

Saint James Parish Newsletter

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JULY 2021



FESTIVAL FOCUS:
GREAT MUSIC! Come for the sounds to make you move. FRIDAY: "The Now" 7-11pm; SATURDAY: "The Spectaculars" 2-6 pm; "76 Juliet" 7-11 pm; SUNDAY: "Reverend Raven" 12-4 pm. Visit stjamesmukwonago.org for ticket info & details. Call 262-363-7615.

ST. JAMES CATHOLIC CHURCH
PARISH FESTIVAL

FIREWORKS, FISH FRY, BAKERY, GAMES, RIDES, RAFFLES, MUSIC, BOOK BOOTH
FRIDAY 4-11:30

RIDES, GAMES, BOOK BOOTH, RAFFLES, MUSIC, FOOD, CRAFTS, TRACTOR PULL, CAR SHOW.
SATURDAY 11-11:30

CHICKEN DINNER, BOOK BOOTH, GAMES, RIDES, MUSIC, RAFFLE DRAWINGS
SUNDAY 11:30-4

AUGUST 27, 28, 29

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Festival Lawn Signs

Please look for and return any Festival lawn signs in your possession. Please bring them to Mass and place them in either the Narthex, Commons or Activity Center entrance. We rework these signs to add the dates Aug 27-28-29! Thanks.

Sell Raffle Tickets

The **BIG Choice Raffle!** Only 4000 tickets will be sold, and 75 prizes will be awarded (1 in 53 chance of being a WINNER). Top prize is choice of \$25,000 toward any new or used car or truck from Lynch of Mukwonago, or \$20,000 CASH. Tickets are \$25 ea or 5 for \$100. But wait, there's more... each ticket has a coupon (it's okay to use them, because you don't need to have the ticket stub to collect your prize on August 29) on the back for \$15 off an oil change at our sponsor – Lynch of Mukwonago. Lynch is also offering to purchase four tickets in your name if you purchase a new or used car from them prior to the Festival (you must let your salesperson know that you are from St James to take advantage of this perk). Drawing will be in the Activity Center on August 29, at 3 PM.

Basket Raffle Donations

Our Basket Raffle in the Activity Center is always a big hit. Rita Firkus, 262-378-0067; ritafirkus@hotmail.com and her team are looking to assemble many uniquely themed baskets. Some examples are: sports, household, dining experiences, nature lovers, entertainment, spa, liquor, gift cards, etc, etc; their imagination is endless.

Food Truck or Marketplace Vendors

There is still room for more Food Truck or Marketplace craft vendors. Last festival the addition of Food Truck vendors added diversity to the food experience at our festival and was well received. The Festival Marketplace provides a relaxed atmosphere for local crafters and merchants to sell their wares. There are spots available for local providers who would like to participate; if you know anyone who might be interested, please have them contact Jim Hepp at 262-347-8975 for Food Vendors, or Debra Dunn at 414-630-4444 for Marketplace.

Book Booth

Remind your friends and family of our annual book sale. Clean out your attic or garage. Children's books, cookbooks, self improvement books, craft books, teen books, novels, and fiction books. We also accept: games, DVD's, CD's, VHS tapes, and jigsaw puzzles. Drop off your items at the Activity Center or Parish Office any time before the Festival.

Photo Booth

Calling all flappers and gangsters! We're puttin' on the ritz at this year's festival! Get ready for a roaring good time! New this year will be a "Roaring 20's" old-time photo booth! Complete with backdrop, costumes and props. It'll be the bee's knees!

Homemade Bakery and Desserts

The Council of Catholic Women are asking for your donations of your delicious homemade bakery or desserts or home grown produce items for sale at the **Festival Bakery Booth**. These desserts will also be sold at the Friday night Fish Fry. Donations can be dropped off after 1 PM on Friday. For more information call Kathy Peters at 262-470-1786.

2 Liter Bottles of Soda

The soda ring toss game is in need of many 2 liter bottles of soda; any brand or flavor. Drop off your donations at the Activity Center or in the Commons areas.

Barrel Buddy Membership

Our Festival would not be complete without tipping a few of Milwaukee's finest brews at our Beer Tent (Now affectionately renamed "**Perry's Place**" in memory of Perry Woolley, who has given so much to this Festival over the years and to whom we are eternally grateful). Please consider becoming a charter member of the Perry's Place Barrel Buddy Club for \$85 and get 10 free tickets or for \$100 get a car raffle ticket and 10 free tickets.

ST. JAMES PARISH OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED ON MONDAY, JULY 5th FOR THE INDEPENDENCE DAY HOLIDAY

Baptisms

Please join us in welcoming all of our newly baptized who joined our Christian Community through the waters of baptism in May. Planning to have a baby baptized this year? Baptism Preparation Class is required if you are having your first child baptized or if you have not attended a baptism class in the past 5 years. Contact Renée Hitt at hittr@stjmuk.org to register for a baptism prep class, held on the first Thursday of the month at 6:30 PM and contact René Ranic in the Parish Office to sign up for a baptism Sunday, 262-363-7615.



Callum James Blayney
Parents: Jared & Michelle Blayney
May 16, 2021



Blake Genevieve Craig
Parents: Ryan Craig & Catherine Esperes
May 16, 2021



Colbie Galstad Grzybowski
Parents: Paul & Kimberly Grzybowski
May 16, 2021



Ayden Charles Kunkel
Parents: Aaron & Tana Kunkel
May 16, 2021

So in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith, for all of you who were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ.

Galatians 3:26-27

Parish News

Hello! My name is Mary Sue Gallagher and I have been a parishioner of St. James Parish since mid-2004, when my family moved to Mukwonago. I have been married for 29 years to my husband, Kevin, and we have three amazing children: Patrick (wife Elizabeth), Meghan and Ryan. Since moving to Mukwonago in 2004, I have been involved in many aspects of the community, from St James, to school activities and sports clubs, and have also held a management position in several Wisconsin based companies.

At St. James, I was heavily involved in the Parish School until it closed, including co-chairing the SCRIP program, co-chairing the school dinner auction for several years, helping with the school lunch program, being room parent, etc... I was Trustee-Secretary for St. James Parish from 2008 until 2016, under both Fr. Francis Malloy and Fr. Mick Savio. While my children were involved in the Faith Formation programs during middle and high school, I was involved in those programs, including coordinating the Hunger Banquets, which taught the students about social justice in the world. I am currently running the SCRIP program, which now raises funds for Faith Formation, as well as being the Chair of the Personnel Committee. I have worked to assist in recruitment of new staff for the parish, helped with Covid-19 related concerns, as well as offered counsel on personnel related issues. I have also served as a Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist and look forward to resuming volunteering with the Covid-19 restrictions ending, and looking forward to volunteering with the festival again.



I am currently the Human Resources Manager at Diggers Hotline, Inc. where I handle all HR duties for the organization. I have been employed at Diggers Hotline since April 2018. Since moving to Wisconsin, I worked for 11 years at Zilli Hospitality Group as the Director of Human Resources, and I spent 2 years with Grand Geneva Resort & Spa/Marcus Hotels & Resorts. I continue to be involved in the Wisconsin Figure Skating Club, helping with various coordination aspects of the annual Skate Milwaukee competition.

I feel blessed and called to give of my time to St. James Parish as the Trustee-Secretary again, as we continue to grow and move St. James Parish forward.

Pastoral Council

The Pastoral Council completed the discernment of new members on Thursday, May 20th. Being selected for three year terms were Jim Cox, Chad Stovern and Jennifer McFadyen. Contact information and updates to Pastoral Council members positions will be posted in the Sunday, July 4th bulletin and also on the St James website.

We would like to extend our sincere appreciation and gratitude to Shelly Evers, Kathy Peters and Karen Tylicki whose three year term on the Pastoral Council ended June 30, 2021. Thank you for your hours of dedication and service to St. James.

Children's Liturgy of the Word

Children's Liturgy Leaders and Helpers Needed

Children's Liturgy is offered at our 9:30 AM (10 AM after July 4th) Sunday Mass. Children leave Mass during the readings to hear the Gospel and do a fun craft. All material is provided so no prep needed unless you want to read the Gospel beforehand. Not comfortable leading? We love helpers!! This is a great opportunity for Middle School and High School students.

Questions? Please contact Robin Czeshinski at rczeshinski@yahoo.com or 414-737-1673 call/text. Thank you for considering.



New Mass Times

It's so wonderful to see our Church filling up again! The songs and sung responses fill the entire building. Plus, it's good to see ALL of our faces. Thank you to everyone that took the time to respond to the Mass Attendance Survey. We have evaluated your input and are pleased to announce the New Mass Schedule.



Mass times are:

4:00 PM Saturday, 8:00 AM Sunday and 10:00 AM Sunday. These changes take effect the weekend of July 3rd and 4th.

Social Distance seating will be in the Cry Room, the section of pews just before the Cry Room and the Activity Center for anyone not quite ready to gather closer. Sanitizing of hands before Communion is not required. But the Church and Activity Center will still be sanitized after the Masses.

COME LET US WORSHIP!

Altar Servers

WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE MORE INVOLVED AT MASS?

Why not consider being an Altar Server! St. James is in need of both adult & youth (4th grade & older) Altar Servers. Please contact Jessie Brovold at brovoldjess@gmail.com or 414-331-7035 for further information & training.

Special Collections

This spring we had two special collections: Rice Bowl and Life's Connection. Thanks to your generosity we collected a total of \$1,374.84 during our Rice Bowl collection. We gave \$343.71 to our very own St. Vincent DePaul chapter and \$1031.13 to Catholic Relief Services. Also, thanks to your kindness we raised \$3,402.68 for Life's Connection, a pregnancy support center located here in Mukwonago.

Once again, thanks to all our charitable parishioners. Because of you, we are able to be Christ beyond St. James.

Prayer Shawl-Baptism Blanket

Please join our Crochet Group on Wednesdays anytime between 9-11 AM. Create a beautiful piece and have wonderful conversations. If you don't know how to crochet or knit, our lovely Lila will teach you, plus she has everything beautifully laid out that you can use. Hope to see you Wednesdays at St. James in the Commons area by the food pantry door. Can't make it during the day? Join our evening group which meets on the 2nd Wednesday of each month between 6-8 PM. Questions? Contact Robin Czeshinski; 414-737-1673 or rczeshinski@yahoo.com



SAGES



SAGES (Senior Adults Gathering for Education and Socialization) will be able to begin meeting again! Our first meeting will be on Thursday, July 15th. We will meet at 1:30 PM in the lower level meeting room of the Mukwonago Village Hall. After a short

business meeting, our program will be a presentation by the Waukesha County Historical Society on The Victorian and Springs Era. Covid precautions are still in place with mask wearing, social distancing, and no refreshments being provided. Please feel free to bring your own snack and drink. Guests are welcome. Questions, call Marsha at 262-363-8597.

Knights of Columbus

Knights of Columbus #7048 announce the 41st annual Bob Chapman Open Golf Jamboree. For an entry fee of \$80.00, anyone can join in on the fun and prizes with the Knights of St. James and the extended family and friends of Bob Chapman. The open fielded 30 teams at the 40th and proceeds went to 3 college scholarships and local charities. This golf event is a 4 person scramble and a shotgun start at 8:30 AM Sunday, August 15th at Kettle Moraine Golf Club in Dousman. Included with the entry fee is 18 holes with cart, AM coffee and donuts, free range balls, lunch with soda or beer and a sandwich at the turn. To register for the event, go to website www.stjamesmukwonago.org, under the Events Tab, find the Bob Chapman Open flyer and registration sheets to download.



Another great KC event (In service to one, in service to all).

Council of Catholic Women

Prayer opportunities for all parishioners for the month of **July** are **July 7th and 21st**. We will be gathering in church to **pray the rosary at Noon** on the first and third Wednesdays of the month.



For information contact Kathy Peters at 262-470-1786.

Family Promise



Thus far in 2021 we have distributed almost \$35,000 by providing rent, utility and transportation assistance to:

- 37 families
- 55 adults
- 69 children



This summer we will be holding our annual meetings with every host and support Church. Each meeting will be a cluster of host and support Churches who work together. The meetings take on special importance as we discuss the future of the rotational model and when we can provide shelter in congregations again.

At the same time we are beginning a process to reach out to new congregations, businesses and civic groups to develop additional partners. Before the pandemic our support and host Churches were hoping for additional volunteers. We are hopeful that adding additional partners will allow for us to make an easier return to congregation and volunteer based shelter.

We will keep you updated on our progress. Our goal to return to the congregational model of shelter is based on our belief that volunteerism and community involvement that changes lives.



For up to date calendar, visit www.stjamesmukwonago.org/Events