

JANUARY 2, 2022

SAINT JAMES ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

2635 BUFFALO ROAD, ERIE, PA. 16510

Epiphany



Parish Leadership

Rev. James P. McCormickPastor
 Msgr. Casimir A. BogniakWeekend Assistant
 Rev. Scott W. JaboWeekend Assistant
 Charles AdamczykPermanent Deacon
 Mrs. Gina Brennan.....School Principal
 Joe PacinelliParish Council President
 Jane OlowinDay Care Center Director
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 Cyndie JohnsonChoir Director
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 Bernie OatmanPrayer Shawl Ministry
 Heddy Hellmann and Peggy Koenig Parish Food Pantry
 Patricia Case Legion of Mary and Sacramental Coordinator
 Sheila WarnerParish Nurse
 Cynthia Snider ,OCDS.....Parish Bible Study Moderator
 Michele DeanWelcoming Committee

**SUNDAY OBLIGATION
MASSES**
 Saturday 5:00 & 7:00 PM

SUNDAY MASSES
 7:30, 9:30,
 11:30 & 5:00 PM

DAILY MASS
 7:00 AM
 (8:00 AM Saturday)

FIRST FRIDAY
 7:00 AM & 5:15 PM

HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION
 Vigil Mass: 5:00 PM & 7:00 PM
 Holy Day Masses: 7:00, 10:00 AM & 12:10 & 5:30 PM

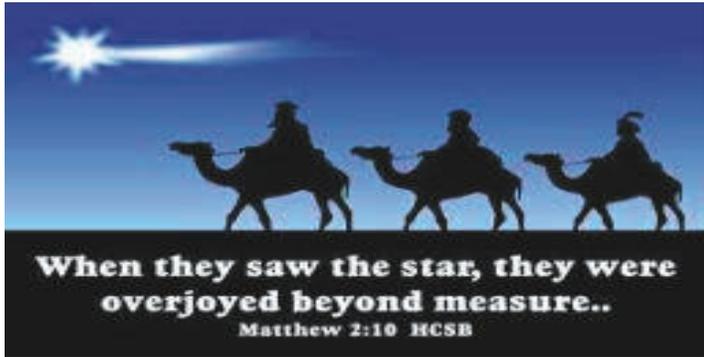
BAPTISM
 Baptisms are the 1st & 3rd
 Sundays of the month after the
 11:30 AM Mass.
 A Pre-Baptismal Class is a
 diocesan requirement.

CONFESSIONS
Saturday:
 4:00 to 4:30 in the Mothers
 Chapel.
First Friday:
 20 minutes before the
 7:00 & 5:15 PM Masses.

MATRIMONY

Erie Diocesan policy requires a minimum preparation of six months. An engaged couple should contact Fr. McCormick personally to request a wedding date. Participation in Pre-Cana Classes or Engagement Encounter is required.

Rectory: 899-6178 † Day Care: 898-1088 † School: 899-3429 † Manor: 899-6714 †
 † Email: rectory@saintjamesrcc.org †
 Church Website: www.saintjamesrcc.org † SCHOOL Website: www.stjameserie.com



Monday, January 3

7:00 Judie Konkol (Family)

Tuesday, January 4

7:00 Fr. Patrick Sheridan (Julie Michalski)

Wednesday, January 5

7:00 Rev. James Peterson (Julie Michalski)

Thursday, January 6

7:00 Terry Kendziora, anniv. (Family)

Friday, January 7

7:00 Lucy Slickanich (Husband, John)
1:15 Deceased members of the Smith and Bebko Families (Joe Bebko Estate)
5:15 Living and Deceased of St. James Parish

Saturday, January 8

8:00 Pete Senita (Kathy & Larry Schaaf)
(JM) 5:00 Herbert Dietz (Helen Gill)
(JM) 7:00 Leona Fitzgerald (Kathy Crotty)

Sunday, January 9

7:30 John Oldenski (Kleiner & Schley Families)
9:30 Dolores & Robert Sheridan (Julie & Ed Michalski) and Patrick Tomczak (Sheila & Bob Woll Family)
11:30 Donald Metzger (Oank Phan)
5:00 Theresa Miazga (Carol & David Gresh)

The chancery office published this year's Confirmation schedule. Bishop Persico will celebrate the sacrament for our confirmands and those from St. Gregory's on Thursday, March 3rd at 7:00 PM. The ceremony will take place in our church. Our candidates had a special family rosary ceremony in the church on December 19th. I'm very grateful to John and Mary Ellen Campbell for their leadership and creativity in directing our Confirmation preparation program.



Congratulations go out to the following Mercyhurst Prep students who received honors for the most recent marking period. Receiving first honors were: Sarah Sweet, Phuc Phan, Paul Pelkowski, Isabella Bruni, Samantha Baumgratz, Joseph Althof, Jacob Warzynak, Case Pelkowski, and Kendra Kucharski. The following attained second honors: Benjamin Kucharski, Kayla Duma, Amillyonna Pierce, and Morgan Sigler. Antonio Bruni and Kolby Sanchak received honorable mention.

During the windstorm on Saturday, December 11th a shutter on the front of the rectory came loose and hit the St. Simon stained glass window. The force of the wind was so great that it broke the storm glass and punctured a baseball size hole in the stained glass. This was one of the windows that Fiske and Sons repaired three years ago. The estimate to restore the window is \$9,500. A good portion of that will be covered by our diocesan insurance. I've already received approval from the diocese and insurance carrier to move forward with the restoration. Part of the reason that the estimate is so high is due to the need to match the colors and opacity of the glass and also the style of the lettering. I thought that the letters were just painted on the glass. That is not the case. The lettering was done by a process called acid etching, which is significantly more expensive and durable than just painting on the letters. I expect that the window will be removed shortly after the holidays. In the meantime, it is covered with plywood and does not pose any danger to those seated near it.

I would like to acknowledge and thank the board of directors and members of the Wesleyville American Legion Post 571 for their generous gift to the parish food pantry. Their thoughtfulness made the Christmas Season much brighter for our pantry families.

A thank you goes out to the members of our Prayer Shawl Ministry for their kind gift of a case of altar wine. For practical reasons, we use a straw colored wine. This way, it does not stain the purificators.

Christmas will always be as long as we stand heart to heart and hand in hand. What is Christmas? It is the tenderness of the past, courage for the present, and hope for the future.

Pax et Bonum, Fr. McCormick



Parish Registration Form

Would you like someone from the Welcoming Committee to contact you? Yes _____ No _____
 Would you like one of the priests or deacon to contact you? Yes _____ No _____

Name _____

Address _____

City & Zip code _____

Phone number _____

St. James Food Pantry is open on the first and third Thursdays of each month from 10 am to 12 noon. Please call the rectory @ 899-6178 for more information.



CHRISTMAS FLOWER DONATIONS

IN MEMORY OF:	BY:
John V, Mary, Daniel Carroll	Mr. & Mrs. Jeff Carroll
Marianne & Albert Trott, Patrick Melia, James Melia, Dorothy & Ted Rex, Mike Chadwick	Maureen Chadwick
Mary & Anthony Battaglia and Denise Blair	Mrs. Robert Danylko
Bob Derda Sr., Geo & Bertha Amann, Kathryn Derda, Betty Grafius	Kathy Derda
DiLullo & Zimmerman Families	Mr. & Mrs. Dominic DiLullo
All Silva, Ferko, Testie Members	Mr. & Mrs. Frank Ferko
Pauline & Stanley Guzowski and Concetta Conn	Mr. & Mrs. Charles Guzowski & family
Family & Friends of Hannah and Skladanowski Families	Mr. & Mrs. Dale Hannah
Timothy Heasley	Mom, Barb and Brad, Sherri & Tara Heasley
Graham & Infantino Families	Mr. & Mrs. John Infantino
All the deceased members of the Wegelin, Pepicello, Johnson, and Verdecchia Families	Paul & Cyndie Johnson
Thomas Kruszewski, Irene & Joseph Wasiulewski, Steve & Ann Kruszewski	Mrs. Patricia Kruszewski
Margie & Howard Lund	Mrs. Susan Leemhuis
Dan Oler, Ron West, Andrew & Irene Minarich, Jane, John & Kelly Pol	Mr. & Mrs. Daniel Minarich Family
Tina Potter	
Robert Phillips, Francis & Emilie Wilson, Karyle Montgomery and Lynn McKinnon	Mrs. Joanne Phillips and Family

Memorial Gifts have been given the Maintenance Fund in memory of :

Terry Kendziora

by: Deb

The Murphy & Ericsson Families

by: Christine Moats & Colleen Pentycufe

Memorial Gift has been given to St. James Memorial Trust in memory of:

Mac Alberico

by: Tom & Linda Bleil, Tom Corritore, Marcia Bleil and Kurt Bleil



The Sanctuary Candle is burning this week in honor of the Blessed Sacrament and in loving memory of: ***Judie Konkol***

Requested by: Family

The St. Philomena Shrine Candle is burning this week in loving memory of :

Frances Soder (Birthday)

Requested by: Children



OUR NEIGHBORS' PLACE

Our Neighbors' Place is an opportunity for us to walk in the shoes of our faith by providing a safe and warm place for the people of our community who are homeless from November through March when the weather is at its worst. Two weeks in **January 12-25 and March 9-22, the parishioners of our Eastside Catholic Churches** make this ministry a reality by giving of ourselves and volunteering to host this shelter.

There are different ways to help.

Volunteers are needed on site in the evening 7-11PM and in the morning 5-7:30AM

Meals are needed for 36 individuals. Saturday breakfast, Saturday hot dinner and heavy snack bags for weeknights Sunday –Friday. For details on types of meals or to volunteer, call Mary Ellen at 814-873-1284 or email her at melieb4@gmail.com.

Monetary Donations: All checks should be made out to "St. John the Baptist Outreach." Every dollar received goes to the benefit of the people in our community who are homeless. Your generous support keeps this ministry alive. How Do I Sign Up? To sign up, volunteer or ask a question call, text or email Mary or Mary Ellen. Mary Hoffman 814 873-2981 mymary14@gmail.com or Mary Ellen Lieb 814 873-1284

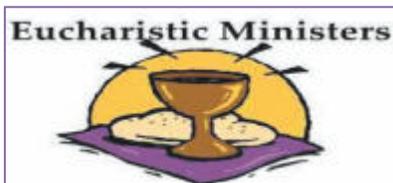


Saturday Evening, January 8

5:00 Bill Brown
 7:00

Sunday, January 9

7:30 Dan Widomski
 9:30 Kathy Schaaf
 11:30
 5:00 Michele Applequist



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5:00 Linda Etter
 7:00 Ken Krein

Sunday, January 9

7:30 Tom Danowski
 9:30
 11:30
 5:00

Blessing of the Home

ON THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

Instructions: On January 6th, sprinkle each room of the home with Holy Water or use chalk to write this blessing over or beside the door of your home: 20+C+M+B+19. Then pray the blessing below.

"C", "M", "B" are the initials of the three wise men: Caspar, Melichor, and Baltazar. It also signifies these Latin words: Christus mansionem benedicat (May Christ Bless This House).

BLESSING OF THE HOME

May this home be a safe space and a refuge for all those who dwell here.
 May this home be a welcome place for all those who visit.
 May all who live here know Christ's infinite gift of Love and Mercy.
 May all who dwell here know that they are not alone as God dwells within them.
 May all who enter through our doors encounter God through our words and actions.
 May all who leave walk out with increased Hope.
 May all be nurtured by the Peace of God beyond all understanding and be sent forth as messengers of Joy from this home.
 Amen.

Written by Maria Buda, Stephen Clavette, Paul, Missy, Patricia, and Brady Elledge

Cursillo weekends planned for men and women in the spring

The Erie Cursillo Movement is currently planning and accepting candidate applications for a Men's Cursillo Feb. 11-13, 2022, and a Women's Cursillo April 29 to May 1, 2022. Applications can be found at www.eriecursillo.org or by calling the Cursillo office at 814-824-1119. If interested, ask someone you know who has completed a Cursillo weekend to serve as your sponsor.

Say Yes!

to the Seventh Annual
**1:38 WOMEN'S
CONFERENCE**
MARCH 12, 2022



Luke 1:38 Mary said, "Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord. May it be done to me according to your word."

For more information:
www.138women.com  

First Fridays for Families

Join Blessed Sacrament parish during the 2022 year in a unique prayer experience!

Every First Friday of the month,
we will offer a guided Eucharistic Adoration program
geared toward children and families of all ages
on Friday evening at 6pm.

Everyone is welcome to this experience to be with Jesus in a very real and unique way.

2022 Schedule

January 7th	July 1st
February 4th	August 5th
March 4th	September 2nd
April 1st	October 7th
May 6th	November 4th
June 3rd	December 2nd

Contact Jen Durney, jdurney@bserie.org, with any questions

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