

St. James & St. Mary Mt. **Carmel**





8:15 am Daily Mass Schedule Tuesday Nov 27th 8:15 AM at SJ

(William Dombrowski)

Wednesday Nov 28th 8:15 AM at SM (Deceased members of the Glodoski families)

Thursday Nov 29th 8:15 AM at SM

(Harry & Alice Bushman)

Friday Nov 30th 8:15 AM at SJ

James & Ceil Ostrowski 50th Anniversary

Weekend Dec 1st & Dec 2nd Saturday Dec 1st 5:00 PM at SM

(Thomas P. & Alice Ehr)
Sunday Dec 2nd 8:30 AM at SJ

Parishioners of our two parishes Sunday Dec 2nd 10:30 AM at SM

(Nicholas & Romana Dombrowski)

Mass Schedule for Immaculate Conception, **December 8**

The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception this year is Saturday, December 8, and it remains a holyday of obligation. Masses on Friday evening, December 7, and during the day of Saturday, December 8, will observe the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception. Masses beginning the evening of Saturday, December 8 will observe the Second Sunday of Advent. Catholics are to attend Mass twice that weekend, once to fulfill the holyday of obligation (Immaculate Conception) and once to satisfy the Sunday obligation.

> **Immaculate Conception of Mary Mass** Saturday Dec 8th 9:00 AM at St James

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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

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November 25, 2018 The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe On this last Sunday of Ordinary Time for the liturgical year, we celebrate the Feast of Christ the King. This feast was instituted by Pope Pius XI in 1925, at a time when the world was experiencing a rise of secularism, materialism and individualism, and an increasing denial of Christ's existence and authority.

The hope was that the establishment of this feast would accomplish three goals — that nations would see that the Church has the right to freedom, that leaders and nations would see that they are required to give respect to Christ, the King of kings, and that the faithful would be strengthened and encouraged by the reminder that Christ must reign in our hearts, minds, wills and bodies.

This feast is needed more than ever for all people and for us especially, as Christian stewards. It reminds us of three vital truths. First, even when it seems the world is spinning out of control, we need not fear because we have a King of kings who is very much in charge and who is loving, merciful and just. Second, if Christ is king of all, then He is also king of me, personally. I am not "lord" of my time, talents, and treasure. He is. I am a servant of the King and a steward of His gifts to me. Third, as His disciple, I am called to imitate my King. Christ's kingship is characterized by humble service, by emptying Himself for the good of others, The Scriptures tell us He went about doing good and He says of Himself, "I came not to be served but to serve." How can I live in any other way than as a humble servant like my King?

Lenten Children's Liturgy of the Word: Beginning the first Sunday in Lent, February 18th through Palm Sunday, March 25th children ages 4 to 7 from St. James and St. Mary parishes are invited to participate in the Lenten Children's Liturgy of the Word during the 8:30 a.m. Sunday Mass at St. James. The children do not have to be signed up or attend from week one to participate.

The children will listen to the Lenten gospel readings which have been adapted to their level. They will also do a weekly activity.

The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas)

Monday Dec 24 th 4:00 PM at St Mary Monday Dec 24 th 7:00 PM at St James Tuesday Dec 25 th 8:30 AM at St James

Tuesday Dec 25 th 10:30 AM at St Mary



Monday Dec 31 st 5:00 at St Mary





SJ Contributions

Total Contributions November 18, 2018
\$2,025.15.00 Total
\$1,584.15 Envelopes
\$211.00 Offertory
We Share On-Line Contributions \$210.00
Thanksgiving Donations \$20.00

SMMC Contributions

Total Contributions November 18, 2018
\$3,467.00 Total
\$2,389.00 Envelopes
\$408.00 Offertory
We Share On-Line Contributions \$440.00
Thanksgiving Donations \$ 230.00

Corrections from last week's bulletin: **SM Total, should have been \$2,428.10

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!

ISMMC SCRIP Update:

Gift cards can make wonderful Christmas gifts! For large or special orders, call Pat Zielinski at 715-824-3762.

Parish News...

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!

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.

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 715-824-6481or 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.

DIOCESE OF LA CROSSE GUIDELINES FOR REPORTING

INSTANCES OF CHILD ABUSE The Diocese of La Crosse, through its policies and procedures, seeks to provide a prompt, appropriate and compassionate response to reporters of sexual abuse of a child by any diocesan agent (employee, volunteers, vendors, religious or clergy). Anyone wishing to make a report of an allegation of sexual abuse should send that report to the Most Reverend William Patrick Callahan, Bishop of La Crosse, at the Diocese of La Crosse, P.O. Box 4004, La Crosse, WI 54602-4004. Alternatively, you can contact Mrs. Karen Becker, Victim Assistance Ministry, 608-519-8002 or kbecker@cclse.org. The reporting form is available through the Diocese of La Crosse Office of the Vicar for Clergy or on the diocesan website at: www.diolc.org . Individuals are also encouraged to take their reports directly to civil authorities. Copies of the diocesan policy are available through your local parish and on the diocesan website. If you have any questions about the Diocese of La Crosse and the implementation of the Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People, please contact Teresa Brown, Diocese of La Crosse, at (608) 791-2679; or tbrown@diolc.org

Diocesan News...

Bishop Callahan's Advent Prayer Request Automated Phone Message - Dec. 6

Bishop Callahan will be sending out his Advent Prayer Request via an automated call originating from 608-352-9565 on December 6, 2018. To submit your intention, just leave it as a message when you receive the call. Alternatively, you can call 608-352-9565, or you can go to diolc.org/pray to submit your request. All intentions will be presented and prayed for at his Christmas Masses.

Br. James Miller to be Beatified

On Thursday, November 8, the Vatican announced that Pope Francis authorized the beatification of Stevens Point native Br. James Miller. He was shot to death on February 13, 1982 in Guatemala outside the school where he taught. We give thanks to the Holy Father and congratulate the Christian Brothers for Br. James Miller's heroic witness to his Faith.

Please support the Retirement Fund for Religious

Elderly Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests need your help. All of us, in some way or another, have benefitted from their many years of service in Catholic schools, hospitals, and parishes. Your gift to the national Retirement Fund for Religious provides funding for medication, nursing care, and more. The collection for this campaign will be at Holy Mass the weekend of December 8-9. Thank you for your support! Roughly 94 percent of donations to the fund directly aid senior religious and their communities.

Faith Formation...

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Reminders:

November 28th – Classes Resume

<u>Saturday, December 15th</u> 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. 28^{th} , Dec. 12^{th} , Jan. 9^{th} , Jan. 16^{th} , Jan. 23^{rd} , Jan. 30^{th} , Feb. 6^{th} , Feb. 13^{th} , Feb. 20^{th} , Feb. 27^{th} , Mar. 13^{th} , Apr. 3^{rd} , Apr. 10^{th} .

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.

Adult Faith Formation

Adult Faith Formation will be starting up Saturday's after the 5:00 pm Mass at St. Mary's church basement. We will be having horderves at our gathering. Bring an appetizer to pass and your hunger to learn more about your faith.



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.

<u>Pilgrimage to Lourdes, Lyon & Paris with hosts</u> Bob Dolan and Bishop William Callahan

Please join me on a nine-day pilgrimage to Lourdes, Lyon and Paris. On this all-inclusive pilgrimage you will experience sites such as the Grotto of Massabielle and the pilgrim's path to Compostela, the Carmelite Monastery of St. Therese, the "Little Flower", Omaha Beach, and the City of Light, Paris, plus many more. Each guest will enjoy 4-star hotel accommodations, breakfast and dinner daily, as well as an opportunity for daily Mass and spiritual activities. For more information, contact my office at 608-788-7700 or call Ashley at Canterbury Pilgrimages at 800-653-0017.

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.