

# Saint James Parish Newsletter

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OCTOBER 2021

## ST. THERESA CHURCH 82<sup>ND</sup> ANNUAL TURKEY DINNER



**Sunday, October 17, 2021**

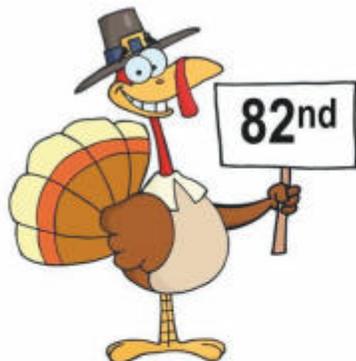
**11:30 am - 4:00 pm**

**Home Cooked ~ Cafeteria Style**

**Turkey, Dressing, Real Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, Carrots  
our Famous Pickled Beets, Apple or Pumpkin Pie**

**Adults and Carry-outs \$12.00**

**Children 4-12 \$6.00 ~ 3 and under Free**



**Country Store with  
bake sale and  
home canned goods,  
Craft Room, Book Sale  
Cash & Quilt Raffle**

**St. Theresa's School Hall, Hwy 59, Eagle**

## Baptisms

Please join us in welcoming all of our newly baptized who joined our Christian Community through the waters of baptism in August. 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](mailto:hittr@stjmuk.org) to register for a baptism prep class, held on the first Thursday of the month at 6:30 PM in the Parish Center and contact René Ranic in the Parish Office to sign up for a baptism Sunday, 262-363-7615.



**Dahlia Isabel Arenas-Hernandez**  
**Parents: Alejandro & Jasmine**  
**Arenas-Hernandez**  
**August 15, 2021**



**Paige Marie Miron**  
**Parents: Nicholas & Kristina Miron**  
**August 15, 2021**



**Colton Mitchell Theim**  
**Parents: Adam & Stephanie Theim**  
**August 15, 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**

## Family Faith Formation



### Welcome Mary Kravchuk

Hello! I am Mary Kravchuk, your new Faith Formation Coordinator for Grades K-6<sup>th</sup>. I am very happy to be joining the fantastic staff at St. James and St. Theresa and look forward to meeting the families soon!

Last year my husband and I moved to Lake Geneva from Illinois and we both feel right at home here in Wisconsin. We have two children who have recently finished/are finishing up at college and are living on their own.

When my children started elementary school, I decided to go to grad school and get my Masters in Pastoral Studies. Since then, I have loved my work as a Faith Formation director. My career path began in Montessori teaching (grades 1<sup>st</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup>) and faith formation ministry allows me to combine my love for teaching with the greater purpose of Christian discipleship.

As this year's program begins to take shape, I would like to ask you to consider joining us as a catechist. There is nothing more rewarding than sharing your faith with children. You may want to start as I did and invite a friend to co-teach with you!

### Our Faith Formation program has two new Coordinators!

Nancy Boerger will be leading grades 7-11 and Mary Kravchuk will be working with the younger grades K-6.

Both are very excited to be welcoming students back for in-person classes beginning on Sunday, October 3, Tuesday, October 5 and Wednesday, October 6.

If you have not yet registered for classes or need more information, contact Mary at [kravchukm@stjmuk.org](mailto:kravchukm@stjmuk.org), 262-363-7615 x 121, Nancy at [boergern@stjmuk.org](mailto:boergern@stjmuk.org), 262-363-7615 x 120

Registration forms are available on the St James website: [stjamesmukwonago.org](http://stjamesmukwonago.org) under the Faith Formation tab, Child & Youth Faith Formation.

## Fish Frys



Join us on Friday, October 1<sup>st</sup> between 4:30 and 7 PM for our Fabulous Fish Fry. Choose from: 2 piece Fried or Baked Cod \$9.00; 3 piece Fried or Baked Cod \$10.00; 8 piece Fried Shrimp \$12.00. Dinners include French fries or baked potato, coleslaw, rye bread, tartar sauce (fish) or seafood sauce (shrimp). Child's dinner \$6.00 includes: 7 chicken nuggets, French fries, applesauce and ranch or BBQ sauce. Beer, wine coolers, soda and water are available for purchase. St. Vincent de Paul Society will be selling their delicious desserts. Dine in or carryout.

### ST. JAMES FISH FRY NEEDS VOLUNTEERS!

We are looking for students (ages 13 & up) and adults to join our **FUN CREWS**. Help is needed on the first Friday of each month, September through May, from 4:15-7:15 PM, for serving/cleanup. **Contact Kay Willkomm at 262-363-7615 x 128 or [willkommk@stjmuk.org](mailto:willkommk@stjmuk.org)**

St. Theresa's next Drive-Thru Fish Fry is on Friday, October 8<sup>th</sup> from 4:30-7:00 PM. Our menu includes baked fish, fried fish, or shrimp (\$10), and chicken nuggets (\$6) with a choice of baked potato, French fries, or potato pancakes. Our special homemade coleslaw and rye bread are served on the side. Chocolate brownies are available for dessert (\$1). Just drive up to the main school door to place your order and purchase your dinner. Follow the drive around the back of the school to the side door, and your food will be delivered to your car. We are following all health guidelines in the kitchen so you can safely enjoy your dinner in the comfort of your own home. Call the parish office at 262-594-5200 with any questions.



## Animal Blessing



To celebrate the feast of St. Francis of Assisi, you are invited to bring your leashed or caged pet, to our annual Blessing of the Animals at St James on Saturday October 2<sup>nd</sup> at 9:00 AM. The blessing will take place at the north side of the church building.

## Christmas Liturgy

Parents and Grandparents of youth ages 8 through high school, If your family plans to attend the 4:00 PM Christmas Eve Family Mass, please consider having your son or daughter take part in our Christmas Gospel "play." **In order to take part**, children are **expected** to be at three rehearsals: December 4, 11, and 18 starting right after 10:00 AM Mass on those Sundays. Each rehearsal should last only about an hour.



The Gospel play will consist of a short and easy Christmas skit that is only about ten minutes long, and one student narrates the Nativity story while the youngsters pantomime it out, in costumes. At the close of the skit, they will sing a Christmas carol (like "Silent Night" or "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing"). Everyone will love seeing the children take part, and there will be photo ops with them **in costume**. This will take the place of the reading of the Gospel.

Children who take part are reminded that they **get to** wear a costume and will be **rewarded afterwards** with a Christmas stocking of goodies! If interested and if you can make the rehearsals, please contact Nick at [narloch@stjmuk.org](mailto:narloch@stjmuk.org)

Make this Christmas a memorable one with your involvement at St. James Parish!

Nick Narloch, EdD

Director of Liturgy and Music

## Parish Festival Thanks



Thank you to everyone who helped make the St James Parish Festival a big success. Festival coordinators, Jim & Mary Hepp and the Festival Committee spent many months of planning, organizing and being here all weekend. Many thanks to all who donated, whether it was a monetary sponsorship or donation of services, baked goods, silent auction/basket raffle items, soda bottles, used books etc. Our warmest, sincerest thanks go to everyone who volunteered. Sharing of your time and talents is truly a precious gift.

See you next year!

## B & G Committee

### Buildings & Grounds-Members requested

We need volunteers to serve on the Buildings and Grounds committee. This committee shares time and talents to provide a safe, healthy and prayerful environment for the community of St. James. The purpose of this committee is to oversee the maintenance of all facilities and their systems such as electrical, heating, mechanical, plumbing, roofing, etc. as well as the parish grounds. This committee ensures the safety of all the buildings as well as outdoor areas, keeping them clean and in good repair and appearance. This committee meets on 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursdays of the month at 7:00 PM. This committee functions under the oversight of the Finance Council. We need people who have interest in these areas and are willing to support the committee's plans, estimates and execution of projects. If you have a gift for this ministry or if you know someone who could be a potential member in this ministry, please contact the parish office.

Thank you much. *Fr. Loyola*

## Crochet Group

Our Crochet Group meets every Wednesday between 9 AM and Noon in the Commons area at St. James. Can't make it during the day? Join our Crochet Group every 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday between 6-8 PM. Our Prayer Shawls and Baptism Blankets provide so much to the people we give them to. Whether it's comfort or celebration we are here. Hope you will join our Crochet Ministry. Contact Robin at [rczeshinski@yahoo.com](mailto:rczeshinski@yahoo.com) for more information.



## Council of Catholic Women

Happy and Blessed October to everyone. I love the crisp scents of Fall and warm sweaters.

Thanks to all of our wonderful bakers and gardeners who so generously gave of their time and energy to donate so many delicious and healthy items to our Festival. Then, the very next Friday you all donated again for the first Fish Fry of the season. No one can beat the generosity of our parishioners.



After every weekend Mass in October we will once again be collecting **SOCKS FOR BABY JESUS**. We will be collecting new socks for children and adults that shelters use these socks as Christmas gifts. Socks are the most forgotten

item of clothing when people donate to shelters. They are truly needed to help keep the children warm. The bins will be in the Commons and the Narthex after each Mass.

We will be praying our Rosaries on October 6<sup>th</sup> and October 20<sup>th</sup> for the DIGNITY OF WOMEN and on October 20<sup>th</sup>, we will add an additional litany to our Blessed Mother. We pray from noon to 1 PM in the church. **All are welcome to join.** Rosaries will be prayed before various Masses each weekend to celebrate the month of Our Lady of the Rosary.



MACCW's convention celebrating 101 years of service to our Church and each other will take place on Saturday, October 9<sup>th</sup> at St. Mary's Visitation, 1260 Church St., Elm Grove from 8:30 AM to 3:30 PM. Conventions are always a wonderful time of spiritual enrichment and we will also be able to meet our new spiritual advisor. For more info please contact Kathy Peters at 262-470-1786 or [mpeters3@wi.rr.com](mailto:mpeters3@wi.rr.com)

## SAGES

SAGES (Senior Adults Gathering for Education and Socialization) are meeting in person at 1:30 PM on the third Thursday of every month in the lower level meeting room of the Mukwonago Village Hall.



Masks are optional. No refreshments will be served, but members are welcome to bring their own snacks and drinks, and take any garbage home with them. Guests are always welcome. Questions? Call Marsha at 262-363-8597.

Upcoming programs:

October 21, 2021 - The Ukaladies

November 18, 2021 - "The Hidden History of Dickens A Christmas Carol," presented by Rochelle Pennington.

December 16, 2021 - Reader's Theater, presented by Pat Hitt and friends from Black Box Studio Theater.

January 20, 2022 - Civic Broadway Singers

## Retreats

The Retreat Center in Oconomowoc, on beautiful Crooked Lake, is a perfect place to seek healing, peace, and silence with God. We live in a busy, noisy, and sometimes chaotic world, and finding time for quiet and rest is something we all need, and deserve! The new retreat team has kept some former retreat ideas, and even added some new paths to find this rest and peace with God.



The topic for this year's Weekend Silent Preached Retreat is a perfect one for our time and day, "**Healing in a Wounded World**", and is presented by the Redemptorist Retreat Team. The weekend for men is set for February 18-20, 2022, and the weekend for the women is March 18-20, 2022, perfect for a time away near and within Lent. These weekends are not exclusive, so if you cannot make those dates, there are many other weekends to choose from. Check out all information about retreat offerings and dates, as well as see a virtual drone view of the property and take a "tour" of the facilities and property on their new website at [www.redemptoristretreat.org](http://www.redemptoristretreat.org).

There are several Days of Prayer, season oriented, if you can only make a day away. In February, there will be a Weekend Preached Retreat for Married Couples, set for Friday the 11-13. This is a wonderful get away for married couples, and Steve and I highly recommend this type of retreat to refresh and cement your marital relationship.

A new idea presented by the Retreat Team is one called "**Come to the Quiet**". Sometimes you may feel the need to get away all by yourself to a quiet place where you can rest, renew, pray, and listen to God's voice in the stillness of beautiful surroundings. This is not a group experience, but one designed to fit your personal needs. You can arrange a day, two, or even three days to be in the silence of a wooded area set alongside a refreshing lake. Here you can hear God's voice as He speaks to you. They even have some new buildings, called Hermitages, where you can be alone to think and pray. If those are unavailable, they have rooms available for you to stay. Just call the Retreat Center and speak to a team member about your needs, at 262-567-6900.

Another spiritual opportunity they offer is for Spiritual Direction. Perhaps you are in need of someone to speak with about the spiritual path you are on. You may want to discuss a particular issue or problem in your life with someone who will listen and offer spiritual guidance. They have several team members specially trained and willing to walk with you on your spiritual journey. It just takes a phone call to the number above!

Do check out their informative website for all retreat and spiritual offerings, or simply give them a call. If you need any information on the Men's or Women's Retreats in February or March, please call either Arlene or Steve Spiegelhoff, at 262-363-7061 (home), or 262-210-6318 (Steve's cell). Save the dates!

## Women of Christ Conference

The 14<sup>th</sup> annual WOMEN OF CHRIST® CONFERENCE will take place on November 6, 2021 at Washington County Fair Park. This year's theme, "Let Him In", inspires us to invite Jesus into our hearts. Come to hear captivating talks from the duo Sisters of Life and Fr. John Burns, Patty Schneier, Fr. Leo Patalinghug, Fr. Nick Baumgardner, and Emcee Anne Auger. Archbishop Jerome Listeck will celebrate the closing Mass at 4 PM. Confession and Adoration will be available. Vendor Market is open until 3 PM.

*Please Note: Mask wearing and social distancing will not be guaranteed at the conference.*

Register at [womenofchrist.net](http://womenofchrist.net); Phone: 262-689-9725; E-Mail: [womenofchrist@gmail.com](mailto:womenofchrist@gmail.com)



## Elizabeth Ministry

### St James Country Christmas 2021

We are back! **Country Christmas Art and Craft Fair at St James in Mukwonago** is coming on November 13, 2021. This is one of the most popular holiday craft fairs in the area, so don't miss it! Enjoy a day of shopping, have lunch at the "Craftside Café" and enjoy our famous Christian Women dessert buffet.

We are currently registering vendors so please call Krys (or text) at 262-844-7658 to register or online at [stjamesmukwonago.org](http://stjamesmukwonago.org).

We need volunteers. You can sign up by calling Krys at 262-844-7658.

Date: **Saturday November 13, 2021**

Time: 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM

Place: St James Activity Center



## Archdiocese News

### PILGRIMAGE TO THE SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF GOOD HELP

with Bishop Schuerman

You don't have to travel to Europe for a pilgrimage....



Join Most Reverend James Schuerman, Auxiliary Bishop of Milwaukee, on a pilgrimage day trip to the National Shrine of Our Lady of Good Help in Champion, WI. After fueling up with fresh coffee and tasty muffins, our luxury bus will leave the Cathedral of St John the Evangelist at 8:30 AM and journey to the site where the Blessed Virgin appeared to Adele Brise in 1859. Marvel at the only Marian apparition in the United States approved by the Catholic Church. Once at the Shrine, opportunities abound for prayer, recitation of the Rosary, confession and guided tours. A private Mass for our group, led by Bishop Schuerman, will be held in the chapel located above the oratory. A box lunch is included.

Don't miss this chance to recharge your spiritual batteries!

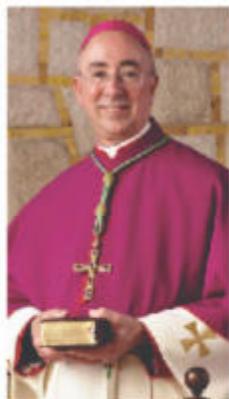
**Date:** Saturday, November 6, 2021

**Time:** 8:30 AM - 6 PM

**Price:** \$75 per person

For reservations and information, please contact Amy Nikolai at 414-276-9814, ext. 306 or [amynikolai@stjohncathedral.org](mailto:amynikolai@stjohncathedral.org)

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# 2021 Red Mass

## You Are Invited

Wednesday,  
October 6, 2021



Mass:  
5:15 PM at the Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist

Reception & Dinner:  
Wisconsin Club

Tickets:  
\$50/individual  
\$35/student

Table Sponsorship:  
\$650 for a Table of 8  
Available through our Treasurer  
Brian Tokarz at [bct@mtfn.com](mailto:bct@mtfn.com)

Celebrant:  
Most Reverend Jerome E. Listcki  
Archbishop of Milwaukee

Faithful Servant Award:  
Patricia J. Gorence  
Magistrate Judge, Eastern District of Wisconsin, Retired

Keynote Speaker:  
Rick Esenberg  
Founder and President, Wisconsin Institute for Law & Liberty

Individual and student tickets for the Reception and Dinner can be purchased online at: [2021 Red Mass Tickets](https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2021-annual-red-mass-and-dinner-tickets-162115421725?aff=stdsharesearch)

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You are invited to join us on a 10-day pilgrimage to Poland!  
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- Meals and assistance upon departure from Chicago O'Hare International Airport
- Direct motor-coach transportation upon arrival and available for the entire trip
- Eight (8) regular accommodations in hotels or in first class hotels throughout
- Breakfast and dinner daily, including a farewell dinner with wine and entertainment at a restaurant in Krakow. All dinners include mineral water
- Full-time tour manager throughout the entire trip, including arrival and departure transfers
- Highway with licensed, professional English-speaking guides as outlined in the itinerary
- Entrance fees to all sights as noted in the itinerary
- Portage of one piece of luggage, per person, at hotels
- Contributions of daily liturgies
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## Friendship's Path

I choose to walk a friendship's Path with those who know me best,  
For we share life's precious moments,  
And everyone is blessed.

We celebrate the happy days and  
Dry each other's tears,  
As the road keeps winding upward  
Throughout the passing years.

On friendship's path, we're not alone  
When troubles come our way,  
For we can lean on one another  
And gather there to pray.

Every life is a stepping-stone  
For those who come behind,  
For when we need that special hug,  
It's never hard to find.

Life throws us curves and detours  
With bumps here and there,  
But we share each other's burdens  
Wrapped in the arms of a prayer.

We always try to keep in touch  
Whenever we're apart.  
For the center line of a friendship's path  
Runs through each other's heart.

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*Sandy is a St. James parishioner who is in the parish choir.  
She enjoys creativity and writing poetry.*

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