# St. James St. Joseph Cooperstown Kellnersville



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# St. James Church

Sat.	Dec. 23	7.30 piii
Sun.	Dec. 24	8:00 am
Sun.	Dec. 24	4:00 pm
Sun.	Dec. 24	8:00pm
Mon.	Dec. 25	8:00 am
Tue.	Dec. 26	8:00 am
Sat.	Dec. 30	7:30 pm
Sun.	Dec. 31	8:00 am
Mon.	Jan. I	8:00 am

# St. Joseph Church

Sat.	Dec. 23	4:00 pm
Sun.	Dec. 24	10:00 am
Sun.	Dec. 24	4:00 pm
Mon.	Dec. 25	10:00 am
Wed.	Dec. 27	8:15 am
Sat.	Dec. 30	4:00 pm
Sun.	Dec. 31	10:00 am
Mon.	Jan. I	10:00 am

+ Peg Dewane Holloway

Living & +Deceased Parishioners of St. James
Communion Service

- + Nathan Rich
- + Sharon Waddell

Living & +Deceased Parishioners of St. James

- + Don, Pat & Jerry Weber
- + Sister Marlene Greatens & Sister Joleen Van Dyke
- + Sister Marlene Greatens & Sister Joleen Van Dyke Living & +Deceased Parishioner's of St. Joseph's Communion Service +Leo & Marjorie Fogeltanz
- + Donald Cigler

Marion Mleziva and +Rose Tadych

Living & +Deceased Parishioner's of St. Joseph's

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The Parish Office at both St. James and St. Joseph will be closed Dec. 22 thru Jan. 1, 2024.





#### FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Fourth Sunday of Advent

This Fourth Sunday of Advent, the glow of the Advent wreath intensifies, signaling the imminent arrival of our Savior. Our hearts are filled with a sense of expectancy and preparation as we stand on the threshold of the Nativity.

In today's Gospel, we witness the angel Gabriel's visit to Mary, announcing the wondrous news of the Incarnation. Mary's humble "yes" to God's plan becomes the pivotal moment in human history. Her fiat echoes through the ages, calling us to a similar openness and receptivity to God's will.

This profound encounter with the divine

reminds us of the Eucharist, where we, too, say "yes" to Christ's invitation. In each celebration of the Mass, we are invited to partake in the mystery of the Incarnation, receiving the body and blood of our Lord in the humble elements of bread and wine. As we approach the Eucharist, let us emulate Mary's openness, allowing Christ to be born anew in our hearts.

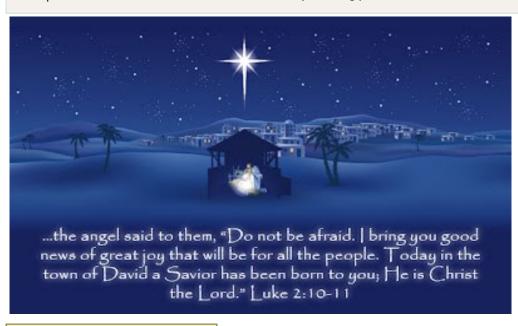
Furthermore, Advent prompts us to prepare through the sacrament of Confession. Just as Mary's purity made her a fitting vessel for Christ, the grace of Confession cleanses and prepares us to receive Him more fully. Confession is the merciful embrace of God, wiping away our sins and making our hearts a worthy dwelling place for the Savior.

As we approach the culmination of our Advent journey, let us reflect on the significance of the Eucharist and Confession. May the Eucharist be our



spiritual nourishment, and Confession, our source of renewal. Through these sacraments, may we echo Mary's fiat, saying "yes" to God's transformative presence in our lives.

In these final days of Advent, let our hearts be a stable, ready to receive the newborn King. May the Eucharist and Confession be our guiding lights, preparing us to welcome Christ with joy and gratitude.



# **WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP WEEK ENDING** DEC. 10, 2023

#### St. James Parish

Sacrificial Giving \$4,915.00 Online Giving \$55.00 \$204.00

# St. Joseph Parish

Sacrificial Giving \$1,998.00 Loose \$324.00



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and on our website: stjamesandstjoseph.org

# **END OF YEAR STATEMENTS**

If you would like an end of the year statement with your contributions to your parish, please call your parish office and ask to have it printed out for you. Neither St James or St Joseph will be mailing out statements unless they are requested.

### GIVE A GIFT OF A CAR WASH



A Kwik Trip Car Wash card 5 ULTIMATE makes a great gift for a friend, employee, neighbor, family member or yourself. With the purchase of a Car Wash card, you will help support Catholic Education. The card is loaded with 5 ultimate car washes for only \$36.

This is a \$50 value. Contact Jim Wavrunek at 920-680-4095 or pick up at All Saints School. Checks should be written out to Knights of Columbus #4735. This fundraiser ends December 31.

### **READINGS - DEC. 31, 2023**

Genesis 15:1-6; 21:1-3 (17B) Hebrews 11:8, 11-12, 17-19 Luke 2:22-40 or 2:22, 39-40

### **READINGS - NEW YEARS DAY**

Numbers 6:22-27 (18ABC) Galatians 4:4-7 Luke 2:16-21

#### **COPING WITH GRIEF?**

While the holidays pass quickly, so do our family gatherings. For those who have lost loved ones, wintertime can be a challenging time of the year. We invite you to join others in this same situation at a Grief Group Gathering on January 14th. The group will meet at noon at St. James Church in Cooperstown and will discuss how you can find God in the midst of the grief journey. Tom Bekkers, MSW, APSW and a member of St. James will lead the group. There is no cost and no registration is required. For more information, call Tom (920) 660-8066.



# ST. JAMES CHURCH

#### **FAITH FORMATION**

Wed. Dec. 27 - No Class Class resumes Wed. Jan. 3rd.

#### Churchtime

Sunday December 31 during the 8am Mass



#### **FATHER RON MEMORIALS**

Father Ron Colombo served St. James Parish for 21 years. We will be remembering him with two memorials:

- \* A prayer garden or grotto on the parish grounds will be dedicated to him.
- \* The deck above the rectory garage (where he liked to relax), will be rebuilt. Donations are being accepted for these projects now. If you wish to contribute in memory of Fr. Ron, please place your donation of any amount in a marked envelope or go to our website to give online: stjamesandstjoseph.org/giving.

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# SAVE THE DATE! FEB. 24, 2024

Join us for the 4th annual Dinner and Dance



held at Gatherings 43 in Denmark. Please consider donating items for the bucket raffle, silent auction or live auction. Also needed are bottles of wine. All donations may be brought to the parish office Mon-Thur between 8am-Ipm. Or contact Dawn Rabas (920)680-0660 to make other arrangements. Dinner Tickets will go on sale in January.

#### **SCUBA**

DIVING INTO FRIENDSHIP WITH GOD Looking ahead to Summer 2024, St. James is in search of a Coordinator (or co-coordinators) for the Fun & Faith Bible School program for next summer. For more information please contact Traci in the parish office.



#### **CHRISTMAS MASS PRELUDE**

Plan to arrive early for any of the Christmas Masses. There will be 30 minutes of music before the Christmas liturgies begin.

#### **CHILDRENS MASS**

Join us for the Children's Mass at 4pm on Christmas Eve. Music students will perform prelude music starting at 3:30pm. A skit with the Faith Formation students will begin at 3:45.

#### **THANK YOUS**

It is so wonderful to see how everyone has helped to prepare for Christmas by giving of themselves. We would especially like to thank the following:

- \* Everyone who stayed after mass last Sunday to help decorate our church.
- \* Everyone who donated towards the Christmas flowers and decorations.
- \* Everyone who donated to the Giving Tree that helps the homeless at St. John's Ministries in Green Bay.
- \*Everyone who baked delicious treats for the shut-ins of our parish.
- \* All of our volunteers!

# ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

#### **FAITH FORMATION**

Wed. Dec. 27 - No Class Class resumes Wed. Jan. 3rd.

# **CHURCH TIME**

Sunday January 7 & 21

#### **CHRISTMAS EVE CELEBRATION**

We would like to invite all parishioners and visitors to join us before the Christmas Eve Mass on Sunday Evening, Dec. 24th. Our Christmas music will begin at 3:30pm. We will have a live program with our children which will begin at 3:45pm. Please come and join us for our Christmas Eve Celebration.

# THANK YOU

We want to thank everyone who keeps our Parish running smoothly and looking beautiful. Thank you to our Maintenance team, the Decorating team, Finance and Parish Councils, Social Concerns and Rosary Society, Musicians, Choir, Catechists, Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, Servers, Ushers and all our Volunteers!

# REMEMBERING

At this time of year, we pause to remember Sr. Marlene Greatens and Sr. Joleen Van Dyke who lost their lives in an early morning fire in the rectory home here at St. Joseph Parish during the early morning hours of Dec. 23, 2004. They were not only our spiritual leaders, they were also loved by the whole community. We will always remember the kindness and love of these two beloved nuns who enriched our Parish.



Sister Marlene



Sister Joleen

# **THANK YOU**

Thank you to the anonymous donor who recently donated a new snow blower for our Parish. Thank you also to everyone who has donated towards major expenses that our parish has occurred in 2023. If you would like to donate towards an item that is needed at St. Joseph, please contact Fr. Santy or anyone on the Parish Council. We have many gifting opportunities in a wide range of costs.

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

Week of December 24, 2023 Leo & Marjorie Fogeltanz

# **CLEANING TEAMS**

Team Marsicek - Jan. 6, 2024 Team Hatfield - Jan. 20, 2024

#### **HOLIDAY CARE NOTES**

Losing a loved one can be very difficult, even more so during the holidays. If you find yourself struggling with this loss or know someone who is, please seek out the Care Notes in the rack in the entrance to church.

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