



St. James & St. Mary Mt. Carmel



8:15 am Daily Mass Schedule

Tuesday Nov 20th 8:15 AM at SJ

(Louis & Caroline Salzmann)

Wednesday Nov 21st 8:15 AM at SM

(Martin & Johanna Glodoski)

Thursday Nov 22nd 9:00 AM at SM

(Ray & Verona Groholski)

Friday Nov 23rd 8:15 AM at SJ

(Bob Wierbza)

Weekend Nov 24th & 25th

Saturday Nov 24th 5:00 PM at SM

(Frank & Irene Kirschling & deceased family member)

Sunday Nov 25th 8:30 AM at SJ

Parishioners of our two parishes

Sunday Nov 25th 10:30 AM at SM

(Special intentions of Elsie Bauer)

Winter Weather

If school is cancelled due to inclement weather, then Mass and other events for St James and St Mary are also cancelled. If a cancellation occurs on a Tues., then all money counting will take place when school resumes. Please watch the local news stations- WSAW (7) and WAOW (9) for Tomorrow River School closings.

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Confession Schedule

St. James Saturday 9:00 am

St. Mary Saturday 4:00 pm-4:45 pm

Any time by appointment

Eucharistic Adoration:

St. James, after Mass on first Fridays of the month.

St Peter, Stevens Point every Wed starting at 8:00 AM to 8:00 AM Thurs

Pastoral Council

Borski, Cindi SM

Griggs, Lauren SJ

Juris, Michael SJ

Kwiatkowski, Randy SJ

Lea, Shawn SM

Lorsung, Pat SJ

Piesik, Steve SM

Prater, Jacob SJ

Shulfer, Michelle SJ

Spierings, Don SJ

Zinda, Judy SM

Finance Council

Patoka, Gilbert SM

Stratton, Sharon SJ

Stuczynski, Dave SM

Trzebiatowski, Sandy SJ

**November 18, 2018
33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Today's readings are in stark contrast to the joy of the holiday season that is fast approaching, warning us instead of dark times ahead and our inevitable judgment day.

The first reading from the prophet Daniel describes a time "unsurpassed in distress since nations began" and warns that "many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake; some shall live forever, and others shall be an everlasting horror and disgrace." The second reading, from Hebrews, speaks of Christ who "waits until his enemies are made his footstool."

However, when we firmly establish for ourselves as individuals — as a family and as a parish that we will give to God the first and best portion of our Time, Talent, and Treasure — the warnings we read in the Scriptures today should be no cause for alarm. In fact, we can view these words as encouragement — "Keep Calm and Steward On," no matter what comes our way.

One of the blessings of a stewardship way of life is that in challenging times, whether in our homes or workplaces or even our beloved Church itself, we can take great comfort in knowing we have a concrete plan to keep our priorities in right order. And, when we put God first in all aspects of our lives, we will experience the peace that He gives that surpasses all understanding.

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Thanksgiving Day Mass
Nov 22nd Thursday 9:00 AM at St Mary



Offices will be closed
Nov 22nd & 23rd

Financial Report



SJ Contributions

Total Contributions November 11, 2018

\$1,915.00 Total

\$1,571.00 Envelopes

\$264.00 Offertory

We Share On-Line Contributions \$80.00

SMMC Contributions

Total Contributions November 11, 2018

\$3,237.10 Total

\$1,960.00 Envelopes

\$378.10 Offertory

We Share On-Line Contributions \$90.00

St. James and St. Mary Cemeteries:

In consultation of the Finance Councils of both parishes the cost of cemetery plots for St. James and St. Mary parishioners will increase to \$500 on **Jan 1, 2019.**

SCRIP NEWS

SJ SCRIP Update:

Total sales: \$3,160 Local sales: \$175

Purchasing gift cards is a great way to support your parish. For example, if you purchased 1 - \$100 BP (6%) and 1 - \$100 AFF (5%) the parish would receive \$11. If every family in our parish purchased this just once, it would result in nearly \$3,000. It adds up that quickly!

SMMC SCRIP Update:

Gift cards on sale this weekend. Check next week's bulletin for results. Our next sale will be on Nov 17th & 18th. Gift cards can make wonderful Christmas gifts! For large 9or special orders, call Pat Zielinski at 715-824-3762.

Parish News...

St James PCCW met Monday **Nov 12** at 7:00 PM. Twelve members were present. A Motion was made not to hold the Craft/Bake Sale this December. We are instead going to do a NO Bake Bake Sale. Letters will be mailed out in the near future explaining the Sale. Any Questions Call Karen Jastromski-715-824-2475.

ST. MARY'S COAT DRIVE- Warm coats can warm hearts! Many people will go without a warm coat this winter...You can help! If you have any new or gently-used winter coats that could be donated, please place them in the Coat Collection Box located in the back of SMMC church. This year there is a particular need for children's coats. All coats will be donated to those in need. Collection dates will be from **Nov 10 - Dec 2**. If you have any questions, please call Laurie Hintz at 715-592-4604.

Grief Share support group will meet on Tuesdays from 6:30-8:00 pm at the Jensen Center. This is a 12 week non-denominational program. If you or someone you know is struggling by the death of a loved one, consider attending. If you have questions, call Shawn Lea @ 715-570-5082 or Cindi Borski @ 715-570-0755. God Bless!

SMMC & SJ are looking for money counters to help for about an hour or so on Tuesday mornings. Counters are placed in groups of three & are scheduled to count every fifth week. If interested in joining the teams, please call Barb at 715-824-3649, Carol Teschner 715-824-6481 or Tina Maves 715-341-6169. Thank you to all who have helped in the past & to those who continue to help. May God bless you for faithfully giving of your time.

NEEDED: Parishioners to help out at SMMC Let's keep the ministries for Greeter's, Monthly Socials & Rosary before Mass active in our parish. **We welcome individuals or families to take part in these ministries.** Check out our sign-up board in the back of Church. If you have questions, please call Julie at 715-340-0004 for Ministers of Hospitality (Greeters) Barb at 715- 824-3649 for the Monthly Social or leading the Rosary before Mass.

PICTORIAL BOOK: We regret an error in publication. The picture of Karen (Bicknase) Dombrowski SHOULD have appeared in the ST. JAMES section of the directory. Jan and Murt will share responsibility with LifeTouch.



Diocesan News...

Women of all ages Welcome to the Women's Advent Retreat Dec. 6-9, 2018 Jesuit Retreat House...Oshkosh

Welcome to a weekend of peace, prayer, rest, and a time for heartfelt communication with God. Sr. Susan Kusz, SND, Associate Director of Jesuit Retreat House, as retreat Director for the weekend, will help us to find the Spiritual gifts of this season, and their meaning for us in the coming year. Consider giving yourself a spiritual Christmas gift, one that can strengthen us for whatever God brings us in the New Year. Call Jesuit Retreat House 920-231-9060 or toll-free 1-800-962-7330 or e-mail office@jesuitretreathouse.org Coordinators: Marcie - 920-923-2446 Jane - 414-288-6851 Web: www.jesuitretreathouse.org

Diaconate Discernment Retreat Feb. 1-2, 2019

Are you a man at least 35 years of age who feels a yearning to give yourself more radically to the service of God and the Church? Can you see yourself preaching the Gospel, serving those in need, and assisting at the altar? Are you perhaps called to be a deacon? Talk to your pastor about attending the Diaconate Discernment Retreat to be held at St. Anthony's Spirituality Center Feb. 1-2, 2019, and then call the Office for Ministries and Social Concerns at 608-791-0161. A new deacon formation class will begin in the fall of 2019 and attendance at the Discernment Retreat is a prerequisite. For more on the diaconate and the discernment retreat, visit www.dioc.org/diaconate.

Faith Formation...

CCD Reminders:

November 21st – No Classes Thanksgiving Break

November 28th – Classes Resume

Saturday, December 15th 9:00 a.m. at St. Mary Church–
First Reconciliation St. James & St. Mary 2nd graders

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

A Little Something For the Parishioners:

Are you interested in passing on our Catholic Devotionals and/or sharing your faith experiences to our youth?

Examples include: Adoration, Benediction, Divine Mercy Chaplet, All Souls Day, Stations of the Cross, Triduum, etc. Please consider instructing our middle school students from 7:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Wednesday evenings at St. James. You may come forward as an individual parishioner or as a team of parishioners who would like to present a given devotion and give witness to your faith life.

Dates: Nov. 28th, Dec. 12th, Jan. 9th, Jan. 16th, Jan. 23rd, Jan. 30th, Feb. 6th, Feb. 13th, Feb. 20th, Feb. 27th, Mar. 13th, Apr. 3rd, Apr. 10th.

If you are interested or have questions, please contact Ann Hemmy (715) 316-7056. Please know all are welcome to attend that have a desire to learn more and practice these beautiful devotions.

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Upcoming EVENTS

Monthly Pancake Breakfast – Sunday, Nov 25th –at the Knights of Columbus Clubhouse, serving from 8:15 to 11 a.m. The menu will feature scrambled eggs, sausage, ham, homemade fried red potatoes **and all-you-want-to-eat pancakes**, plus coffee, juice and dessert. The cost is only \$6.50 for adults or \$4 for children 6-12. The price includes sales tax and tip.

Come on down. You won't go away hungry. Don't miss the Craft and Baked Goods sale during breakfast hours. Proceeds help fund our Charitable giving to OUR community – including Seminarians, Christmas Food Baskets, Fire Victims, Special Olympics and many more needs of others. The breakfast is open to the public at 401 W. Clark St., Stevens Point, just across the Clark Street Bridge. Give Mom the day off and treat the family to a great breakfast.

Humanae Vitae – Endow Study Group for Women

The 50th anniversary of Humanae Vitae and the canonization of Saint Pope Paul VI makes for a great The key message of this document is understanding the inseparable dependency of authentic love and truth in human relationships. Pope Paul VI's encyclical explains the beauty of marriage and the sanctity of human life within that bond. This study is important because it addresses many questions modern Catholics have battled in today's culture dealing with human love in relationships. It is an important topic to discuss and a great resource in understanding why the Church so strongly guides us toward honoring our dignity within intimate relationships and God's very hand in procreation. Meetings will be held at St. Bronislava's on Tuesday evenings at 6:30 pm beginning on **December 4th**. There will be days off around to the holidays. To learn more about Endow or to register and purchase your study guide (\$34.95 +shipping), visit: <https://endowgroups.org/>

Travel to Italy, Germany, Austria and Switzerland with Pacelli Catholic Schools student and staff! Anyone can sign up to travel with us . . . friends, family, parishioners! The dates of the trip are **June 10-21, 2019.**