



**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 29, 2024**

**The Holy Family of Jesus,  
Mary and Joseph**

### 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

Trustees: Stephanie & Jonathan Nix

### St. James Parish Office

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**Parish Website:** Marisa Lamb

[www.stjamesapostle.org](http://www.stjamesapostle.org)

[registration@stjamesapostle.org](mailto:registration@stjamesapostle.org)

### Parish Staff

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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](http://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](http://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 for as long as the white poinsettias last. These envelopes will be placed by the Tabernacle (close to the Heart of Jesus in the Most Blessed Sacrament) on Christmas Day.

### **CHRISTMAS COLLECTION**

A special "thank you" to all those who have already made or who are prayerfully considering a sacrificial Christmas Gift to our parish this year. Extra envelopes are available at the doors of the churches. Your generous financial support helps to keep us strong, especially during these cold months. *God bless you for all that you do for our parish!*

### **Cardinal's Annual Stewardship Appeal**

The Cardinal's Annual Stewardship Appeal, is on-going. When donating at [cardinalsappeal.org/donate](http://cardinalsappeal.org/donate), please remember to specify our parish name. To learn more about the Cardinal's Annual Stewardship Appeal call 646-794-3300 or visit [www.cardinalsappeal.org](http://www.cardinalsappeal.org). Our goal is \$103,800.00 and to date 232 parishioners have generously pledged \$96,335.00. We have just \$7,465.00 to go! Can you help us make our goal this year? Please consider an end-of-the-year gift. *Thank you and God bless you!*

### **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)**

### **Epiphany Water and Chalk**

On Epiphany Sunday, January 5<sup>th</sup> water and chalk will be blessed at the 10:00am Family Mass. Both will be available at the 12 noon Mass and in the Chapel the following week while supplies last. It is traditional to bless and rededicate your homes on the Feast of the Epiphany.

A prayer will be provided in next week's bulletin.

### **SPECIAL MASS SCHEDULE**

#### **SOLEMNITY OF MARY**

#### **A HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION**

**December 31, 2024, New Year's Eve**

Mass at 5:00pm in St. James Church

**January 1, 2025, New Year's Day**

St. James Church

Masses at 7:30am, 9:00am, 12noon

### **THE HOLY FAMILY PRAYER**

**JESUS**, Son of God and Son of Mary, bless our family. Graciously inspire in us the unity, peace, and mutual love that you found in Your own family in the little town of Nazareth.

**MARY**, Mother of Jesus and our Mother, nourish our family with your faith and your love. Keep us close to your Son, Jesus, in all our sorrows and joys.

**JOSEPH**, foster-father to Jesus, guardian and spouse of Mary, keep our family safe from harm. Help us in all times of discouragement or anxiety.

**HOLY FAMILY OF NAZARETH**, make our family one with you. Help us to be instruments of peace. Grant that love, strengthened by grace, may prove mightier than all the weaknesses and trials through which our families sometimes pass. May we always have God at the center of our hearts and homes until we are all one family, happy and at peace in our true home with you. Amen.

### **NEW YEAR'S PRAYER**

God, thank you for a new year. May everyone in our family be willing to begin anew with a clean slate. We know that you are always ready to forgive us. Help us to be willing to forgive ourselves and to forgive one another.

As we begin a new year, remind us of our truest values and our deepest desires. Help us to live in the goodness that comes from doing what you want us to do. Help us to put aside anxiety about the future and the past, so that we might live in peace with you now, one day at a time. AMEN!

## **ANNOUNCED MASS INTENTIONS**

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

#### **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

#### **MONDAY, DECEMBER 30, 2024**

7:30AM CHRISTMAS FLOWER NOVENA  
9:00AM PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

#### **TUESDAY, DECEMBER 31, 2024, NEW YEAR'S EVE**

7:30AM CHRISTMAS FLOWER NOVENA  
9:00AM MARTY PUCHALSKI  
5:00PM THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

#### **WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 1, 2025**

##### **THE SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD**

7:30AM PEOPLE OF THE PARISH  
9:00AM CHRISTMAS FLOWER NOVENA  
NOON JOSPHINE AND EMANUEL CHARLES

#### **THURSDAY, JANUARY 2, 2025**

7:30AM CHRISTMAS FLOWER NOVENA  
9:00AM RAY THOMAS

#### **FRIDAY, JANUARY 3, 2025, FIRST FRIDAY**

7:30AM CHRISTMAS FLOWER NOVENA  
9:00AM GEORGE BAKER

#### **SATURDAY, JANUARY 4, 2025**

8:00AM KEVIN LEO BARRY  
5:00PM NATHANIEL VIEIRA

#### **SUNDAY, JANUARY 5, 2025, EPIPHANY OF THE LORD**

8:00AM CHRISTOPHER SWIERKOWSKI  
10:00AM PEOPLE OF THE PARISH  
12:00PM ELIZABETH NAVUSZEWICZ

### **OUR LADY OF THE LAKE/Mt. CARMEL**

#### **SATURDAY, DECEMBER 28, 2024**

4:00PM KEVIN J. MCGUINNESS

#### **SUNDAY, DECEMBER 29, 2024**

##### **THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH**

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

#### **SATURDAY, JANUARY 4, 2025**

4:00PM RICCOBONI, LONGINOTTI, BERTOLI FAMILIES

#### **SUNDAY, JANUARY 5, 2025, EPIPHANY OF THE LORD**

9:00AM HERCULES ALEXANDER VOLPE  
11:00AM RAYMOND SNYDER

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

### **A TIME TO BE BORN: THOSE BAPTIZED:**

ALEXANDRA ELLE FERRIERA, SOFIA EMMA SABARESE

### **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 GILDARELLA, 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 HOLZEPL, CAROLINE GERMANO, MICHAEL RANDAZZO, ADELINE MURRISH, KRYSTY ROSE McDONNELL, 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:**

ANTHONY CIANCIO, CATHY KOZELKA

### **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.

### **Heavy Snow – Some Reminders!**

All Masses (Daily and Sunday) will be offered as scheduled despite storms. However, we do ask you to use your best judgment as to whether or not you should venture out. If conditions don't seem safe, please stay home. The Sunday obligation ceases if conditions are not safe. In such a case, be sure to keep Sunday as a holy day at home by reading the Scriptures, praying the Rosary and/or by watching Mass on television.

### **Gianna's House Provides Care, No Matter Where**

Gianna's House Pregnancy Care Center has launched a medical mobile unit, Tilma Care! They will be at St James the Apostle on January 12 and Our Lady of the Lake on January 19. Tilma Care travels to the Bronx, Westchester, Putnam and Dutchess Counties to reach abortion vulnerable women offering free pregnancy tests, free ultrasounds, and free options counseling to support women and save lives. Join them after any Mass for a tour and help to raise awareness and partners for this mission.

**THE CHOSEN** resumes with Season 4 on Thurs., Jan. 2nd,  
7-9pm in Doherty Hall. *All are welcome!*



## Stewardship in our Parish

### November 2024 - 4 Weeks

Sunday Collections	\$ 53,422.00
We Share Giving	\$ <u>11,832.00</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 65,254.00</b>

Gold Envelopes	\$ 5,131.00
We Share Giving	\$ <u>999.50</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 6,130.50</b>

Missalette Support	\$ 3,113.00
We Share Giving	\$ <u>10.00</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 3,123.00</b>

All Saints Day	\$ 3,777.00
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Thank you for your Support to our Parish.

### The Jubilee Year Quilt

The quilt that hangs each year in the background of the St. James outdoor Crèche was made in the Jubilee Year 2000 and was first hung in December of 2000. It has been hanging there each year as a gift to the Baby Jesus for the gift of His life to us.

The quilt blocks themselves have Christian themes. They are; "Bethlehem Rose" (lower left), "Carpenter's Wheel" (lower right), "Star of the Magi" (upper right) and "Heavenly Stars" (upper left). Gold thread was used to quilt symbols of our faith in each of the 9 red squares in the center medallion, such as; The Alpha & Omega, Star of David, the Eucharist, a Fish, St. James Shell, and a Dove just to mention a few. The outer border of red Poinsettia's and green swags complete the original design.

It has faded over these 24 years but still brings some cheer to the stark, cold days of the Christmas Season. The Jubilee Year 2000 quilt was handmade as a gift to St. James by Carol Auer, the wife of Deacon Art Weiner.

### Save the Date Knights of Columbus

#### Annual "J.O." O'Neill Memorial Men's Beefsteak Dinner

**Saturday, January 18, 2025**  
**\$60 prepaid before January, 12<sup>th</sup>**

For reservations contact Rick Kreps  
[gk@carmelknights.org](mailto:gk@carmelknights.org) or call 917-304-5378.

### WEEKLY MEMORIALS

**DECEMBER 30TH TO JANUARY 5, 2025**



**THE SANCTUARY CANDLE BURNING IN**  
THE CHAPEL OF LIFE IS IN  
**MEMORY OF MARTY PUCHALSKI**  
DONATED BY PAT DeNOTA & NOREEN GRECO

**THE SANCTUARY CANDLE BURNING IN**  
ST. JAMES CHURCH  
**IS IN MEMORY OF NICOLA FIERRO**  
DONATED BY GIOVANNI, CRISTINA AND  
NICOLE FIERRO

**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 BARBARA HOWARD**  
DONATED BY ALTAR ROSARY SOCIETY

THE **BREAD & WINE** BEING USED IN  
ST. JAMES CHURCH  
**IS IN MEMORY OF ANGELA FIERRO**  
DONATED BY JOSEPHINE & JOE FIERRO

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

### **Missionaries of the Poor**

Our parishioner, Mary Knolker, will be going to Kingston, Jamaica with the Missionaries of the Poor this year from January 22 to January 27, 2025. The group will be helping men, women and children who are poor, sick, abandoned, handicap or dying. The Missionaries rely on donations to help those in need. With your generosity. They can buy needed items such as food, meds, baby diapers, etc.

Can you please help out by making a donation?

If so, please drop off an envelope marked Mission Trip, to Pat in the parish office before January 12th. Any amount is welcome. All money collected goes directly to the Missionaries of the poor for the remarkable work that they do.

Thank you for your generosity.

## "The Twelve Days of Christmas"

is an English Christmas carol. From 1558 until 1829, Roman Catholics in England were not permitted to practice their faith openly. Someone during that era wrote this carol as a catechism song for young Catholics. It has two levels of meaning: the surface meaning plus a hidden meaning known only to members of the Church. Each element in the carol has a code word for a religious reality which the children could remember. To fit the number scheme, when you reach number 9, representing the Fruits of the Holy Ghost, the originator combined 6 to make 3, taking the 6 fruits that were similar: the fruit in each parenthesis is the that was not named separately. There are actually Twelve Fruits of the Holy Ghost.

The "True Love" one hears in the song is not a smitten boy or girlfriend but Jesus Christ, because truly Love was born on Christmas Day. **The partridge in the pear tree** also represents Him because that bird is willing to sacrifice its life if necessary to protect its young by feigning injury to draw away predators.

According to Ann Ball in her book, HANDBOOK OF CATHOLIC SACRAMENTALS:

**The two turtle doves** were the Old and New Testaments.

**The three French hens** stood for faith, hope, and love.

**The four calling birds** were the four Gospels of Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John.

**The five golden rings** represented the first five books of the Old Testament, which describe man's fall into sin and the great love of God in sending a Savior.

**The six geese a-laying** stood for the six days of creation.

**Seven swans a-swimming** represented the sevenfold gifts of the Holy Spirit-----Prophecy, Serving, Teaching, Exhortation, Contribution, Leadership, and Mercy.

**The eight maids a-milking** were the eight beatitudes.

**Nine ladies dancing** were the nine fruits of the Holy Spirit-----Charity, Joy, Peace, Patience [Forbearance], Goodness [Kindness], Mildness, Fidelity, Modesty, Continency [Chastity].

**The ten lords a-leaping** were the Ten Commandments.

**The eleven pipers piping** stood for the eleven faithful Apostles.

**The twelve drummers drumming** symbolized the twelve points of belief in The Apostles' Creed.

- Fr. Calvin Goodwin, FSSP, Nebraska (Printed with permission from Catholic Tradition.)



### Ten New Year's Resolutions for Catholics: In 2025 I resolve to . . .

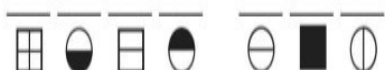
- 1) Be more aware of God's presence in my life by spending a few moments in quiet prayer every day.
- 2) Do my very best to attend Holy Mass every Sunday and Holy Day.
- 3) Receive the Sacrament of Penance (Confession) on a regular basis.
- 4) Read the Bible every day for at least 15min.
- 5) (Re)Introduce at least one individual to the Catholic Faith and invite that person to attend Mass with me.
- 6) Increase the financial support I give to my local Christian community – my parish.
- 7) Pray and work for an increase of vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life, and pray also for our current seminarians.
- 8) Be reconciled with at least one person from whom I've been separated, granting forgiveness and seeking forgiveness wherever it's needed
- 9) Promote and defend the Catholic Faith in the secular media or with elected officials whenever important public issues arise.
- 10) Get involved in at least one community program or Church ministry that promotes charity and justice .



What happened  
in the years after that?

Use the code to find these words from the scriptures.

○=A	◐=E	◑=I	◒=M	◓=Q	◔=U	◕=Y
●=B	◑=F	⊕=J	◓=N	◔=R	◕=V	◖=Z
◐=C	◑=G	◒=K	◓=O	◔=S	◕=W	
◑=D	◑=H	◒=L	◓=P	◔=T	◕=X	



# Children's Worship Bulletin™

Ages 7+

December 29, 2024 • Luke 2:41-52

## Jesus at the Temple

Every year, Jesus' parents went to Jerusalem for something special. What was the occasion?

Start at the center, then follow the arrows and fill in the letters below.

