday, November 7th, 10:30 AM @ SM  
..... Philomena Selensky

**All Saints Day Prayer**

Thank you, God, for the saints who have gone before us.  
May their courage, compassion and commitment  
strengthen me when I am weak.  
May their holy vision and attentive hearts motivate me  
towards a life of deeper prayer and devotion.  
May their generosity and service inspire me  
to reach out to those who are poor and vulnerable.  
They left their mark on the earth for you,  
for us, for our children to come.  
Thank you, God, for the tremendous sacrifices  
made by those who have gone before us.  
May I learn how to walk wisely from their examples of faith,  
dedication, worship and love.  
As their holy lives touch mine,  
draw me further along my own journey to sainthood.  
Through Jesus Christ, our Lord. 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)*

## All Souls Day Indulgence for the Souls in Purgatory:

All Souls Day is a solemn celebration commemorating all those who have died and are now in Purgatory. Purgatory is where the soul waits with great torment for the longing to be with God. Souls in Purgatory cannot offer sacrifice or pray for themselves to be purified, it is up to the living to offer Mass, prayers, fasting & acts of mercy for those who died. "All who die in God's grace and friendship, but still imperfectly purified, are indeed assured of their eternal salvation; but after death they undergo purification, so as to achieve the holiness necessary to enter the joy of heaven" (CCC 1030)

The Church offers a special plenary indulgence, applicable only to the souls in Purgatory on:

- 1) All Souls Day, November 2, to the faithful who devoutly visit a church and pray an Our Father and the Creed.
- 2) From November 1 to 8, to the faithful who devoutly visit a Cemetery and pray for the departed.

### A plenary indulgence

offers the complete remission of all temporal punishment due to sins already forgiven.

One may gain a partial indulgence, applicable only to the souls in Purgatory: Throughout the year by devoutly reciting the "Eternal Rest" prayer (see below).

### A partial indulgence

speeds up the process of the perfection of a soul, but doesn't promise immediate release.

### To Gain an Indulgence, one must:

- \* Be in the state of grace, having gone to Confession
- \* Receive Communion
- \* Pray for the intentions of the Pope

For Plenary indulgence, it is also necessary to have complete detachment from sin, even venial sin.

*"Eternal Rest grant unto them O Lord and let the Perpetual Light shine upon them. May they, and all the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen"*



Stewardship  
*a way of living*

## St. James Contributions

Week Ending October 24, 2021

Received \$1,476  
Budget \$3,430  
(\$1,954)

	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>\$3,516</u> )	<u>\$43,734</u> ( <u>\$7,828</u> )	

## St. Mary of Mt Carmel Contributions

Week Ending October 24, 2021

Received \$2,555  
Budget \$3,564  
(\$1,009)

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

## Let Us Prayerfully Remember Those Who Have Passed Away:

This Sunday at the 8:30 am Mass at St. James, and the 10:30 am Mass at St. Mary's, we will be remembering loved ones who have passed away this past year from each parish. 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"*. Let us prayerfully remember:

### St. James

Father Bob Pedretti - 5-26-21  
Judy Trzebiatowski - 11-18-20  
John Trzebiatowski - 11-18-20  
Edward Hebblewhite - 11-30-20  
Bruce Groshek - 12-4-20  
Betty Ostrowski - 2-13-21  
Cecelia Adams - 2-16-21  
William Walczak - 7-31-21  
Anthony Yenter - 8-5-21

### St. Mary

Elsie Modrzewski - 11-5-20  
James Borski - 11-15-20  
Clifford Patoka - 11-16-20  
Grace Wojciehoski - 11-24-20  
Maynard Shulfer - 12-25-20  
Kurt Kenowski - 2-5-21  
Margaret Iwanski - 3-11-21  
Richard Gosh - 3-16-21  
James Kubisiak - 7-5-21



# Parish News...

## **EXPOSITION AND BENEDICTION:**

As we begin the month of November, please consider spending some quiet time with our Lord Jesus in Adoration.

*Simply come to be with Jesus.*

## **First Thursday, November 4<sup>th</sup>, at St. Mary's:**

Mass at 8:15 followed by Exposition and Benediction

## **First Friday, November 5<sup>th</sup>, at St. James:**

Mass at 8:15 followed by Exposition and Benediction.

## **Third Sunday, November 21<sup>st</sup>, at St. James:**

Adoration from 4-6 pm.

## **SJ and SMMC Social Concerns Committee:**

is sponsoring a non-perishable food drive during the month of November. All items collected will be given to area food pantries to help families in need.

**Family Life Committee** is Looking for Members: St. Mary/St. James Family Life Committee is looking to grow. We will have a meeting to talk about family life and what we can do to help our parishes support families. If you are interested or would have ideas for the committee please join us after First Friday Mass (9:15am) at St. James on November 5th. With questions or suggestions contact Laura Gould: [laura\\_n\\_natalie@yahoo.com](mailto:laura_n_natalie@yahoo.com) or Misty Prater at: [mistyprater@gmail.com](mailto:mistyprater@gmail.com) or 785-633-5206.

## **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 ~

## **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." Tune into Relevant Radio for Family Rosary Across America at 7 pm during this crucial time. For more information go to: [RelevantRadio.com](http://RelevantRadio.com), [EWTN.com](http://EWTN.com), and [Napa-Institute.org](http://Napa-Institute.org) Our Lady of the Rosary, pray for us.

## **NOVENA FOR THE HOLY SOULS**

**IN PURGATORY:** Relevant Radio will pray a novena from Nov. 2-10 for the holy souls as they remember them in the daily Mass at noon, the Divine Mercy at 3:00 pm and the Family Rosary Across America at 7:00 pm. You can submit the names of your departed loved ones online at [relevantradio.com/soul](http://relevantradio.com/soul) through Nov. 1.

## **BIBLE DISCUSSION GROUP:**

St. James on Monday, Nov. 1<sup>st</sup>, at 5:30 pm to discuss and reflect on Father Mike Schmitz's 365 Day Bible Study. All are welcome.

## **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. 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](mailto:mistyprater@gmail.com) or 715-824-6061. Thank you in advance and we look forward to seeing you on November 7<sup>th</sup>!

# 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.

## **GREAT RESOURCES TO HELP YOU LEARN**

**and Grow in your Faith:** [stpaulcenter.com](http://stpaulcenter.com) – Click upper right 'Log In', then enter Email: [sjsmevangelization@gmail.com](mailto: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, Pinerias 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.

**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.

### **ST. THERESE HOLIDAY SHOWCASE:**

112 W. Kort Street, Schofield. Saturday, November 20 from 9 am - 3 pm. Holiday Craft Fair with 60 craft vendors, a Huge Bake Sale, and admission is free! A hot luncheon will be served from 10:30 am - 1:00 pm featuring Hot Sandwiches, Soup, and Desserts.

### **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.

### **RETREAT INVITATION FOR WOMEN**

**OF ALL AGES:** December 9-12, 2021. The Jesuit Retreat House, Oshkosh, offers a place of rest and spiritual nourishment for women at the Womens Advent Retreat, beginning the evening of Dec 9 to noon on Dec 12. Our retreat director, Fr. Jack Treloar, SJ, will help us understand the work of God and our place in His work during these turbulent times. Come and join us. Welcome to a time and place of peace and rest. Registration [www.jesuitretreathouse.org](http://www.jesuitretreathouse.org) or 920-231-9060 or 1-800-962-7330.

### **PILGRIMAGE TO MEXICO:**

Father Janusz Kowalski from St Lawrence Parish in Wisconsin Rapids and St. Philip in Rudolph is organizing a pilgrimage to Mexico City, including the Basilica of Our Lady of Guadalupe. This is a 7 day trip from February 22-28, 2022. If interested, an itinerary and other details can be sent to you.

Please contact Father Janusz via email: [friktrips@gmail.com](mailto:friktrips@gmail.com) or by mail to: Father Janusz Kowalski, 530 Tenth Avenue N, Wisconsin Rapids, WI 54495. Deadline for signing up is November 22, 2021 and the down payment is due at that time.

## Parish Staff

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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**

Borski, Cindi SM  
Lea, Shawn SM  
Piesik, Steve SM  
Zinda, Judy SM  
Juris, Michael SJ  
Shulfer, Michelle SJ

### **Finance Council**

Doll, Mark, SM  
Patoka, Gilbert SM  
Stratton, Sharon SJ  
Trzebiatowski, Sandy SJ

### **Committees Chairperson Co-chairs**

**Family Life:** Laura Gould & Tiffany Ostrowski

**Sacred Worship:** Judi Marquard & Barb Groholski

**Social Concerns:** Pat Zielinski and

Laura Trzebiatowski - Przekurat

**Education:** TBA

**Stewardship:** TBA