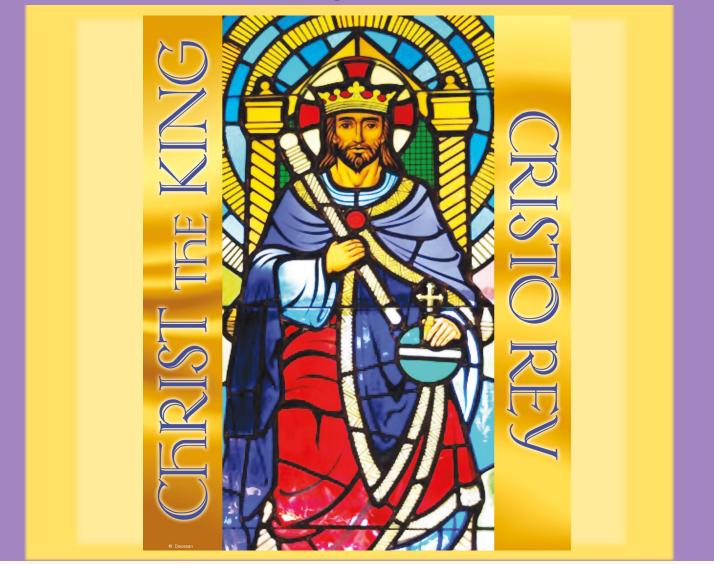
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Office Hours: Monday - Friday, 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM

November 24, 2024 • Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

Catholic Neighbors In Faith Parish Happenings

Saturday, November 23

That Man Is You (TMIY) - JMS Hall, Coffee 6:30am, Class 7-8am Prayer Shawl Ministry - JMS Library 10am Confessions - JMS 3-3:30pm Faith Formation - 5th & 6th Children's Mass, JMS 4pm

Sunday, November 24

Order of Christian Initiation for Adults (OCIA) - Class, JMS Hall, 9-10:15am Faith Formation: PreK - 5th grades regular class; 6 -10th grades & Youth Group bus trip, OLV Basilica Holy Apostles Choir - SPP rehearsal 10:15am for 11am

Monday, November 25 JMS & SPP St. Vincent DePaul Societies will meet at JMS Hall - 4pm

<u>Tuesday, November 26</u> JMS Music Ministry rehearsals, Church 6pm Holy Apostles Handbell Choir - SPP practice 6:30-7:30pm

Wednesday, November 27

Offices close at 12pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament - JMS Chapel 9am-12pm only Confessions - JMS 6-6:30pm

Thursday, November 28 Holiday - Offices closed Happy Thanksgiving



Friday, November 29 Offices Closed - No Masses

Liturgy of the Hours - Christian Prayer **on** Zoom 9am Call the central office for ID & passcode to join

Saturday, November 30 Confessions - 3 - 3:30pm St. James

Sunday, December 1

Faith Formation: PreK - 5th grades regular class; 6 -10th grades & Youth Group bus trip, OLV Basilica **Holy Apostles Choir** - SPP rehearsal 10:15am for 11am Mass

Advent Penance Service - Monday, December 16 at 6pm at St. James Church.

2025 MASS INTENTIONS BOOK

We will be opening up the 2025 Mass Intentions Book on Monday, December 2. Please remember that with the closures and mergers happening this upcoming year, Masses may be subject to change.

Please pray for our Parish Family members who are ill, and intentions ...

Gayle Boudreau James Boudreau Kathy Bump Alice Coan Collins Family Erica Collins Carol Coulter Michelle Cracker Grant Damon Kathy Danielson Emma Eldridge David Flavin Marla Frame Sandy Galati Gail Gillig Mary Giambrone Barb Graham Dolores Hacker Albert J. Hay Mark Hedstrand III Mercedes Holliday Bohdan Kanicki Elizabeth LaMantia Dana Neal Shelly Pacheco-Johannessen Patrick Pringle Nancy Johnson Sam McMaster Elizabeth Nguyen My Nguyen Grace Peterson James Post Louis Rieg Marty Sargent Andrea Schneider **Donald Segrue** Dorothy and David Seth Baby Haven Shipherd & Family **Robert Sprankle Emily Sechriest** Mary Helen Smith Megan and Sean Jim Wirges Therese Whit

The Unborn People of the Ukraine Those in the military

All those touched by loneliness or illness. Those in purgatory. And all parishioners in need of our prayers.

Call the parish office if you would like to add a name to our prayer list. **Please Note:** You must have the permission of the person you want listed before we can add them to this list.

Please let us know when someone can be taken off the Prayer List. Thank you

Mass Intentions

Saturday, November 23 - St. Clement I; St. Columban; **Blessed Miguel Agustin Pro** JMS - 4:00PM + Buvacqua Triscari (Anniversary) **By Family** 4:00PM + Joseph Trussalo (Birthday) By Anthony Trussalo OLS - 4:00PM + Pro-Populo: For the Parishioners By the Priest PAT - 5:30PM + Pete Morris By Donalee & Doni Letro Sunday, November 24 - OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, **KING OF THE UNIVERSE** JMS - 8:00AM + Sebastian Ventura (Birthday) By Wife, Susan & Children JHN - 9:00AM + Nick Rodriguez By the CNIF Staff SHR - 9:00AM + Michael Landy By Teacher's Lunch Group OLL -10:00AM + Ross & Carmella Pintagro (Anniv.'s) By Randy & Fran Shenefiel SPP -11:00AM + Howard States By Sister, Helen Patti PAT -11:00AM + Living & Deceased Mothers By Parishioners Monday, November 25 - St. Catherine of Alexandria JMS - 8:00AM + Serafina Caprino By Antonetta Calimeri SHR - 9:00AM + Gina Bigley (Anniversary) By the Flaherty Family SPP -12:10PM + Cynthia Gallagher (Birthday) By Gallagher Family **Tuesday, November 26** PAT - 8:00AM + L & D Mothers By Parishioners OLL - 9:00AM + Pro-Popolo - For the Parishioners By The Priest Wednesday, November 27 JHN - 8:00AM + Fred & Carol Gullo By Children JMS - 7:00PM + Deceased Members of Donisi Family By Sally & Angelo Donisi

Thursday, November 28 - Thanksgivin

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JMS - 8:00AM + Souls of the Faithful Departed
By Parishioners
JHN - 9:00AM + Souls of the Faithful Departed
By Parishioners
OLL - 10:00AM + Souls of the Faithful Departed
By Parishioners
Friday, November 29
NO MASSES - OFFICES CLOSED
Saturday, November 30 - St. Andrew, Apostle
JMS - 4:00PM + Betty Munella
By John & Julia Trussalo
4:00PM + Bessie Guiffreda
By Karen & Joseph Moynihan
OLS - 4:00PM In Honor of Emily Sechriest's 100t Birthday - Born on Dec. 5
By OLS Altar & Rosary Society
PAT - 5:30PM † Valentine Smith (Birthday) By the Andrews Family
Sunday, December 1 - First Sunday of Advent
JMS - 8:00AM †Mary D'Angelo
By Altar & Rosary
JHN - 9:00AM † Michael Farnella
By Josie Farnella
SHR - 9:00AM + Nick Rodriguez, Jr.
By John & Colleen Zaczkiewicz
OLL -10:00AM + L & D Fathers
By Parishioners
SPP -11:00AM + + L. James Taylor
By wife, Gale & family
PAT -11:00AM + Pro-Populo: For the Parishioners
By Parishioners



Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

is exposed every Wednesday in the St. James chapel from 9am until the 7pm Mass. Come visit Our Lord! One hour Guardians are needed throughout the day, so please call the central office if you feel called to this ministry, 716.487.0125.

JMS—St. James JHN-St. John

OLL—Our Lady of Loreto OLS—Our Lady of the Snows OLV—Our Lady of Victory PAT—St. Patrick

SPP—Ss. Peter & Paul SHR—Sacred Heart



Sanctuary Lamps

St. James Church

In Memory of Mary D'Angelo By Cindy Johnson, Mary Ellen Carlo & Ann Burk

Ss Peter & Paul Church

In Memory of Cynthia Gallagher By Libby Gallagher Franke

St. John Church In Memory of Paul Tran Ming Cong By the Tran Family

Sacred Heart Church

In Memory of Jim Maitland By wife, Joanne

Wine for the month of November

St. James Church In Memory of Ellen Munella By Paul & Sandra Spitale

Ss. Peter & Paul Church In Memory of Patricia McKeta-Carlson By Family

St. John Church In Memory of Mary Ferrara By Josie Marcello's Daughters, Diane & Joan

St. Patrick Church

In Memory of the Beaver & Stearns Families By Family

Hosts for the month of November

St. James Church

In Memory of Mary D'Angelo By Cindy Johnson, Mary Ellen Carlo & Ann Burk

St. John Church

In Memory of Lucille Genco By Paul & Sandra Spitale

THANKSGIVING DAY MASS SCHEDULE

St. James 8AM | St. John 9AM |Our Lady of Loreto 10AM

Our Stewardship for November 10, 2024

St. James: Offertory \$5,411.22, Parish Imp. \$187, Christmas Flowers \$155, Fuel \$369, World Mission \$55

Holy Apostles: Offertory \$4,478, Repair & Maint. \$697, Fuel \$50, Christmas Flowers \$130, Insurance \$5

Sacred Heart: Offertory \$2,328

Our Lady of Loreto: Offertory \$2283, Monthly \$134, Community Cupboard \$445

St. Patrick: Offertory \$9,291, Randolph Community Cupboard \$445

Thank you for your support of our parishes & ministries!



Memorial donations were presented to:

Holy Apostles Parish - St. John Church

In Memory of Joseph Lisciandro

Βv Sebastian & Gerri Mazzurco Βv Francis P. Marchiando Βv Buddy & Sandra Reale

Sacred Heart Church

In Memory of Carol Bankowskí

By **Dolores Gould**

OUR LADY OF THE MIRACULOUS MEDAL -November 27

In 1830 the Blessed Virgin Mary appeared to 24-year-old Catherine Labouré in Paris, France. She commissioned Catherine to have copies of what came to be known as the "Miraculous Medal" produced and distributed for the benefit of the faithful. The medal includes the prayer, "O Mary,

conceived without sin, pray for us who

have recourse to thee.



The Star Christmas Tree is up at Sacred Heart & Our Lady of the Snows

All stars represent a needy Child of God. The stars tell you if it is a boy or girl and also information on what they would wear and need for Christmas. You don't need to buy everything listed on the star. These are only suggestions. Please wrap and return all gifts to the Sacred Heart parish center before **Monday, December 16th.**

Please fill in your name and telephone number next to the number of the stars that you take.

Please ATTACH the stars to the outside of the wrapped gift. The gifts need to be returned to the

Sacred Heart Parish Center by **DECEMBER 16TH** so the gifts can be delivered.

Thank you for your kindness and generosity. May God Bless You!



St. James Parish Scholarship Opportunity The Stephanie Frucella Gift Fund

A special fund for college scholarships provided by the Frucella Family is available again this year for anyone who is a registered member of St. James Parish and is currently attending college in pursuit of a 2-year associate or technical school program, Bachelors or Masters degree.

The application requirements are available at the Central Office. Applicants will need a letter from their pastor or pastoral associate acknowledging participation at Mass and other ministries.

Completed applications should be mailed or delivered to: St. James Parish, 27 Allen St., Jamestown NY 14701.

Forms must be submitted by December 15, 2024.



This is the last week that the **Options Care Cradle** will be at St. John's Church. The donations collected throughout the month will help support our county's only Pro-Life ministry and crisis pregnancy center. Place your donations in the cradle. Your generosity is greatly appreciated! You can make your check payable to Options Care Center. If you would like more information or would like to get involved with the program, please call 716.664.5449.

Bulletin Mailings

If you are currently receiving the bulletin each week in the mail and would like to continue to so, or you would like to have a bulletin mailed to your home weekly, please fill out the form below with your correct mailing address and a *check made payable to your home parish* in the amount of \$50.00 to:

27 Allen St. Jamestown NY 14701

If you would like to drop an envelope in the collection basket with the coupon below, you can do that as well.

If you know someone who is homebound and would like to keep connected to the church, ask them if this is something they would like. Or, surprise them and give it to them as a Christmas gift!

Bulletin Mailings				
NAME:		PHONE:		
ADDRESS:	City	St	Zip	
Amount Enclosed:				

5 November 24, 2024



Christmas is coming soon and St. James Parish is participating in the 2024 collection of new unwrapped children's toys for our local *TOYS FOR TOTS* toy-drive this *Christmas*!

HOPE IS KEY...

There are so many issues facing families today, and the gift of a shiny new toy at Christmas can be just one small way to provide hope. Many children will have a merry Christmas and something to open under the tree due to this year's campaign.

It is heartwarming to know that the community supports those in need during the holiday season.

All donations stay in Chautauqua County!

For the past 23 years in Chautauqua County, **Toys For Tots** has coordinated the US Marine Corps Reserve Toys for Tots program and provided toys to thousands of less fortunate children in our community. Last year, through the generous donations received and the many volunteer efforts, we were able to provide toys to over 5,148 children in 1,850 families.

ABOUT TOYS: Toys for Tots prefers not to accept realistic looking weapons or gifts with food.

Please place your unwrapped donated children's toys in the box provided in the church vestibule. Please have all gift donations to the church by Noon, December 20th.

Thanks and Merry Christmas!



Chautaugua County Overnight Code Blue Warming Center 917 Washington Street Jamestown NY 14701 Ph.: 716-550-6657



code.blue@recoveryoptionsny.org Open on Code Blue designated nights Hours: 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm

St. James Altar & Rosary upcoming events scheduled:

◆ Saturday, Dec. 7th at 9am the Altar Rosary will be cleaning the church in preparation of the upcoming holidays. We invite everyone to come and help!

St. Patrick's Altar & Rosary offers the following items for announcement:

- The St. Patrick parish drive has ended, but you may still make your donation by placing an envelope in the collection basket marked as such. Thank you.
- Our Lady of Snows Altar & Rosary will be hosting their annual Christmas party on Thursday, December 12 at the Maplehurst Country Club, 1508 Big Tree Rd, Lakewood NY 14750. Cash bar, cocktails will begin at 6pm with dinner to follow at 6:30pm. There is an optional gift exchange, for those who are interested, \$15 limit. Reservations no later than 12/8/24. Please clip the slip below with your meal choice. You can mail it to the central office 27 Allen St. Jamestown NY 14701 or you can put it in an envelope and place it in the collection basket during Mass. If you have any questions please contact Elizabeth at 716-763-5335.

	Altar & Rosary Chrístmas Party Reservatíons Thursday, December 12th					
Reservations Due by December 8, 2024						
Name:	e: Phone					
Please mark	ed Chicken (\$28.25)	Seafood Stuffed Haddock (\$28.25) cludes gratuity)	Prime Rib (\$34.25) (Queen cut)			

REFLECTIONS

Christ the King What is Truth?

When we celebrate Christ the King, we are not talking about political power. That is the only kind of king that Pilate recognized. Our first two readings describe in poetic terms what Christ's kingdom is like: a priestly kingdom of glory and power that will never end. Pilate was judging the One who would one day judge him. He wanted to know if Jesus claimed to be a king, or if the Jews who wanted Jesus destroyed were behind the rumors of kingship. Jesus does not deny his kingship; after all, he says his purpose in life is the Truth. If you were reading this in the Bible, you would see Pilate's response, "What is truth?"

For Jesus (and for us), truth is the relationship between God and God's people. God is the source of the universe, the source of all life. Jesus came to show us the truth of God's love for all people. The

divine kingdom is simply the way that we relate to God and each other. We join that kingdom, not by signing a membership list, but by living a life of love: Love for God and for each other.

So why doesn't Jesus use all that power and glory to make everyone follow him? Because God asks us to be humble like Jesus. God doesn't force people to believe. That is another side of Truth: who God is and who we are. If you believe in God, you begin to see God in people whom you love, people who need our help, even people who don't like us. We even see God in the beauty and majesty of creation. A few years ago, when I heard that scientists were coming to accept that the universe was infinite, I was afraid that that would make people reject the idea of God. But then it occurred to me that an all-powerful God would make an infinite universe to show the divine glory.

Today Jesus invites us to accept the truth and become members of his kingdom. The tax is what we freely choose to give; the army are those who freely give themselves in service to the poor, the sick, and those who are seeking God. And the laws of this Kingdom are simple—Love God with all your being and love your neighbor as yourself. And that's the Truth. *Tom Schmidt*

Who Wins in the End?

Happy Thanksgiving! I would like to start by asking you to read today's Gospel from Luke 21:20-28. If you are a regular Bible reader, this might be a passage that you would like to skip over. Why? Because, after you read it you may say something like, "GULP! Don't blame me, I'm just the messenger."

If you read it very carefully, you might say to yourself, "Boy, this sounds familiar." And it is. Perhaps you have noticed that Mother Nature is raising havoc all over the world. Perhaps more than any other time in our lives. During Jesus' time on earth there were famines and wars. Fast forward to today and guess what? There are still famines and wars. There's also a lot of darkness going on in the area of trying to change oneself into another gender and the enormous amount of babies that are dying in the womb.

The Scripture passage above is full of gloom and doom, but did you know that if something big is coming the Lord will let his people know? For example, before the destruction of Jerusalem in the year 70, God let his people know so the Christians could evacuate before it happened.

So how can we make good after all the destruction that the Lord says is coming? You know who wins in the end, don't you? Based on that we can find the good. This is a time of purification. It can come in many ways, tailored to you and tailored to me.

I believe that this is a time when we should take a good look at forgiveness. We can start with the Our Father and review what it says: "Forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us." Read that again. We are asking the Lord to forgive us and he will if we forgive others. Whoa! I never really read it that way. Jesus also said you cannot love Him and hate your neighbor. Something to reflect on...

So, where is the joy in all this? It's found in the fact that Jesus Christ went through his passion and cross and rose again to save us from our sins. Thank you Jesus! If we are weak in our faith we need to ask the Lord for more faith and he will give it to us. Why? Because he wants all of God's people to be with him forever and for that, we can be truly thankful! Serving with joy! Dcn Dan Schneider



Kids Corner



Be Thankful Be thankful for home Be thankful for food Be thankful for birds that fly Be thankful for sleep Be thankful for flowers Be thankful for clouds in the sky

Be thankful for friends Be thankful for rain And the rainbows that Follow close by By Aileen Fisher



Hello Students and Families

The Annual Christmas pageant this year will be on December 15th at 2:00pm at St. John Church. If you hare interested in being in this pageant, please fill out a registration form provided by your teacher. There are no lines to learn, and costumes will be provided.

Everyone is welcome. Rehearsals are from 11:30am to 12:30pm on December 1st & 8th. We hope you will join us as we prepare for the birth of Jesus.

Dress rehearsal will be December 15 at 11:30am.

Waiting in Joyful Hope

Sacred Heart Faith Formation Class Parish Family Advent Gathering Sunday, December 8th St. James Church Hall 10:15am -11:45am Please join us as we prepare for the birth of our Savíor, Jesus Chríst Class will begin with a short video: 'The Shepherd' Reading of the Gospel of Luke 2: 1-16 Discussion Refreshments Advent Themed Scavenger Hunt



TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

Despite the fact that the feast of Christ the King was established less than a century ago, it has already undergone a shift in focus. When Pope Pius XI established this feast in 1925, nationalism and fascism were on the rise. The pope intended that it be a "vehicle for spiritual teaching," one that would recognize the ultimate authority of Christ over all political and social scheming. The last Sunday of October was chosen as the date for the feast because of its proximity to the feast of All Saints, those men and women who bore witness to Christ's reign in so many different ways.

The calendar reforms of 1969 moved the feast to the last Sunday of the liturgical year. There, in the context of November's focus on the end times, Christ's second coming at the end of all time is highlighted. The threefold cycle of readings also expands our imaginations in regard to this feast. In this year's Gospel, Christ stands before Pilate, whose own power blinds him to the truth of the Lord's kingdom. In a world where oppression still holds sway over too many people, this feast is somehow still as timely as when Pope Pius XI first established it. Rev. James Field

HAPPENING IN THE DIOCESE

Be Inspired. Our Lady of Victory National Shrine and Basilica has some very inspiring events planned to help you celebrate the Advent and Christmas Seasons. All activities are free. On December 15 at 7 pm there will be a **Festival of Lessons and Carols**, a reflective service of Scripture and Song. Throughout these special seasons, come and view **Sacred Stories in Glass**, a close-up exhibit of some of the Basilica's beautiful stained-glass windows. And by popular demand, Fr. Roy Herberger's unique collection of Nativity Sets from around the world will also be on display. Both exhibits will be located in the lower level of the Shrine during regular Basilica hours. Our Lady of Victory National Shrine and Basilica is located at 767 Ridge Rd., Lackawanna. Che lord is my shepherd; there is nothing l shall want.

Thanksgiving Prayer

O God, when I have food, help me to remember the hungry; When I have work, help me to remember the jobless; When I have a home, help me to remember those who have no home at all; When I am without pain, help me to remember those who suffer, And remembering, help me to destroy my complacency; be concerned enough to help; By word and deed, those who cry out for what we take for granted. Amen.

VOCATION NEWS: Praised be Jesus Christ, King of the universe! We assemble in church as the royalty of His court, brave knights & noble ladies sent out to do His bidding. What has Christ the King decreed for you? Could it be a life of service in the Church, as an ordained or lay minister? Call Fr. Dave Baker at 716-847-5535 to start the conversation or visit buffalovocations.org.

In Loving Memory Memorial Page

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their soul and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen May the prayers of Mary, the Mother of God, who stood by the cross as Her Son was dying, help those who mourn for our brothers and sisters and accompany all of us in our time of need. Amen

Leroy & Ethel Anderson **Christopher Baczynski Fred Baker Beaver & Stearns Families Cora Bonfiglio** Tichy, Horvath & Brunecz Families **Charles E. J. Cassidy** John W. & Mary Fran Patterson Campion DMO the Crasti & Marino Families John & Tillie Cusimano **Michael Danielson** Rev. Msgr. Joseph M. Dowdell DMO the Dominick & O'Hagan Families **Dr. Anthony Floccare DMO the Floccare & DePetro Families** Stephanie A. Frucella Alexander Gil **Angelo Giuffre & Maria Cali Families Glenard A. Grabow** Dr. Joseph & Concetta Griffo **Charles "Charlie" Heggarty Grunert & Perk Families** Hacker & Tuzzo Families **Hedrich & Peterson Families** Rev. John T. Horne **Hutchinson & Truax Families** L & DMO the Irons & Pfurtscheller Families For the Soul of Judas Iscariot **Rev. Joseph P. Janaczek Phyllis Johenning** Andrew B. & Eleanor H. Johnson **Karg & Kurtzhals Families Kilburn & Hoffman Family** Rev. John L. Kuhlmann Edda Liuzzo Giuseppe & Giuseppina Liuzzo Joseph X. & Mary R. Lombardo **Carol K. Lucas** Marie F. MacNamara Mareri, O'Kelly, Murphy Families

Frank & Josephine Marcello **Marchiando & Dominici Families** Nina Claire Marsh Rev. Dennis W. Mende Mary Jo Mason Montagna Reinaldo E. & T. Silvia Muniz Janet & Henry Napier **DMO the Nicastro & Gullo Families** O'Brien, Letro & Plunkett Families L & DMO the Pappalardo Family Mary Ann Pappalardo James Patti Robert J. Perron Plummer & McGraw Families & Sisters of St. Joseph of Buffalo Tom Prechtl & Katy Guye Rau & Shepherd Families **DMO Raymond & Raimondo Families Rieg, Barnes & Pearson Families** James R. Rusiniak Nicholas & Miriam Rodriguez **B. Muriel Rose** Dr. Joseph & Ruth Rube L & DMO the Scarpino & Heffern Families Jim Scully **DMO Belluz & Shay Families** Nicholas W. Shelley **Ross & Josephine Spoto** Swanson & Regan Families The Twichell Family Paul Tran, Minh Cong, Anna Nguyen Kim Hong, Teressa Tran, Kim Loan, Peter Tran Binh Thanh Linda J. Wadsworth **Richard & Emily Weimer** Jason M. Williams Zahler, Cuffney & Green Families **Zunner & Gumienik Family** Robert "Bob" McDowell