



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

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715-824-3455**

**-- Fr. Jerzy Rebacz --
Deacon Art Schaller**

**Office Hours: Monday, Tuesday & Thursday
9:00 am to 12:00 pm**

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



Sunday, May 22nd, 2022

Mission Statement:

*We, the stewards of St. James and St. Mary of 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 of 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, May 24th, 8:15 AM @ SJ
.....Dorothy Trinkl
Wednesday, May 25th, 8:15 AM @ SM
.....Deceased Member of Anton & Agatha Konkol
Thursday, May 26th, 8:15 AM @ SM
.....Larry & Marge Bembenek
Friday, May 27th, 8:15 AM @ SJ
.....Marie Groshek

Weekend Mass Intentions

Saturday, May 28th, **4:00 PM** @ SJ
.....Richard Rzentkowski
Sunday, May 29th, 8:30 AM @ SJ
.....Father Bob Pedretti
Sunday, May 29th, 10:30 AM @ SM
.....Parishioners of Our Two Parishes

Mary's "YES" to Life

O Mary, Mother of Jesus and Mother of us all,
we turn to you today as the one who said "Yes"
to Life. "You will conceive and bear a Son," the
angel told you. Despite the surprise and the
uncertainty about how this could be, you said
yes. "Be it done unto me according to your word."
Mary, we pray today for all mothers who are
afraid to be mothers. We pray for those who feel
threatened and over-whelmed by their
pregnancy. Intercede for them, that God may
give them the grace to say yes and the courage to
go on. May they have the grace to reject the false
solution of abortion. May they say with you,
"Be it done unto me according to your word."
May they experience the help of Christian
people, and know the peace that comes from
doing God's will. 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)

Liturgical Ministries

**"NO ONE CAN DO EVERYTHING,
BUT EVERYONE CAN DO SOMETHING"**

In 1 Corinthians 12:7, St. Paul tells us the Holy Spirit gives gifts (charisms) to each member of the Church for the common good of all. This great diversity of gifts is meant to build up the Church so that she can carry out her mission to "go and make disciples of all nations" (Matthew 29:19).

Every baptized member of the Church is gifted with some ability or talent that is meant to be shared for the good of all. As the saying goes,

**"No one can do everything,
but everyone can do something."**

Each of us, by virtue of our baptism, is called to discern what is the "**something**" we can do. Just imagine how much more we could do and accomplish as a parish if indeed **everyone did something to help!** If you're not sure which Liturgical Ministry is for you, pray about it & ask God, he will let you know.

- ✠ Lector
- ✠ Usher
- ✠ Sacristan
- ✠ Arts and Environment
- ✠ Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion
- ✠ Altar Server
- ✠ Greeter
- ✠ Musician

Always Remember:

What you are is God's gift to you...
What you become is your gift to God!

Please call the parish office at 715-824-3455 if you feel God calling you to help in one of these Ministries.

**St. Mary Magdalene, Waupaca is looking
for a Faith Formation Coordinator/
Youth Minister to join the parish**

Qualifications:

This person needs to be a Christ centered team player who can lead the children and parents of our parish to a closer relationship with Jesus Christ.

The coordinator administers (designs, develops, directs & evaluates a faith formation program in a special way to the middle and high school children and provides a solid foundation for the parish community in spiritual life.

Must be a practicing Catholic, a member of good standing of a Catholic parish, dedicated to the Gospel values and living a prayer life.

Bachelor Degree in Theology or Religious Education or equivalent experience in teaching Catechism. Certification course in religious education desired.

This a salaried full-time position with benefits; expect to work on Sundays as needed.

For Duties and Responsibilities or if interested: please send a resume and cover letter to Father Xavier at Fr. Xavier@smm-waupaca.org or drop off at Parish Office.



Stewardship
a way of living

St James

Week Ending May 15, 2022

Received \$3,397

Budget \$3,430
(\$33)

	Month of Apr 2022	Jul 2021- Apr 2022	Jul 2020- Apr 2021
Received	\$14,451	\$136,364	\$136,617
Budget	<u>\$14,578</u> (<u>\$127</u>)	<u>\$145,780</u> (<u>\$9,416</u>)	

St Mary of Mount Carmel

Week Ending May 15, 2022

Received \$2,072

Budget \$3,564
(\$1,492)

	Month of Apr 2022	Jul 2021- Apr 2022	Jul 2020- Apr 2021
Received	\$15,114	\$139,794	\$125,078
Budget	<u>\$15,148</u> (<u>\$34</u>)	<u>\$151,480</u> (<u>\$11,686</u>)	

Support Scrip Gift Cards

SMMC SCRIP UPDATE:

Our next sales will be on June 5th. You can purchase gift cards at any time by calling Pat Zielinski at 715-824-3762.

Thank you to everyone who supports our Scrip Gift Card program!

ST. JAMES SCRIP CARDS:

Our next sale dates will be on May 28th & 29th. A easy way to support our parish. Stop by the parish office during office hours or contact Hydie Laidlaw at 715-347-3544 for more information.

***Please contact Hydie Laidlaw or
Pat Zielinski for more information.***

Parish News...

BIBLE STUDY:

Will be held on Monday, May 23rd at 5:30 pm.
Only a few weeks left to the
2021 BIBLE IN A YEAR, all are welcome.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:

We need volunteers for coffee and donuts at St. James for June, July, and August. We have easy to follow instructions. If you have questions or would like to volunteer there is a sign-up in the back of St. James with instructions or contact Misty at 785-633-5206 call/text or mistyprater@gmail.com.

ONLINE GIVING:

WeShare, our online giving provider, has upgraded their website effective May 3rd. You will still login at sjsmcc.weshareonline.org, using your **current email address and password**, and will see the new landing page. Improvements to the site include:

- ♦Ability to donate to multiple collections at once
- ♦Improved process of updating your payment source information
- ♦Ability for more detailed receipts
- ♦Easier Account Creation

“DID YOU KNOW”

from the Sacred Worship Committee

WHAT WAS LEFT IN THE TOMB AFTER JESUS RESURRECTION:

1. The Gospel of John 20:7 tells us that the cloth which had been placed over Jesus' face was not just thrown aside, but was neatly folded. Why? According to the tradition of that day, after a servant set the dinner table, he would wait, just out of sight, until the family had finished eating. If one of them was done, they would rise, wad up the napkin and toss it onto the table, the signal to clear their setting. However, if they got up from the table, folded their napkin and laid it beside their plate, the message was “I'm not finished yet”. The folded cloth meant “I'm coming back”! Jesus came back!

2. The Shroud of Turin also known as the Holy Shroud is a length of linen cloth bearing the negative image of a man. Some describe the image as depicting Jesus of Nazareth and believe the fabric is the burial shroud in which he was wrapped after crucifixion. Currently the Catholic Church neither formally endorses nor rejects the shroud, and in 2013 Pope Francis referred to it as an “icon of a man scourged and crucified”. The shroud continues to be intensely

studied, and remains a controversial issue among scientists and biblical scholars. The shroud has been kept in the royal chapel of the Cathedral of Saint John the Baptist, Turin, Italy. If it is Christ's burial cloth, then it is nothing less than the most singular & splendid thing on earth.

SOMETHING TO ADD TO YOUR DAILY

“TO DO LIST”: Pray and fast for the Justices of the Supreme Court, asking God to give them the grace, wisdom and courage to stand on the side of life and of the Constitution as written, overturning Roe v. Wade. Also, that all branches of government be dedicated to protecting the dignity and rights of the human person, from conception to natural death. As Catholics, let us witness to the beautiful gift of life with civility and love, and with our peaceful prayers.

Upcoming...

FANCHER RUMMAGE SALE:

3995 Hwy. K. May 27th & 28th. 8:00AM-6:00PM.
May 29th. 9AM-12PM. Church basement. Too many items to mention. Free will offering, unless marked. All proceeds go to repair & painting of statues. If you would like to donate items, leave in St. Joseph room by May 22nd.
Please NO CLOTHES OR FURNITURE.

VETERAN'S MEMORIAL DEDICATION:

Memorial Day - May 30, 2022. St. Patrick's Catholic Cemetery, Lanark. Starting at 8:00AM. Prayer Service, Blessing of Memorial and much more! Come and Honor our Veterans buried in our cemetery! Questions Call Mary 715-824-3244 or Helen 715-824-5880

ST. JOSEPH PARISH PICNIC:

1709 Wyatt Avenue, Stevens Point. Saturday, June 4, Mass at 4 p.m, with events following until 10 p.m., and Sunday, June 5, Mass at 10:30 a.m. with events following until 5 p.m. More information online at www.pointcatholicfaith.org.

HOLY THUNDER:

St. Bronislava Parish. 3rd Annual Motorcycle Blessing and Faith Run, Saturday, June 5th starting at 1:30pm. For more info and to sign up go to www.stbrons.com

CALLING ALL CURRENT MIDDLE SCHOOL

BOYS! Bring yourself and a friend Monday, June 13 – Wednesday, June 15 to St Lawrence Seminary High School in Mt Calvary, WI for three days of field olympics, games, team building, and prayer. Cost is \$50 and includes housing and food. Transportation is available from select cities throughout the state. Register at www.stlawrence.edu/retreats

MARRIAGE:

Couples requesting the celebration of the Sacrament of Marriage should contact the office at the time of engagement, at least six months prior to the anticipated date of marriage. If a couple wishes to be married as a registered parish member, they must actively participate in the faith (Sunday worship) and be a registered member of our parish at least 3 months prior to requesting the Sacrament of Marriage. Weddings are not celebrated during Lent.

BAPTISM:

Parents may request the baptism of their infant at least two months prior to the anticipated date of baptism. Family should be members of our parish, they must actively participate in the faith (Sunday worship) and be a registered member of our parish. To request baptism, please call the parish office at 715-824-3455.

ANNOINTING OF THE SICK:

If you or a loved one is in need of the Anointing Sacrament especially before a hospital stay or procedure - please contact the office.

UNITED PRAYERS TO HEAVEN

PRAYER CHAIN: Notice to all Parishioners. If you or anyone you know is in need of prayers, please let us know. We will keep your name & prayer request confidential, names are included only if you so desire.

CONTACTS FOR PRAYER CHAIN:

Laurie plhintz5@gmail.com
Darlene..... 715-592-4443
Barb 715-824-3649

Come Follow Me...

Come Follow Me! When Peter encountered Jesus for the first time, he was busy doing his daily work, fishing. He was minding his own business, when Jesus approached him and asked him to put his nets out into the deep water for a catch. Although hesitant, he did as Jesus asked him and caught an over-abundance of fish! When they arrived back on shore, Jesus said to Peter, "Come, follow me..." and Peter did. In just the same way, the Lord continues to work in our world today, approaching us in our normal, daily lives and inviting us to consider following Him. Have you ever considered following the Lord as a priest, like Peter? Do you know of a young man who you think the Lord may be calling to be a priest? Perhaps this is the Lord's invitation to follow Him. To begin the conversation or to inquire about what it means to be a priest, please contact: Fr. Nate Kuhn, Director of Vocational Recruitment for the Diocese of La Crosse: 608.791.2667. God bless you!



Help Out - Recycle...

RECYCLE YOUR SCRAP METAL...

FOR THE CHURCH: We again have an offer to assist our parishioners with the disposal & recycling of Scrap Metal with proceeds going back to our churches. The offer includes access to a high traffic area for parishioners to park and sell their used vehicles, just asking a small donation for the use of the area which will come back to our churches. Please adhere to the following: **NO TELEVISIONS AND ABSOLUTELY NO ITEMS WITH FREON ARE ALLOWED. ALSO, DROP OFF ITEMS ARE BY APPOINTMENT ONLY.** Please comply with these requests or unfortunately this program that benefits our parishes will no longer be available to us. For more information and/or to set up an appointment: **Please Call 715-347-5295.**

Parish Staff

Office:

Tina Maves PH: 715-824-3455
catholiccentral54406@gmail.com

Send your Ambo announcements into office via email by Noon Tuesday

DRE/Parish Life Coordinator:

Ann Hemmy PH: 715-316-7056
sjsmdre.plc@gmail.com

Bookkeeper:

Sandy Trzebiatowski
sjsmbkkpr@gmail.com

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bulletininfo06@gmail.com

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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Social Concerns: Pat Zielinski and
Laura Trzebiatowski - Przekurat

Education: TBA

Stewardship: TBA