



ST. JAMES
ST. MARY MOUNT CARMEL
PARISHES

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June 9, 2019 – Pentecost Sunday

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**Please refrain to a maximum of 100
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Family Life

Sacred Worship

Education

Social Concerns

Weekly Mass Intentions

Tuesday June 11th 8:15 AM at SJ (Ian Yenter)

Wednesday June 12th 8:15 AM at SM (Special Intentions of Borski Family)

Thursday June 13th 8:15 AM at SM (Mary Fonti)

Friday June 14th 8:15 AM at SJ (Mary Ann Repinski)

Weekend June 15th & June 16th

Saturday June 15th 5:00 PM at SM (Sylvester & Caroline Litza)

Sunday June 16th 8:30 AM at SJ Parishioners of our two Parishes

Sunday June 16th 10:30 AM at SM (Harleigh Firkus)

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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Pentecost Sunday

"God is always more." Have you ever heard that? If we truly believe that He is infinite, then this statement is worth exploring. Today, we celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit in power upon the early Church. But Pentecost wasn't the first time the disciples received the Holy Spirit. The Gospel actually occurs chronologically before Pentecost. Soon after the Resurrection, Jesus already "came and stood in their [the disciples'] midst... he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit.'"

God is always more. Sometimes we might think the grace of God as one and done. God might break through in people's lives, but it's a one-time event on a retreat or preceding a dramatic conversion of life. But there's always more to come. Even today's Gospel isn't the first time the breath of God stirred. In Genesis, it's God's breath that stirs life into Adam in the garden. Jesus breathes on the Apostles, giving them the Holy Spirit in the quiet and silence. Later, that breath will stir into a "driving wind", and the Spirit will descend with flame...not unlike Moses on Mount Sinai.

God is always more. He has spoken throughout salvation history, and continues to speak into our lives through His Church and through the Holy Spirit alive in our hearts. This Pentecost Sunday, let us come before Him with expectant hearts! Like the disciples in the Gospel and first reading, let us await what "more" God will do.



SJ Contributions

Total Contribution June 2, 2019

\$1,779.05 Contributions Totals

\$1,440.00 Envelopes

\$182.05 Offertory

We Share On-Line Contributions \$157.00

Building Funds Fiscal YTD - \$10,642.00

SMMC Contributions

Total Contribution June 2, 2019

\$3,026.00 Contributions Totals

\$2,401.00 Envelopes

\$345.00 Offertory

We Share On-Line Contributions \$280.00

Building Funds Fiscal YTD - \$1,075.00

SJ Scrap Metal Fund Raiser Totals: \$0.00

SM Scrap Metal Fund Raiser Totals: \$413.20

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 \$3,670

in gift cards and earned \$147 for our Parish. Thank you to everyone who participated! Our next sale will be on June 15th & 16th.

St. James Scrip Update: Total sales: \$1,740 Local: \$50. Thanks to all who participated! If you would like to place a large or special order call Michelle at 715-592-4477. Gift cards (SCRIP) are sold every weekend in the Gathering



DAA Reminder: the end of the **Diocesan Annual Appeal** year is 6/30/19. All payments must be received and deposited in the Diocesan office by **6/30/2018**. Any payments received after 6/30/19 will be applied toward next year's appeal. Please remember to send your payments directly to: Diocese of La Crosse, Attn: Annual Appeal, P.O. Box 4004, La Crosse, WI 54602-4004 — Please review the GivingTrend website for up-to-date summary of your appeal: <https://diolc.givingtrend.com/login>. If you need login assistance, please feel free to contact Sarah Komperud at 608-791-2653.

Parish News...

Achtung! Travellers registered for the 2020 trip to Germany. We'll meet Monday, June 10 at St. James at 6:30 pm for German lessons to learn functional phrases for restaurants & getting acquainted activities. Wie spassig!

Church Cleaning at SMMC will be on:

Wed, June 19, from 9:00 am-Noon & from 4:00-7:00 pm

Thurs, June 20 from 9:00 am-Noon & from 4:00-7:00 pm

All parishioners are asked to give of your time to help clean the kitchen, basement & entire church.

SMMC Church Picnic – Sunday, July 7th

Picnic Meeting: Monday, June 17 at 6:00 pm. This will be our final meeting before our big event. We ask all Chairmen to attend this important meeting. All parishioners are welcome. To have a successful picnic we need everyone's help. Please mark your calendar.

Yard Signs are available at the entryways, please take & place in your yard or at any area business that will allow us to do so. RETURN all signs after picnic, including damaged ones.

Flyers to Advertise our Picnic: Please take flyers, available at the entryways, & distribute to area businesses.

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.

Prizes needed: Cherry Tree needs prizes for adults – Baskets & Silent Auction need a variety of prizes – Children's games need New toys for children such as bubbles, books, school supplies, small toys, coloring books or any larger New items suitable for children. Please leave items in the St. Joseph room. Thank you for your support!

Help is Needed to fill Important Positions:

- 1 - Lead Chairman for dinner
- 2 - Extra help during final week, day of & day after picnic

From Annunciation to Christmas – Our Baby is now **11 weeks**. Please check out our display which shows the amazing growth & development of our Preborn Baby during their 9th, 10th & 11th week of life. In our baby's 9th week, he/she may begin to suck their thumb. In the 10th week, our baby can feel & move when mommy gently pokes at her tummy, even though mommy cannot feel the baby moving at this time. In the 11th week, our baby's fingers now have fingerprints! View pictures of an actual preborn baby growing week by week in our displays located in the St. Joseph area & in the back of Church. See the miracle of God's precious gift growing in utero. "For you created my inmost being; you knit me together in my mother's womb" – Psalm 129:13

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 or adults that are interested in helping serve at Mass are all welcome to join. We will be holding a training session soon contact us if interested. Trish Cohen cohen@wi-net.com

St. James is looking for people like you 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 interested in serving, please contact Theresa and Tim Shulfer at 715-592-4477.

\$\$ 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**.

CCD Registration

Returning Families

St. James and St. Mary CCD families: Registration packets for the upcoming CCD year were sent home with your student in April. If you have not submitted your family's registration form for the upcoming CCD year, please do so as soon as possible. If your packet has been misplaced, please email Ann Hemmy sjsmdre.plc@gmail.com and a new packet will be emailed to you.

Please send your registration along with your fee to:
Catholic Central Office, P.O. Box 280, Amherst, WI 54406

New Families

Please pick up a new family packet from Central Office, 453 S. Main St., Amherst or email Ann Hemmy sjsmdre.plc@gmail.com and a packet will be emailed to you.

Catechist Needed:

We are already in the planning stage for the 2019-2020 St. James/St. Mary CCD program. Your assistance is needed in the planning. We have a need for volunteers to teach **grade 3**.

We need parents as catechists to ensure that your child is on the path for Confirmation. Many thanks go out to those parents that stepped up last year to ensure that their child was on schedule for Confirmation.

If you have any questions about the program, please feel free to contact me. My email address is smsjdre.plc@gmail.com or call 715-316-7056.

Members of both St. James and St. Mary parishes have always generously given their time and talent to assist with the Faith Formation program. My prayer is that once again you will answer this important call to help in the faith formation of our young people as they are the future leaders of our church.

God Bless, Ann Hemmy, DRE

Upcoming **EVENTS**

St. Adalbert & St. Mary-Torun would like to invite the youth of your parish to a few exciting opportunities VBS Children ages 4 - 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.

Director of Youth Ministries for St. Joseph/ St. Stephen/St. Peter Parishes, St. Point, WI 54481 Seeking an individual to work full time with youth for a combined ministry position beginning **July 1, 2019**. The successful candidate will be responsible for planning, developing and implementing catechetical, sacramental preparation, relational and service programs for middle and high school teens. Applicants should enjoy working with youth and must be organized, self-motivated, and proficient in computer and communications skills. Work nights and weekends are balanced with regular agreed upon office hours. Certification or experience in Catholic youth ministry preferred. Bachelor's or Master's Degree in Religious Studies/Theology or Education are a plus. For more information, contact Renee Schneeberg, St. Joseph Parish Office, 1709 Wyatt Ave, St. Point, WI 54481, 715-341-1617 x101. Submit résumé and cover letter to rschneeberg@stjoespoint.org by May 28, 2019.

Steubenville teens currently in grades 8-12 are welcome to join us **July 26 - 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. Cost \$215 includes meals & lodging while at the conference and well as the cost of the bus. For information call 715-344-2599.

St. Stephen Parish Family Fest: June 16.

All are invited to join the fun from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Mass with polka music starts at 10:00 a.m. Listen to the music of Rich Raclawski and the Keepers of the Honky beginning at 11:00 a.m. Activities include Silent Auctions, Cash Raffle, Basket Raffles, Pull Tabs, Bake Sale, Kid's Games, Cherry Tree, and of course, great fun! Don't miss the fun. All activities will be held in the school building this year.

A Father's Day Gift that will Last

The 2019 Men of the Cross conference theme is **The Father's Way**. A special rate is being offered for Father-Son attendees. Held in La Crosse on Saturday, October 26, this year's keynote speaker will be Steve Ray, a dynamic convert sure to engage men of all ages. For more details and to register, go to menofthecross.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.