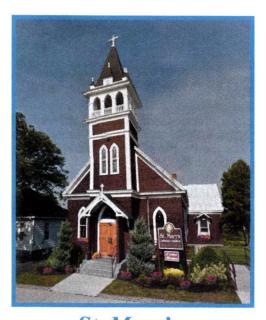


St. James State Street, Carthage Land Deeded by James D. Leray de Chaumont, 1818 First Church Dedicated and Incorporated, 1821 Present Church Dedicated 1866



St. Mary's NYS Rt. 12, Copenhagen Land Deeded 1901, Incorporated 1890 Present Church Dedicated 1902

We are two diverse communities of faith who are united in bringing the Gospel into the daily lives of all who worship with us. We stand together with all people, especially the poor and the alienated, as a sign of God's universal love for all people. We extend a warm welcome to all and hope that you will find the parishes of St. James and St. Mary's places where faith can be nourished.

Parish Staff

Pastor:	Rev. Donald A. Robinson
Pastoral Associate:	Deacon Richard J. Staab
Pastoral Associates:	Sr. Mary Ellen Brett, SSJ, Sr. Annunciata Collins, SSJ
Augustinian Academy:	Mrs. Mary Ann Margrey, Principal
Sunday Mass Schedule	Sacrament of Reconciliation
Saturday: 5:00 pm St. James (ant.)	Saturday: 3:30 pm – 4:30 pm St. James
Sunday: 8:00 am St. Mary's	Sunday: 7:30 am St. Mary's
10:00 am St. James	Sacrament of Marriage: Contact Pastor
	Sacrament of Baptism: Contact Rectory
	Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick:

Contact the Rectory anytime

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February 2, 2020



The Presentation of The Lord SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 1 5:00SJ(ant.) - James Cassoni, Jr-5th Anniversary by family SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 2 8:00SM - For the People of the Parishes 9:00SJ - Divine Office /Rosary 10:00SJ - Kim McIlroy - by Kathy Latremore Monday, February 3 5:00SJ - Rosary/Miraculous Medal Novena 5:30SJ - Carolyn McDonald by her brother, Ronald TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 4 12:00SJ - Bette Shampine-2nd Anniv. by Roseann & Kathy WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 5 9:00SM - Al Eisel by Daphne Corbett THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 6 THERE IS NO MASS OR COMMUNION SERVICE TODAY FIRST FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 7 9:30SJ - Ronald Novak by CAA Students, Staff & Faculty 2:00HR - Michael Nabywaniec-1st Anniversary by Mom & family SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 8 5:00SJ(ant.) - For the People of the Parishes SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9 8:00SM - Rosemary Houghton by Marianne McLane 9:00SJ - Divine Office /Rosary 10:00SJ - Christopher Paragon by Sister Bernadette Marie NOTE - No Mass on Thursday

<u>E</u> - No Mass on Thursday There will be a 2pm HR (High Rise) Mass on Friday

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Feb. 2 Little Flowers Girls Club, 11am-12:30pm (CR)
- Feb. 4 AVE Maria Circle Meeting, 6pm (CR)
- Feb. 6- K of C Meeting, 7pm (CR)
- Feb. 8 Men of Faith, 8:30-10am (CR)
- Feb. 8 16th Annual Winter Gala, 6pm (Elks Club)
- Feb. 9 Pancake Breakfast, 8:30am-noon (CR)
- Feb. 10 Parent Meeting for 1st Eucharist, 7pm (CR)
- Feb. 11 Worship/Liturgy Committee Meeting, 4:30pm (SM)
- Feb. 11 St. Mary's Finance Council Meeting, 7pm (SM)
- Feb. 16 St. James Coffee & Donuts, 11am (CR)
- Feb. 18 Church Cleaning, 9am (SJ)
- Feb. 24 Family Life/Vocation Meeting, 7pm (CR)

CANstruction donations notice: The youth group has been tasked to represent St. James Church and participate in this year's CANstruction contest to benefit the VEM Food Pantry and WTCA Shuttle Bus. We are attempting to build a snow castle! Around the church, donation boxes have been placed for TOILET PAPER, PAPER TOWELS, SHAMPOO and SOCKS. Your generosity is greatly appreciated and collection will run through February 7. Thank you Michelle, Tom and Brandon

Weekly Offerings January 26, 2020					
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St. James		St. Mary's			
Envelopes	\$5,575.00	Envelopes	\$942.00		
Plate	\$490.25	Plate	\$340.00		
TOTAL	\$6,065.25	TOTAL	\$1,282.00		
Weekly Need to Meet Budget	\$9,938.07	Weekly Need to Meet Budget	1,754.80		
Last Year	\$5,281.00	Last Year	\$722.25		
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Augustinian Academy School News February 2, 2020

Congratulations to our Science Olympiad Team. They traveled to Plattsburgh to compete in the Regional meet. We are so proud of them as they took Second Place! Congratulations to Mackenzie Major, Monica Bockus, Kenley Sloan, Holli Campeau, Bethanee Motes, Thomas James, Dominick Petro, Ben Clarkson, Elijah Bush, Staci Benedict, Christian Burke, Aiden Pak, Shane Motes, Henry Blickhahn, Parker Richards. A special thanks to their coaches: Ms. Margrey, Mrs. Schexnayder, Mrs. Parker, Mrs. Worthington, Mrs. Clarkson, Mrs. Carney, and Mr. Richards.

Many thanks to Alexandra LaVine who trained our 5th - 8th graders in hands-on CPR. We are grateful for her willingness to work with our students.

Our 4th – 8th graders will participate in a NY Newspapers Foundation's News Media Literacy Program on Monday! Thank you to Mrs. Clarkson for setting this up with the New York News Publishers Association, "Seeking & Finding the Truth in a Fake News World."

We hope to see you at our Roaring 2020's Gala next Saturday! Don't miss out on the fun! It kicks off our celebration of Catholic Schools Week. Next week we will share the schedule of events, Everyone is welcome to join us every day!

On Monday, Feb. 10th there is a very important meeting for parents of students who will be making their First Communion. Meet in the Community Room at 7:00.

Join us for First Friday Mass! We will introduce our newest Saints! We look forward to praying with you!

Dare To Be Holy - A Parish Mission

Hosted by the Parishes of St. Anthony & St. Patrick, Holy Family & Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Conducted by Bill Wegner- Good News International Sunday, February 9 - Wed. February 12, 2020 - 6:30pm Sunday - Holy Family Church Monday - St. Patrick's Church Tuesday - St. Anthony's Church Wednesday - Sacred Heart Church Special Session Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday After 12 pm Mass at St. Patrick's Church Everyone welcome - Offering will be taken Refreshments Served For More information call : 315-782-1190

Box Tops - This year our Box Top goal is 5,000 Box Tops equal to \$500. With the parish's help, so far we have clipped & scanned 3471 Box Tops!. Keep dropping your paper box tops off in the back of the church or at school & keep scanning your receipts (if you do not have the Box Top app simply send your receipt to school; if it's less then 2 weeks old we can scan it for you!). We also need your ideas on what exactly Father Robinson should do at the Walk A Thon when we meet our goal. We will be collecting ideas through February 28, then we will vote on which idea the majority likes best. The rules are simple: 1) It must be doable (i.e. bungy jumping off the school probably will not happen) 2) It must be legal and 3) It must not cost Father Robinson bodily harm. That's it! Thank you for your ongoing support!

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Will be on First Friday, February 7 after the 9:30am Mass. You are invited to come and spend an hour in prayer. Nocturnal Adoration is 6pm until 7am, Saturday.

REMINDER - Confessions on First Friday are at 8:45am.



Discovering hope and joy in the Catholic faith.

One Minute Meditations

St. Blaise

Not much is known

is certain that St. Blaise was the

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fourth-century Turkey, and that

he was arrested for being a

Christian. On his way to jail,

he healed a young boy who

was choking on a fish bone.

According to one legend, the

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Catholics between the ages of 18 and 59 are obliged to fast on Ash Wednesday (February

26th) and Good Friday (April

Catholics 14 years old and older must abstain from meat

on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday and all the Fridays of

The U.S. bishops define

fasting as eating one full meal.

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Lenten Obligations

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February 2020

St. James-Carthage, St. Mary's-Copenhagen Rev. Donald Robinson, Pastor

Find your new heart during Lent

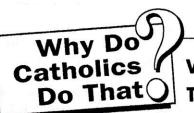
The root of the word "convert" means to "change," or "transform." Think of turning from sin and evil toward grace, virtue, goodness,

and God. It is the transformation of the human heart, by an act of God's grace. "A new heart I will give you, and a new spirit I will put within you; and I will take out of your flesh the heart of stone and give you a heart of flesh" (Ezekiel 36:26). A new heart.

God desires our conversion more than we ever could. With the perfect heart of a Father, he pursues and draws us to himself. Conversion begins by offering him our whole heart so he can remake it as his own. Break the heart of stone. There can be no healing or conversion when we harbor unconfessed sin. Make a full Confession to a priest in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Don't worry if you have been away for a while. The priest will be happy to guide you and to welcome you back to God's friendship. A new spirit. When we have a

soft and tender heart of flesh, we are able to receive God's holy will. Our new spirit

requires renewal every day. Daily prayer, frequent Confession, and regular reception of the Holy Eucharist will keep our hearts filled with God's love.



Why do Catholics call Fat Tuesday "Shrove" Tuesday?

repentant spirit.

Commonly known as Fat Tuesday or Mardi Gras, the Tuesday before Ash Wednesday has been traditionally spent feasting (especially on pancakes). It is also called "Shrove Tuesday," recalling the tradition of going to Confession. The

word "shrove" comes from "shrive" the English word for confessing one's sins and receiving absolution. In fact, there was a custom of churches ringing the "shriving bell" on this day. The goal was to start Lent with a clean soul and a

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Lent.

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Choose Heaven over Earth

Life on Earth lasts but a moment compared to our eternal life, yet we often let earthly concerns take priority over preparing for Heaven. If we put Heaven first, however, God will take care of everything else.

What is important to you? Make a list of what you do each day, from morning to bedtime. The activities that absorb most of your time are your real priorities. If it isn't in God's service, you need a change.



The ancient concept of justice – "an eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth" – is from Exodus 21:24, Leviticus 24:20 and

Deuteronomy 19:21, and was originally meant to limit violence and prevent blood feuds. Instead, Jesus introduced a new approach, one that would bring about a different kind of justice.

Jesus directed his followers and us to "be perfect," which includes being merciful. God requires our treatment of others – enemies included – to mirror his treatment of his enemies. As Christians, we are to imitate Christ, who forgave his executioners from the



Feb. 2 – Presentation of the Lord. In accordance with the Law of Moses, Mary and Joseph brought Jesus to the Temple forty days after his birth, and Simeon praised God for revealing the long-awaited Savior.

Feb. 2 – St. Catherine of Ricci (1590). St. Catherine was born to a prominent banker. Against her father's wishes, she joined the Dominicans when she was twelve. She is known for her visions of the Lord's Passion, which she experienced every Friday.

Feb. 17 - The Seven Holy Founders

Matthew 5:38-48, Forgive and pray

Cross: "Father, forgive them, they know not what they do" (Luke 23:34). Forgiveness doesn't mean letting the

person get away with their offense.

Forgiveness means letting go of our anger at the offender and entrusting the situation to God's care. We can't do this alone: we rely on God's

grace. We get this from the Holy Spirit and also from receiving the Eucharist at Mass. By receiving the Eucharist, we are nourished by the Body and Blood of Christ, who strengthens us to lead a more perfect life.

(13th century). Seven Italian noblemen who withdrew from the immorality of the times to live in prayer, simplicity and penance. Their order, the Servants of Mary, was later approved by the Holy See in 1304.

Feb. 26 – Ash Wednesday. First day of Lent. Ashes from burnt palms are

placed on the forehead as a sign of penance. Ash Wednesday is a day of abstinence from meat and fasting – one regular meal and two smaller meals that together don't equal a full meal. How do you make decisions? Do you look to friends or coworkers for advice? Or do you turn to prayer and Scripture for guidance? Resolve to take your eyes off of the world and place them on Christ. If we base all choices and decisions on God, we will never choose wrong.

Do you trust God to make you happy? "For I know well the plans I have in mind for you, says the Lord, plans for your welfare, not for woe! Plans to give you a future full of hope" (Jeremiah 29:11).



How can I fit more prayer into my busy day?

"Pray constantly" sounds challenging but it doesn't have to be. Actually, busy days offer many great opportunities for prayer if we know where to look.



Consider these suggestions: **Pray throughout the day.** Consider praying the Rosary on the way to work, saying grace before lunch, offering a quick "I love you," or praying for

guidance for important decisions. Even job-related tasks can become "prayers in action."

Fifteen minutes a day. Good friends know text messages can't replace being together. It's the same with God. He loves us and wants our company. Aim for 10-15 minutes of daily prayer. Thank God for your blessings, meditate on Scripture, offer him your day, or simply enjoy his company.

It's the love that counts. For her love and humility, Jesus commended a poor but generous widow for her small donation (Mark 12:43-44). Sometimes, we have little time or energy for "good prayer." Remember, what pleases God is not the elegance or number of our prayers, but the love with which we offer them.

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From the Pastor:

Today we welcome Cross Catholic Outreach Priest Father Augustine Temu to St. James and St. Mary's. He was ordained a priest of the Catholic Diocese of Tanga in Tanzania, East Africa in 2007. He is working on his Master of Arts in Pastoral Ministry at Duquesne University, Pittsburgh, PA. As an Outreach Priest he is able to see the difference Cross Catholic makes in serving the poor. He is inspired and motivated as a priest from the developing country of Tanzania and has worked in rural parishes where the majority are terribly poor. We are fortunate to have Father with us to preach on behalf of the poorest of the poor.

Don't forget that the CAA 16th Annual Winter Gala (formerly Mardi Gras Gala) will be Saturday, February 8th. Have you purchased your ticket yet? This is a major fundraiser for our school. Please consider attending; it is always a fun time and there are some great prizes to be given away. I think I am going to win the prize for best costume; I have been working on it for weeks.

The St. James Parish Pastoral Council met on January 21 and adopted a very important new policy about Mass intentions. It is printed in today's bulletin under the Council Summary news. Please read this policy and become familiar with it.

The newly formed Family Life/ Vocations Committee met recently and made some important strides in both strengthening family life in our parishes as well as promoting Vocation awareness. Starting this weekend, we would like to include more families and individuals in the Offertory Procession at St. James. There is a sign-up form at the Praver Intention Book at the entrance of the church and if the Mass is not already scheduled for someone, you can sign up to bring up the gifts. The Offertory gifts at St. James are in the middle of the church on a small table. There is a pew designated for those who are to bring up the gifts. Please consider volunteering for this important part of the Mass - bringing forth the gifts to be consecrated during the Eucharistic Prayer. Also, at the meeting it was decided to have Coffee and Donuts once a month in the Community Room. There is only one Sunday per month when the Room is not being used. Starting Sunday, February 16, we will have Coffee and Donuts downstairs. Hopefully, this will help build community in the parish and allow us to get to know our neighbors in faith. Please plan on joining us, after the 10am Mass.

Mark Your Calendar: Bishop Terry LaValley will be here on Monday, May 18 to confer the Sacrament of Confirmation at 7pm at St. James.

The all –important and newly instituted Buildings and Grounds collection will be taken up today as a 2nd collection at St. James. St. Mary's has had a similar Repair Fund collection for many years. These collections are taken up every 1st Sunday of the month. Please be as generous as you can.

I hope your favorite team wins today. For many, many years I have gone to Utah during the winter to ski. I am unable to do so this year. However, I am in VT this weekend on a little skiing trip. Please pray that I return in one piece.

I put a new sign out in front of the Church. You have probably noticed it. It reads: "JESUS IS COMING – HOPEFULLY BE-FORE THE IMPEACHMENT TRIAL ENDS!" Also, a parishioner in Carthage posted this on Facebook and someone sent it to me: "Now is a good time to visit...... our pastor is on vacation."

St. Mary's News ... February 2nd

Second collection today for Repair Fund.

Flamingo Appreciation Breakfast - Father Robinson & I had good intentions of cooking the breakfast. We cracked the eggs and could go no further. Thank God Kenny Paragon, Joanne Sligar, & Joe Margrey came to the rescue. GREAT BREAKFAST. THANKS to FLAMINGO ARTISTS, Susan Tavernier, and Bethany Freeman. THANKS to ALL who came to the rescue to set up and clean up. God Bless!

Feb. 2nd - No coffee and donuts after 8am Mass. The flamingoes flew away with the coffee pot.

Feb. 5th - Wednesday, Altar & Rosary Meeting, following the rosary, 7pm.

Summary - St. James Council Meeting - January 21,2020

In Attendance: Father. Robinson, Sister Annunciata, Mary Ann Margrey, Joseph Margrey, Darren Bracy, Joan Todd, Joanne Norrgard (recording secretary); Absent: Patrick Britton, Judy Nye, Barbara Kohler; Guest: Frank Skvorak

Spiritual Life and Worship

- RCIA one candidate Robert Houghton
- Sacramental Program First Eucharist May 3 Confirmation - May 18

• Plans being made for Lent, Holy Week and Easter

Augustinian Academy

- Report given by Principal
- Social
- Winter Gala for CAA February 8 at Elks Club Roaring 2020's

New Business

- Parish Financials ordinary income down \$9,000.compared to a year ago
- Capital Campaign follow-up envelope First monthly collection totaled \$3,200 for January
- St. James Fair June 11, 12 & 13
- Meals on Wheels proposed for Carthage pastor will help organize program with help from Good Samaritan Group New
- Mass Intention policy discussed and accepted: Regarding multiple Mass intentions for same person; 5 such Masses will be celebrated at St. James and St. Mary's, per year, with remainder going to Propagation of the Faith, so they can be satisfied in the Diocese in a timely manner
- Living Stones Pastoral Plan -3 goals for St. James & St. Mary's a. Outreach to unchurched
 - b. Family Life/Vocations
 - c. Youth Ministry

K of **C** News - Congratulations to our newest member Knights of Council #291: They are: Jeffrey Kepler, Robert LaPlatney and Konrad Wojcikowski. 12 other Knights also attended the Exemplification of Charity, Unity and Fraternity, earning their 3rd Degree. Congratulations to our 3rd Degree Knights!

Upcoming dates:

Feb 1&2 - "Pennies" collectionsFeb 8 - Men of Faith, 8:30amFeb 6 - K of C Meeting, 7pmFeb 9 - Pancake BreakfastFeb 7 - First FridayFeb 9 - Pancake Breakfast

Respectfully, James T (Jim) Gratch, Grand Knight

16th Annual Winter Gala (Formerly Mardi Gras Gala) Please join us as we celebrate the Roaring 2020's Saturday, February 8, 2020 - 6pm at the Elk's Club - 511 Fulton Street, Carthage Tickets may be purchased at the Augustinian Academy office or online \$40 per person / \$70 per couple https://www.c-augustinian.org/gala-tickets



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