# St. James St. Joseph Cooperstown Kellnersville



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## Mass Intentions

#### St. James Church

Sat.	Dec.	9	7:30 pm
Sun.	Dec.	10	8:00 am
Tue.	Dec.	12	8:00 am
Sat.	Dec.	16	7:30 pm
Sun	Dec	17	8.00 am

#### St. Ioseph Church

Sat.	Dec. 9	4:00 pm
Sun.	Dec. 10	10:00 am
Tue.	Dec. 12	Ipm-6pm
Wed.	Dec. 13	8:15 am
Sat.	Dec. 16	4:00 pm
Sun.	Dec. 17	10:00 am

- + Lawrence & Arlene Wotruba
- + Kenneth & Dorothy Dewane & Sheila Knuth Mae & Edward Enz 50th Wedding Anniversary
- + Patricia "Pat" Valenta & Gary Valenta
- + Art & Lou Nooyen
- + Rita Tisler
- + Richard (Rick) Ebert and all Ebert Deceased Adoration
- + Craig Antonissen
- + Dan & Dixie Oswald
- + Don Kvitek & Shelby Evelyn & Joseph Victor Leist

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#### **NEW INFORMATION**

Please remember to notify your parish office if you have a change to your name, address, email or phone number.

Find us on Facebook:



St. James Parish Cooperstown St Joseph Parish Kellnersville

and our website:

stjamesandstjoseph.org



#### FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Second Sunday of Advent

As we journey through this Second Sunday of Advent, the Scriptures resound with the voice of John the Baptist, urging us to "Prepare the way of the Lord." This call echoes not only in the wilderness but also within the depths of our hearts, inviting us to make straight the paths for the Lord's coming.

In today's Gospel, John speaks of a baptism of repentance, a turning away from sin and a preparation for the one who is mightier than he. This theme of repentance aligns perfectly with our Advent reflection on the importance of the Eucharist and Confession.

The Eucharist, the great gift of Christ's presence among us, is the culmination of

our preparation. As we partake in this sacred meal, we are nourished by the body and blood of our Lord. It is a moment of profound intimacy, a sharing in the life of Christ who comes to dwell within us. Let us approach the Eucharist with hearts open to receive this divine gift, recognizing that through it, we are strengthened to live lives worthy of our calling.

Simultaneously, Advent beckons us to the sacrament of Confession. In preparing the way for the Lord, we must confront our sins, acknowledging where we have strayed from His path. Confession is the sacrament of God's mercy, a moment of reconciliation where we experience the forgiveness that paves the way for Christ to enter our hearts more fully.

As we continue our Advent journey, let us embrace the dual importance of the Eucharist and Confession. May our reception of the Holy Eucharist inspire



us to live holy lives, and may the grace of Confession empower us to continually turn away from sin.

In preparing the way of the Lord, let us not neglect these precious sacraments. May the Eucharist be our spiritual sustenance, and Confession, our path to renewal and reconciliation. Together, they guide us on this Advent pilgrimage toward the joyous encounter with our Lord and Savior. Amen.

#### **CONFESSION TIMES**

Saturdays: 3:00pm-3:30pm at St. Josephs and 6:00pm –7:00pm at St. James
Sundays: 7:00am-7:30am at St. James

#### **ADVENT BOOKLETS AVAILABLE**

Blue Advent booklets that contain daily reflections can be found in the entrance at both St. James and St. Joseph churches. The suggested donation is \$1.00.

#### **RETIREMENT COLLECTION**

This weekend, we are able to Share in the Care of our retired sisters, brothers and religious order priests through the National Retirement Fund for Religious. This collection also helps the senior priests of our diocese. If you do not find an envelope located in church, you may also use a regular envelope to make your contribution. Please write on the envelope that your donation is for the Retirement Collection.

#### **CONTRIBUTIONS & YOUR TAXES**

Contributions to your parish that are received by December 21st are deductible in 2023. Donations received after Jan. 1, will not qualify as charitable deductions for 2023 even if the check was written in 2023, per IRS rulings.



The Toys for Tots Program is collecting new, unwrapped toys during December. Toys can be

dropped off at Proko-Wall Funeral Home between the hours of 9am-4pm Monday thru Friday at 1630 E. Mason St. Green Bay.

#### **2024 CHURCH CALENDARS**

The new liturgical calendars are available in the entrance at both St. James and St. Joseph churches. Thank you to Cotter Funeral Homes and Crematory and Lakeshore Family Funeral Homes for donating them this year.

### SAVE THE DATE! SATURDAY FEB 24, 2024

Planning has begun for the 4th annual Dinner & Dance held at Gatherings 43 in Denmark. Dinner tickets will



go on sale in January. If you have items to donate for the raffles, silent auction or live auction, please bring them to the St. James office Mon-Thur between 8am-Ipm or contact Dawn Rabas at (920)680-0660.

All are welcome to attend from both St. James and St. Joseph Parish.

## READINGS FOR DEC. 17, 2023

Isaiah 61:1-2a, 10-11 Thessalonians 5:16-24 John 1:6-8, 19-28

# WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP WEEK ENDING NOVEMBER 26 2023

#### St. James Parish

Sacrificial Giving \$1,163.00
Online Giving \$65.00
Loose \$859.00

#### St. Joseph Parish

Sacrificial Giving \$705.00 Loose (Sat & Sun) \$217.00 Loose (Thanksgiving) \$80.00

## ARE YOU A NEW PARENT?

If you recently had your very first child and want to have them Baptized, please call your parish office.



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SUNDAY DEC. 24 CHRISTMAS EVE

4:00 PM ST. JOSEPH 4:00 PM ST. JAMES 8:00 PM ST. JAMES

MONDAY DEC. 25 CHRISTMAS DAY 8:00 AM ST. JAMES 10:00 AM ST. JOSEPH

#### **WE CAN HELP**

If you need prayers, a listening ear, or other support through a difficult situation, please do not hesitate to contact Fr. Santy or Deacon Dan.

#### ST. JAMES CHURCH

#### **FAITH FORMATION**

Wednesday Dec. 13 Advent Event Grades I-II 6-7:30pm



#### Churchtime

Held during the Sunday 8am Mass. Dec. 10 & 17

#### **CHRISTMAS FLOWERS**

If you would like to make a donation



towards this years Christmas Flowers, and Decorations, you will find envelopes in the back of church that you can drop in the weekend

collection basket. You can also make a donation online at our parish website or mail a check to the parish office or drop off at the office Mon thru Thur, 8amnoon. Please have all donations in by Wednesday Dec. 20th.

Everyone is welcome to help decorate after the 8am mass on Sunday, Dec. 17. 

#### GIVING TREE

Take a look at the Giving Tree, located at the church entrance. See how you can help the homeless population served by St. John's Ministries in Green Bay by donating one of the items needed.



#### THE FUTURE OF ST. JAMES

The future of St. James depends on all generations. Please help and get involved in any of our committees. Our Parish Council is looking for new members, along with the 175th Celebration Committee. To find out more or to volunteer contact Fr. Santy or Jean Schleis (920) 863-3965.

Don't forget to bring your cookies for the Shut-Ins to the parish hall kitchen this weekend: Dec. 9 & 10.

#### **MEMORIAL FOR FATHER RON**

A decision was made at the Annual Meeting to honor Father Ron Colombo with two memorials.

- \* A Prayer garden/grotto will be made on the church front lawn and then dedicated to him. We are looking for someone with a good eye for landscaping to help with the garden. If you can help, please contact Jean Schleis at (920)863-3965.
- \* Because Father Ron loved to relax on the deck above the rectory garage, the Maintenance Committee will replace the old deck with a new one and name it in his memory. Donations are now being accepted for these projects. If you wish to contribute in memory of Fr. Ron, please place your donation of any amount in a marked envelope and place in the collection baskets. You can also give by credit or debit card on our website: stjamesandstjoseph.org.

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## ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

#### **FAITH FORMATION**

Wednesday Dec. 13 - No Class

#### **CHURCH TIME**

Held during the 10am Mass: Dec. 10 & 17

#### **CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS**

You still have time to make a donation towards the flowers and decorations that will beautify our church this Christmas season. If you would like to remember a loved one that is in heaven this Christmas, please write their name on the envelope with your donation. You can drop your donations in the weekend collection baskets or mail to the parish office to

PO Box 27. Please have all donations in by Monday Dec. 18th.



#### **SANCTUARY LIGHT & HOSTS & WINE**

Week of December 10, 2023 Russell & Evelyn Ebert

#### MAINTENANCE COLLECTION

December 16 & 17

#### **DONATED AED**

The organization Heartarama recently

donated a brand new AED to St. Joseph's. Our Parish Council recently installed a new wall mount for the AED.



Thank you to Heartarama for providing us with this life saving equipment.

#### **CARE NOTES**

Do you need help coping with the holidays after recently losing a loved one? This topic and more can be found in the Care Note Selection in the entrance to church. If you or someone you know is struggling with something, please visit the display and find a Care Note that might help.

#### **CLEANING TEAM**

Team Holschbach - Dec. 16, 2023

#### **ADVENT COLLECTION FOR LAKESHORE FOSTER FAMILIES** & FRIENDS

Lakeshore Foster Families and Friends is a nonprofit organization supporting children in foster and kinship care. Many of these children that come to foster care come with only the clothing on their backs. The St. Joseph Social Concerns Committee is extending an invitation to everyone to help these children. There are three ways you can help:

- Donate online https:// www.lakeshorefosterfamilies.org.
- Make a monetary donation by Dec. 17th in the Donation Box under the Advent Tree in the entrance of
- 3) Pick an ornament from the Advent Tree and return the unwrapped item listed on that ornament back under the tree by Sun. Dec. 17th.

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