

APRIL 3, 2022

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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



You may enter our church
as a stranger, but you'll
leave as a friend.



*Bishop Lawrence Persico
Bishop of the Roman Catholic
Diocese of Erie*

CONFESSIONS
Saturdays 4:00 - 4:30

**Monday, April 4**

7:00 Carol Renner (Fred & Linda Morris)

Tuesday, April 5

7:00 David Jaroszewski (Dale & Pam Snyder)

Wednesday, April 6

7:00 Nancy Wells (Mullett Family)

Thursday, April 7

7:00 Henry Tellers (Larry & Kathy Schaaf)

Friday, April 8

7:00 Lowell Blake (Family)

Saturday, April 9

8:00 Greg Helminski (Dennis & Mary Rizzo)

5:00 Jim Bush (Linda Bush)

7:00 Diane Walkiewicz (St. James Legion of Mary)

Sunday, April 10

(SJ) 7:30 John Verdecchia (Dad)

(CB) 9:30 Mary Ann Holl (James Rzodkiewicz) and Patrick Tomczak (Jane & David Thiemann Family)

(JM) 11:30 Deceased members of the Wegelin, Johnson, Pepicello, and Verdecchia Families (Paul & Cyndie Johnson)

(SJ) 5:00 Coleta Pierson, Anniv. (Tom Pierson)

 A graphic for Parish Giving with a green border. It features the text "Parish Giving" in a stylized font with a tree icon. Below it, the following information is listed:

Last week's collection: \$7,962
 On line giving: 0
 Total: \$7,962
 Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

A parish thank you goes out to the Sisters of Saint Joseph's Mission and Ministries Foundation for their generous gift to our parish food pantry. That gift will enable us to do something special for the pantry families at Easter time.



The stained glass window that was damaged during the windstorm in November has been returned and repaired. When it was being reinstalled, the workman broke the new storm glass. Last Saturday, he came back and carefully put the new storm glass in place. They did a great job restoring the window.

This weekend our parish, under the leadership of John and Mary Ellen Campbell will host Pre-Cana for couples who will be married in the coming months. This year, we have 20 couples with us. They will be attending the 11:30 Mass. Please



keep them in your prayer as they move towards this important milestone in their lives. At this point, our parish only has 1 wedding scheduled for this year. This is an all time low for us. Unfortunately, it reflects what is happening in society.

The flowers that were in front of the St. Philomena statue last weekend were from an individual in recovery from addiction. She was forced to return to her family in Indiana County after a brush with the law. On her return, her father, who she deeply loves, said, "What good is a family if it can't take care of its losers." That statement hurt her deeply; it was also a wake up call. She let drugs transform her from the apple of her dad's eye, to someone he now thought of as a loser. After the sting abated, she committed to getting clean and staying clean. A friend of our parish from Heilwood told her parents about our St. Philomena Mass for the addicted. They all watched it online and we sent her a blessed prayer square. The flowers are in gratitude to St. Philomena for 45 days of sobriety. Our prayer shawl ministry and our St. Philomena Masses provide a powerhouse of grace to those in need.

Here are a couple of thoughts for the week ahead. A life of balance is not something we find, but something we create based on faith. Today is our opportunity to build the tomorrow we want. Pax et Bonum, Fr. McCormick



Please help lift us to our
Diocesan Goal: \$89,389
Pledged: \$56,027
Paid: 37,520
 Please help us if you can.

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 _____

✂ Clip and return this form to the rectory, drop it in collection basket, or give it to one of the ushers.

The following memorials have been given:
in memory of:
Terry Kendziora
 by: Deb

Greg Helminski
 by: Dave & Mary K Kalivoda


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



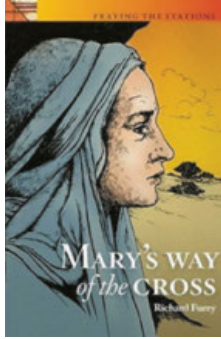
Requested by: Linda Bush

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.

BIBLE STUDY
 Our Bible Study group
 lead by Cynthia Snider, OCDS
 meets every Monday at 5PM in the conference room at Saint James Place
 All are welcome to attend!



The St. Philomena Shrine Candle is burning this week in loving memory of:
Helen Dubowski
Requested by: The Dubowski Family




Mary's Way of the Cross which includes praying the Stations will be presented at St. James Church on Good Friday, April 15 at 1PM
 All ages are welcome, make it a family spiritual activity.
 Come see the way of the cross through our Heavenly Mother's

Attention all St James Parishioners
The 3rd Grade students want to share , with their parish family, the joy of making the Sacrament of First Holy Communion for the first time on May 1, 2022. Displayed in the vestibule by the Buffalo Road entrance is a poster with picture of our special students. Please pray for all of them and their families.
Mrs. Case, Sacramental Coordinator




Email requests to : prayerchain@saintjamesrcc.org

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So many are asking how we can support the people of #Ukraine as they face the horrors of war. Visit eriercd.org/Ukraine.html for a growing list of options including items that can be dropped off, a downloadable prayer and a link for financial donations. Check often for updates.



STATIONS OF THE CROSS
FRIDAY, APRIL 8TH
7PM IN THE CHURCH

Please make an effort to attend.

Lectors

Saturday Evening, April 9

5:00 Volunteer Needed
 7:00 Lisa Nelson

Sunday, April 10

7:30 Jim Yadeski
 9:30 Pat Feikles
 11:30 Volunteer Needed
 5:00 Joe Debeck

Eucharistic Ministers

Saturday Evening, April 9

5:00 Ken Krein
 7:00 Don Waltz

Sunday, April 10

7:30 Tom Danowski
 9:30 Theresa Wisor
 11:30 Volunteer Needed
 5:00 Anna Czulewicz

Saint of the Week

Anyone who reads the history of Eastern Europe cannot help but chance on the name of Stanislaus, the saintly but tragic bishop of Kraków, and patron of Poland. He is remembered with Saints Thomas More and Thomas Becket for vigorous opposition to the evils of an unjust government. Born near Kraków on July 26, 1030. After his ordination, he was appointed preacher and archdeacon to the bishop of Kraków, where his eloquence and example brought about real conversion in many of his penitents, both clergy and laity. He became bishop of Kraków in 1072. During an expedition against the Grand Duchy of Kiev, Stanislaus became involved in the political situation of Poland. Known for his outspokenness, he aimed his attacks at the evils of unjust wars and immoral acts of King Boleslaus II. The king first excused himself, then made a show of penance, but soon relapsed into his old ways. Stanislaus continued his open opposition in spite of charges of treason and threats of death, finally excommunicating the king. Enraged, Boleslaus ordered his soldiers to kill the bishop. When they refused, the king killed Stanislaus with his own hands. Forced to flee to Hungary, Boleslaus supposedly spent the rest of his life as a penitent in the Benedictine monastery. Saints John the Baptist, Thomas Becket, Thomas More, and Stanislaus are a few of the prophets who dared to denounce corruption in high places. They followed in the footsteps of Jesus himself, who pointed out the moral corruption in the religious leadership of his day too.





Behind St James Church

2635 Buffalo Rd, Erie , PA 16510

APRIL 9TH & 10TH

Saturday, Noon – 4:00pm and Sunday 8:00am – Noon

All donations go to the St James Food Pantry
Monetary donations welcome



SATURDAY, APRIL 23RD

1:00pm – 4:00pm

St James School

2602 Buffalo Rd, Erie PA 16510



Help Support St James Scouts BSA Troop 37

*God, we come
With hesitant steps
and uncertain motives.
To sweep out the corners
Where sin has accumulated,
And uncover the ways
We have strayed from your truth.
Expose the empty and barren places
Where we don't allow you to enter.
Reveal our half-hearted struggles
Where we have been indifferent
To the suffering of others.
Nurture the faint stirrings of new life,
Where your spirit has begun to grow.
Let your healing light transform us,
into the image of your Son.
For you alone can bring new life
and make us whole.*



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