St. James the Less Parish
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88.l FM Radio Station allows people to listen to St. James Mass in the parking lot, then drive vehicles to the entrance to receive communion

Nativity of Our Lady Parish 108 Chibekena Inamo, Pikwakanagan, Ont.	St. Ann's Parish 50 McCauley Mountain Road, Cormac, Ont.

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The Sacrament of Reconciliation and Peace (confession) is available before all masses. At St. James: on Saturday's from 4:45 p.m. to 5:15 p.m. and Sunday's from 10:25 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. At Nativity of our Lady Parish Confessions: Sundays: from 8:25 a.m. to 8:45 a.m. Weekday masses will take place in the Marian Chapel at St. James Parish on Thursday's and Friday's at 10 a.m. Everyone is welcome to join us for all masses. Weekend masses at St. James the Less are livestreamed to our St. James Facebook page for those unable to attend. The Parking Lot option of listening to mass on 88.1 FM in your vehicles is being maintained.

Mass attendance for December 31st, 2022 – New Year's Eve
St. James Parish Mass 5:30 p.m. – 84 Nativity of our Lady Parish Mass - 50
St. Ann's Parish – January 3rd - 25
Thank you for attending our masses and supporting your parish family!

The word "epiphany" comes from the Greek epiphainen, which means "to manifest," "appear," or "make known." The Feast of the Epiphany **celebrates the revelation of Jesus, the Son of God, to the world**. "The Epiphany is the manifestation of Jesus as Messiah of Israel, Son of God and Savior of the world. Epiphany is **a time of revelation**. Jesus revealed himself to the Israelites and the Gentiles as represented by the Wise Men. God doesn't play favorites but receives all whose hearts long for him. May we open our hearts to receive revelation from God this new year.

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1st Thursday Holy Hours to Pray for Vocations: **Beginning January 5th, 6:30-7:30 p.m. at St. Joseph Parish, L'Isle-aux-Allumettes –** "Then Jesus said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore, pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest" (Mt. 9:37-38). The vocations office is beginning a new prayer initiative in 2023. **The First Thursday of each month there will be a Holy Hour to pray for priestly vocations. The Holy Hour will be in a different parish of the diocese each month.** It will consist of Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Sacred Music, a reflection by a priest, a Rosary for vocations, and time for silent prayer. The first Holy Hour will be at St. Joseph Parish, QC (10 minutes from Pembroke) with the reflection given by Fr. Scott Murray. These Holy Hours are open to everyone, not just those considering a priestly vocation. The topic of the first reflection will be "St. Joseph's Conspicuous Absence from the Story of the Epiphany."

Seeking additional lectors, Eucharistic ministers, ushers/collectors for Saturday evening masses and Sunday masses at St. James. Should anyone be interested, you are encouraged to contact Fr. Ken or email the parish office. Instruction is provided, and any assistance is very appreciated.

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Kindly remember and pray for those in our communities and our world, who have died especially Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI, Maggie Lavigne and Rita Roesner, May God welcome all to the eternal joy of His heavenly kingdom

Kindly remember those of our families and friends in our community, who are isolated, lonely, or suffering the burden of illness or pain, especially:

Dan Agnew, Fr. Steven Ballard, Nicole Bell, Orpha Breen, Cheryl Chapeskie, Patricia Duggan, Jonathan Gillis, Shawn Hass, Mike Kineer, Clare Lavalley, Shelley McLeod, Jack MacDonald, Lorraine MacDonald, Dorothy Millark, Colleen Prendergast, Joanne Sarazin, Lisa Selle, Mike Sullivan and Stuart Tiedemann.

Saturday, January 7th to Sunday, January 15th, 2023

ANNOUNCED PARISH MASSES

Saturday, January 7th at 5:30 p.m. at St. James: The Soul of Frank Tracey by wife Linda
Sunday, January 8th at 9:00 a.m. at Nativity of our Lady: Intentions of all parishioners
Sunday, January 8th at 11 a.m. at St. James: The Soul of Sandra Sullivan-Gibson by Cecelia Contant

Weekday Masses: cancelled until further notice

Saturday, January 14th at 5:30 p.m. at St. James: The Soul of Robert Hanniman by Stefan & Judy Grasmuck
Sunday, January 15th at 9:00 a.m. at Nativity of our Lady: Intentions of all parishioners
Sunday, January 15th at 11 a.m. at St. James: January 2023 Wedding Anniversaries

Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers for St. James Parish

Saturday, January 14th Lector: Rosemary Cammaert — Eucharistic Minister: Megan McGrath
Sunday, January 15th Lector: Alanna Hermans — Eucharistic Minister: Carolyn Desjardins

St. James Parish weekly offering for Saturday, December 31st, 2022 was $1,350.00
Initial Offering: $180.00/Weekly Offering for January 1, 2023 $370.00
Loose: $68.50/E-Transfers for December 25th: $475.00/E-Transfers for January 1st 300.00
Missals $25.00/New Year's Day Offering: $565.00
Total St. James Deposit from December 25th Collection: $3,333.50
Nativity New Year's Day Collection: $120.00/Loose $9.75 /Christmas Offering: $50.00/Regular Collection: $285.00
Total Nativity of Our Lady Collection for January 1st: $464.75
St. Ann's weekly offering for Tuesday, January 3rd 2023: $416.00/
Initial Offering $47.00 /Christmas Offering $40.00/New Year's Day: $110.00
Total St. Ann Weekly Collection: $613.00

Our three parishes: St. James Parish, Nativity of our Lady and St. Ann's **can accept e-transfers** should parishioners wish to contribute by this method. Transfers must be sent by e-transfer for St. James to secretarystjames@gmail.com
Nativity of our Lady to: nativityofourlady@gmail.com and St. Ann's Parish is: stanncormac@gmail.com which will be credited to your assigned parish envelope number.
E- transfers are now set up for the **St. James Mass Account** should anyone wish to pay for masses in this manner. The email address is: stjamesmass190@gmail.com

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Parking: As construction progresses across from St. James Parish, the municipality has informed us, there are no parking spaces on Wellington Street, directly across from the front entrance of St. James. There is ample parking spaces for everyone on either side of the church for everyone.

Theme: A Call to the World. Today's feast adds new and central feature to the Christmas message. Epiphany means manifestation – in this case, manifestation to the nations. Jesus is not solely the Jewish Messiah; he comes for the entire world. In Christ, all barriers will fall. In the reading from Third Isaiah, Jerusalem looks out upon her own people returning from the diaspora, but on the far distant horizon, appear caravans from all parts of the world. The letter to the Ephesians sees this as the great mystery now revealed in the final times: the total equality of Jew and Gentile in God's plan. The account of the astrologers taken from Matthew's infancy narrative, summarizes it all in story form. While the Jews, with the scriptural prophecies in hand, remain apart, the foreigners move in faith to Bethlehem.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY – we extend our heartfelt congratulations and prayerful best wishes to all couples who are celebrating their **Marriage Anniversary during January, 2023**. The 10:30 a.m. Mass this Sunday is offered for their intentions. Among those celebrating in January are:

Donald & Pauline Visneskie
Lorenz & Jane Zohr

Prayer for Wedding Anniversary: O God, we thank you that you have given us another year of life together. We thank you for the love which grows more precious and for the bonds which grow more closely each day. We thank you for the happiness we have known together; for the sorrows we have faced together; for all the experiences of sunshine and of shadow through which we have come, up to today. All Couples, whether newly married or many years married, are welcome to have their wedding anniversaries announced in our parish bulletin. Call the Parish Office at 613-628-2020 with your date, or email secretarystjames@gmail.com

Pope's Prayer Intention for January 2023: **For educators** – We pray that educators may be credible witnesses, teaching fraternity rather than competition and helping the youngest and most vulnerable above all.

RECOLLECTION FOR WOMEN at Our Lady of Lourdes Parish in Pembroke on Thursday, January 19th from 11 am to 1 pm. Recollections help you take a break from your busy schedule to think about your life, your relationship with God and gain a fresh outlook. Includes exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, guided prayer, examination of conscience, confession, benediction and a talk. Bring your lunch for a get together afterward. This spiritual activity, inspired by the writings of St. Josemaria Escriva, is entrusted to Opus Dei, a Personal Prelature of the Roman Catholic Church. For more information on the Prelature of Opus Dei go to https://opusdei.org/en-ca/. Should you have any questions, please contact Nadia at nadia.bagshaw@sympatico.ca or 613-584-9388.

Funny in a GOoD Way! Presents an evening of comedy and worship on **January 21st at 7 p.m.** at Festival Hall, Pembroke. Featuring Andy Beningo and Gate 47. Ticket details available online at www.funnyinagoodway.ca. Net proceeds go to The Grind Pembroke.

Our Lady Seat of Wisdom College Winter Courses: Our Lady Seat of Wisdom College is pleased to announce that registration is open for Winter Semester courses, including some that are accessible online. We are beyond excited to offer you this opportunity to join our professors in the classroom to learn about these subjects from a Catholic perspective. Courses include options in Canadian history, music, literature, and philosophy. See seatofwisdom.ca for a complete list. If you would be interested in auditing or taking these courses for credit, please email Mrs. Emma O'Brien at emmaobrien@seatofwisdom.ca.

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No Options No Choice: In March, the Canadian government will expand access to medical assistance in dying (MAiD). Offering MAiD to Canadians at their most vulnerable without improving access to services to help them live with dignity isn't offering them a real choice. Canadians with long-term conditions, disabilities, and mental illness are at risk of being given no better option than death. Email your provincial representative today. Tell them Canadians deserve more compassion. Visit NoOptionsNoChoice.com to learn more.

Salt+Light Media has produced a 30-minute program on Madonna House of Combermere. Here is the link: https://slmedia.org/w/xpaykXC1/xIqO8l44/madonna-house-a-song-of-love?fbclid=IwAR15mnQyitOxdDXDcMuoBp_VZm5ri2cGsymi8Iee92ycFf5v8U-mN8BqbXc

Attention: Eganville and area: 2023-2024 Kindergarten Registration is now open. Parents/Guardians can apply online with the Renfrew County Catholic District School Board. Registration site is : www.rccdsb.ca