

Saint James Parish

LISTEN



“This is my beloved Son.
Listen to him.”

MARK 9:7

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MASS SCHEDULE

Monday-Wednesday 8:00 AM
Thursday 7:00 PM
Friday & Saturday 8:00 AM
Saturday Vigil 4:30 PM
Sunday 7:30 & 10:30 AM

Administrator

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SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Thursday 6:00-6:45 PM and Saturday 3:00-4:00 PM
Or call the rectory for appointment

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Baptism is celebrated on the Third Sunday of the month at
12:00 PM. Call the rectory to make arrangements.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Couples planning for marriage should contact the rectory
one year prior to the wedding date.

CARE FOR THE SICK

Please contact the rectory if you know of anyone who is
hospitalized or confined to home because of age or illness.

During this difficult and uncertain time, the Sacraments are
not available in the way that they have been, but please call
Father David if you have any questions or concerns.

Parish Office Hours: M-F 8:30AM-2:00 PM

**We are a Stewardship Parish
TIME TALENT TREASURE**



Father David is currently celebrating Masses keeping to the guidelines recently outlined by the governor and the Bishop. More information is available on our website.

Saturday, February 27

8:00 AM Souls in Purgatory
 4:30 PM Charles P. Mercik by Chuck Mercik
 All orphaned souls by the Pham family

Sunday, February 28

7:30 AM Brian Silver by his family
 Teddy Clements by Peter & Elaine Wojnar
 And family
 10:30 AM Philippe & Rosanna Lavallee by their family

Monday, March 1

8:00 AM Richard Roberts

Tuesday, March 2

8:00 AM Joanne Rowe by Kathleen Torrey

Wednesday, March 3

8:00 AM Father Joe Whelan

Thursday, March 4

7:00 PM Joseph & Rita Gautreau by Philippe Lavallee

Friday, March 5

8:00 AM Harry Rowe by Kathleen Torrey

Next Saturday, March 6

8:00 AM Souls in Purgatory
 4:30 PM Leo and Emilienne Allain by their family

Next Sunday, March 7

7:30 AM Maria Ke Vu by the Ponce family
 10:30 AM Parishioners of Saint James



40 Days for Life 2021 began Ash Wednesday and continues until March 28th.

PRO-LIFE MINISTRY

Our ministry has committed to Vigil in front of Planned Parenthood in Worcester on the following Fridays from 3:00-4:00 PM: 3/5, 3/12, 3/19, 3/26. Please contact Lori Dewar if you would like to participate at jdewar@verizon.net.

Proverbs 24:10-12 "If you fail under pressure, your strength is not great. Rescue those who are unjustly sentenced to death; don't stand back and let them die. Don't try to avoid responsibility by saying you don't know about it. For God knows all hearts, and he sees you. He keeps watch over your soul, and he knows you knew! And he will judge all people according to what they have done."

We would like to thank all our parishioners for wearing a mask during Mass, we need to keep each other safe .

Donations Statements

If you would like a statement of your donations to Saint James in 2020, please call Celeste in the parish office or email her. Your statement can be mailed, emailed or you can pick it up.

This February, every member of Saint James is called upon to support the work of Partners in Charity through the Annual Appeal. Our parish goal is the same as last year, \$40,000. If you have already made a gift to the 2021 Appeal, thank you. You can also make your gift online at www.partners-charity.net. We have raised \$15,825 so far!

February 13 & 14	\$7,299.00
February 20 & 21	\$3,910.00
Higher Utilities	\$705.00
Ash Wednesday/ Priests' Retirement	\$487.00

THANK YOU!!

Although we are now once again able to attend Mass, many of us are still not able to go. You can mail a check to the parish office (Please do not send cash through the mail). You may also donate online through our website. **Please consider using this method in place of mailing or hand delivering your donations. Thank you to those of you who donate to Saint James this way.**



We are still looking for more young people to step up and serve at the Holy sacrifice of the Mass. If you would like to be an altar server, please come to the sacristy 15 minutes before Mass begins and Fr David Mary and the current servers will train the young person during Mass. We encourage all young people from 3rd to 12th grade to join our team of awesome Altar Servers.

Covid-19 has drastically changed the way we are celebrating funerals and we don't always hear of someone's passing. If you would like us to pray for a loved one who has passed, please let us know.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FOR 2021-22

Registration forms for next year have been emailed to all families of students currently in the program. Please fill out the forms and return to Carole along with payment.

If you are new to our parish and have a student you would like to enroll, please contact Carole at 508-839-6800 or restjames1@aol.com.

If anyone is interested in teaching, Carole can provide you with answers to all your questions!

Thank you for allowing us to be a part of the faith formation of your children.



"Here I am!" he answered. (Genesis 22:11) It is easy to say, *"Here I am, Lord,"* when we are kneeling in church. But how easy is it to say *"Here I am, Lord,"* when a neighbor needs our help, when we are invited to join a parish ministry, or when we are asked to provide financial support? Often times we are called when it's not convenient for us. Discipleship is not always easy, most of the time it will make us uncomfortable and vulnerable.

Saint James Adult Faith Formation Classes

We are currently holding Adult Faith Formation Classes every Tuesday at 7:00pm.

Our Classes take place in the Parish Hall so that we can follow the CDC guidelines for Social Distancing. Please bring your own Bible, pen and notebook.

The Classes are designed to give us a deeper understanding of theology and a means to understand our faith in context of a relationship with the Ever-living God.

You are welcome to attend all, some or part of the classes.

Videos of previous classes can be viewed on our website.



SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 27

6:30 PM Young Adult meeting

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 28

9:00 AM Grades 1-6 Religious Ed classes

11:30 AM High School Religious Ed classes

MONDAY, MARCH 1

6:00 PM Grades 7 & 8 Religious Ed classes

7:00 PM Knights of Columbus meeting

TUESDAY, MARCH 2

7:00 PM Adult Faith Formation

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 3

7:00 PM Outreach meeting

FRIDAY, MARCH 5

7:00 PM Stations of the Cross

NEXT SUNDAY, MARCH 7

9:00 AM Grades 1-6 Religious Ed classes

11:30 AM High School Religious Ed classes



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEETING

Monday, March 1st at 7:00 PM

In the Parish Center

St. Benedict Council is inviting all men 18 and over to come to an informational meeting. Come and learn more about the great work, vision, and ministry of the Knights of Columbus.

Please wear a mask and keep social distance.



Please join us on every Friday during Lent for the Stations of the Cross at 7:00 PM.



HELP FROM ST. JAMES OUTREACH MINISTRY

During this time of uncertainty for all and hardship for some, Saint James Outreach ministry can help if you are from South Grafton and need assistance with food. Please email them at outreachstj@gmail.com if you need help. All correspondence is held in strictest confidence.





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