

# St. James October 2020 Newsletter

## Weekday Mass

### Liturgical Ministers Needed

We are in great need of Sacristans, Eucharistic Ministers and Lectors for the **Monday 6 PM** and **Friday 8 AM Masses**. NO EXPERIENCE NEEDED. We will train you fully one to one.

**Sacristans** set up before Mass and take down after Mass.

**Lectors** proclaim the readings and prayers of the faithful.

**Eucharistic Ministers** assist with distributing Holy Communion. One person can do all ministries at a Mass or several individuals can do each position. If you are interested, contact Kay Willkomm, 262-363-7615 x 128 or [willkommk@stjmuk.org](mailto:willkommk@stjmuk.org)



To celebrate the feast of St. Francis of Assisi, you are invited to bring your leashed or caged pets to our annual Blessing of the Animals on Saturday October 3<sup>rd</sup> at 9:00 AM. The blessing will take place at St James parking lot on the north side of the church building.

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 Renee Hitt at [hittr@stjmuk.org](mailto:hittr@stjmuk.org) to register for the online baptism class and contact Rene Ranic in the Parish Office to sign up for a baptism Sunday, 262-363-7615.



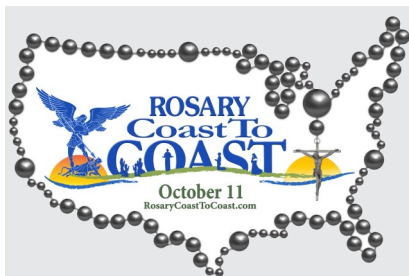
**Huxley Jude Krantz**  
**Parents: Luke and Andrea Krantz**  
**August 16, 2020**



**Rosario Daniel Piscitello**  
**Parents: Peter Heinemann & Samantha Piscitello**  
**August 16, 2020**

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**

**PLEASE NOTE THAT THESE EVENTS MAY BE CHANGED OR CANCELLED AS NECESSARY**



Knights of Columbus, Council 7048 and Adult Formation have partnered with Rosary Coast to Coast and invite all men, women and children to join us in the great event of prayer to Our Lady of the Rosary to plead for our nation and the world,

Sunday, October 11, 2020 at 3:00 PM, to pray the Rosary with Adoration and Benedictions at St. James. Please call Maggie Albert with any questions- 262-363-0903

### **Council of Catholic Women**



More restrictions have been lifted and many wonderful spiritual things are planned. On Friday mornings after morning Mass many of us stay for a few more minutes to pray a Chaplet. There are so many wonderful devotions that we will be praying different ones each week. Our Wednesday rosaries will be starting again in October. The first one will be October 7<sup>th</sup> at noon in church. The second will be October 21<sup>st</sup>, also at noon in the church. It has been a tradition for the Catholic Women to lead a Rosary before our weekend Masses in the month of October in honor of our Blessed Mother. We do not think that this will be possible this year due to our Masses being live streamed. If this changes it will be announced in our bulletin.

We do NOT know what November will bring so we are waiting to decide about Advent by Candlelight or our bake sales. Right now, Spiritual Saturdays are still on hold. Things are happening, but slowly, for everyone's safety.

What a great **JOY** in seeing so many of you in church and sharing Mass. Contact Kathy Peters at 262-470-1786 or [mpeters3@wi.rr.com](mailto:mpeters3@wi.rr.com) for more information.

### **BOXES OF JOY GIVING LOVE AND HOPE**

The St. James Council of Catholic Women is once again undertaking a service project helping Cross Catholic Outreach bring hope and blessing to children. This fun project is known as "**BOXES OF JOY**" and will be brightening the lives of poor children in developing countries who may never have known the joy of receiving a Christmas gift. Who doesn't like to shop for children, surprise them with joy and put a big smile on their faces. Each volunteer picks an age range (2-4 yrs., 5-9 yrs. or 10-14 yrs.) and gender of the child they would like to bless with their gift. You then fill a shoe box with a variety of new small toys, school supplies, small clothing items, hair accessories, personal hygiene items, small books or a rosary. I can provide a list of many suggestions to choose from. You should also include a \$9.00 check made out to **Cross Catholic Outreach** (no cash) to cover the cost of shipping to the destination countries. If you wish you can also include a Christmas card or personal note. Our CCW goal is to provide at least 36 boxes for these needy children, but we can always do more if we have interested parishioners who would like to help us and be a part of this project. If you would like to volunteer to help fill a box, need more specific details or have any questions, please contact Bea Sikorski at 262-363-4312. I will be collecting all the unsealed boxes and get them to the necessary drop off point for shipping to Catholic Relief Services. All boxes must be turned in by **Sunday October 25<sup>th</sup>**.



### **Men of the Parish**

The Knights of Columbus have resumed our meetings and operations and are looking for new members.

If you haven't heard of us, our objective is to help out the parish and local charities by doing fundraisers and helping out as needed in our community and having fun while doing it. Young or Seasoned, if you find yourself staying in the area due to "at home schooling" or you are just looking for a positive thinking, organized group to belong to, please join us. The bonus to it all is that it strengthens your religious beliefs and helps you meet your fellow parishioners.

Please contact: Deputy Grand Knight James Wagnitz at 715-587-4988 or [jlwagnitz@yahoo.com](mailto:jlwagnitz@yahoo.com)

Chancellor Pat Hitt at 262-470-3940 or [patthitt57@gmail.com](mailto:patthitt57@gmail.com)

### **The Redemptorist Retreat Center Now Open**

After a period of being closed due to Covid-19, the Redemptorist Retreat Center has reopened for retreats and days of prayer. The theme of the Weekend Silent Preached Retreat for Men and Women is, "Living in a Time of Plentiful Redemption", and there are many weekend dates offered this year and in 2021. There is also a Midweek Silent Preached Retreat for Women, called "The Divine Dance: Life in the Trinity", on October 13-15. The Autumn Day of Prayer is on September 30<sup>th</sup>, and the Advent Day of Prayer is on December 9<sup>th</sup>. There are also some new Days of Spiritual Awakening, one on October 7<sup>th</sup>, and another on November 4<sup>th</sup>. The Retreat Center is following the CDC guidelines for all scheduled events, such as the wearing of masks, social distancing and appropriate cleaning and sanitizing within the Retreat Center, and they have had some limited retreats since July. Please check out their website for more information on these days of prayer and retreats: [www.redemptoristretreat.org](http://www.redemptoristretreat.org) You could also call Arlene or Steve Spiegelhoff at 262-363-7061 or 262-210-6318.

### **Life's Connection (LC)**

In the last newsletter we introduced Life's Connection, your non-profit, prolife pregnancy support center located right here in Mukwonago & Waukesha. Our mission is helping local families and babies in our community.

During our pandemic we have seen an increase of 30% in families coming to LC for hope, help & healing. We have also had many of our baby bottle fundraisers at churches cancelled due to restrictions to keep everyone safe. We are hoping you will consider being a generous donor so we are able to continue providing free services such as educational classes, support and baby essentials to our families we serve.

Last year our donors helped us continue to serve our 1,700 families that come to us each year and continue our mission of helping families choose life for their baby. Since Life's Connection opened, we have helped 4,700 families choose life for their baby!

If you would like to support our mission you can safely give online at <https://www.lcmmission.com/donate.html> or you can mail your support to one of our centers. We invite you to take a tour of our centers so you can experience the wonderful resources that are available to those in need in our community. Thank you for considering supporting our mission.