



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 8, 2024

Second Sunday of Advent

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

Featuring Advent and Christmas Items.

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!

WHAT ARE YOU GIVING UP FOR ADVENT?

This may sound like an odd question, but, with the Advent Season here, have you considered what you are “giving up” for Advent?

Yes, *Christmas* is a season of joy, one in which we celebrate the birth of our Lord and Savior. It can and should be characterized by singing, eating, gift giving, parties, and general merriment. But we’re talking about *Advent*, that four week (or so) season *leading up to Christmas*. *Much about Advent reminds us that it is a season sprinkled with a healthy dose of penitence.*

“Advent” comes from the Latin, it means literally “to come to” (*advenio*). What are we to come to? Or *Who* are we waiting on to come to us? The answer is, of course, Christ, but we are not, as is commonly misconceived, preparing solely for His birth. That already happened, over 2000 years ago. We are to use the season of Advent to prepare for the second coming of Christ, or the Last Judgement.

When the Church celebrates the liturgy of Advent each year, she makes present this ancient expectancy of the Messiah, for by sharing in the long preparation for the Savior’s first coming, the faithful renew their ardent desire for his second coming...” Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC), #524.

With this perspective in mind, that we are preparing for the end of time where Christ comes as a judge and not specifically for the birth of Christ where He comes as a tiny infant, all of the penitential touches that surround the celebration of Advent make a great deal more sense. The purple vestments and altar cloths and candles, the rose color in the midst of it all to remind us to keep hope, the lack of the Gloria and floral decorations, the limited use of the organ, all call to mind a truly penitential season: *Lent*. Advent differs from Lent, however, in that we are not required to practice any *specific* penances.

It’s not required, but that doesn’t mean it’s not a good idea. If we are supposed to be preparing for our own final judgement, mightn’t we want to spend some time, in between the caroling and the eggnog, reflecting on our own sins and trying, in some small way, to atone for them? Perhaps a little sacrifice here or there in Advent will help make the joyous season of Christmas even more joyful, just as those things we do without during Lent make the celebration of Easter all the better. So, what are you giving up?

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!*

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

This year, we will observe the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception on Monday, December 9th. Because Our Lady is Patroness of our Nation under this title, the Solemnity is *always* a Holy Day of Obligation.

ANNOUNCED MASS INTENTIONS



ST. JAMES THE APOSTLE

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2024

8:00AM THOMAS QUINN
5:00PM ANIELLO AVERSANO

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2024, SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

8:00AM MARIO DEMARCO
10:00AM PHILIP TROMBINO
12:00PM RORY CARROLL

MONDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2024, SOLEMNITY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

7:30AM MARTIN FORDE
9:00AM VINCENZO AND MARIA PALUMBO
NOON (L) JENNIFER LAVOIE
7:00PM MARK LAMPERSBERGER

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2024

7:30AM PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
9:00AM JOSEPH SAVINO

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2024

7:30AM MICHAEL KNOLKER
9:00AM VICTOR HERNANDEZ

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2024, OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

7:30AM CHUCK OSWALD
9:00AM KENNY DAVANZA

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2024

7:30AM DANNY AND SUSAN DIPIERRO
9:00AM ANN, RAYMOND, EDITH THOMAS

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2024

8:00AM MARGARET JUBAK
5:00PM RICCOBONI, LONGINOTTI AND BERTOLI FAMILIES

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2024, THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

8:00AM EDWARD ZIEGLER
10:00AM SILVESTRO PALUMBO
12:00PM BRENDON JAMES MAGUIRE

OUR LADY OF THE LAKE/MT. CARMEL

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2024

4:00PM CHARLES ABBEY

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2024 SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

9:00AM FRANK, LIBASCI, CARMELO & HELENA LIBASCI
11:00AM MARIA AND NELSON KNIFFIN

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2024

4:00PM RICCOBONI, LONGINOTTI AND BERTOLI FAMILIES

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2024, THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

9:00AM JOE GRECO
11:00AM MARK LAMPERSBERGER

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

A TIME TO BE BORN: THOSE BAPTIZED:

JOHN DOUGLAS EMMELUTH

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 CIANCIO, 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, SAL RENZO, SHARON HOLZEPPL, CAROLINE GERMANO, MICHAEL RANDAZZO, ADELINE MURRISH, KRSTY ROSE McDONNELL, MERRILL STAFFORD, CATHY KOZELKA, JANE PRATT, SANTANA STRON, LOGAN DOYLE, BRIAN GALVIN, ELEANOR MAGILL, JUDI AND BOB ASARD

TIME TO DIE: THOSE WHO HAVE DIED:

MARIO NOCERA, ELIZABETH YEAGER, PATRICIA DiBERARDINO, EILEEN BARRETT, DONALD POMPA, MICHAEL KELLEHER, ANNMARIE BAISLEY, FR. LARRY LEWIS

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.

WEEKLY MEMORIALS

DECEMBER 9 TO DECEMBER 15, 2024

**THE SANCTUARY CANDLE BURNING IN
ST. JAMES CHURCH IS IN MEMORY
OF LOUIS AND ROSE DEROSA
DONATED BY MARYANN HOFFMAN**

**"THE CHOSEN" will NOT meet on
Thursday, December 12th.**

Save the Date

*Genuine Bethlehem Olive Wood Gifts will be sold in
Doherty Hall on December 21st & 22nd after Masses
at St. James. Come and see the unique gifts made
in the West Bank of Bethlehem.*

EMMANUEL HOUSE INTERNATIONAL

ANGEL TREE WISH LIST

Please drop off your purchased gift cards
(with receipt showing value of the card)
to St. James Parish Office
before Monday, December 9th.

Seminarian Christmas Gift Card Program

Please return the Christmas envelope along
with the Gift Card to the Parish Office before
December 9th.

Masses for the Immaculate Conception
of the Blessed Virgin Mary
A Holy Day of Obligation
December 9, 2024



St. James Church

7:30am, 9:00am, Noon and 7:00pm

Annual National Night of Prayer for Life
Monday, December 9th in the Chapel of Life at
8:30 pm – 11:00 pm

On Dec. 9th, in solidarity with parishes throughout our nation, please join the Respect Life Committee in the chapel from 8:30 pm to 11:00 pm to pray for the defense of life at all of its stages. The evening will include Eucharistic Adoration, recitation of the Rosary, prayers for life, and periods of silence, concluding with Benediction. Come pray with us! Bring your children! All are welcome!

"A great prayer for life is urgently needed, a prayer which will rise up throughout the world. Through special initiatives and in daily prayer, may an impassioned plea rise to God, the Creator and lover of life, from every Christian community, from every group and association, from every family and from the heart of every believer." – Pope Saint John Paul II, Evangelium Vitae, no. 100.

Putnam Chorale's

2024 Winter Ensemble will perform

"With Strings Attached"
A Putnam Chorale Holiday

at St. James Church on
Friday, December 13th at 7:30pm.

The Ensemble will present
Vivaldi's Gloria,
Christmas Oratorio by Saint-Saens,
Ala Gjeilo - Contemporary works,
under the direction of Music Director
Jason C. Tramm

Tickets Prices: \$25.00 Adults,
\$20 for Senior Citizens and Teens.
Children under 12 are free.

Tickets will be sold in the Parish Office,
Monday through Friday during Office Hours
and after Masses at
St. James Church on December 8th.

ST. JAMES GIFT SHOP

OPEN - 8:30AM TO 1:30PM
IN THE CARRIAGE HOUSE

ADVENT & CHRISTMAS GIFTS - STOCKING
STUFFERS - ORNAMENTS - CHRISTMAS
CARDS. RELIGIOUS ARTICLES AND BOOKS.

FREE GIFT WRAPPING ON DECEMBER 18TH

ROSARY RALLY

All are invited to join Jim McGuire at a Rosary Rally honoring the Blessed Mother and the Birth of Christ.. **We will gather Saturday, December 21st at Noon** at the Hero's Memorial Park on Route 52 and Fair Street in Carmel.

Questions ? Call Jim at 845-225-4675.

CHRISTMAS 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

Eve: 4pm
Day: 9am, 11am

St. James the Apostle Church

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

BAMBINELLI SUNDAY 2024

As we prepare for Christmas in Carmel, we celebrate a lovely Roman Advent tradition. The Third Sunday of Advent (Gaudete Sunday) has for many years been the day when the children of Rome bring the figurines of Baby Jesus from their family cribs to St. Peter's Square to be blessed by the Pope during the Angelus. The day is affectionately known as "Bambinelli Sunday." Instituted by Pope Saint John Paul II during his Papacy, the tradition has continued and has grown in popularity across the universal Church. Children are invited to wrap the blessed figurines in Christmas wrapping when they return home, and to place them under the tree, to be opened as the first gift of Christmas; thus encouraging young children to make the connection between the gifts they receive on Christmas Day and the greatest gift that any of us can receive, Jesus; and the connection between the Nativity set at home and the local Church where they worship each weekend.

BRING YOUR BABY JESUS FIGURINES TO MASS ON DECEMBER 14th & 15th.

During Mass, at the conclusion of the Petitions, the priest will ask you to hold them up for a special blessing.

PLEASE HELP US TO HELP THOSE IN NEED

Please consider these two new parish initiatives:

BENEVOLENT FUND

Traditionally known simply as the "Poor Box," this fund will be used to provide emergency assistance to those in need. When any of our parish families are in crisis, this fund will enable us to provide real help.

ST. JAMES SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

There are families who would like to send their children to our school but cannot afford to do so. Many have more than one child, and find the tuition for multiple children beyond their reach. This fund will enable us to provide financial assistance to qualifying needy parish families who would like to send their children to our school.

TO DONATE:

Checks made payable to *St. James the Apostle Parish* may be placed in the Collection Basket or dropped at the Parish Office. Please mark envelopes **BENEVOLENT FUND** or **ST. JAMES SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP FUND**. Also indicated which fund you are supporting on the memo line of your check

***THANK YOU AND GOD BLESS YOU
FOR SUPPORTING OUR PARISH'S
CHARITABLE OUTREACH***

RECONCILIATION MONDAY + DEC. 16th

**Confessions at St. James the Apostle Church will be from 2:00 PM - 9:00 PM.
The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed from 2:00 PM – 9:00 PM.**

It's a great thing to hear about God's merciful love. It's even better to experience it – personally. No matter how long it may have been since your last confession – weeks, years or even decades – there is no time like the start of Christmas to know the mercy of God in the Sacrament of Penance. Seize this moment of grace. Bring a friend.

PLEASE BE AWARE OF SCAM EMAIL AND TEXTS

Our pastor, priests, and staff will never email or text you directly to ask for money. Please contact the Parish Office with any questions.



And what will the people see?

Supply the missing letter to
spell out the words to fill in the blanks below.

JE__US

TE__CHER

TEMP__E

HEA__EN

BO__T

BAP__ISM

F__SH

PR__PHECY

MOUNTAI__



And all
humankind
will see God's

_____.



Children's Worship Bulletin™

Ages 7+

December 8, 2024 • Luke 3:1-6

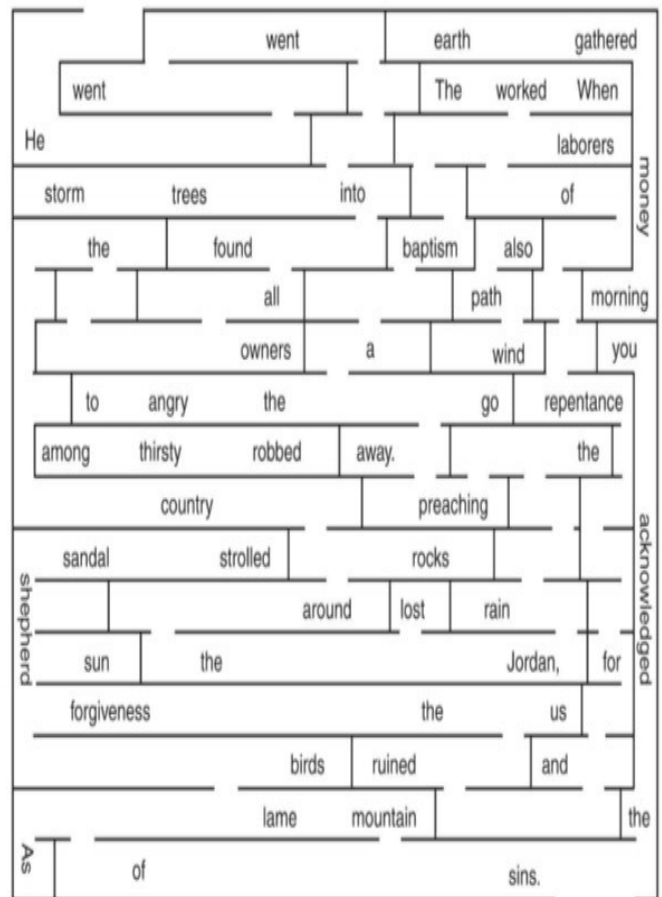


John Tells People to Repent

The Word of God came to John in
the wilderness. What did John do then?

Find the correct path through the maze to read the answer.

START



FINISH