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Weekend Masses (Live on YouTube)

Saturday 4:30pm

Sunday 9:30am

Weekday Masses

Monday 6pm

Friday 8am

Sacramental Life

Reconciliation-suspended

Baptism-Sacrament offered twice a month. Dates on website. Call the office

Marriage-requires priest to be notified 6 months prior. Call the office.

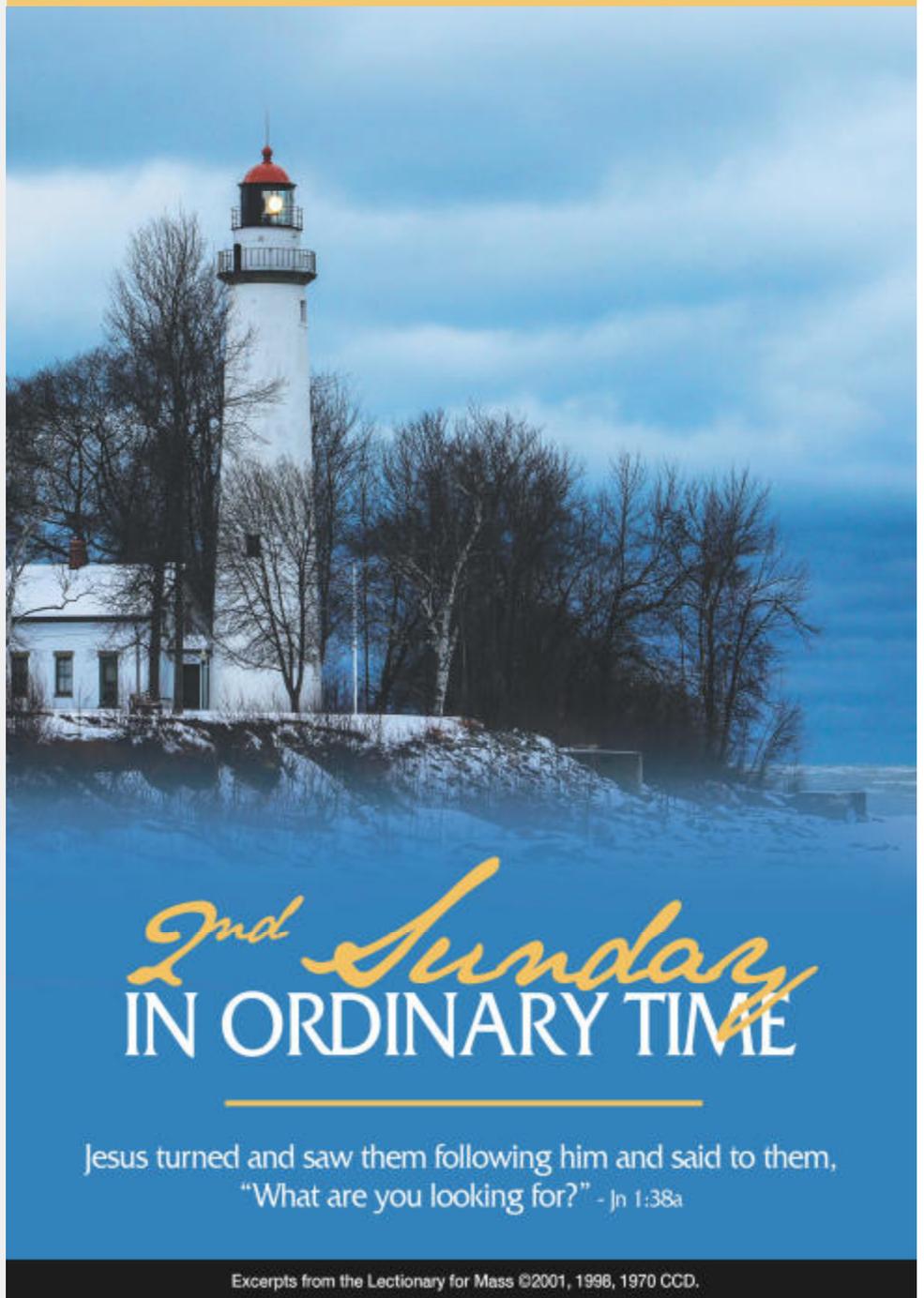
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St James Mission Statement:

...revealing the Kingdom of God through our commitment to the Lord and to each other.



2nd Sunday IN ORDINARY TIME

Jesus turned and saw them following him and said to them,
"What are you looking for?" - Jn 1:38a

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January 17, 2021

Staff Reflection

Racism, the Catholic Church, and Sister Thea Bowman

This week our nation focusses on its problem with racism as we self-reflect on Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day. In the United States, the Catholic Church acknowledges the work done by the late African American Sister Thea Bowman, F. S. P. A.

Who was Sister Thea? Sister Thea was the granddaughter of a slave, a Catholic advocate for racial justice, and the first African American woman to address the U.S. bishops' conference. During her childhood, she attended Baptist, Methodist, Episcopalian and Adventist churches where the majority of members were African Americans. Because she attended the Holy Child of Jesus School founded and staffed by the Franciscan Sisters of Perpetual Adoration, she converted to Catholicism at the young age of twelve, as she was attracted to the Church's "love in action" through education. Still in her teens, Thea was determined to enter the Franciscan Sisters of Perpetual Adoration, whose *warmth and love* had drawn her to the Catholic faith. Sister Thea became a noted public speaker, and traveled the United States, talking about race and the Catholic faith. She continued to travel and teach even after being diagnosed with breast cancer in 1984, even landing an interview with 60 Minutes. Thea helped establish the National Black Sisters Conference and advocated for an increased representation of American-American people in Church leadership. She called for more encounters between white and non-white Catholics, and for a welcoming of music from different cultural backgrounds.

Her address to the U.S. bishops' conference had a profound impact on the bishops, and on many other people who heard her words. "When she finished her speech, she was wheeled her off the podium and out into a hall. And one by one, the bishops came to her and knelt before her, in her wheelchair, and asked for her blessing; an indication of how much they thought about her message to the Church."

I was blessed to have had Sister Thea as one of my undergraduate college English teachers. Her expectations were always high, and she knew how to develop critical thinking skills in her students. If I listen carefully, I can still hear Sister's voice in my head. She challenges us, as people of faith, to treat our brothers and sisters with great love and respect, despite skin color. Remember that Jesus of Nazareth was not of White, European descent! May our faith community always remember to show the same *warmth and respect* to all that is the same love that drew Sister Thea to the Catholic Church.

Thea died March 30, 1990. Her canonization cause was opened by the Diocese of Jackson in 2018. For more information, see:

[Sister Thea Bowman | Cause for Canonization](#)

Sources: *Thea Bowman: A Black Nun for Sainthood — The Revealer and Thea Bowman — religious sister, civil rights advocate, candidate for sainthood — Catholic World Report*

Nick Narloch, Ed. D.

Director of Music and Liturgy

2021 Eucharistic Mission

Transubstantiation, the doctrine that during the consecration of the Eucharist, the bread and wine become the true body and blood of Christ is central to Catholic theology, yet a recent Pew research study showed that only 1/3 of practicing Catholics understand and believe this concept. This core teaching of our Church is so important that the Second Vatican Council declared that the Eucharist is the source and summit of the Christian Life.

Lent is all about growing closer to God, but how is the Eucharist involved in that process? The Adult Faith Formation Committee presents a 2021 Lenten Eucharistic Mission taking place on Wednesdays during Lent from 6-7:00 PM in St. James Church. Our hope is to help Catholics grow closer to God in the knowledge of Christ's True Presence in the Blessed Sacrament.

Each week will include a 30-minute talk or video about some aspect of the Eucharist, such as saints and the Eucharist, doctrine of the Eucharist, history of the Eucharist, the psychological dimensions of the Eucharist and personal testimony. Look for a finalized schedule in the bulletin in early February.



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Phone numbers are a 262 exchange unless noted otherwise.

Sacraments

Reconciliation-Suspended for now.

Baptism

The Sacrament of Baptism is offered after 9:30am Mass during this pandemic. Prior registration is required. For information, please contact the Parish Office.

Marriage

Marriage Preparation requires the priest be notified **6 months** prior to anticipated wedding date. One of the parties must be a registered practicing Catholic member of our Parish.

New Members

We warmly welcome new members to our Parish! Contact the parish office.

Communion to the Sick & Home Visits

Contact Parish Office at 363-7615 x100

Council of Catholic Women

Call Kathy Peters 262-470-1786.

Elizabeth Ministry

Call (262) 363-7615 X145.

Eucharistic Adoration

Monday 6:30pm. Call Pete or Sharon Giersch 262-492-5900

Knights of Columbus

Call Don Braun 363-7601

Linden Grove Ministry

Suspended due to pandemic. For ?'s call Arlene Spiegelhoff 363-7061.

Prayer Network

Requests for the Prayer Network are confidential. For prayer request call Arlene 363-7061. Online Prayer requests to prayers@stjmuk.org.

St. Vincent de Paul Society

Call (262) 363-7615 X150.

Hearing Assistance

St James Church is equipped with a hearing assistance system. Devices are available in the sacristy before Mass.

St James 125th Anniversary

Photos Needed

Make your special occasion or celebration that occurred at St. James or a historical moment at St. James part of the photo montage played during Mass celebrating St. James 125th Anniversary Feb. 28th. Photos from Mardi Gras, Festival, youth activities, weddings, baptisms, egg hunts, etc. are welcome and wanted! Photos can be shared digitally to Krista Galbraith at kgalbraith@ksmfg.com or bring hard copies to the parish office to be scanned and returned to you.

GriefShare

The death of a spouse can bring a unique kind of pain. You haven't just lost a spouse, but your entire lifestyle is altered. St. James GriefShare ministry is offering a special, two-hour seminar to offer support to grieving spouses.

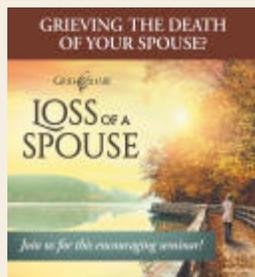
The two-hour seminar includes a short video presented by Christian authors, counselors and pastors followed by discussion. You will also receive a valuable booklet that includes a video note-taking outline, devotional materials to help you find solace in God's word, Grief Recovery exercises and journaling prompts.

When: Sunday, February 7, 2021; 10:30 AM- 12:30 PM

Where: St. James Parish Center, lower level, room 9

No fees, donation accepted. Register online at

www.griefshare.org Enter ZIP Code to find local group offerings, then scroll down, click on "Loss of a Spouse" and register at the St James listing or **email: hittr@stjmuk.org**. Please join us for this encouraging seminar.



St T - St. Theresa, Eagle
St J - St. James, Mukwonago

Saturday, January 16

4:30 pm (St T) Parishioners

4:30 pm (St J) † Sharon Steinke

(Also live streamed on YouTube)

Sunday, January 17 (Second Sunday in Ordinary Time)

9:00 am (St T) † Lucille Casey

9:30 am (St J) † Robert Pakulski

(Also live streamed on YouTube)

Monday, January 18

6:00 pm (St J) Kenneth Mann (Happy Birthday!)

Tuesday, January 19, No Mass

Wednesday, January 20, No Mass

Thursday, January 21 (St Agnes, Virgin & Martyr)

8:00 am (St T) † Daniel Knapp

Friday, January 22

8:00 am (St J) † Josephine De Los Santos

Saturday, January 23 (St Vincent, Deacon & Martyr)

4:30 pm (St T) † Richard Bergmann

4:30 pm (St J) Parishioners

(Also live streamed on YouTube)

Sunday, January 24 (Third Sunday in Ordinary Time)

9:00 am (St T) † Joann Gilmore

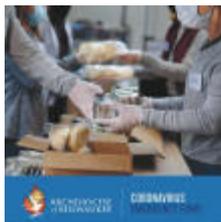
9:30 am (St J) † Alois Casper & Philip Adler

(Also live streamed on YouTube)

Readings for the Week of Jan 17

Please see the St James website at:
<https://www.stjamesmukwonago.org/Readings>

Coronavirus Emergency Fund



In this time of pandemic, we are all in the same storm, just different boats. The disease's economic impact has not had the same ramifications for all. Food pantries are seeing a 70% or more increase. In response to this demand, the Archdiocese of Milwaukee has established a Coronavirus Emergency Fund to help those in need with food, rent assistance, and utility

payments. If you would like to support their efforts, go to the Archdiocesan website, www.archmil.org, and click on **Coronavirus Emergency Fund**. May the Lord bless you many times over for your generosity.

Parish App Discontinued

Parish leadership recently made a decision to discontinue the parish app. There was very little use of this feature, and the parish could not justify the annual fees for it. We are working extra hard to curtail costs whenever possible, given the impact of Covid-19 on parish income. We encourage everyone to please visit the parish website at

www.stjamesmukwonago.org. It has all the information that the parish app extracted or directed people to, including online giving. Feel free to call the parish office if you have further questions.

One Percent Prayer

We want to encourage you to start off 2021 by getting closer to Christ. The Archdiocese has put together this simple initiative: to take 1% (15 minutes) of your day for 30 days to get to know Jesus better in personal prayer and daily scripture reading. Will you join us? Find out more information and sign up for study guides by going to www.archmil.org and searching for "one percent prayer".

Connecting Love & Life Gala

Saturday, February 13 from 4:30-9pm at the Marriott -West (Waukesha). \$75/person. \$450/table of 6. \$700/table of 10. Sue Thayer, guest speaker at the Gala shares her miraculous conversion with honesty, transparency, and humor. To make reservations: **Text** - loveandlife at 243725 or **Sign-Up** at

www.LCMISSION.COM. This event is in person or virtual. Life's Connection is a Catholic-based Medical, Crisis Pregnancy Help and Family Resource Center in Waukesha and Mukwonago. 262.470.3119.



Calendar Raffle Winners 2021

Jan 1: Brian Czeshinski; \$250

Jan 5: Pat Logee; \$50

Jan 12: Todd Wiench; \$50

Winners are listed same day on the St James website.

Sunday, January 17, 2021

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mardi Gras Mask Contest

St. James is hosting a Mardi Gras mask contest for students of all ages. Pull out your scissors, markers, and craft supplies and get those creative juices flowing! Decorate your original mask with flare and submit a photo to be displayed on St. James' Facebook page. Parishioners and friends may then vote for their favorite mask. Have fun and good luck!



Create your mask, take a photo of the mask alone or while wearing it and Submit the photo to boergern@stjmuk.org by February 8, 2021. Vote on Facebook or in the Commons for your favorite mask

First Prize: Mardi Gras Basket worth \$50

Second Prize: Mardi Gras Basket worth \$25

Any questions contact Nancy at 262-363-7615 X120

Catholic Schools Week

Catholic schools balance faith and education. We do more than prepare students for tests in the classroom. We prepare them for tests in life. A Catholic education proclaims its values in its solid spiritual foundation.

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Upcoming Retreats

A Day of Spiritual Awakening

The Redemptorist Retreat Center in Oconomowoc, WI is offering a Day of Spiritual Awakening on January 20th, entitled "Missing from the Pews; it appears someone you love has left the Church". You may be concerned about friends or loved ones who have stepped away from the Church. The purpose of the day is to examine the impact it has on those who care for them and discuss ways you can relate to each other. Consider attending for a special time to listen, to share and to pray. Arrival/check-in begins at 9:00 a.m. and concludes at noon. There will be a free will offering. Visit their new website, www.redemptoristretreat.org to register online.

Men & Women's Retreats

The Redemptorist Retreat Center in Oconomowoc, WI, is open and happy to welcome the men and women of St. James and St. Theresa Parishes to their weekend retreats with the theme, "**Living in a Time of Plentiful Redemption**". **Men's retreat is February 19-21, Women's retreat is March 19-21.** These retreats consist of conferences, daily Mass, Reconciliation, Devotion to Mary, and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.

Ash Wednesday Day of Prayer on Feb 17

Arrival/check-in at 9:15am and then refreshments in the serving area, followed by a conference, Reconciliation or quiet personal time, lunch, prayer time to Our Mother of Perpetual Help and then closes with the celebration of the Eucharist.

To register for any, visit www.redemptoristretreat.org or contact Steve or Arlene Spiegelhoff at 363-7061 or 262-210-6318 for more information.

Job Opportunities

Part Time Maintenance Job

St. James Parish has an opening for a part time Maintenance Associate. This position will be about 15 hours per week, with some weekend hours as well as primarily weekday hours. Duties include cleaning, janitorial, light maintenance, and limited snow removal. If interested, please contact the parish office for an application. Complete it and return it, along with a cover letter, to Cheryl Marotta, Director of Administrative Services, marottac@stjmuk.org, or mail hardcopies to the parish addressed to her attention. You can also use the drop box at the front of the parish office.

Paid Family Promise Position Available

Family Promise of Waukesha County is seeking an additional Case Manager. This 30-35 hour a week role will allow Family Promise to provide case management for our expanding programs. For more info please contact Joe at (262) 968-2321.

Volunteer Family Promise Data Entry

Positions Available (Work At Home)

We are looking for volunteers who would help us create/update a database of congregations in Waukesha County. This task can be done from home. Volunteers should be computer literate and have a basic understanding of google drive and google sheets. For more info please contact Joe at (262) 968-2321.

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