St. James the Apostle and Our Lady of the Lake/Mount Carmel is a Roman Catholic Parish with the Eucharist as the center of its life. Our mission, as disciples of Jesus Christ, is to build up the Kingdom of God by leading, nourishing and serving the community in Word and Sacrament.

### FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

### **JANUARY 7, 2018**

This past weekend we saw the ushering in of a new year in the Greco-Roman calendar. This event was celebrated with raucous rivalry, loud noises, fireworks and all other manners of noise making. Little kids begged parents to stay awake to "see the ball drop" and then struggle to keep their eyes open. Thousands of individuals braved the bitter cold and hardships of standing in Times Square until Mid-night all to say that they had witnessed this new year come into being. I must admit that I have not seen the "ball drop" in over 40 years and, strangely enough, it always does, whether or not I physically see it happen or not.

New Years is also a time when we make resolutions, promises to be better people, the next year. Set off with good intentions most of these resolutions fall by the wayside within a few weeks. I don't know where or when this custom started but I would suspect that the playing out of the "New Year Resolution" has been the same for as long as it has been. I really don't think that that is a truly horrible reality. Certainly, it is always a good thing to try to better one's self. To strive, at least in intention, to be better in the coming year. Human nature being what it is however we easily fail in the attempt. Maybe it's because we set too lofty a goal for ourselves. Setting the standard so high that we cannot hope but to fail. It would suggest that maybe we should set the goals a little lower. Not trying to change ourselves totally, immediately, in the blink of an eye, but rather to try for baby steps. Perhaps our resolutions should be small attempts, day by day, to change ourselves for the better. Trying to be a little more understanding each day. Resolving to say a short pray each day at a specific time. Trying to be a little less critical in our dealings with friends and family. Resolving to be a little more attentive at Mass or saying a prayer each day. Little ways in which we can attempt to change ourselves in the coming year. I wish you all a very Blessed New Year. A time in which we can work to better ourselves. Small steps each day. God bless you and yours.



### READINGS FOR THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

**First Reading: Isaiah 60:1-6 -** Isaiah speaks poetically of the coming of the Lord. He describes how "darkness covers the earth" but light and glory appear over God's chosen people.

**Second Reading: Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6-** Paul tells the Ephesians that the Jews and Gentiles are now coheirs of the promises God has made. He explains that both groups are now members of one body through Jesus Christ.

**Gospel: Matthew 2:1-12 -** After Jesus' birth, three astrologers from the east came to Jerusalem and inquired about the newborn king of the Jews. King Herod became greatly angered, and asked the astrologers to bring him more information about the child, so he too could pay homage to the infant. Herod's true plan was to kill Jesus. The wise men were warned in a dream not to return to him and they took a different route to return home.



### **ANNOUNCED MASS INTENTIONS**

## **ST. JAMES THE APOSTLE**

### SATURDAY, JANUARY 6, 2018

8:00am Jack Vero 5:00pm Vinco Sarac

### SUNDAY, JANUARY 7, 2018

8:00am James McMorrow 10:00am Claire Landi 12:00pm Salvatore Salierno

12:00PM SALVATORE SALIERNO 5:00PM MARCIA LUSSIER

#### MONDAY, JANUARY 8, 2018

7:30 AM JAMES McMorrow

9:00am Kathleen and John Mulvihill

7:30pm Respect All Life **TUESDAY, JANUARY 9, 2018** 

7:30AM ANTONIO CALABRO
9:00AM BRIAN O'KEEFE
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 10, 2018

7:30am RICK PATTERSON
9:00am STEVEN MCDONALD
THURSDAY, JANUARY 11, 2018

7:30am PJ and Brenda O'Brien

9:00am Harry Hebrank

FRIDAY, JANUARY 12, 2018
7:30AM FRANCISCO DESOUSA
9:00AM CLIFTON WATSON

SATURDAY, JANUARY 13, 2018

8:00am YOLANDA CHASSE 5:00pm Maria Sanchez

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 14, 2018** 

8:00am Antoinette Spataro 10:00am Silvestro Palumbo

12:00PM PEOPLE OF ST. JAMES & OLL/MT. CARMEL

5:00pm John Bauer Jr.

# OUR LADY OF THE LAKE/MT. CARMEL

### SATURDAY, JANUARY 6, 2018

4:00pm Catherine Kush

SUNDAY, JANUARY 7, 2018

9:00am Kathleen Mulvihill 11:00am Jane Ann Lebel

12:30pm (L) Bronislaw & Antonina Trzajna

(MASS IN POLISH)

### SATURDAY, JANUARY 13, 2018

4:00pm Maria DeSalvador

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#### **SUNDAY, JANUARY 14, 2018**

9:00am Kathleen and John Mulvihill

11:00am Kathleen Mulvihill 12:30pm Ignacy Reizer

(MASS IN POLISH)

# TO EVERYTHING THERE IS A SEASON AND A TIME FOR EVERY PURPOSE UNDER HEAVEN

**TIME TO BE BORN: BAPTISMS:** 

TIME TO HEAL: THOSE WHO ARE ILL: SHARON GUNTHER. JAMES MURRAY, KATHERINE & ARTHUR STANTON, ARLENE FLOWER, CLAUDIO PENGE, MARTHA BOUCHARD, JACOB SANTORIELLA, MICHAEL DATTERO, MICHELE STAFFORD, RICH SCAMPOLI, RUTH WERNER, 5 YEAR OLD JOSEPH BARBARINO GIORDANO, 8 YEAR OLD KENNEDY FINNEY, 3 YEAR OLD CHRISTOPHER RICE, 7 YEAR OLD DILLON, 11YEAR OLD REBECCA TOLEDO, TOM LYONS, JOAN O'BRIEN, DOLORES STOUT, A.J. PALATTELLA, CORINE GAMMINO, BRENDAN MAGUIRE, PAM FARMER, BRENDA BURDICK, DAN DiPierro, William McGreevy Jr., Barbara Dean, Maryann Coyle, Joel RIVERA, ALYSSA RAMOS., MARY KEENAN, JENNIFER SZCZECHOWIAK, STANLEY MARKOW, 14 YEAR OLD JOSHUA BRENNAN, ERIC, JOSEPH & CHRISTOPHER HERNANDEZ, MARIA BERTOLI, WILLIAM BIOLSI, GERARD BIOLSI, MARGARET CUNNINGHAM, PATRICIA UPTON, LAWRENCE GILL, JEFF COOK. MARTHA BOUCHARD, ROBERT SCHNEIDER, JOHN SPAGNOLI. BARBARA MAHONEY, SR. KATHERINE SIEGEL, WILLIE DALBON. MARY BRADY, JACK MARK, STEFANIE FISCHER, SUE PARASCONDA, DOLLY O'DONNELL, LEE McDonnell and 7-MONTH OLD KIRA.

A TIME TO DIE: THOSE WHO HAVE DIED: JANE ELLEN POMEROY, JANET FALLON, JERRY VIGNOGA, DANIEL F. CUOMO

A TIME TO LOVE: MARRIAGES FOR THE WEEK:

TIME FOR WAR: A TIME FOR PEACE: PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL THOSE IN THE ARMED FORCES AND THEIR FAMILIES, ESPECIALLY CORY JAMES ESPEJO. JASON TERWILLIGER, ANTHONY SCHNEIDER, AND PETER MANGO SERVING IN KANDAHAR, AFGHANISTAN, ALEXEI GAZIO SERVING IN SYRIA

### **CELEBRANTS FOR NEXT WEEK**

### **ST. JAMES THE APOSTLE CHURCH**

5:00pm Fr. Szymon 8:00am Fr. Adolphus

10:00am Msgr. Marchitelli 12:00pm Msgr. Marchitelli

5:00pm Fr. Adolphus

## OUR LADY OF THE LAKE/MT. CARMEL CHURCH

4:00pm Fr. Adolphus 9:00am Fr. Adolphus 11:00am Fr. Szymon

12:30pm Fr. Szymon Kurpios

(MASS IN POLISH)

## **Unannounced Mases**

Deceased:

Mary Ethel Barker, Rolande Heller

# **STEWARDSHIP IN OUR PARISH DECEMBER 24. 2017** \$15,184.50 **SUNDAY COLLECTION** \$ 1,586.50 GOLD ENVELOPES (REL. ED. BLDG. MORTGAGE) TOTAL \$ 16,771.00 **CHRISTMAS DONATIONS** \$45,109.00 CHRISTMAS FLOWER (TOTAL DONATIONS) \$ 5,268.00 **DECEMBER 31, 2017 SUNDAY COLLECTION** \$ 13,953.00 GOLD ENVELOPES \$ 1,821.50 (REL. ED. BLDG. MORTGAGE) TOTAL \$ 15,774.50 **JANUARY 1, 2018** THE SOLEMNITY \$ 2,829.00 OF MARY

# WELCOME TO THE PARISH OF ST. JAMES AND OUR LADY OF THE LAKE / MOUNT CARMEL

Thank you for joining in our Eucharistic celebration. We are glad that you are here with us today, especially if you are a visitor and hope that you will find nourishment for your faith and life here. If you have recently moved into our Parish, please introduce yourself to the priests, deacons and parish staff. You are invited to register in the Parish Office at St. James. Our parish currently has 4,500 registered families and we would be happy to have you join our parish family.

### **MONDAY NIGHT NOVENA MASS**

Each Monday evening, we gather at 7:10pm to pray the Rosary and celebrate the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. Following Mass, we pray the Novena to Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal, which affords us an opportunity to pray for our particular intentions and intercessions. All are invited.

# **BONANZA 2018**





Our first drawing of the new year will be January 22nd. Please call the School or Parish Office if you did not receive your tickets or would like additional tickets.

Tickets are \$50 each. All Winning tickets are re-entered for subsequent drawings during the year, so it is possible to win multiply prizes with the same ticket.

Two \$200 prizes will be drawn weekly & three \$2,000 prizes will be drawn:

- Parish Dinner Dance in March
  - St. James Feast in July
- Thanksgiving Eve in November

## **RESPECT LIFE GROUP**

The Church is called to proclaim the gift of life, to serve life and to promote the culture of life. Life in abundance must be the heart of the new evangelization. Join the Respect Life Group every first Monday for Mass at 7:30pm in the Chapel of Life. The meeting is in the Carriage House after the Mass and Novena. Fr. Adolphus is the moderator.

## MEN OF ST. JAMES

The "Men of St. James" come together for prayer and discussion the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday's at 7:00AM in the Carriage House. It is a place to re-kindle the fire that may have grown dim in your prayer life. Come and meet other men who are also trying to be faithful Catholic men.

For more information, please call Deacon Art, 845-803-3699 or Deacon Scott, 914-364-3551.

# **MEMORIAL OFFERINGS**



### THE CHRISTMAS FLOWERS IN

ST. JAMES CHURCH,
OUR LADY OF THE LAKE/MT. CARMEL
AND THE CHAPEL OF LIFE

WERE DONATED BY OUR PARISHIONERS,
IN MEMORY OF, OR IN HONOR OF
THEIR LOVED ONES.

# Children's Liturgy and Choir Family Mass Schedule

Director of Children's Liturgy
Maura Crawford
(maura.crawford@stjamescarmel.org)
Director of Children's Choir
Kim Dumont (k.dumont.88@gmail.com)

**Sun. 01-28-18: 10:00am - St. James** Fifth & Sixth Grade Family Mass

Sun. 03-11-18: 10:00am - St. James Scout Liturgy (Boy & Girl Scouts only)

Sun. 04-01-18: 10:00am Mass - St. James Easter Sunday Children's Liturgy (*All Students*)

Sun. 05-13-18: - 11:00am at Our Lady of the Lake Church - (Second *Grade students only*) May Crowning/Mother's Day Children's Liturgy

Save the Date
Blood Drive in Doherty Hall
Sunday, February 25, 2018
from 6:30 AM until 4:00PM

# St. James the Apostle School

Offering Children, the Best in Catholic Education since 1954

Why Should You Choose St. James the Apostle School for your Child's Education?

Our purpose is to integrate our Catholic beliefs into the spiritual, educational, physical and social development of the students. We are very proud of our school family. Recognizing that ours is a partnership with parents, we ensure an environment where each individual has worth and deserves respect and dignity. Excellence in our school is the result of the commitment of time, effort and funds, which is shared by teachers, parents and the parish.

St. James the Apostle School challenges students to develop academic excellence and inspires spirituality based on Gospel values, which give their lives passion and purpose. Clergy, administrators, teachers and parents are committed to the growth of the school and its active role in the community. All students are taught in a faith-based environment that instills self-discipline, respect for themselves and others, as well as responsibility.

For further information regarding our school, please contact the school office,845-225-9365.

# Come & Discern Vocation Weekend with Franciscan Friars

Do you feel like God may be calling you to religious life? Join the Franciscan Friars of the Atonement February 16-19, 2018 for a prayerful discernment experience at our Friary ("Graymoor") in Garrison, NY. The Franciscan Friars of the Atonement are dedicated to a mission of bringing about reconciliation, healing and unity in our world. Besides getting to know the life and ministry of the Friars, the long weekend will focus on teaching practical discernment tools for hearing God's will for your life. For more information:

<u>www.AtonementFriars.org/discern</u> or contact. Paul Krenzelok Director of Discernment Ministry for Youth/Young Adults

Franciscan Friars of the Atonement PKrenzelok@AtonementFriars.org 845-424-2122



Come to See Fr. Simon's Art Exhibition

At the Kent Public Library
17 Sybil's Crossing
Kent Lakes, NY 10512

**Exhibition** from January 4 - 30, 2018

# Boy Scout Fundraiser for Putnam Woman's Resource Center

Nicholas Rizzo is the Boy Scout who replaced the fence in the ballfield this past summer as part of his Scout Award. The next award he is working on is the Pope Pius Award. All donations collected will help local battered women.

A donation of the following will be appreciated: New Twin Size Sheets, New Bath Towels, New Socks for women and children and Gift Cards from Shoprite, Tops, Kohl's and Gas Stations in the area. There will be a donation box in the lobby of both churches until January 14<sup>th</sup>.



# Men's Beef Steak Dinner Hosted by the Knights of Columbus

Join us for our 3rd Annual, James J. O'Neill Memorial Men's Beef Steak Dinner on Saturday, January 13th. Doors open at 3pm for the afternoon playoff game and there is a cash bar. Our dinner starts at 5pm which includes Gourmet Filet Mignon, fries, unlimited draft beer, wine, dessert and coffee. Stay after dinner if you want and watch the evening playoff game with us.

\$50 if prepaid by January 6th. \$60 after January 7th. Seating is Limited. This Event Will Sell Out! Reserve today!

Make reservations with Grand Knight Rob Firriolo, 516-526-8595 or email him at <a href="mailto:gk@Carmelknights.org">gk@Carmelknights.org</a>. You may also mail your check and list of guests to KOC Council 63188 10 Fair Street Carmel New York 10512. All proceeds to benefit Saint James the Apostle Parish!

# **Three To Get Married**

you, your fiancé and God

This day program satisfies the <u>Pre-Cana</u> requirements for the **Archdiocese of New York**. Offered by Legionaries of Christ priests and Regnum Christi, NY

### Jan 19-21 2018

Resurrection Preschool, Rye, NY
For more information, visit

<u>regnumchristinyctnj.org</u> or call 914 244-3685

# **Please Note**

The Catholic Widows & Widowers of Dutchess & Putnam Counties will meet on the Third Tuesday of the Month, January 16 at 7:00 pm in the Parish Meeting Room at St. Kateri Church in LaGrangeville. (845) 223-3097.

# **Verifying Your New**

# WeShare Account

If you had been giving donations online through ParishPay, your account has been transferred to WeShare, our new online giving provider. This transfer ensures that your scheduled transactions will continue to be received by the parish as scheduled.

The security of your personal information is important. If you want to make any changes to your account or adjust your giving amount, WeShare requires a one-time security verification to provide you access.

Contact the WeShare customer service team for assistance <u>1 (800) 950-9952</u> and select Option 1 or <u>WeShare@4lpi.com</u>.

You may also use the link located on our church website to complete the verification process: <a href="www.stjamesapostle.org">www.stjamesapostle.org</a>. You will need:

- · Your ParishPay User Name
- The last four digits of the bank account or credit card that is currently being used for your donations

And ONE of the following two options:

- The email you used to register with ParishPay
- A collection name and the specific amount donated in the last six months

Once verification is complete, you will receive a confirmation email with a link to our new WeShare site. Please bookmark or save the link for future access.

# St. James Elders



St. James Elders meet every Friday from 9:00AM to 2:00PM in Doherty Hall.

We are calling all pinochle players, mahjong players, and card players to join us!

**Bring your crafts!** 

All seniors are welcome. For information call Sue at 225-2880 or Laura at 225-2531.

# Sacred Heart Gifts and Apparel Employment Opportunity

Sacred Heart Religious Gift Store is in need of help on Thursdays and Fridays from 10:00 am until 6:00pm. The store is located on Route 6 in Mahopac. For an interview please call Grace at 845-621-7777.

### **Attention Catholic Teachers in Public Schools**

The Archdiocesan Catechetical Office is sponsoring an Annual Retreat Day for Catholic Teachers in Public Schools.

Day: Saturday, February 3, 2108

Time: 9:00am to 1:30pm

Place: Maryknoll Fathers and Brothers

55 Ryder Road, Ossining, NY 10562

### <u>Conference – Holy Hour - Liturgy</u>

Donation is \$25.00 – Please make checks payable to Catechetical Office and mail to Reginal Catechetical Office at 56 Dunston Avenue, Yonkers, NY 10701. For questions call 914-965-0490 or visit zelide.ceccagno@archny.org.

# "Wisdom-God's Vision for Life" <u>An Eight Week Study</u>



Participants of *Wisdom* will receive a journal and will meet every week to view an engaging 30-minute video presentation followed by a group discussion and fellowship. The videos, presented by Jeff Cavins, will guide you through a variety of themes drawn from the

wisdom literature of Scripture. Jeff will explain Scripture's wisdom on decision-making, finances, relationships, peace of mind, and speaking to one another and will look at the beauty of wisdom gained through age and at how Christ himself is the embodiment and fulfillment of all wisdom.

The study will begin on Tuesday, January 23rd and run for eight weeks at 7:30PM in Doherty Hall. For more details contact Claire and Kevin Murray at 845-228-9401 or by email at <a href="mailto:kevnclair@hotmail.com">kevnclair@hotmail.com</a>. You will not only benefit personally from being part of this study; you will also help us to grow in fellowship as a parish as we grow closer to Christ together.

Please register at the Parish Office before January 14, 2018, with a check payable to St. James the Apostle Church for \$23.00 to cover the cost of materials.

"Wisdom is seeing with God's eyes."

# **Separated and Divorced 12 Week Survival Course**

In an attempt to reach and support Catholics who are separated or divorced, we are pleased to offer the Catholic's Divorce Survival Guide, a 12-week course that the Archdiocese of New York Family Respect Life Office is sponsoring. This program is in collaboration with St. James the Apostle SDRC Program.

This course is intended to bring hope and healing to those who have recently gone through divorce, or are currently going through divorce or separation. Under the guidance of the Separated & Divorced Ministry Coordinator, Carmen Noschese, M.S., M.F.T., the program will be led and facilitated by Dennis and Barbara from the St. James SDRC Program. The course will run every other Friday starting January 19, 2018 through June 29, 2018, from 7-9 pm, in the Carriage House Building.

For additional information on the program, and to register, visit the CDSG registration webpage at: divorced.nyfamilylife.org and click on Survival Guide. The cost of about \$20.00 is for the Course Book, which can be ordered on-line. If you have questions or concerns, contact Pat DeNota at patricia.denota@stjamesapostle.org or call her at the Parish Office, 845-225-2079 Ext. 102.



# **Gospel Today**

### The Epiphany of the Lord | Matthew 2:1-12

The 3 are called **wise men, kings**, or **magi** - they saw and understood that the baby Jesus was truly God. They took a different route home and did not go back to Herod.

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The Feast of the Epiphany celebrates God's revealing Himself to us in the baby Jesus.

# CELEBRATE WITH A KING CAKE!



King Cake season goes from the Feast of the Epiphany through Shrove Tuesday (Mardi Gras). This round "crown" cake, represents the journey of the 3 kings, and is decorated in purple (justice), green (faith) and gold (power) icing or sugar. Some cakes have a hidden bean or tiny plastic baby hidden inside and the one who finds it is "crowned", or responsible for the next cake.

#### -INGREDIENTS-

1 cup milk (scalded) 1/3 cup butter (melted in milk)

small bowl

1/4 cup warm water 1 package yeast 1 tsp. sugar

small bowl

2 eggs beaten 1/2 cup sugar pinch salt

small bowl

Let all ingredients sit about 15 minutes, add to flour - mix well

4 cups flour

large bowl

### **SWEET as HONEY**



#### -DIRECTIONS-

Knead on floured surface, 10 minutes (add more flour if needed). Rub dough ball with vegetable oil and place in covered oiled bowl in warm place to rise, 1 hour or double in size. Roll flat into rectangle and brush on oil or melted butter, sprinkle with sugar cinnamon. Roll into log starting on long edge. Form into ring (crown), pinch edges together and let rise on baking tray. Bake 350° for 15 - 20 minutes or until golden brown.

**Colored sugar:** In a jar add 1/2 cup sugar, 1-2 drops food color... green or yellow or red/blue (*purple*) and shake well. Decorate with green, purple & yellow (*gold*) cake icing and colored sugar. This cake does not include a bean or baby, as in some traditions, due to choking hazard.