

Catholic Neighbors In Faith

2nd Sunday
in Ordinary Time



“Fill the jars with water.”

John 2:7

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Holy Apostles:

Ss. Peter & Paul

508 Cherry St.
Jamestown NY 14701

St. John

282 Newton Ave.
Jamestown NY 14701

St. James

27 Allen St.
Jamestown NY 14701

Sacred Heart

380 E. Fairmount Ave.
Lakewood NY 14750

Our Lady of the Snows

36 E. Main St.
Panama NY 14767

St. Patrick

189 Main St.
Randolph NY 14772

Our Lady of Loreto

309 W. Everett St.
Falconer NY 14733

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

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Catholic Neighbors In Faith Parish Happenings

Saturday, January 18

JMS: Confessions 3-3:30pm

Sunday, January 19

NO Faith Formation Classes MLK Holiday

JMS: OCIA Class, Hall 9 - 10:15am

OLL: Movie after 10am Mass,

Holy Name Society Mtg, Hall 11am

Monday, January 20

Holiday - Martin Luther King Jr. Day

Office Closed

JMS: 8AM Mass Only

Tuesday, January 21

SPP: Handbell Choir rehearsal 6:30pm

JMS: Women's Bible Study 6:30 - 8pm

OLL: Holy Name Society Mtg Rescheduled 6:30pm

Wednesday, January 22

JMS: Adoration in the Chapel 9am-7pm Conf. 6 -6:30pm

JMS: Italian Dancers Mtg 6pm Hall

Thursday, January 23

JMS: Choir Rehearsal Church

JHN: Jubilate Singers Rehearsal Church 6:15pm

Friday, January 24

Liturgy of the Hours - Christian Prayer on Zoom 9am

Call the central office for ID & passcode to join

Saturday, January 25

JMS: Prayer Shawl Ministry 10am Library

JMS: Confessions 3-3:30pm

Sunday, January 26

Faith Formation Classes all sites

SHR: 1st Communion Retreat 1:30pm

JMS: OCIA Class, 9 - 10:15am Hall

CPR & AED Training Update

WHEN: Saturday, February 15

WHERE: St. James Hall

TIME: 9:00 AM

COST: \$20.00 Per Person

You can pay at the door or if you would like to pay ahead please submit payment to the Central Office.

Any checks, please make payable to St. James.

Thank you.

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

Please call the parish office if you would like to add a name to the prayer list.

Please Note: You must have the permission of the person you want listed before we can add them to this list.

Starting New Prayer List

We are starting a new prayer list of the sick, please call the Central Office to add names. Current names are removed and the list will be restarted.

Please remember that you must have the permission of the person you want listed before we can add them to this list.

If you have someone who is deployed and would like to have them added to a prayer list, please let us know that as well.

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

Mass Intentions

Saturday, January 18

- JMS - 4:00PM † **Dawn Henderson**
By St. James Rosary Guild
- 4:00PM † **Helena Damond** (Anniv)
By husband, John & Family
- OLS - 4:00PM † **Eugene Kinderman**
By Tcihy Cousins
- PAT - 5:30PM † **John C. & Joan Hoffman**
By Your Children

Sunday, January 19

- JMS - 8:00AM **In Honor of Christine Sczesny**
By Son & Family
- JHN - 9:00AM † **Joe Lisciandro**
By Celtics Club
- SHR - 9:00AM † **John Brustrom** (birthday)
By wife, Mary Grace
- OLL -10:00AM † **Living & Deceased Fathers**
By Parishioners
- SPP -11:00AM † **Anna Kutschke**
By Bruce Widen
- PAT -11:00AM † **Barbara Graham**
By Janet & Jim Huntington

Monday, January 20

- JMS - 8:00AM † **Raymond Paterniti**
By Carl & Maria Gullotti
- Holiday - Martin Luther King Jr. Offices Closed**

Tuesday, January 21 - St. Agnes

- PAT - 8:00AM † **Pro-Popolo - For the Parishioners**
By the Priest
- OLL 9:00AM † **Eleanor Mooney** (Anniversary)
By a friend

Wednesday, January 22 - Day of Prayer for Legal Protection of Unborn Children

- JHN - 8:00AM † **David Scarpino**
By Jon & Mary Harmon
- JMS - 7:00PM † **Jon Belin**
By Cindy Nutt

Thursday, January 23

- JMS -8:00AM † **Souls of the Faithful Departed**
By Parishioners
- OLL - 9:00AM † **M/M Peter Verquer**
By Lorraine

Friday, January 24 - Saint Francis de Sales

- JMS - 8:00AM † **L & DM of Scully Famy**
By wife, Mary Lou Scully
- SHR - 9:00AM † **Anna Kutschke**
By Heinrich Kutschke
- SPP - 12:10PM † **Bill de la Cerda**
By Kathy Hedrich

Saturday, January 25- Conversion of Saint. Paul, the Apostle

- JMS - 4:00PM † **Rosemary Carrubba**
By The Nutt Family
- OLS - 4:00PM † **Mike Brunecz**
By the Tichy Girls
- PAT - 5:30PM † **Mikki Arrance** (Birthday)
By Jean Shanahan & Marie Calo

Sunday, January 26 - 3rd Sunday Ordinary Time

- JMS - 8:00AM † **Janice Alice Rial**
By The Pringle Family
- JHN - 9:00AM † **Henry Gorino**
By Vince Joy & Bev Caldwell
- SHR - 9:00AM † **Martha Briano**
By Barbara Irons
- OLL -10:00AM † **Joseph Giambra** (Birthday)
By Children & Grandchildren
- SPP -11:00AM † **Peter E. Swartz Sr.** (Birthday)
By Peter & Mary
- PAT -11:00AM † **Charles Giambrone Jr.**
By Altar & Rosary Society

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

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Wine for January

Sacred Heart:

In Memory of Jim Maitland

By wife, Joanne

Memorial Donations Were Presented To:

Holy Apostles Parish

In Memory of Gilda Palmer

By Mrs. Frances M. Menno

St. John

In Memory of Joan Brigiotta,

(Birthday & Anniversary)

By Sebastian & Gerri Mazzurco

By Jeanette & Jean Brigiotta

St. James Parish Outreach

In Memory of James Patti

By wife, Helen

A Gift of Intentions

If you would like to make a donation to the church "In Memory Of..." or "In Honor Of..." someone special, consider the Wine, or Hosts. A month donation for Wine is \$40 and the Hosts are \$25. a card can be sent to the family notifying them of your donation. This is a great way to honor someone when a Mass date is not available. Call the Central Office at 716.487.0125 to schedule your gift today.

Please Pray for the Repose of the Souls of

Charles R. Giambrone, Jr.

Joseph Genco, Jr.

Gilda M. Palmer

William de la Cerda

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace.

Amen

Our Stewardship for January 5, 2025

St. James: Offertory \$4,915.47, Sol. Of Mary \$1,004
Parish Improv. \$273, Christmas Flowers \$10,
OLV Christmas Mass \$355

Holy Apostles: Offertory 3,581, R & M \$190,
Christmas \$145, Rel. Retire. \$53 Sol. of Mary \$911

Sacred Heart: Offertory \$2,727

Our Lady of Loreto: Offertory \$ 827, Sol. Of Mary \$319,
Christmas \$95

St. Patrick: Offertory \$1,324, Sol. Of Mary \$181,
Christmas \$50, Flowers-\$10

Thank you for your support of our parishes & ministries!

Altar Server Training / Funeral Server Training

We are looking for individuals to assist at Masses. Anyone interested in becoming an Altar Server in our family of parishes is asked to contact the central office, 716-487-0125. This is a great service to the church and a corporal work of mercy. If you are interested in becoming an Altar Server, and/ or Funeral Altar Server, please fill out the form below. You can place the form in any collection basket, drop it off at the central office or mail it to 27 Allen St. Jamestown NY 14701. **The class is scheduled for Saturday, January 25, 10am at St. James.**

NAME: _____ **PARISH:** _____

PHONE: _____ **EMAIL:** _____

Youth / Adult Please circle one

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HOLY NAME SOCIETY MEETING UPDATE:

Due to a scheduling conflict with the church hall, the Holy Name Society has decided to move their meeting that was originally scheduled for 1/19/25, to **1/21/25 at 6:30 PM**. Dessert and coffee will be provided.

Coming in 2025

Lord Teach Me To Pray (LTMTTP)

"The Parables"

WHEN: Mondays - **Beginning January 27** to May 19

WHERE: St. James from in the "Frucella Memorial Classroom"

Back parking lot, door on the *RIGHT* closest to the garage.

TIME: 6PM to 7:10 PM

WHAT: The study will follow the Ignatian Spirituality Format

All you need to bring is your Bible, a note pad for journaling and your love for Jesus.

We will cover the purpose of Parables; starting with Aesop's Fables, to Parables in the Old Testament, and to all the Parables of Jesus.

WE will have HANDOUTS for you to study between classes.

You can come to as many as you like.

COST: FREE! Just 70 minutes of your time to spend with God

13th Annual Valentine Cookie Sale

The Jubilate Singers will be hosting their 13th Annual Valentine Cookie Sale on Sunday, February 2, at the 9:00am Mass at St. John Church and at the 11:00am Mass at Ss. Peter & Paul Church.

The proceeds from the sale will continue their sponsorship of Daniela Mae & family from the Philippines, through Unbound; formerly the Catholic Federation of Children and Adults.

The Baker's dozen of mixed cookies, will sell for \$10. Nut-free plates will be available.

In 2024, the Jubilate Singers were pleased to pay for their annual sponsorship of \$550, and also present a check of \$250 to Options Care. Thank you all for your generosity!



OPTIONS CARE CENTER

FREE PREGNANCY RESOURCES

The **Options Care Cradle** will be at Ss. Peter & Paul Church for the month of January. 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.

Men's Faith Sharing Group

Men's Faith Sharing Group Starts Up Again January 18 We will be starting the second "semester" of our men's faith-sharing group Saturday January 18 from 7:30 to 8:30 am. (Note the new starting time.) All adult men in the CNIF family of parishes are invited to join us in the St. James church hall.

This program has been a blessing for the men who have been attending, and their families—as we strive to become better men, husbands and fathers.

We hope to see you Saturday mornings! For more information, text or call Jon Harmon (630) 815-6586.

Catholic Men's Conference of WNY

The Catholic Men's Conference of WNY will take place on March 29 at Cardinal O'Hara High School, 39 O'Hara Rd., Tonawanda. Feature speaker will be Fr. Larry Richards. Along with the speakers, confessions, adoration and breakout discussions will be offered. Priests that can be available to hear confessions between 11 am-1 pm.



PRAY FOR VOCATIONS

Vocation News

Back to Ordinary Time, where we strive to serve God faithfully with our daily labors. Is Jesus asking you to labor in the Vineyard to save souls, as a religious sister, brother, deacon, or priest? If so, contact Fr. Dave Baker at 716-847-5540 or visit www.buffalovocations.org

REFLECTIONS

The Word In Our Lives - Flipped-out Pharisees

The Gospel reading for this Sunday is not only the first miracle in John's Gospel, it is also John's first mention of Jesus' mother. I used to find it odd that Jesus addressed her as "Woman." I can't imagine my Dad letting me get away with that. But in that time the word was more respectful; it could even be affectionate. (The last time Jesus speaks to his mother—John 19:26—he also calls her "Woman." He certainly wasn't being disrespectful on the cross.) Jesus does help as his mother requested, but he does so in a way that doesn't draw attention to himself and also is a lesson about God's love. You have probably heard how the Jewish people in Jesus' time performed purification rituals before eating anything. The cleansings were a sign that they wanted to be like God, completely free from sin. Eventually, it came to mean that you could not approach God until you cleansed yourself. Jesus used the miracle to show us a different way of understanding holiness. Jesus could have made the wine in bottles or wineskins to show that it was new. But he used the "six stone water jars there for Jewish ceremonial washings" (John 2:6). That meant that once they were full of wine, no one could wash themselves from the jars. I wonder how many Pharisees flipped out when they saw that.

The point is that no one can cleanse themselves. We don't purify ourselves in order to come to God—we come to God to be purified. God is the only one who can make us holy. God offers this to sinners especially, because sinners who know they need forgiveness are the only ones to receive it. Not because God excludes the rest. Those who don't think they are sinners or don't think they can be forgiven won't ask for it. God never forces mercy on anyone. It is offered to those who ask for it. The amount of wine (six big jars of about twenty-five gallons each) symbolizes the extent of God's mercy. As there was now more than enough wine for the wedding, God has more than enough mercy for those who need it. Wine is also a symbol of joy in the Old Testament. There is no greater joy than knowing that you have been forgiven by the Lord.

Tom Schmidt

Inspiration Daily - Building up the Kingdom

You are God's delight! Yes, you. Isaiah talks about how God called you, and as a groom rejoices in his bride, He rejoices in you. And then, in the second reading, St. Paul reminds us that we have been given spiritual gifts that help us serve the people of God. He reminds us that while our gifts are different from others' gifts they are all manifestations of the same Spirit and are all needed. In the Gospel, we see Mary's gift of being concerned with hospitality and caring for others. She urges Jesus to help and while His reply to her is vague, she tells the waiters to "do whatever he tells you."

Are you ever a bit timid or even afraid to do whatever Jesus tells you to do? Or maybe you make excuses. I do the latter. Especially when I am not fond of what I am being asked to do. For example, I have felt a pull to be more intentional about intercessory prayer. In theory, it is a great idea. I believe in the power of prayer. The people who need prayers are people I care about. But praying takes time, Lord, and you know how that is in short supply. Based on my experience I know praying is important and necessary, not only for those I am praying for but for me. But I drag my feet and maybe whine a tad until I realize that saying no to Jesus is not a good plan. Ever.

And why would any of us say "no" or ignore a request from God who loves us? I think we each can think about that on our own. And then I hope we all come to the conclusion that doing what he tells us to do will always bear abundant fruit. We will be led to use the gifts we have been given for the glory of God and to build up the kingdom. As baptized Catholics, that is our purpose.

As you go through your day, ask Jesus to reveal to you the specific purpose he has for you right now. And then do it.

Deanna Bartalini

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TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

We have the wedding at Cana at the heart of today's liturgy because this story of Jesus' first miracle of water turned into wine was originally part of the Epiphany feast. Wedding celebrations always require some savvy planning, and a people who have a talent for hospitality in the mix. The mother of Jesus has been recruited to deal with some of the details of the banquet, and when a very understandable crisis arises, she does what she can to rescue the party. Anyone who has ever run out of ice, dessert, or table settings knows the stress!

Slowly, the memory of Jesus Christ's blessing of this marriage feast led the Church to form a way to bless marriages. A thousand years ago weddings migrated from the family home to the doors of the church, where the celebration was held in public view. From this practice came a prayer called the "Nuptial Blessing," one of the most solemn prayers in our tradition. It is very much like the prayers by which baptismal water and chrism are consecrated, the ordination prayer over a priest, and the Eucharistic Prayers over bread and wine. Four hundred fifty years ago, weddings moved inside the church building. All of this gives married couples good reason to celebrate this day as a mini anniversary, especially with the clinking of glasses filled with good wine. *James Field*

SAINT AGNES (died 304) January 21

Writing about Saint Agnes in the year 377, Saint Ambrose, Bishop of Milan, declared: "This is a virgin's birthday into heaven: let us imitate her chastity! And a martyr's heavenly birthday: let us offer ourselves in sacrifice!" Chastity: mastery of oneself in order to give of oneself whether in the priestly, religious, married, or single state. Sacrifice: "to make holy," to set someone or something apart for service. Ambrose knew these virtues indispensable for discipleship, but challenging to practice in his world—or our own. Barely a teenager, Agnes faced gruesome tortures bravely and, when ordered to worship pagan gods, boldly made the Sign of the Cross instead. Thus, her youthful courage strengthened adult believers who wavered under persecution or grew indifferent when persecutions passed. To bestow on Agnes its highest honor and keep her witness fresh in believers' hearts, the Church inscribed her name at the heart of the Eucharistic liturgy, in the Roman Canon (Eucharistic Prayer I), until Vatican II the Roman Church's only Eucharistic Prayer. *Peter Scagnelli*



KIDS CORNER

Congratulations to All of our First Reconciliation students!

Preston Fusco-Allette
 Ari Genco
 Willo Hoyt
 Anna Leone
 Maria Leone
 Alive Peterson
 Johnny LaMancuso
 Elizabeth Turnquist
 Jackson Levandoski

Callan Beaver
 Blayne Mossison
 Emma Ring
 Hailey Sicignano
 Vincent Quanz
 Trinity Hall
 Adrian Hammond
 Kendal Johnson
 Isabella Scoma

Adelyn Shelters
 Ethan Waid
 Liam Zambotti



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- Wedding
- Galilee
- Invited
- Wine
- Stone
- Ceremony
- Jars
- Water
- Reveal
- Believe



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Memorial Page Listings

We will once again be offering the opportunity to have your loved ones remembered on a Memorial Page each week in the bulleting. We had a great response last year and are hoping for the same this year.

Your loved one's name (s) will be listed each week on a page in the bulletin. A yearly donation of \$50 is asked per line. This offering goes to help support the parish community.

There are two options. 1) Listed as one individual name: "Mary Jones," or 2) You may list family groupings: "The Jones Family." 3) Multiple names may be listed; "Tom Smith and Mary Jones." The cost is \$50 per line.

Catholic Neighbors In Faith Memorial Listing (Please Print Clearly)

Please send a check for \$50 made out to your HOME PARISH and mail it to: 27 Allen St., Jamestown NY 14701.

Name (s) _____

Your Contact Information

Your Name _____ Parish _____ Phone _____

ADDRESS: _____

City

St

Zip

CPR & AED TRAINING



We are looking to hold a Basic CPR training for anyone interested in becoming CPR Certified. We are also asking if any St. James parishioners are interested in getting certified on the Automatic External Defibrillator (AED) . There are 2 in the church to use in case of an emergency.

An Instructor is available, the cost is to be determined and date of training will depend on interest. If you would like to attend the class, call the office at 716-487-0125 or fill out the slip below and drop it in any collection basket. Responses must be received by January 19. We are hoping for a great response!

(Please Print Clearly)

Name _____ Phone _____

Email _____

2024 OFFERTORY TAX STATEMENTS: If you received a tax statement last year, then you do not need to request one this year. You will automatically receive one. If you did **NOT** receive a tax statement last year, but would like one, then fill out this form and drop it in any weekend collection or call the Central Office to request one.

Name: _____ Parish: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Contact No.: () _____

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

Robert "Bob" McDowell
Charlie Heggarty
Dawn Henderson
Mary Ann Pappalardo
Hoffman & Kilburn Families
Ruth H. & William J. Radack
DMO the Heffen & Scarpino Families
DMO the O'Brien Family
DMO Letro Family
DMO Plunkett Family
DMO Lou Family
DMO Shepherd Family
DMO Plummer & McGraw
Sisters of St. Joseph of Buffalo
Daniel K. McIntyre
Phyllis Jochenning
William Beckley
Ross & Josephine Spoto
Dr. Joseph & Ruth Rube
Debbi Weigel
Rev. Dennis W. Mende,
Paul Tran Minh Cong
Anna Nguyen Kim Hong,
Peter Tran Binh Thanh
Theresa Tran Kim Loan
Dr. Joseph & Concetta Griffo
Dr. Anthony Floccare,
DMO Floccare & DePetro Families
Tichy Brunecz & Horvath Families
Marchiando & Dominici Families
Mary Jo Mason Montagna & Samuel J. Mason
Stephanie A. Frucella
John W. & Mary Fran Patterson Campion
John & Tillie Cusimano, Rev. Joseph P. Janaczek
James Patti
Grunert & Perk Families
G. Craig, Robert & Margaret Miller, John, Hilda,
William, & Georgia Hoy
DMO Hendrickson & Twichell Families
Ann Marie Galati Phillips
DMO Dominick & O'Hagan Families
L & DMO the Iron & Pfurtscheller Families

Christopher Joseph Baczynski, Alexander Gil
Reinaldo & Silvia Muniz
Fred Baker
Frank & Josephine Marcello, Jason M. Williams,
Marcello & Miraglia Families
Karg & Kurtzhals Families
James R. Rusiniak
Tammy A. Yezzi
Charles E.J. Cassidy,
Marie F. MacNamara,
Zahler, Cuffney, & Green Families
Nina Claire Marsh
Andrew B. & Eleanor H. Johnson, Hutchinson &
Truax Families

