



ST. JAMES ST. MARY MOUNT CARMEL PARISHES

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May 5, 2019 – Third Sunday of Easter

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Family Life
Sacred Worship
Education
Social Concerns

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Tuesday May 7th 8:15 AM at SJ (Hubert & Margaret Megal)
Wednesday May 8th 8:15 AM at SM (Julius & Regina Rzentkowski)
Thursday May 9th 8:15 AM at SM (Donald & Charlene Krabbe)
Friday May 10th 8:15 AM at SJ (Mary Ann Repinski)

WEEKEND MAY 11TH & MAY 12TH

Saturday May 11th 5:00 PM at SM (Renee Pauloski)
Sunday May 12th 8:30 AM at SJ (John Sr & Verona Repinski and deceased family members)
Sunday May 12th 10:30 AM at SM Parishioners of our two Parishes

Confession Schedule St. James Saturday 9:00 am
St. Mary Saturday 4:00-4:45 pm — Any time 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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THANK YOU!

The snow is melted, the trees are budding and another year of Faith Formation classes have ended! Though some students are saddened to see the classes come to a close we have many people to thank for sharing their time and talent to this ministry:

Our Weekly Catechists –

Karen Yenter, 1st grade;
Karen Stuczynski, 2nd grade;
Sandy Konkol & Karen Jastromski, 3rd grade;
Judi Marquard, 4th grade;
Theresa Shulfer, 5th grade;
Sheila Bennett, 6th grade;
Jodi Glodowski & Liz Glodowski, 7th grade,
Lynne Derezinski, 8th grade;
Bill Laidlaw and Mary Stuczynski, 9th grade;
Maggie Trzebiatowski, 10th grade;
and Cindi Borski, 11th grade Theology of
the Body.

The catechists spend many rewarding hours preparing their weekly lessons to educate our young people in the Catholic faith while at the same time deepening their own understanding and relationship with God. We would also like to thank Barb Groholski and Judi Marquard for their beautiful presentations for grades 6-8 on Eucharistic Miracles and the blessings of the ritual of Adoration.

After over 20 years of assisting parents in the religious education of their children, both Sandy Konkol and Karen Jastromski have decided to step down and allow young parents to come forward. For many of you these ladies have shared their faith with either you, your children, or your grandchildren. We are so very grateful for their dedication to our parish families.

An appreciation dinner gathering will formally recognize and thank our wonderful catechists though I encourage all of us to personally thank these wonderful, faith-filled parishioners for their time, talent and treasure.

Peace!

Fr. Hackel



SJ Contributions

Total Contribution April 28, 2019

\$1,444.72 Contributions Totals

\$1,158.00 Envelopes

\$211.72 Offertory

We Share On-Line Contributions \$75.00

Building Funds Fiscal YTD - \$10,642.00

SMMC Contributions

Total Contribution April 28, 2019

\$2,526.00 Contributions Totals

\$1,737.00 Envelopes

\$734.00 Offertory

We Share On-Line Contributions \$55.00

Building Funds Fiscal YTD - \$1,075.00

St. James

\$172.71 Adult Lenten Rice Bowl Collection

\$127.05 Youth Lenten Mite Box Collection

St. Marys

\$294.17 Adult Lenten Rice Bowl Collection

\$146.14 Youth Lenten Mite Box Collection

Low Sunday Collections

SJ -- \$425.60

SM -- \$630.36

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: Last weekend we sold \$2,665 in gift cards and earned \$119 for our Parish. Thank you to all who participated! Our next sale will be on May 4th and 5th.

St. James Scrip Update: Total sales: \$2,100
Local sales: \$625.

Total for SJ parish: \$91.88 Thanks to all who participated! We sell gift cards every week in the Gathering before & after Mass. Need to fill your diesel tanks for the summer planting season? We can have BP/Cooper Oil on hand for you to pay your bill. Call Michelle at 715-592-4477 to place an order anytime.

Parish News...

Coffee & Donut Social – Sunday, May 12th

Join us on Sunday May 12th, after the St. James 8:30 Mass, for our monthly coffee and donut social in the St. James Gathering Space. This is a great opportunity to relax and enjoy a cup of coffee and a treat with Mom on Mother's Day. All are welcome!

The Blue Army Group will meet at St. Mary's to recite the rosary on Thursday, May 9 at 6:00 P.M. and on Tuesday, May 21 at 6:00 P.M. Please join us to honor Mary during the month of May. Questions, call Judy Kizewski at 715-592-4410

GERMANY, HERE WE COME! FINAL CALL TO ATTEND THE PASSION PLAY

Meetings have been held to discuss a parish trip to Germany for July 16-July 25 2020. There is now limited space for this tour, with a few open spots for singles or couples. Details of the itinerary & cost can be found in the entrance way of both churches. Most important is that people joining our group plan to attend a meeting on **Monday, May 6** at St. James starting at 6:30 pm. This is a once in a lifetime trip due to the performance of the **Passion Play** in Oberammergau, which will not take place again until 2030. If you cannot attend, please contact Cindi at 715-570-0755.

The St. Mary of Mt. Carmel PARISH COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN (PCCW) needs ladies from our parish to step into leadership positions. We are in need of persons to hold the offices of President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer. Please consider this service to your parish. If interested, please contact Dorothy Shaver 715 445-4623 or Janice Sopa 715 824-5622.

Just in time for Mother's Day! RADA KNIFE CLEARANCE SALE. Our last sale will be Sat. May 4 and Sun. May 5th. There is still a good selection.

SMMC Church Picnic – Sunday, July 7th

Next Picnic Meeting will be held on **Monday, May 20 at 6:00 pm.** We encourage all Chairmen to attend this important meeting. All parishioners are welcome to come & be a part of the planning & prep work for our big event. **Raffle Tickets** are available in Church. Help us distribute, please take your envelope & those of family & friends. Return money & ticket stubs in collection basket at Church.

Help is Needed to fill Important Positions:

- 1 - Lead Chairman for dinner
 - 2 - Someone familiar with Microsoft Office Programs to work with Parishioner lists
 - 3 - Volunteers willing to make telephone calls
 - 4 - Extra help during final week, day of & day after picnic
- If you can help, please call the office, leave your name & telephone # & a committee member will contact you.

Sessions of the grief support program (Grief Share) will take place each Tuesday evening at the Jensen Center in Amherst starting at 6:30 p.m. They will continue until the end of June. All are welcome. Questions can be referred to Shawn (715-570-5082) or Cindi (715-570-0755).

From Annunciation to Christmas – It has been over a month since Mary conceived Jesus in her womb at the Annunciation. Our display shows the amazing growth & development of our pre-born baby during their 4th, 5th & 6th week of life. It is at this time that the baby's heart begins to beat with baby's own blood, often different then the mothers. In the 5th week, little hands & feet are emerging from the developing arms & legs. In the 6th week, our baby turns away if touched near mouth. Brain waves are detectable. Please check out the display to see pictures & more details in the miraculous growth of our baby week by week. Displays are in the St. Joseph area & in the back of Church. "Before I formed you in the womb, I knew you, before you were born, I set you apart". Jeremiah 1:5 Info regarding the 'Born-Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act' are available at each display. Contact your U.S. representative, urging them to sign the discharge petition to allow a vote to protect a baby born alive during an abortion. You may also visit the website: www.sba-list.org

St. Mary's is looking for some new servers. Children 3rd grade and older and adults that are interested in helping serve at the mass are all welcome to join. We will be holding a training session soon so please contact us if you are interested.
Trish Cohen cohen@wi-net.com

St. James is looking for people like you to that are interested in assisting Father Hackel at the altar during Mass. We are inviting families to go through server training together if younger kids do not want to do it alone. At training, we go over the essentials for serving at Mass and practice what to do at the different parts of Mass. We have a brand-new video that can be watched at home before serving for Sunday Mass to refresh your memory from our training session.

Once a new server is trained, we will put them on the schedule with other more experienced servers. This will help them continue to learn and ensure they are not as nervous. When the servers feel they have a good grasp of serving, they can serve with friends or by themselves, whatever they are comfortable with. If you are interested in serving or have questions, please contact Theresa and Tim Shulfer at 715-592-4477.



New Leader of Prayer Class Begins in June

Applications are open for a new class of men and women who wish to serve as Leaders of Prayer for the Diocese of La Crosse. This is a three-part course of study by which lay persons are pre-pared and commissioned to serve their parishes by bringing Holy Communion to the sick, conducting a Liturgy of the Word with Communion on weekdays when a priest is unavailable, and leading parishioners in prayer at times of illness or death. In nursing homes or healthcare facilities, when no priest is available, they may also conduct a Sunday Celebration in the Absence of a Priest. Completion of the Lay Formation Institute is a prerequisite for acceptance into the Leader of Prayer program, and candidates must be sponsored by their pastors. For complete information, visit www.dioclc.org/ministries and click on "Leader of Prayer."

The Diocesan School of Biblical Studies Series VI

(2019-2023) A serious 4 year study of all 73 writings in the Catholic canon of scriptures. The Bible School has run successfully in the Diocese of La Crosse for 20 years. The class runs from 9 AM - 3:30 PM, one Saturday per month through the academic year. Teachers are Michael Lopez-Kaley, PhD and Fr. Mark Pierce. Tuition is \$300 to cover noon meal, stipends, & facility costs. For more information visit <https://diocesanschoolofbiblicalstudies.weebly.com/>

Pro-Life: Urge U.S. House to Allow a Vote on Born-Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act

Send a message to your U.S. Representative to urge them to sign the discharge petition to allow a vote on the Born-Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act. This law will ensure babies born alive during an abortion receive the same care and medical treatment that would be given to a child born premature. For more information and other alerts, visit website of Susan B. Anthony List (www.sba-list.org).

Reminder: Farmer Hotline for Help & Hope

Currently, there is a crisis in farming: historic low margins and high rates of suicide. There is help and hope. The Department of Agriculture Trade and Consumer Protection's Wisconsin Farm Center offers a hotline for farmers looking for advice – everything from financial to succession planning for the future. The hotline is available weekdays from 7:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at 1-800-942-2474.

Upcoming EVENTS

St. Adalbert School, 3314 St. Adalbert Rd, Rosholt, will host an Open House on Tuesday, **May 7** from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. All are invited to explore the opportunity to have your child receive a Classical Christian Education. For more information call 715-677-4517 or visit www.RosholtCatholic.org/school.

You Don't want to miss this great event **Clergy Night —Tuesday, May 7. Knights of Columbus**

Clubhouse Plan to attend this annual event when we honor our clergy with a combo meal of Steak and Chicken Cordon Bleu and all the trimmings, including salad bar and dessert. Serving will be from 4:30 to 7 p.m., with lounge specials available. A great meal for only \$15, including sales tax. Everyone is invited. Lounge Specials Knights of Columbus Clubhouse 401 W Clark St, Stevens Point.

St. Joseph Parish Picnic Kick Off Fish Fry

Join St. Joseph Parish on Friday **May 10** to "Kick Off" the season of church picnics. With picnic reducing to two days we didn't want you to lose the chance to enjoy a tradition of the St. Joseph's annual picnic. Picnic Team will host their famous picnic fish fry prepared by Terry Check and his crew. Enjoy a delicious fish/shrimp or combo meal. Along with the great meal, there will be basket raffles, pull tabs, and a Bake Sale hosted by the Country Store Team. So, come on down to St. Joseph on Friday, May 10 from 4:30 to 7:00 p.m. and join in the fun!! Prices: Adult: fish \$9, shrimp \$10, combo \$9.50; Children (12 and under): fish \$5.50, shrimp \$7, combo \$6.25. Hot Dog Plate just \$3.00. Carry outs available by calling 715-341-1617 x108 from 4:15 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

St. Adalbert & St. Mary-Torun would like to invite the youth of your parish to a few exciting opportunities

VBS Children ages 4 through 11 are invited to join us **June 17-21, 2019** at St. Adalbert School as we share our faith through activity, song, and fellowship. Registration information can be accessed at www.roshotlcatholic.org/vbs or by calling 715-344-2599.

Steubenville. Teens currently in grades 8-12 are welcome to join us **July 26 through 28** as we head to Steubenville in St. Paul, MN. The ministry team for this exciting weekend includes Chris Mueller, Jackie Francois Angel, Jimmy Mitchell, Paul George, Sonar, & Fr. Agustino Torres. The cost will be \$215 which includes meals & lodging while at the conference and well as the cost of the bus. For more information call 715-344-2599 or email parish@roshotlcatholic.org.

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 scheduled 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.