



ST. JAMES
ST. MARY MOUNT CARMEL
PARISHES

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September 15, 2019 – 24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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Weekly Mass Intentions

Tuesday Sept 17th 8:15 AM at SJ (Walt Geis)

Wednesday Sept 18th 8:15 AM at SM (Walt Geis)

Thursday Sept 19th 8:15 AM at SM (Harry & Genevieve Glisczinski)

Friday Sept 20th 8:15 AM at SJ Thanksgiving Mass

Weekend Sept 21st & Sept 22nd

Saturday Sept 21st 4:00 PM at SJ Special Intention of BB

Sunday Sept 22nd 8:30 AM at SJ Parishioners of our two Parishes

Sunday Sept 22nd 10:30 AM at SM (Maynard Konkol)

Confession Schedule: St. James, Saturday 3:15 PM

St. Mary, Sunday 9:45 AM. Or anytime by appointment.

Anointing of the Sick: If you or a loved one is in need of the Anointing
Sacrament especially before a hospital procedure please contact the office
for an Anointing.

Eucharistic Adoration: St. James, after Mass on first Fridays of the month.
And at St. Peter, Stevens Point, every Wed 8:00 AM to 8:00 AM Thurs.

United Prayers to Heaven Prayer Chain: If you or anyone you know is in
need of prayers, please let us know. We will keep your name & prayer
request confidential, names are included only if you so desire.

Contact:

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- Catholic Radio – Relevant Radio – 93.9 FM
- Christian Radio – The Family – 88.5 FM

Quote of the week:

"Love is what the Lord
asks of us. If we must love
even our enemies, imagine
how we are expected to
love our family members."

Mother Angelica

Dear Parishioners,

CCD started up for our students this past week. I would like to give a little history of what CCD is for our parishes as well as throughout the country. The abbreviation "CCD" is commonly referred to as The Confraternity of Christian Doctrine or simply as "Catechism", and provides religious education to Catholic children attending secular schools. Similar to children's Sunday school in Protestant churches, CCD education is provided by both member of the clergy and lay people of the parish. [Today CCD goes under a variety of names such as; Continuing Catholic Development (CCD) or Religious Education (RE) or simply Faith Formation. As our education program continues to develop, our goal is the same throughout the ages, namely, passing on the faith to our children.]

CCD attendance is considered to be vital to children's development as Catholics. Unfortunately, many CCD programs have taken a less educational approach and a greater emphasis on "fun time" for children so they may feel good about their faith. This is a feel good experience for a moment. A solid curriculum provides the educational aspect that gives the opportunity for a child to feel rewarded in their increase of knowledge of the faith thus leading them to a deeper understanding of God which then brings them to wisdom which is the highest form of learning. This progression of spiritual growth is our baptismal calling that allows a true feel good encounter of God that lasts for a lifetime because it is rooted in the Gifts of the Holy Spirit of Knowledge, Understanding, and Wisdom.

These classes not only educate our children about the Holy Trinity and the Catholic faith, but also prepares the children to receive and complete the Sacraments of Initiation namely; Reconciliation, Eucharist, and Confirmation. Once they have reached Confirmation the hope is they continue in their faith which is the greatest challenge of young Catholic people in our present culture.

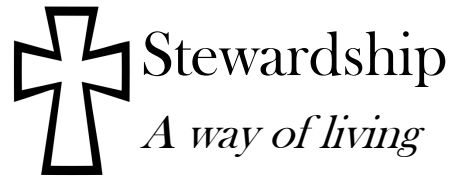
I wish to thank the many parents, grandparents, and parishioners who give generously of their time in past years towards our CCD program and in the year to come. With all of you who have stepped up to teach our students we are able to fulfill the mission of educating our families. Please take a moment to pass along your thanks to the many dedicated individuals who care enough to teach your children the faith God has graciously given us through his church.

Karen Yenter and Michelle Glodowski (grade 1), Karen Stuczynski (grade 2), Melanie Anderson (grade 3), Judi Marquard (grade 4), Theresa Shulfer (grade 5), Michelle Shulfer and Sheila Bennett (grade 6), Hana Hrmovač (grade 7), Jodi Glodowski and Liz Glodowski (grade 8), Maggie Trzebiatowski and small group leader Mary Stuczynski (grade 9), Bill Laidlaw and small group leader James Otremba (grade 10), and Cindi Borski (grade 11 Theology of the Body).

Please continue to pray for God's Blessing for all of our catechists as they instruct our students on a weekly basis in our Catholic Faith.

Peace!

Fr. Hackel



SJ Contributions

Total Contribution September 8, 2019

\$2,625.61 Contributions Totals

\$1,716.61 Envelopes

\$224.00 Offertory

We Share On-Line Contributions \$685.00

Building Funds Fiscal YTD - \$3,750.00

SMMC Contributions

Total Contribution September 8, 2019

\$1,831.00 Contributions Totals

\$1,467.00 Envelopes

\$249.00 Offertory

We Share On-Line Contributions \$115.00

Building Funds Fiscal YTD - \$25.00

Mission Priest Collection SM -- \$1,091.74

Mission Priest Collection SJ -- \$419.00

SJ Scrap Metal Fund Raiser Totals: \$9,990.78

SM Scrap Metal Fund Raiser Totals: \$1,018.93

Please Remember: Any cash or loose checks that are received are put into the offertory. To ensure your contributions are included on your yearly contributions statements please use your contribution envelopes or make your contributions on line at **sjsmcc.weshareonline.org**

SCRIP NEWS

SMMC Scrip Update: Scrip gift cards on sale this weekend. Check next week's bulletin for results. Our next sale will be on October 6th. For large or special orders, call Pat Zielinski at 715-824-3762

St. James Scrip Update: Total Sales: \$2,825 Local: \$375. Thanks to all who participated! Gift cards are available before and after Masses in the Gathering space. For special or larger orders call Michelle at 715-592-4477.

Parish News...

From Annunciation to Christmas – “Any country that accepts abortion, is not teaching its people to love, but to use any violence to get what it wants.”

– **St. Mother Teresa**

Our Baby is now **25 weeks**. See the growth & development of our Preborn Baby during their 23rd, 24th, & 25th week of life. In the **23rd week**, baby's wrinkled skin will begin to smooth out with more baby fat. In the **24th week**, he/she has started to inhale & exhale small amounts of amniotic fluid, which is essential for the development of his/her lungs. In the **25th week**, baby continues to grow, he/she is now 13 ½ inches & 1 ½ lbs. Check out the displays to view the pictures of our preborn baby growing week by week in utero. Every baby is a “Miracle” & a “Precious Gift” from God.

Did you Know:

The number of American babies killed by abortion each year is roughly equal to the number of U.S. military deaths in all U.S. wars combined.

Our 2019 Picnic Report is available at the entryways. Thank you to all who made our picnic a huge success.

Attention St. James and St. Mary's altar servers On Saturday, **September 28th** we will meet for a combined server training and refresher course. Anyone interested in becoming a server will be trained and experienced servers will be refreshed on changes and the importance of what we do as servers. We will be at St. James starting at 9:00 AM and end with a potluck at about noon. If there is a funeral at St. James, we will meet at St. Mary's. Please contact Trisha Cohen or Theresa and Tim Shulfer if you would like more information or will not be able to come to this training cohen@wi-net.com tmshulfer@gmail.com.

\$\$ Scrap Metal for Cash \$\$

SPRING CLEAN UP/ RECYCLE SCRAP FOR CASH All items, metal, automotive only batteries, & electrical wiring, appliances Can be dropped off at **8619 CTY RD B** in **Amherst WI**. All proceeds after sale being designated to St Mary or St James. Place in between the concrete retaining barriers. For help with heavy or large objects or to schedule a **FREE** vehicle pick up please call **715-347-5295**.

Grief Support Program resumes: Members of our community are once again being offered the opportunity to participate in the healing process of Grief Share. If you are dealing with the death of a loved one, whether recent or not so recent, please join us on Tuesday evenings from **October 8 through Nov.12** . From 6:00-8:00 p.m. for 6 consecutive or Cindi (715-570-0755) with any questions or visit www.griefshare.org for more details.

The Blue Army will meet to recite rosary at St. Mary's on Tuesday, September 10 and Tuesday, **September 24** at 6:00 P.M. Everyone is welcome. For questions, call Judy Kizewski 715-592-4410.

THE ROSARY will be prayed before the 4:00 pm Mass at St. James beginning at 3:30. Please join us. If you would like to lead the rosary, please call the office & leave your name & telephone number.

Diocesan News...

Pro-Life “Liberated by Truth” Conference with Terry Beatley, Sept. 20-21 Holy Family Parish, 223 Maple St., Arcadia Terry Beatley, a nationally recognized pro-life speaker and president of Hosea Initiative, will unpack the historical facts surrounding abortion-on-demand in the United States. Hear how Dr. Bernard N. Nathanson, the former “Abortion King,” converted to Catholicism and became a champion for life. Learn the 8-point propaganda strategy NARAL used in the 1960's, including their “Catholic Strategy.” Find answers. Be inspired. The conference begins Friday evening at 6 pm with a presentation followed by a Holy Hour asking God's mercy. It continues Saturday from 9 am-4 pm, with three presentations, time for prayer and confession, lunch, fellowship, and suggestions for how to impact your community. This free event is sponsored by the Arcadia Deanery and open to people of all faiths. A free-will offering will be collected. For an accurate lunch and hospitality count, you are asked to register at: <https://hosea4you.regfox.com/liberated-by-truth-conference>.

Necessary Parenting Conversations Many parents are concerned about the future of the next generation. They want to ‘course correct’ their children when they head down the wrong path, but aren't sure how to do so confidently. If you share this concern, we invite you to become part of a webinar series called **Necessary Conversations**. In this five-part discussion, we will study many delicate issues and develop strategies to navigate each one with this end in mind: to help our children set the right course. Register today at: twl4parents.com/necessary-conversations-webinar/. This series is brought to you by **Teaching the Way of Love**, your source for Catholic Parenting.

Faith Formation...

CCD Class Schedule:

Grades 1 – 5 for both St. James and St. Mary students: 3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. at St. James

Grades 6 – 11 for both St. James and St. Mary students: 6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. at St. James

CCD Upcoming:

September 25th: 2nd grade parent meeting 5:00 p.m. St. James Church

September 30th & October 1st: Confirmation Interviews

October 19th: Grade 11 Confirmation Retreat

November 3rd: Confirmation 1:00 p.m. at St. Bronislava, Plover



Upcoming EVENTS

SMM Rummage sale Sept 19-21 A rummage sale will be held **Sept. 19-21** at St. Mary Magdalene in the Religious Education Wing. The sale will be 8 a.m. – 4 p.m. on Sept. 19 and 20, and 8 a.m. until noon on Sept. 21. Also on Sept. 21 will be the “bag sale”. For more information contact Carol at 715-258-2088 ext. 101.

Roberts Rendezvous will be held on Saturday, **September 21st** 3:00-11:00 p.m. at the Amherst Fairgrounds. Free will offering on pork dinner, basket raffles, gun raffles, bake sale, bouncy houses for the kids and 2 live bands. Drivers 3-7p.m. and Grand Union 7:30-11p.m. All proceeds go to Amherst community projects, scholarships and mesothelioma research. Volunteers needed.. great chance for C.C.D. hours!

All are welcome to ‘come and see’ Steve Angrisano at Holy Spirit Parish’s Spirit Nights September 23, 24, and 25. Join us at 6:30 each evening to hear, sing, share and rejoice! Steve will share, through story and song the messages of “Encountering Jesus”, “Responding to God’s Mercy”, and “Being a Missionary Disciple. For more information email: contact@holyspiritstevenspoint.org or call 715-344-9117.

Knights of Columbus Clubhouse First Breakfast of the Season will be held Sunday, Sept. 29, featuring all your favorites, including sausage, ham, scrambled eggs, home-fried red potatoes, juice, coffee and all-you-can-eat-pancakes. Serving will be from 8:15 to 11 a.m., and the cost is \$6.50 for adults, including sales tax. You won’t go away hungry. Don’t miss our craft and bake sale in the lounge which raises funds for our food basket project and other charitable projects. Knights of Columbus Clubhouse, 401 W Clark St, Stevens Point - just across the Clark St Bridge. Breakfast open to the public

St. Bronislava “Roast Pork Dinner” Saturday, **October 5, 2019**
Serving from 4:30 - 6:30 pm. Proceeds support Social Concerns Grant Outreach.

St. Maximilian Kolbe Parish Annual Fall Harvest Dinner Sunday, **October 6th**
11am to 2pm.

Heart Threads Wednesdays, **Oct. 2, 9, 16 & 23**, 6:30 - 8 PM
Ascension St. Michael’s Hospital Spiritual Services will be offering grief support for anyone grieving a pregnancy loss, stillbirth, or neonatal death.

St. Joseph Parish’s Holy Name Society is hosting their ninth annual pig roast **October 12, 2019**. Want to spend a night without cooking and spend some time with friends and family?

Eucharistic Ministers Needed at St. Michael’s Hospital Jesus has called all disciples to feed the hungry, give water to the thirsty, invite the stranger in, clothe the naked, visit the imprisoned, and visit the sick. (Matthew 25:34-36). There is a need for volunteers to bring Holy Communion to patients at Ascension St. Michael’s Hospital. Those interested in sharing the presence of Christ with patients, please contact Chaplain Bonne in Spiritual Services: 715-346-5358.

ARE YOU ANY OF THE BELOW IF SO PLEASE CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE AT PH: 715-824-3455

- ♦ **Interested in joining the parish?** Please stop by or call the office for Registration Papers
- ♦ **Engaged to be Married?** Marriage arrangements should be made at least 6 months prior to the wedding, contact the office
- ♦ **Are you Expecting a Child:** contact the office to schedule a baptismal class.
- ♦ **Do you know someone that is Homebound:** please contact the office for us to add them to the schedule for visits or to receive Holy Communion.