



St. James & St. Mary Mt. Carmel



8:15 am Daily Mass Schedule

Tuesday Oct 2nd 8:15 at SJ

(Dorothy Worden)

Wednesday Oct 3rd 8:15 AM at SM

(Anton & Belvina Myska)

Thursday Oct 4th 8:15 AM at SM

(Harry & Alice Bushman)

Friday Oct 5th 8:15 AM at SJ

(Eddie Karch)

Weekend Oct 6th & 7th

Saturday Oct 6th 5:00 PM at SM

(Bill & Diane Dombrowski)

Sunday Oct 7th 8:30 AM at SJ

Parishioners of our two Parishes

Sunday Oct 7th 10:30 AM at SM

(Deceased members of the Iwanski family)

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

Are you, or someone you know interested in joining the catholic faith? If so, please contact the office at 715-824-3455. Classes are beginning soon!

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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

**September 30, 2018
26th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

The Catholic Church is one of the greatest gifts God has given us. Jesus Christ established this Church nearly 2,000 years ago and it is 1.2 BILLION members strong today. Since then, no other institution or organization has fed, educated, cured, cared or ministered to more people as we serve God and neighbor.

My life has been so enriched by our Catholic faith that I discerned God calling me to become a priest for His people. I love being healed and fed in the sacraments, reading the stories in the Bible, studying the dignity of the human person in the context of morality, working with the poor and entering into fruitful dialogue with fellow believers. Being Catholic is awesome!

RCIA is an ancient tradition in the Church in which a person is introduced and exposed to the richness of our prayer, history, worship, beliefs and morality. It is a process where you will grow in faith and wisdom on the path to full communion with the Catholic Church. It culminates on the greatest feast of the year—the Easter Vigil—in which Baptism (if necessary), Confirmation and first Communion take place.

Anyone not already baptized (in any Christian denomination) or not already confirmed Catholic is a candidate for RCIA. If this is you, why wait any longer to join the largest family in the world?

We will be starting RCIA in the next week. We already have three individuals from our two parishes have come forth and expressed their excitement to enroll. If you or anyone you know who would like to come into full communion with the Catholic Church please call the office and set up an appointment, thanks.

God bless & peace,

Fr. Hackel

Financial Report



SJ Contributions

Total Contributions September 23, 2018

\$1,404.00 Total

\$1,038.00 Envelopes

\$246.00 Offertory

We Share On-Line Contributions \$120.00

SMMC Contributions

Total Contributions September 23, 2018

\$2,314.08 Total

\$1,955.00 Envelopes

\$319.08 Offertory

We Share On-Line Contributions \$40.00

SMMC PCCW

No-Bake Bake Sale Donations to date

\$2,957.00

Second Collection Flood Relief

St. James - \$584.23

St. Mary's - \$260.00

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:

We did it!! We broke the \$10,000 threshold in earnings for SJ parish! Since inception, we sold \$216,580 of gift cards with over \$38,000 of it staying local. Thank you to all who participate in this program to support our parish! Stop by the Gathering space to see how easy it is to use.

SMMC SCRIP Update:

Last weekend we sold \$4,075 in gift cards and made \$169 for our Parish. Thank you to everyone who participated! Our next sale will be on October 6th & 7th. If you need any gift cards before that time, or have a special order, call Pat Zielinski at 715-824-3762.

Parish News...



Find Your Greatness

"There is no greater human achievement than being exactly who you were made to be and doing exactly what you were made to do."

What are your habits? Are they helping you become the best version of yourself?

Our lives change when our habits change.

Based on Matthew Kelly's book

The Four Signs of a Dynamic Catholic

Come learn the Four habits that will transform your life! Join

Dominick Albano

at St. Mary of Mount Carmel Church
3995 Country Rd K, Amherst, WI 54406

October 21, 2018—1 PM to 5PM

Tickets are \$25, Purchase them at DynamicCatholic.com
or call 859-980-7900

CHILDCARE OFFERED

Faith Formation for All Ages: What if each day, every Catholic prayed for 10 minutes and read 5 pages of a great Catholic book? What if every Catholic gave 1% more of their income to their Church this year and did one thing each week to intentionally share God's message with others? The Catholic Church would be staggeringly different.

"Find Your Greatness" delves into the four life-giving spiritual habits of engaged Catholics. Join us at St. Mary of Mt. Carmel on **October 21**, and discover how to master the 4 signs of a Dynamic Catholic in your life. You will also learn how to engage disengaged Catholics and re-energize our community.

Have you signed up to help in your parish? Please see the **SMMC Sign-up Poster Board** in the back of Church.
Sign Up Sheets for the Following:

- ♦ Ministers of Hospitality (Greeters) - Questions – call Julie @ 715-340-0004
- ♦ Monthly Doughnut Social after Sunday Mass – Information sheets available on Sign-up board
- ♦ Lead Rosary before weekend Mass – Questions – call Barb @ 715-824-3649

We've received great feed-back from folks about our monthly social & the friendly greeters who welcome guests & parishioners. We need your help to continue these ministries **Please sign up & include your telephone #.** A Special Thank You to all who have given of their time & talent!

St. James is in need of altar servers for Sunday Masses. Anyone who has received Holy Communion is able to serve at the altar during Mass and no one is too old to serve! If you have wanted to get involved at our church but don't know what to do, this is a great first step! We will gladly have one-on-one training sessions for those interested. Call Theresa Shulfer at 715-592-4477.

Healing Mass November 10th at 10:00 AM at St James:

A Catholic healing Mass is a special celebration of the Mass that aims at helping people find healing in whatever areas they may require it. Although according to the Catholic Church the Mass itself has certain healing properties, a healing Mass focuses participants on the specific theme of healing.

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!

Diocesan News...

DIOCESE OF LA CROSSE

CELEBRATING

150
YEARS

Come Join Us!

Sesquicentennial Celebration

**October 7, 2018
10:30 a.m.**

Cathedral of St. Joseph
the Workman

530 Main St., La Crosse, WI

**Reception will be held at
the La Crosse Center
immediately following**

Mass until 3 p.m.

300 Harborview Plaza, La Crosse

Please RSVP at: DIOLC.ORG/150

CCD 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: Oct. 3rd, Oct. 10th, Oct. 17th, Oct. 24th, Oct. 31st, Nov. 14th, 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 or

Please know all are welcome to attend that have a desire to learn more and practice these beautiful devotions.

Adult Faith Formation...

More details to follow.....

Upcoming EVENTS

St. Bron's Social Concerns Roast Pork Dinner/Mini Raffle Sat, Oct 6th Serving from 4:30 - 6:30 pm. Dinner includes roast pork, potatoes, gravy, vegetables, kraut, dinner rolls, dessert and beverage.

St. Maximilian Kolbe's Annual Fall Harvest Dinner
Sun, Oct 7, 11 am—2 pm Adults \$10 Children (6-12) \$5 Preschool (5 & Under)

Wine Tasting Event: Join us for our 2nd Annual Wine Tasting Event "Time to Uncork and Unwind" on Tuesday, Oct 16th from 6:00 p.m.—8:00 p.m. at the St. Ladislaus Church basement. To register, please call the St. Ladislaus Rectory at 715-446-3060 by October 14th.

SAVE THE DATE: Oct 25th, St Point Deanery Open Assembly at St Peters Parish in Junction City. All women from our two parishes are invited to attend. Registration starts at 6:00pm with meeting and refreshments to follow. And questions please call Karen Jastromski at 715-824-2475 or Dorothy Shaver at 715-445-4623.

October 20th: St. Raphael the Archangel in Oshkosh will host speaker & author **Dr. Scott Hahn**. He will speak about defending our Catholic faith, as well as suffering, & presenting a deeper and richer understanding. Author & speaker Kim Hahn will address raising children to become disciples of Jesus. Come to understand and leave being able to defend your faith. For more information visit: <https://raphael.org/events/2018/10/20/scott-kimberly-hahn-understanding-defending-your-faith>.

Trunk or Treat. Join us on Wednesday, Oct 31st from 4:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. for our 2nd Annual Trunk or Treat at the St. Ladislaus Church parking lot. In the event of inclement weather, it will be held in the church basement. What is Trunk or Treat? It is a central location where children come, wearing costumes and go trick-or-treating from vehicle to vehicle. Businesses/parishioners/non-parishioners bring a car/truck/van, decorate the inside.

Mark your calendars for another amazing Youth Rally sponsored by your Deanery! Fradd will be coming for two dates this fall. Wednesday, Nov 7th he will be at Saint Bronislava 's for the Youth Rally and the following night, Thursday, Nov 8th he will also be at Saint Bronislava 's, but this time a special event for Adults – Parenting the Internet Generation. There is no cost for the parent night, we are asking for a \$2 per person donation for the Youth Rally. Register groups of 10 or more through Julie Studinski at Saint Bronislava's.

Matt Fradd speaks to tens of thousands of people every year. He is the author of several books, including *Does God Exist?: A Socratic Dialog on the Five Ways of Thomas Aquinas* and *The Porn Myth: Exposing the Reality Behind the Fantasy of Pornography*. Matt earned his master's and undergraduate degree's in philosophy from Holy Apostles College. His podcasts, *Love People Use Things* and *Pints With Aquinas* are listened to by tens of thousands of people every month.