



ST. JAMES THE APOSTLE CHURCH
14 Gleneida Avenue
Carmel, NY 10512

Mass Schedule

Saturday Evening: 5:00pm

Sunday: 8:00am, 10:00am and
Noon

Monday - Friday: 7:30am &
9:00am In the Chapel of Life

Saturday: 8:00am—Chapel

Recitation of The Rosary:

Weekdays 8:30am, Chapel

First Friday Adoration:

Chapel, 4:00pm - 5:30pm

Miraculous Medal Novena:

Monday after the 9:00am Mass,
Chapel

Confession in St. James

Saturday: 4:00pm - 5:00pm

(Or By Calling The Parish Office For
An Appointment)



**OUR LADY OF THE LAKE
MT. CARMEL CHURCH**

1 Doherty Drive, Lk. Carmel, NY 10512
(Fair Street to Noonan Drive)

Mass Schedule

Saturday: 4:00pm

Sunday: 9:00am, 11:00am

Confession in OLL/Mt. Carmel

Saturday: 3:00-3:45pm

Mission Statement

St. James the Apostle & 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.



December 22, 2024

Fourth Sunday of Advent

December 25, 2024—Christmas Day

Pastoral Staff

Rev. Robert Quarato, Pastor, Ext. 106

Rev. Robert Carolan, Vicar, Ext. 115

Rev. John Tran, Vicar, Ext. 111

Deacon Scott Bierbaum

Deacon John Scott

Deacon Arthur Weiner

Deacon Anthony Gruerio, Retired

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St. James Parish Office

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Parish Office Hours:

Monday - Friday: 9:00am to 5:00pm

Closed for Lunch 12:45pm to 1:30pm

Saturday: 3:00pm to 6:00pm

Sunday: 8:00am to 2:00pm

Chapel Hours:

Monday - Friday: 6:30am to 9:00pm

Saturday: 7:00am to 6:00pm

Sunday: 7:00am to 3:00pm

Sick Calls And Emergencies

For those in danger of death or a true serious emergency, please call our Emergency Number, 845-494-6313

St. Sebastian's Columbarium

at Our Lady of the Lake Church.

For information or to book an appointment, please call Fr. Quarato, 845-225-2079, Ext. 106.

Religious Education

845-225-6504

Kathleen Iffe, Director

Michele Verga, Assistant

Religious Ed. Website

www.religioused.stjamesapostle.org

Religious Ed. Hours

Monday–Thurs.12:00 to 3:00pm

Closed on Fridays

Saturdays by appointment only

St. James School

845-225-9365

Maura Crawford, Principal

Joanne Mascia, Assistant

School Website

www.stjamescarmel.org

Gift Shop Hours:

Sundays, 8:30am to 1:30pm

For info call the Parish Office.

WELCOME TO THE PARISH OF ST. JAMES THE APOSTLE

AND OUR LADY OF THE LAKE/MT. CARMEL

Thank you for joining in our Eucharistic celebration. If you are a visitor, we welcome you and are glad that you are with us today. We hope that you will find nourishment for your faith and life here. If you have recently moved into our Parish, please come to the Parish Office at St. James to register and introduce yourself to the priests and staff.

Christmas Flower Memorial

Parishioners are invited to make donations for our church greens, plants and flowers that will honor our Lord, Mary and the Saints and decorate our churches during the Christmas season and into Ordinary Time after Epiphany until Lent (or as long as the white poinsettias last).

Envelopes are included in your regular mailing packet. Extra ones are also at the church doors. Please include the names of deceased loved ones (feel free to add other names on the back). Drop the envelopes in the collection basket or at the Parish Office. These envelopes will be placed by the Tabernacle (close to the Heart of Jesus in the Most Blessed Sacrament) from Christmas Day until the beginning of Lent.

Christmas Mass Remembrance

Envelopes are available in your packets and at the doors of churches. Please include the names (feel free to add additional names on the back) of loved ones living or deceased. Drop the envelopes in the collection basket or at the Parish Office.

These envelopes will be placed on the Altars of Sacrifice on Christmas Eve and remain there for the Octave of Christmas. All the Parish Masses of Christmas Eve and Christmas Day, in both the Churches, will be offered for those enrolled (with the exception of Midnight Mass at St. James which is traditionally Pro Populo, i.e. offered for all parishioners). What a wonderful Christmas gift, the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass!

INVITE SOMEONE HOME FOR CHRISTMAS

Do someone you love a favor by extending an invitation to accompany you and your family to Christmas Mass. And please remember, although they are coming home at Christmas time, we hope they will remain with our parish family permanently and enrich us even as they are enriched.

NEW CHAPEL HOURS

As part of the National Eucharistic Revival, encouraging prayer before the Most Blessed Sacrament, the Chapel of Life is open on weekdays until 9:00pm.

Stop by before or after work!

MONDAY - FRIDAY	6:30am - 9:00pm
SATURDAY	7:00am - 6:00pm
SUNDAY	7:00am - 3:00pm



FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION FRIDAY, JANUARY 3rd.

Please note NEW times!
12:00pm (noon)
to 9:00pm
(Benediction at 8:45pm)
Come and spend an hour
with the Lord.

CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEARS MASS SCHEDULE 2024

Special Christmas Eve Family Mass

3:30pm- St. James the Apostle Church

Children's Procession
Blessing of the Manger
Children's Homily

Christmas Masses

Our Lady of the Lake Church

Christmas Eve: 4pm
Christmas Day: 9am, 11am

St. James the Apostle Church

Christmas Eve: 3:30pm Family Mass
5:30pm, and 12 Midnight
Christmas Day: 8am, 10am, 12am

December 31st, New Year's Eve

Mass at 5:00pm in St. James

January 1, 2025 Solemnity of Mary

Masses at 7:30am, 9:00am, 12noon
St. James Church

OUR CHRISTMAS COLLECTION

Christmas Collection Envelopes are available in the packets that were mailed to you and are also available at the doors of the churches. Your generosity is much appreciated. *Please help keep our parish strong and active!*

ANNOUNCED MASS INTENTIONS

ST. JAMES THE APOSTLE

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 21, 2024

8:00AM CATHERINE PATTERSON
5:00PM JAMES CHAMBERS

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 22, 2024, FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

8:00AM FEDELA TRANZILLO
10:00AM GUILLERMO ROMERO SAAVELDA
12:00PM JOHN PIRES

MONDAY, DECEMBER 23, 2024

7:30AM PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
9:00AM JOHN MORAN

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 24, 2024, CHRISTMAS EVE

7:30AM GRACE AND AL LIETO
9:00AM HELENA CARNEY
3:30PM CHRISTMAS MASS REMEMBRANCE
5:30PM CHRISTMAS MASS REMEMBRANCE
MIDNIGHT THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 25, 2024, CHRISTMAS DAY

8:00AM CHRISTMAS MASS REMEMBRANCE
10:00AM CHRISTMAS MASS REMEMBRANCE
NOON CHRISTMAS MASS REMEMBRANCE

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 26, 2024, SAINT STEPHEN

7:30AM CHRISTMAS FLOWER NOVENA
9:00AM VERA AND JOHN PROTANO

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 27, 2024, ST. JOHN APOSTLE

7:30AM CHRISTMAS FLOWER NOVENA
9:00AM ANNA JORDAN

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 28, 2024

8:00AM CHRISTMAS FLOWER NOVENA
5:00PM ANGELA FIERRO

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 29, 2024,

THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH

8:00AM MARTIN PUCHALSKI
10:00AM HAROLD T. MCKERNAN
12:00PM ANTOINETTE ZANNELLO

Blessing of a Christmas Manger or Nativity Scene

God of every nation and people, from the very beginning of creation you have made manifest your love: when our need for a Savior was great you sent your Son to be born of the Virgin Mary. To our lives he brings joy and peace, justice, mercy, and love.

Lord, bless all who look upon this manger; may it remind us of the humble birth of Jesus, and raise our thoughts to him, who is God-with-us and Savior of all, and who lives and reigns forever and ever. Amen

TO EVERYTHING THERE IS A SEASON AND A TIME FOR EVERY PURPOSE ON EARTH AND IN HEAVEN

A TIME TO BE BORN: THOSE BAPTIZED:

LUKE CARNEY, RYAN CANNONICO, GABRIELLA ESPOSITO

A TIME TO HEAL: THOSE WHO ARE ILL:

ROSE BIERBAUM, CHARLANE GRUETTO, MARGARET SARTORIS, MIKE ANDROSICO, JESUS TORRES, JIM OAKES, IRENE PLADL, JAMES EUGENE PLOCHACKI, ELINOR CARIDDO, MARIA RAYPETERA, LOUIS PROSOS, MICHAEL FRAAD, MARY FRANCIS MCCARTHY, ANGELO NARCISE, CAROLANN FLAHERTY, APRIL GRIFFIN, PAT AND LUCY GOLIA, JEAN MARIE HOLMES, ALAN O'BRADY, ELSA GORASALO, ANNA GALDARELLA, HILTON PEREZ, DAN KEARON, GEORGE CIANICIO, JULIA MALDONADO, LOUISE BONISACE, ALLEN O'GRADY, KELLY ANDERSON, MICHAEL AND JUDY COSEDA, KEITH DRONZEK, ADRIENNE BAKER, ROSALIA GASPERINI, THALES MAGNOLI, DEANA SNYDER, DANNY BENDAHAN, EVELYN BITZ, DOROTHY HALL, CATHERINE KORTLANG, LATRICE HAMMOND, MICHAEL MCCARTHY, FRANK MONACO, JENNIFER DORRIS, RAYMOND MASCIA, PATRICIA CAHILL, TONY ALBANO, SHARON HOLZEPPL, CAROLINE GERMANO, MICHAEL RANDAZZO, ADELINE MURRISH, KRYSTY ROSE McDONNELL, CATHY KOZELKA, JANE PRATT, SANTANA STRON, LOGAN DOYLE, BRIAN GALVIN, ELEANOR MAGILL, JUDI AND BOB ASARD, ELEANOR MAGILL, BRIEN GALVAIN

TIME TO DIE: THOSE WHO HAVE DIED:

JOSEPH MONTALDO

TIME TO LOVE: UNITED IN MATRIMONY:

A TIME FOR WAR AND A TIME FOR PEACE:

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY PERSONNEL ESPECIALLY THOSE IN HARM'S WAY. WE PRAY FOR PEACE IN THE MIDDLE EAST AND UKRAINE.

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11:00AM KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 6318

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THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH

9:00AM CHRISTMAS FLOWER NOVENA
11:00AM ANGELA COPPOLA

OUR PARISH – LOOKING AHEAD TO 2025

- 12/31 NEW YEAR'S EVE – Mass at 5:00pm
1/1 SOLEMNITY OF MARY – Masses at 7:30am, 9:00am, 12noon
1/2 THE CHOSEN RESUMES – 7:00-9:00pm
1/3 FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION – New Schedule – 12noon-9:00pm
1/5 EPIPHANY SUNDAY – 10:00am Family Mass - 3 Kings, Blessing of Chalk / Holy Water
1/10 ST. JAMES SENIOR GROUP RESUMES
1/11 BLESSED IS SHE
1/18 & GIANNA HOUSE MOBILE ULTRASOUND VAN
1/19 VISITS – Open House
1/24 MARCH FOR LIFE 2025 – ADORATION – 12noon-9:00pm
1/26 CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK BEGINS
2/2 FEAST OF THE PRESENTATION – 10:00am Family Mass - Blessing of Candles
2/3 FEAST OF ST. BLAISE – Blessing of Throats – 7:30am, 9:00am, 12noon, 3:00pm, 8:00-9:00pm
2/5 WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY RESUMES
2/8 & WORLD MARRIAGE DAY – Renewal of Wedding
2/9 Vows at all Masses
2/11 OUR LADY OF LOURDES – 7:00pm Eucharistic Healing Mass
2/15 ANOINTING OF THE SICK MASS at 12 noon
3/5 ASH WEDNESDAY
3/9-12 LENT PARISH MISSION – BEHOLD – ARAY OF HOPE

BRING IN THE NEW YEAR DOWN A PINT WINTER HOLIDAY BLOOD DRIVE

We hope you can once again join the members of the Knights of Columbus along with the Driscoll Lodge of the Fraternal Order of Police, New York City Firefighters along with the Guardians Revival **on SATURDAY, DECEMBER 28th from 10:00am till 7:00pm at the Daniel O'Brien VFW Hall, 32 Gleneida Avenue, (Rt.52) Carmel, NY 10512.**

Inventory is at critical levels and the NY Blood Center has declared a BLOOD SUPPLY EMERGENCY. For this critical drive we will once again encourage donors to make an **appointment**, via the internet, please visit the NY Blood Center web site [Donor Portal - New York Blood Center \(nybc.org\)](https://www.nybc.org) or call 1-800-933-2566.

For your blood donation, just in time for the New Year, you have a choice of a holiday beanie or the highly acclaimed, with family heirloom status, the NY Blood Center holiday socks!

For your donation of a PINT, you will receive a coupon for a PINT of fermented draft beverage, or a pint of carbonated sugar water from Fiddlers Green Pub.

Any questions or concerns please call Denis Hanrahan 845-300-0428, Rick Kreps 845-225-6318, Brendan McDonnell 845-803-3443 or visit www.nybc.org.

WEEKLY MEMORIALS

DECEMBER 23 TO DECEMBER 29, 2024



**THE SANCTUARY CANDLE BURNING IN
THE CHAPEL OF LIFE IS IN
MEMORY OF LISA MARIE TORCHIANO
DONATED BY CHRISTINE & JOE TORCHIANO**

**THE SANCTUARY CANDLE BURNING IN
ST. JAMES CHURCH
IS IN MEMORY OF THE
BRIGANTI AND FENNESSEY FAMILY
DONATED BY MARGARET & TOM FENNESSEY**

**THE SANCTUARY CANDLE BURNING IN
OUR LADY OF THE LAKE CHURCH
IS IN MEMORY OF WANDA E. CRUZ
DONATED BY SHEL MERR**



**THE BREAD & WINE BEING USED IN
THE CHAPEL OF LIFE
IS IN MEMORY OF LISA MARIE TORCHIANO
DONATED BY CHRISTINE & JOE TORCHIANO**

**THE BREAD & WINE BEING USED IN
ST. JAMES CHURCH
IS IN MEMORY OF THE
LAPOLLA & GRATES FAMILY
DONATED BY LAUREEN & GARY GRATES**

**THE BREAD & WINE BEING USED IN
OUR LADY OF THE LAKE CHURCH
IS IN MEMORY OF WANDA E. CRUZ
DONATED BY SHEL MERR**

***We thank our Parishioners for their
donations for the Christmas Flowers
that adorn our Altars and the Christmas
Wreaths in both our Churches.***

THE CHRISTMAS CRECHE

Look at the humility of God....

Therefore, hold back nothing of yourselves for yourselves, so that He who gives Himself totally to you may receive you totally.

- St. Francis of Assisi (*Letter to the Order*)

St. Francis of Assisi began the tradition of the Christmas crèche near Greccio, Italy in 1223. He brought live animals to a cave where Midnight Mass was celebrated, and the local people who were present saw the baby Jesus appear in the manger he had prepared in front of the altar. The crèche helps us to focus on the true meaning of Christmas.

***Father Quarato, Father Carolan, Father Tran,
Deacon Bierbaum, Deacon Gruerio,
Deacon Scott, Deacon Weiner
the Parish Staff & Lay Leadership
Wish you a very Merry Christmas
and every blessing for a prosperous
New Year!***

Make this Christmas Really Special Speak to us about Getting Married in Church

If you were married in a civil ceremony, we invite you to consider making vows in church. The clergy are willing to work with you. We invite all couples to visit Formed.Org and watch BELOVED – from the producers of the renowned SYMBOLON series – which explores the spiritual and eternal reality behind "I Do." Beautifully filmed and featuring acclaimed marriage experts.

***BELOVED SPEAKS TO THE VERY HEART
OF EVERY HUSBAND AND WIFE, BRING-
ING SACRAMENTAL TRUTH AND GOD IN-
FUSED LOVE INTO THE EVERYDAY
CHALLENGES OF MARRIED LIFE.***

Beloved: Mystery & Meaning of Marriage includes six inspiring and informative videos you can view as a couple at home. To sign onto FORMED, check our website for information about this free Catholic Web Service.

A Family Prayer for Christmas Morning as the Family Gathers around the Manger and places the Figure of the Christ Child within.

The day of joy returns, Father in Heaven,
and crowns another year with peace and goodwill.

Help us rightly to remember the birth of Jesus,
that we may share in the song of the angels,
the gladness of the shepherds,
and the worship of the wise men.

Close the doors of hate
and open the doors of love all over the world.

Let kindness come with every gift
and good desires with every greeting.

Deliver us from evil, by the blessing that
Christ brings, and teach us to be merry with
clean hearts.

May the Christmas morning make us happy to be
thy children, and the Christmas evening bring us
to our beds with grateful thoughts
and hearts full of peace and love. Amen.

A Parents Blessing over their Children in bed after an exciting Christmas Day

May you be filled with the wonder of Mary,
the obedience of Joseph, the joy of the
angels, the eagerness of the shepherds, the
determination of the magi, and the peace
of the Christ Child.

Blessing of a Christmas Tree

Amidst signs and wonders Christ Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea: his birth brings joy to our hearts and enlightenment to our minds. With this tree, decorated and adorned, may we welcome Christ among us; may its lights guide us to the perfect light.

Lord our God, we praise you for the light of creation: the sun, the moon, and the stars of the night. We praise you for the light of Israel: the Law, the prophets, and the wisdom of the Scriptures. We praise you for Jesus Christ, your Son: he is Emmanuel, God-with-us, the Prince of Peace, who fills us with the wonder of your love.

Lord God, let your blessing come upon us as we illumine this tree. May the light and cheer it gives be a sign of the joy that fills our hearts. May all who delight in this tree come to the knowledge and joy of salvation. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.



What else did Elizabeth declare to Mary?

Add the numbers from the intersecting row and column to find the letters to fill in the blanks.

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5	A	I	E	H	M	O	R
6	I	E	H	M	O	R	F
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Children's Worship Bulletin™

Ages 7+

December 22, 2024 • Luke 1:39-45

Mary Visits Elizabeth

Mary went to visit Elizabeth. What happened when Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting?

Solve the puzzle below to fill in the blanks.

1.  - OT +  - O = _____

2.  - WHA +  - GRS + D = _____

3.  - GUTAR +  - MOO = _____

4.  - OUS +  - CA = _____

5.  - RM +  - CO = _____

The 1) _____ 2) _____ 3) _____ 4) _____

5) _____ and Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit.