St. James Parish

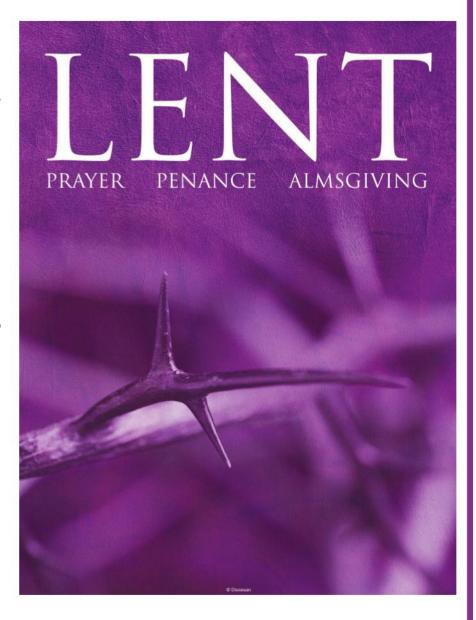
St. Hilary & Immaculate Conception & Sacred Heart

Our Mission Statement

Our mission at Saint James Parish is to be, from the beginning to the end. oriented to and focused on, Jesus. Our lives are rooted in the mystery of our faith that the incarnate Word of God has revealed to us. This mystery culminates in the celebration of the Eucharist, which is the source and summit of Christian worship. In the Eucharist we are nourished and empowered as living tabernacles to bring the life and light of Jesus Christ to the world in which we live, and to proclaim His saving Gospel in season and out of season. As in all things, we are always seeking to glorify His Holy Name.

March 12, 2023





SCHEDULE OF MASSES

Saturday: 4:00 PM - St. Hilary

5:30 PM - I.C.

Sunday: 8:00 AM - St. Hilary

9:00 AM - Sacred Heart

10:30 AM - I.C.

Radio Mass WJPA-AM 1450

12:15 PM - I.C.

Weekdays: Monday-Friday

6:30 AM, & 12:00 PM - I.C.

Monday: 7:00 PM - St. Hilary

Saturday: 9:00AM - I.C.

CONFESSION TIMES

Mondays 6:00 - 6:45 PM - St. Hilary

Saturdays 9:30 AM - I.C.

Or by appointment

HOLY HOUR/ADORATION

Mondays 6:00 PM - St. Hilary

Monday thru Friday 11:00AM

Thursdays 6:30 PM - I.C.

The Third Sunday of Lent

From the Desk of Reverend Edward L. Yuhas Pastor

Dear Friends in Christ:

Throughout all four Gospels, we hear how Jesus often uses very basic things in life to teach profound spiritual truths. Such is the case on this Third Sunday of Lent. From the portion of Saint Matthew's Gospel a life changing encounter happens over water – a most basic need for survival.



Reverend Edward L. Yuhas

The thirst experienced by the woman at the well is not just about water to drink, rather it is about the deepest longings of the human heart – thirsting for God.

The conversion experience of the woman at the well gives us hope during our spiritual journey not only through Lent but all through life. Jesus met her where she was and led her to where she needed to be, calling her out of herself by raising her awareness to focus on satisfying the thirsts of the human heart.

The lesson for our spiritual lives in this season of Lent, through the conversion experience of the woman at the well, is that we also need to return over and over again to Jesus – the fountain of living water who is the one for whom our hearts thirst to be spiritually nourished.

What are the areas of your spiritual life that need to be refreshed and renewed in the fountain of living water who is Christ Jesus? May all of us use the remaining days of this season of Lent to examine our lives to see where we thirst and allow the Lord to refresh us and lead us to where we need to be in deeper relationship with him.

"Love, to be real, must empty us of self."

~Saint Teresa of Calcutta~

| Would you like to become a member of St. James Parish? Give us some basic information and we will mail a registration form to you! | |
|--|----|
| Name: | |
| Mailing Address: | |
| | |
| Phone Number: | |
| Email Address: | |
| Drop this in the collection basket and we will be in touch. Welcome | e! |

Updates from Father Ed

Wooden White Crosses

The night of March 1, 2023, several of the wooden white crosses at the main entrance of the Immaculate Conception church were damaged, pulled out of the ground and strewn onto the sidewalk and parish grounds area. Many of the crosses are rotting due to exposure to the elements of our changing weather seasons. I have asked the Knights of Columbus to remove the crosses for now – so that they can be repaired and renewed. Also we are nearing the season of spring and lawn care will begin soon. The wooden white crosses at the Saint Hilary church will also be removed for repair, renewal, and maintenance.

Our parish is grateful to the Knights of Columbus for providing the white crosses. The white crosses will return to each property during the month of October which in the Catholic Church is known as "Respect Life" month. This practice will coincide with our partner parish, Saint Katharine Drexel, in Southeast Washington County, and the Pro-Life efforts of the Knights of Columbus Council 5826.

Livestreaming Masses

Since my arrival, I have fielded a lot of inquiries regarding the current practice of livestreaming many Masses at Saint James Parish. Since we are no longer under a world-wide health crises and the Covid-19 pandemic is under control, the practice of livestreaming Masses at our parish has been carefully reviewed.

In the Diocese of Pittsburgh, Bishop Zubik has lifted the dispensation for participating in weekend Mass, which means Catholics are to be participating in person at weekend Mass to fulfill the obligation which is in place. Except for the homebound, watching Mass on television or another electronic device does not fulfill the Sunday/weekend obligation and the Commandment given to Moses.

Following consultation with the clergy team, parish pastoral staff and advisory council members, Saint James Parish will reduce the amount of livestream Masses effective April 1, 2023. The new schedule will include:

4 PM Saturday Mass 8 AM Sunday Mass 12:00 NOON Mass Monday through Friday

*The 10:30 AM Sunday Mass can also be heard via radio at WJPA at 95.3 FM and 1450 AM.

The Masses that are livestreamed are a ministry to the homebound, elderly and those who cannot participated in person at Masses due to advanced age or chronic ill health.

Our parish is very grateful to those who were paid to provide livestreaming services. Our parish is now looking for persons to volunteer for the livestreaming ministry. If you are a college student in the media/communications arena needing field work to be fulfilled, would you consider volunteering for this ministry? If you are a parishioner who is interested in volunteering for livestream ministry, please contact Father Ed Yuhas: fatheredyuhas@gmail.com

Saint James Parish has spent \$15,727.97 over the past few years in providing the livestreaming of Masses during the world-wide health crises as a result of the Covid-19 pandemic.

The livestreaming of Masses will be reviewed periodically moving forward.



Continued Updates from Father Ed

Children's Liturgy of the Word – Coming September 2023!

Since my arrival as your Pastor on January 3, 2023, I continue to collaborate with our clergy team, pastoral staff members and advisory council members to prioritize the many pastoral and spiritual needs. I have heard from several parishioners of the desire to return to the celebration of the Children's Liturgy of the Word at the 10:30 AM Mass. So, effective September 2023, we will resume with this important ministry for our families with young children. If you were formerly involved with this ministry or would like to volunteer, please contact Alana Garrison. All volunteers must complete the necessary Safe Environment procedures and follow the policies as outlined by the Diocese of Pittsburgh.

Facilities and Temporalities Committee – Request for Volunteers

In addition to our parish pastoral and spiritual needs, there are many facility and temporal needs among our three campuses here at Saint James Parish. Following consultation with the parish Finance Council, I am seeking to establish a Facilities and Temporalities Committee to aid me in the task of prioritizing the facility and temporal affairs in order to apprise you of what we need to address with more immediate needs and future major projects.

If you have particular skills and talents in these areas or served previously on such a committee, if you have interest in facilities and temporalities, then please contact me via email: fatheredyuhas@gmail.com or at the parish administration center: 724-225-1425, extension 202. I would like representatives from each of our three campuses. Once I have volunteers, I will schedule a meeting so that we can begin our work.

Environment and Art Committee – Will you help?

As our Lenten journey continues, we are nearing the holiest week of the year for us as Christians with the rapidly approaching Holy Week and Triduum. We are always looking for new people with new ideas who would like to offer their time and talent. Assistance is needed in preparing our worship spaces with appropriate environment and art which reflects the dignity of each liturgy. Members volunteer their time and talent to the liturgical decorating of the worship environment. There are a number of people who are needed to join this committee including seamstresses, flower arrangers, painters, sign makers, ironing/hanging banners, arranging live flowers, etc. A willingness to work hard and the love of enhancing the worship environment are the only requirements. Will you help? Volunteers are needed for the following:

- Saturday, April 1 at 1:00 PM for the preparation of Immaculate Conception church for Palm Sunday
- Saturday, April 1 at 2:30 PM for the preparation of Saint Hilary church for Palm Sunday
- Wednesday, April 5 at 5:00 PM for preparation of Saint Hilary church for Holy Thursday, Mass of the Lord's Supper
- Friday, April 7 at 5:00 PM for the preparation of Immaculate Conception church for the Easter Vigil.
- Friday, April 7 at 7:00 PM for the preparation of Saint Hilary church for Easter Sunday.



Next Generation Parish - Catholic Leadership Institute

As announced since Ash Wednesday, our parish and our partner Saint Katharine Drexel Parish is embracing a three-year parish renewal spearheaded by the national organization Catholic Leadership Institute at **NO cost** to the parish. The Diocese of Pittsburgh has received a sizeable grant from the Lilly Foundation to cover all costs for this initiative.

Every active Catholic is asked to complete an online survey between now and March 31, 2023. For those unable to complete the survey online, we will have hard copy surveys located at the MAIN entrance of each of our churches. Everyone is asked to take this survey seriously as it will inform us of what pastoral priorities you deem most important.

Our parish and Saint Katharine Drexel Parish have been selected by Bishop Zubik to participate in a three-year process of renewal, mission, and evangelization. The survey noted above will initiate this process as we get information from you about your hopes and dreams for the parish. March 11th, 12th and 13th, our parish welcomed Ms. Lucille Smith from the Catholic Leadership Institute who recently attended many of the weekend Masses, met with members of the clergy team, parish pastoral staff and parishioners, members from the finance and pastoral councils, and volunteers. She will be helping us develop a pastoral plan and strategy to continue our revitalization journey. We will be seeing much more of Lucille over the next three years as she is assigned to aid us as a coach through this process of parish renewal.



Hard copies of the Disciple Maker Index survey are available if needed. To complete the survey online, follow this link:

https://portal.catholicleaders.org/dmi/survey/g18814

Join us as we make a spiritual pilgrimage to Jerusalem to retrace Jesus' steps from his arrest in the Garden of Gethsemane to being forced to carry the cross to the crucifixion site at Golgotha.

Fridays

6:30pm at St. Hilary 7:00pm at Immaculate Conception

Sundays

Following 9:00am Mass at Sacred Heart

On **Friday, March 31st**, the 8th grade students from John F. Kennedy Catholic School will present the Living Stations of the Cross at Immaculate Conception Church at 1:15pm and 6:30pm. This is a beautiful 8th grade tradition. Mark your calendar and plan to join us!



Reconciliation

Living Lent More Intently

Being forgiven brings such peace and we have many opportunities during Lent to experience that peace. Please make note of these times of Confession throughout St. James Parish:

Mondays 6:00pm to 6:45pm at St. Hilary **Fridays** after the Stations of the Cross at St. Hilary **Saturdays** 9:30am at Immaculate Conception

Tuesday, April 4th 7:00pm at Immaculate Conception (5 Priests)

The Light is On for You

Has it been a while since your last confession? Don't be afraid, embarrassed, or intimidated. The light will be on for you at every parish in the Diocese on Wednesday, March 29th. At St. James Parish, each of our 3 churches will be open for Confession at 7:00pm.

Your Generosity is Appreciated!



ANNUAL PARISH APPEAL 2023

(Formerly Parish Share Program)

We are **One**, **Holy**, **Catholic and Apostolic Church**, called to work together to support Jesus' mission.

That's what the Annual Parish Appeal (formerly Parish Share) is about. It supports diocesan-wide ministries – from outreach to local Latino communities to training our faith formation leaders – that benefit people across all six counties of our diocese.

Text **OneChurch** to 84576 to receive stories about the good things your donation to the Annual Parish Appeal will help to accomplish.

St. Patrick's Day Sweepstakes

It's THAT time of year! It is not too late to get your tickets for the Annual Saint Patrick's Day Sweepstakes. For a \$100 donation, you get 4 chances to win \$10,000! You also get a voucher for a free dinner from either of our Fish Fry Locations. The winner will be determined by the 7:00pm Pick 3 number drawn on the PA Lottery on Friday, March 17, 2023.

Stop by the parish office to get your ticket. All proceeds benefit St. James Parish.

Thank you for your support of this annual fundraiser!



Food Pantry Donations Needed

We are continuing with our third Sunday collections this year with the upcoming dates being March 19, April 16, and May 21. Due to

cuts in some government programs as well as increasing food costs, the pantry has seen a jump in people coming to the pantry, many for the first time ever.

Thank you for your support in the past and your continued support of this important mission.

Easter Flower Memorials

In your packet of monthly contribution envelopes, you will find an envelope for memorial donations for Easter flowers/decorations. It is requested that you contribute \$5.00 for each name you would like published. This helps to defray the cost of decorating our three churches for Easter and other important occasions throughout the year, while at the same time providing the opportunity to remember a loved one through your memorial gift contribution. In order to have the names published in the Easter season, all names with accompanied donations must be received by Sunday, March 26, 2023. Thank you in advance for your generous offering!

| OFFERTORY DONATIONS RECEIVED: | |
|-------------------------------|-------------|
| March 4th & 5th | \$16,864.77 |
| Energy Needs | \$1,804.00 |

| Parish Appeal 2023 | | |
|--------------------|--------------|--|
| Goal | \$170,956.00 | |
| Received | \$60,140.00 | |
| Balance | \$110,816.00 | |

| The Third Sunday of Lent | | | |
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| | MASS INTENTIONS | | |
| Third Sunday of Lent | | | |
| SATURDAY, Ma | arch 11 | | |
| 4:00 PM (H) | | | |
| 5:30 PM (IC) | ⊕ Steve & Irene Brinsky (Daughter & Family) | | |
| SUNDAY, Marc | h 12 | | |
| 8:00 AM (H) | ⊕ Charles LaBella (Nancy LaBella) | | |
| 9:00 AM (SH) | [↑] The People of Saint James Parish | | |
| 10:30 AM (IC) | ⊕ Ziggy Kaminski (Family) | | |
| 12:15 PM (IC) | [↑] Thelma Johns Dezelan (Family) | | |
| 5:00 PM (NC) | ↑ The Students, Faculty, & Staff of W & J College | | |
| MONDAY, Marc | h 13 Lenten Weekday | | |
| 6:30 AM (IC) | ⊕ James & Lottie DeGennaro (Peter & Barbara Schmalz) | | |
| 12:00 PM (IC) | ⊕ Joseph Brehl (Elaine Passarello) | | |
| 7:00 PM (H) | | | |
| TUESDAY, Mar | ch 14 Lenten Weekday | | |
| 6:30 AM (IC) | ⊕ Deceased Members of the Henry Clarke Family (Pete & Emily Dull) | | |
| 12:00 PM (IC) | ⊕ <i>Barbara Dunst</i> (Ann Casiere & Family) | | |
| WEDNESDAY, | March 15 Lenten Weekday | | |
| 6:30 AM (IC) | [↑] Alana L. Garrison (B) (Kyla) | | |
| 12:00 PM (IC) | ⊕ Carol Radziwon (Regis & Linda Podraza) | | |
| THURSDAY, Ma | arch 16 Lenten Weekday | | |
| 6:30 AM (IC) | † Walter & Irene Bolek (Daughter Mary Jo.) | | |
| 12:00 PM (IC) | | | |
| FRIDAY, March | 17 Lenten Weekday | | |
| 6:30 AM (IC) | ⊕ Special Intention (Virginia Aloia) | | |
| 12:00 PM (IC) | ₱ Frank Morris (B) (Wife Kathy) | | |
| SATURDAY, Ma | arch 18 Lenten Weekday | | |
| 9:00 AM (IC) | ⊕ <i>Edith Sprowls</i> (Joe & Maria Karnes) | | |
| Fourth Sunday of Lent | | | |
| SATURDAY, March 18 | | | |
| 4:00 PM (H) | | | |
| 5:30 PM (IC) | ⊕ Edward Polito (Mike & Marianne Sprouse) | | |
| SUNDAY, Marc | h 19 | | |

↑ The People of Saint James Parish

9:00 AM (SH) | # Intentions of Becky Miller (Virginia Aloia)

Washington & Jefferson Roman Catholic

Newman Club

8:00 AM (H)

10:30 AM (IC)

12:15 PM (IC)

Please note: 5:00 Mass will not be celebrated on March 19th, as W & J will be on Spring Break.



This week...

Sunday:

*Religious Education

*Pancake Breakfast

*Youth Group (HS)

Monday:

*Catholic Daughters Meeting

Tuesday:

*Martha Washington Quilters

*Faith Sharing Bible Study

*Dartball

*RCIA

Wednesday:

*Pro-Life Group Meeting

*YG Coffee House

*Meager Meal

* "Lent: Let's Experience New Thinking"

Thursday:

*St. James Quilters

*Pro-Life Thursday

*Holy Hour

*Healing Hearts

*Choir

Friday:

*Fish Fry

*Stations of the Cross

Saturday:

*Food Collection Weekend

Sunday:

*Religious Education

*Food Collection Weekend

*Youth Group (MS)

*Youth Group (HS)

Details are available on our website (on our calendar) or by calling the parish office, ext 206.

In your charity, please pray for

Welcome into God's Family

We were very pleased to welcome *Raelyn Rayne-Marie Hebert, daughter of Ashley A. Poleski* into God's family through the Sacrament of Baptism on March 5th.

†In Memoriam †

Please pray for the repose of the souls of Mary Oliverio, buried from Neal Funeral Home Elizabeth Shimrock, buried from Nichol Funeral Home

Randy DiGiandomenico, son in law of William and Catherine Markley, who passed away on February 17th.

May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen



Please join us in praying for all the elect chosen for baptism and candidates in formation to become full members of the Church, especially Jessica Allison and Paul Stainbrook.

May they may feel our sincere and unfailing support throughout their journey of faith.

Let us pray to the Lord...

Prayer for End of War between Russia and Ukraine

God our Father, we pray for the people of the Ukraine and the people of Russia;

for their countries and their leaders.
We pray for all those who are afraid;
that your everlasting arms hold them in this time of
great fear.

We pray for all those who have the power over life and death;

that they will choose for all people life, and life in all its fullness.

We pray for those who choose war; that they will remember that you direct your people to turn our swords into ploughshares and seek for peace.

We pray for leaders on the world stage; that they are inspired by the wisdom and courage of Christ.

Above all, Lord, we pray for peace for Ukraine.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
God forever and ever.

Amen.

Our Prayer List

Mary & Tony Patterson, Dennis & Judy Lewandowski, Richard Nevin, Jessica Florian, Mary Jo Guy, Dan Morris, Fr. Jim Young, Brady Markley, Nathan Litvak, Kristen Messer, Samuel Gallo, Kevin Patterson, Ryan & Ashley Dornon, Charlene MacDonald, Adaline Hruby, Sheryl Giovanelli, John Kiger, Barbara Woleslagle, Vincent Woleslagle, Eugene Castle, Kathy Haught, Jim "Bucky" Selway, Matt Petrola, Alka Kopec, David Borkowski, Rosemary Dittman, Paul Litvak, Ray Durbin, Jennifer Markley, Catherine Lopez, Amanda Marie, Matthew James Rendell, Jadon Michael Kalp, Adam Gracy, Mary Catherine Lombardo, Virginia Aloia, Fr. Don Chortos, Robert Rogers, Greg Carey, Timothy Lynch

And all who have asked for our prayers.

If you wish to add someone to our prayer list, call the office, ext. 201 or send an email to tsushel@stjameswashpa.org. If you are requesting prayer for someone else, please be sure that you have their permission to be put on this public list. Thank you!

Outdoor Stations of the Cross

WE HAVE SOME EXCITING NEWS FOR ANYONE **HEARTY AND ADVENTUROUS**

At noon on Good Friday, April 7th Stations of the Cross and the Scriptural Rosary will be, as always, in the Church. However, we will be hosting WALKING -OUTDOOR STATIONS as well. All are welcome!

We will begin at the steps of St. Hilary Church with directions and Opening Prayers promptly at noon on Good Friday. We will then work our way down Henderson Ave. onto Jefferson Ave. and up on Chestnut St. We will pray our Closing Prayers at I. C. Church and then be on time for the 1:30 pm Good Friday Services at Immaculate Conception. We will be stopping at local businesses along the way. We will have station books provided. If you are planning to attend, please come prepared to walk the 1 and 1/2 miles in all kind of weather we many encounter.

If necessary, those attending may want to come up with a buddy system. Walkers will need to have a car at both Churches, unless one is prepared to walk both ways. (carpool).

Hope to see you there!



SERVICE PROJECT

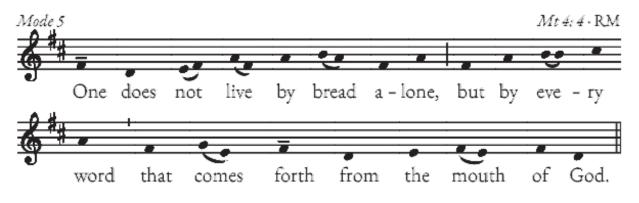
Over the past 2 weeks our High School Youth Group has been working hard to make outdoor Stations of the cross to be used during the Walking Stations on Good Friday. They have been creative. adaptive, and continue to amaze me with their hard work!

With the stations being built to last we are accepting donations to help offset costs. If you would like to donate please either drop your donations in the collection basket in an envelope marked Youth Group, or drop off at the Rectory in an envelope marked Youth Group. We thank you for your continued support and look forward to more service projects that help our parish and community!

For more information on our monthly service projects, check out our page on the Parish Website!

Communion Antiphon

COMMUNION CHANT



Ps 34 (33)

- v. I will bless the LORD at all times; praise of him is always in my mouth. In the LORD my soul shall make its boast; the humble shall hear and be glad.
- V. Glorify the LORD with me; together let us praise his name. I sought the LORD, and he answered me; from all my terrors he set me free.
- Nook toward him and be radiant;
 let your faces not be abashed.

 This lowly one called; the LORD heard,
 and rescued him from all his distress.
- D. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.
 As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

As we have done in the past with the readings, we are including music in the Bulletin this Lenten Season. This beautiful Antiphon will be sung at the Sunday Masses during the distribution of Holy Communion for the Season of Lent. We will then sing a communion hymn, or the choir will sing an anthem, as normal. This antiphon is provided by the Church, much like the specific readings and the prayers for each Mass celebrated. In using it, we are connecting ourselves more deeply with the liturgical tradition of the Church, and enhancing our ability to enter into the Season of Lent as the Church intends.

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Lenten Regulations



The penitential season of Lent calls all of us to acts of repentance through prayer, fasting and almsgiving. Since Lent retains its ancient penitential character, we are to make the entire Lenten season a period of special observance through the three practices of prayer, fasting and almsgiving. In order to help you explain how this is conveyed through the law that has been handed on to the Church, below you will find an outline of regulations regarding the Lenten season:

- 1. Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fast and abstinence. The Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence in the United States.
- 2. The obligation of abstinence (refraining from eating meat) begins at age 14. The law of fasting (limiting oneself to one full meal and two lighter meals) obliges all between the ages of 18-59. No one should consider this obligation lightly.
- 3. Those individuals who have a medical condition in which fasting may be considered harmful are not obliged to fast, but should perform some other act of penance or charity.
- 4. Pastors and parents are to see to it that minors, though not bound by the law of fast and abstinence, are educated in the authentic sense of penance and encouraged to do acts of penance suitable to their age.
- 5. All members of the Christian faithful are encouraged to do acts of penance and charity during the Lenten season beyond what is prescribed by the law.
- 6. As a general rule, a request for a dispensation from the obligation of abstinence on Fridays of Lent will not be considered unless some serious reason is present. The attendance at social events, banquets, wedding rehearsals or receptions, or funeral wakes are not considered sufficient reason to request a dispensation.

Easter Triduum



Holy Thursday: April 6th

7:00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper, at St. Hilary

Good Friday: April 7th

Immaculate Conception Church
12:00 noon Stations of the Cross
12:30pm Scriptural Rosary
1:30pm Good Friday of the Lord's Passion Liturgy

Holy Saturday: April 8th

Blessing of Baskets 11:00am Immaculate Conception Church 12:00noon St. Hilary Church

Easter Vigil: April 8th

7:00pm at Immaculate Conception

Women of Grace® Retreat Pittsburgh "The Holy Duet: Mary and the Holy Spirit" March 24-26, 2023

St. John Neumann-Regina Coeli Catholic Church

Dynamic Presentations * Music with Living Praise Worship Team * Mass Confession * Fellowship * Prayer * Saturday Evening Healing Service \$145 includes three meals

Presenters: Johnnette Williams, Monsignor Arthur Calkins, and Andi Oney









Opening and Closing Masses celebrated by Most Reverend William Waltersheid



Young Women of Grace Retreat Day Sat, March 25, 9am-6pm
"Discover Why Your Feminine Identity is So Awesome!"
Inspiring Speakers * Discussion * Fun Activities * Confession * Mass * Prayer
Come be affirmed in your femininity and God's endless mercy!
God chose YOU for such a time as this!
\$40 includes lunch, dinner, and materials



Come Early! Retreat preceded by a Benedicta Enrichment Seminar:

Two Days with Mary:

A Journey Into Our Mother's Heart

Thursday and Friday, March 23 - 24 Seminars led by Johnnette B. Williams





"Two Days With Mary: A Journey Into Our Mother's Heart" Benedicta Enrichment Seminar

Women are invited to come for presentations, reflection, prayer, and group work led by Johnnette Benkovic Williams. St. Louis de Montfort describes Mary as the "sanctuary and the repose of the Holy Trinity, where God dwells more magnificently and more divinely than in any other place..."

Join us as we take a two-day journey into the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Together, we will contemplate the mystery of Our Lady through the writings of great saints, through sacred art, through sacred music, through quiet times of prayer, and through holy conversation and discussion.

The event takes place on Thursday, March 23, from 9am-7pm and Friday, March 24, from 9am-2pm at St. John Neumann Church of Regina Coeli Parish (2230 Rochester Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15237). Cost is \$145, including three meals, books, and materials. Scholarship are available; please call 800-558-5452 for assistance. To register, visit: https://www.womenofgrace.com/events/299.

Plan to join us!

CONFIRMATION CLASS SERVICE PROJECT

PANCAKE BREAKFAST







Pancakes, Sausages, Coffee, Tea & Fruit Juices

\$10 Cash/Card, Kids 3-10 years \$4, Kids under 3 years free Proceeds benefit our Vacation Bible School/Youth Group

Join us for Fellowship and Fun!

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These things and more are right at your fingertips!

- Mass and Confession Times
- Our Bulletin
- The Rosary
- FORMED
- Our YouTube Channel
- Faith Direct
- Catholic News

During Lent, we can get special daily reflections from *Messages of Trust* by Michael White and Tom Corcoran and special weekly video reflections from **RETURN** by Fr. John Burns.

It only takes a minute to download the App. You are going to love it!



Landings provides a safe place to land...

Welcoming back fallen away Catholics is the mission of our Landings Program. Worldwide, Landings has welcomed over one million people back to our faith. This vibrant ministry offers an opportunity for those who have let themselves become complacent and wandered from the Church.

Our faith is about Christ and his presence in the Eucharist. It is about penance and forgiveness. When you belong to a communal gathering of faithful Christians, your presence strengthens you and acts as an example to others.

If you know of anyone who has been away for a while, let them know that they can come back. Jesus is waiting to offer eternal love. Look for more information in the bulletin as to when and where we will be meeting. We will begin in the coming weeks. Contact the parish office or call Bill Bryker at 724-263-0449.

You CAN come back!

Parish News

Protect Vulnerable Older Adults

Do you suspect that an older adult is being abused, exploited, or neglected?

The SWPA Area Agency on Aging Protective Services Unit provides resources and support to prevent, detect, reduce, or eliminate self-neglect; neglect by a caregiver; physical, sexual or psychological abuse; financial exploitation – misuse of money, resources or personal property; and/or abandonment.

To report a need for protective services, please call 1-800-537-2424.

Pro Life Efforts

If you would like to be active in the protection of life, from conception to natural death, call one of these fellow Saint James parishioners.

| Nick Fuerst | 412-848-9380 | |
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| Joe Costello | 724-222-8288 | |
| Laraine McGinnis | 724-263-2161 | |
| Joe & Sue Dunn | 724-309-6256 | |
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The most needed items are:

- Diapers
- Wipes
- Blankets
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- Soap
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The items will be delivered to the Catholic Charities Washington Office during the First Week of Easter.

Did something change? Please let us know!

Please contact Maureen Baker, the parish Record Keeper, at 724-225-1425, ext 214 or by email at mbaker@stjameswashpa.org if you:

- Change your email address
- Change your home address
- Disconnect your home phone
- Have a family member who moved out or in
- Are leaving the parish
- Want to join RCIA
- Have questions about Faith Direct
- Move to a nursing home
- Become homebound
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By letting the parish office know these things, it saves the parish money with mailings and time spent looking for new information. Thank you very much!

Employment Opportunities and More!



The Most Reverend Mark E. Brennan, Bishop of the Diocese of Wheeling Charleston, has informed us that Catholic Charities of West Virginia is seeking a Chief Executive Officer.

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