



### **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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**March 7, 2021**



# MASS INTENTIONS

March 7, 2021

Third Sunday of Lent

PUBLIC MASSES BEING SAID WITH 50% CAPACITY

ALL THESE MASSES WILL BE SAID WITH ABOUT 100 PEOPLE

**SATURDAY, MARCH 6**

5:00SJ(ant.) - Mary Abbass - 2nd Anniv. by her children

**SUNDAY, MARCH 7**

8:00SM @SJ - Wayne Woodard

by Betty Ann & David & Shelley Woodard

10:00SJ - For the People of the Parishes

**MONDAY, MARCH 8**

5:00SJ - Rosary/Miraculous Medal Novena

5:30SJ - Christopher Sligar - 12 year Anniv. by Mom/Dad

**TUESDAY, MARCH 9**

9:00SJ - Leo Archer by Larry & Carol Archer

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 10**

9:00SM - Carol Lawlee by Debbie, Biff Green & family

3:00-6:00pmSJ - Eucharistic Adoration

**THURSDAY, MARCH 11**

9:00SJ - Alice Burrell by Kathy Smith

**FRIDAY, MARCH 12**

5:00SJ - Stations of the Cross

5:30SJ - Shannon Walters by her loving family

**SATURDAY, MARCH 13**

5:00SJ(ant.) - Lucy Laureano by Julie Laureano

**SUNDAY, MARCH 14**

8:00SM @SJ - For the People of the Parishes

10:00SJ - Joann O. Marrocco by Sharon Brennan family

**NOTE** - Wednesday Eucharistic Adoration  
Lenten Mass times

*Calendar of Events -*

Mar. 7 - Religious Ed Classes, 9 - 9:45am (CAA)

Mar. 8 - Good Samaritan Meeting, 6pm (CR)

Mar. 8 - Parent Meeting for First Eucharist, 7pm (ZOOM Meeting)

Mar. 9 - Lenten Adult Enrichment Series, 7pm (CR)

Mar. 13 - Men of Faith, 8:30-10am, (SJ)

Mar. 13/14 - Religious Art of St. James Presentation, 10am, 1pm & 1pm

Mar. 15 - 200th Anniversary Planning Committee Mtg, 7pm (CR)

Mar. 21-24 - SJ Parish Lenten Mission

*Cookbook Cover Contest*

**Deadline: April 1, 2021**

**Entry: Open to any student K-8**

**Eligible: Must be a member of St James or St Mary's**

Submit to Jane Reape: [janereape@yahoo.com](mailto:janereape@yahoo.com) or

Bring to either Parish Office or Augustinian Academy

**Weekly Offerings**

**February 28, 2021**

	<u>St. James</u>		<u>St. Mary's</u>
Envelopes	\$5,614.00	Envelopes	\$883.00
Plate	\$787.61	Plate	\$63.25
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$6,401.61</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$946.25</b>
<b>Weekly Need to Meet Budget</b>	<b>\$9,938.07</b>	<b>Weekly Need to Meet Budget</b>	<b>\$1,754.80</b>
Last Year	\$6,957.00	Last Year	\$1,096.50

THANK YOU!

**Augustinian Academy School News March 7, 2021**

Congratulations to Elijah Bush who represented Augustinian Academy at the Regional Spelling Bee. This year's event was online!

Our One School One Book kick-off video was a hit. If you have not seen it go to [www.c-augustinian.org](http://www.c-augustinian.org) under "More - One School One Book 2021". Many thanks to Mrs. Workman for creating the video. This program promotes families reading together. This year's book is The Year of Billy Miller by Kevin Henkes.

Unfortunately, Catholic Schools Week was delayed due to remote learning. This is such a fun week and the students look forward to sharing time together. We have decided to celebrate the five themed-days on the Fridays in March and April. We can celebrate CAA and spread the fun out over several weeks. Our first CSW day was **Friday, March 5<sup>th</sup>: School Spirit Day** - students wore blue & gold to show their school spirit. There was a **Mystery Saint Scavenger Hunt** open to all classes with prizes awarded! The 8<sup>th</sup> graders played their annual **volleyball game** against the Middle School teachers. Our next CSW celebration will be March 19<sup>th</sup>!

Augustinian will have a half-day on Thursday, March 11<sup>th</sup> for Parent/Teacher Conferences. Dismissal will be at 11:30. There will be no school on Friday, March 12<sup>th</sup> for a Superintendent's Day.

**St. Mary's News - March 7, 2021**

The following poem was written by Anastasia Mangan. It was distributed with the packages of rolls following Stations of the Cross and Mass at St. James Church on February 26, 2021.

Before the dawn of Easter there came Gethsemane...

Before the Resurrection there were hours of agony...

For there can be no crown of stars without a cross to bear...

And there is no salvation without,

Faith, Hope, Love and prayer.

Let us pray as did His Son on that dark night in Gethsemane.

"Thy will, not mine be done"

Parents wishing to have religious education for their children may receive materials to study at home. Mrs. Elaine Gibeau & Sr. Mary Ellen are anxious to help.

Please call 315 - 688 - 2683 if you would like to develop your child's faith formation during this challenging time.

**Zoom Parent Meeting for First Eucharist is Monday, March 8, 7pm. Further information to follow.**

Blessing Box of food is available daily in front of St. Mary's Church.

St. Mary's Church is open for the **Wednesday Lenten Weekday Mass at 9:00am. "The Word Among Us"** is available at the church & rectory. Please continue to spread the "Good News". Stop in church to pray. Masks & Social Distancing. Thanks to all who clean & decorate the church.

**Please check the Bulletin for the Lenten Mass schedule as well as for other Lenten Devotions.**

**IS GOD CALLING YOU TO A MORE ACTIVE ROLE IN YOUR PARISH?**

The Formation for Ministry Program prepares men and women to serve in their local parish. This program is a two-year program. Classes are online through Boston College. Candidates also meet a few times a year as a group for workshops. More information is available on our diocesan website at: <https://www.rcdony.org/formation/candidate.html>. Or contact Cathy Russell at: [crussell@rcdony.org](mailto:crussell@rcdony.org) - (315) 393-2920.

Date 2021	Lenten Activities - Stations of the Cross	
	Stations of the Cross	Bread Duty
12 - Mar.	Ave Maria Circle	St. James Parish Council/ CAA
19 - Mar.	Knights of Columbus	St. James Choir
26 - Mar.	Ave Maria Circle	Angel Dusters/Garden Club
2 - Apr.	Knights of Columbus	Knights of Columbus



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Rev. Donald Robinson, Pastor

## One Minute Meditations

### The Eucharist is now

During the celebration of the Eucharist, the past action of

Jesus becomes present. It is a liturgical representation of His sacrifice. Not merely a commemoration, Mass makes the sacrifice truly present. When we participate in the Eucharist, the past becomes present to us and we are present at the saving event.



### Live generously

In a world that judges people based on their accumulated wealth, it is easy to notice what we don't have and to wish for it. Lent, however, invites us to live in gratitude for what we do have. Gratitude then gives rise to generosity – sharing God's love and gifts with others. Generous people are encouraging, positive, and appreciative. During Lent, notice and appreciate God's gifts and share them with others.

### Always ready

"God never tires of forgiving us; we are the ones who tire of seeking his mercy"  
(Pope Francis).



## Refocus in the desert

Lent may be a time of penance and sacrifice but it doesn't have to be a time of sadness. In fact, the season brings an opportunity to become the people God created us to be.

This time in our spiritual desert can be a chance to simplify, focus, and concentrate.

**Simplify.** Look for areas in your life where there are excesses. When we have too much of something, it can take extra time to sort, store, and maintain the supply beyond what we need. For example, is your clothes closet packed too tightly? Is your pantry overstocked? Can you clean out and give some gently used items to the poor? You'll spend less mental and physical energy

if you keep only what you need.

**Focus.** During Lent, we are called to spend more intentional time with God. To help, consider fasting from

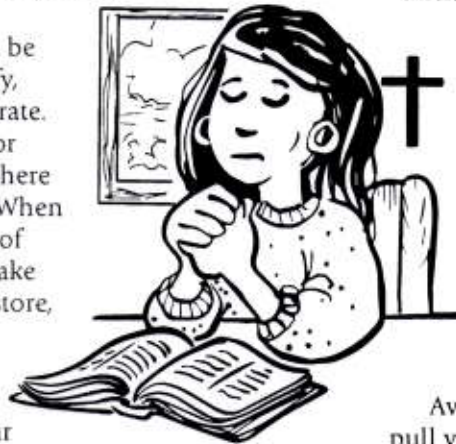
distractions. Limiting social media exposure,

controlling time spent working, or turning off the cell phone for periods of time can help you find space to add more prayer and Scripture reading to your day.

**Concentrate.**

Avoid influences that pull you away from God.

*"... But worldly anxiety, the lure of riches, and the craving for other things intrude and choke the Word, and it bears no fruit" (Mark 4:19).* Resolve to live a life that pleases God.



## Why Do Catholics Do That?

## Why do Catholics fast and abstain?

In preparing to begin His public ministry, Jesus spent forty days and nights in the wilderness of the desert. In the starkness of the desert, He strengthened His connection to his Father. God's love was all Jesus needed.



Fasting and abstinence also help us strengthen our connection to God. They are ways of

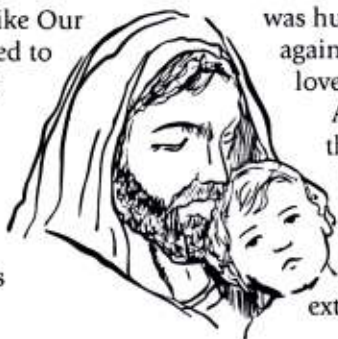
expressing sorrow for the ways we stray from God's friendship. By denying ourselves material comforts, we increase our dependence on God and our appreciation for His gifts.



# St. Joseph – ordinary or extraordinary?

Why did Jesus choose Joseph to be His father on Earth? St. Joseph wasn't rich, powerful, or even sinless like Our Lady. Born ordinary, virtue and grace combined to make Joseph remarkable. In fact, by choosing him, Jesus gave us a model we can follow.

**A man of faith.** In spite of persecution and societal pressure, Joseph answered the call to live the two greatest commandments. He put God first and did all that He asked, no matter how incredible. And, Joseph put his family's needs before his own.



**A husband.** He respected that his primary vocation was husband to Mary. In fact, public opinion was against him when he took pregnant Mary as his wife. He loved her anyway.

**A father.** As a devout Jew, he knew the psalms and the law of Moses. He didn't just teach his son a trade, Jesus was taught to be a faithful Son of God.

Like us, St. Joseph began ordinary but cooperated with God's grace to become extraordinary. That is possible for us, too.

## from Scripture

**Mark 14:1-15, 47, Make Jesus' Passion our own.**

It's even more important to share in his suffering and great love during his Passion. St.

Paul said, *"We hold this treasure in earthen vessels ... always carrying about in the body the dying of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be manifested in our body"* (2 Corinthians 4:7-10).

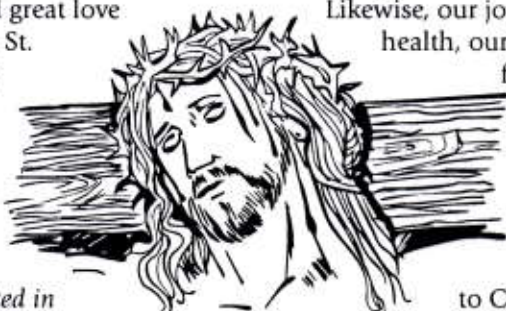
He means that everything that happens in our lives – the good and the bad – can be part of our bond with Jesus.

Every day our frustrations, our fears, our loneliness and temptations can become ways in which we share in the

suffering and death of Christ.

Likewise, our joys, our good health, our family and friends are all important ways to share in the joy of his Resurrection. The point is to offer everything to Christ.

St. Alphonsus wrote, "We should consider not so much the sorrows Jesus suffered as the love with which he bore them." Disciples of Jesus can have the same attitude toward suffering as he did and can share in his joy of Resurrection.



## Q & A What is Eucharistic Adoration?

Wouldn't it be amazing to be face to face with Jesus? Imagine sitting with Him, talking together, thanking Him for His gifts, asking for favors. In many churches throughout the world,

Catholics are able to do just that in Perpetual Adoration.

Adoration is a Eucharistic devotion that offers the opportunity to be in the presence of Jesus, under the appearance of the Eucharistic Host – the Blessed Sacrament.

Placed in a monstrance for display, all can see and pray in the presence of Our Lord. Parishes with Perpetual Adoration chapels are able to host adoration twenty-four hours a day. Other parishes offer periods of time adorers can worship in person.

"Adoration is the first attitude of man acknowledging that he is a creature before his Creator. It exalts the greatness of the Lord who made us and the almighty power of the Savior who sets us free from evil" (CCC, #2628). There are many ways to adore God, but in Adoration, we are truly in Jesus' presence adoring him in person.



## Feasts & Celebrations

**March 1 – St. David of Wales (c. 600).** St. David is the patron saint of Wales. He was born into Welsh nobility, but instead chose to become a priest. He was later consecrated a bishop. He is best known for founding an ascetic monastery and ridding the area of the Pelagian heresy.

**March 17 – St. Patrick of Ireland (c.461).** Born in Scotland, St. Patrick was kidnapped and brought to Ireland as a slave. He escaped but later returned to become the bishop of Ireland and is credited for having

established the Church there.

**March 19 – St. Joseph, Husband of Mary (1st Century).** Jesus' earthly father and husband to the Blessed Mother, St. Joseph is a model of fatherhood and a protector of families.

**March 25 – Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion (1st Century).** On Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion, we recall Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem, when he was greeted by crowds waving palms and cheering. This Sunday marks the beginning of Holy Week.



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## From the Pastor:

Thanks to all those who made our **FIRST St. James 200<sup>th</sup> Anniversary event so wonderful.** I am grateful to the committee who worked so hard to make sure everything was perfect: the food was delicious, the elaborate decorations were spectacular, all the special little features (like the CD with the romantic love songs) were greatly appreciated. I enjoyed viewing all the wedding photos from the past; although in many cases, I didn't recognize the bride and groom in the picture. And thanks to the 22 couples who attended; I know they had a good time! Now, on to the **SECOND St. James 200<sup>th</sup> Anniversary event.....**

**LET'S TRY AGAIN:** The presentations on the Religious Art of St. James have been rescheduled. They were cancelled in January because of COVID. **Mark your calendar: Saturday, March 13 at 10am and 1pm and Sunday, March 14 at 1pm.** Michael Sligar has worked very hard to put together new and updated research in a beautiful 60 page full color booklet. Each family attending a presentation will receive a free booklet. After March 13/14, the booklets will be on sale at St. James for \$5 each.

**MARK YOUR CALENDAR:** The 200th Anniversary Lenten Parish Mission will be **March 21-24.** We are fortunate to have Bill Wegner from Good News International who will be conducting the Mission for us. Bill is a Catholic Lay Evangelist. He comes to us with a reputation for being a dynamic, humorous and engaging speaker, whose sessions are both challenging and inspiring. He travels internationally as well as across the U.S. to proclaim the Good News.

Consider journeying this Lent with acclaimed author and well respected Catholic Church leader, Bishop Robert Barron. He is offering free daily reflections for Lent delivered directly to your email inbox. Go to: [www.wordonfire.org](http://www.wordonfire.org) to sign up.

During the Middle Ages they celebrated the end of the plague with wine and wild parties. Does anyone know if there is anything planned when this global pandemic is over?

**HELP NEEDED** - There is a person in the Carthage area who is in need of daily assistance - 3-4 hours a day. She is pretty self-sufficient and uses a walker. \$15 per hour. If interested, please call St. James Rectory - 315-493-3224

**Good Samaritan meeting** - in Community Room at 6:00 pm on March 8. Planning for Easter baskets.

**IN MEMORIAM-** For the month of.....**March 2021(SJ & SM)**

### Sanctuary Lamp

SJ - In memory of Stanley Campany by family

SJ - In memory of Sligar family by family

SM - In memory of Al Eisel by Marion Eisel

### Mass Candles

SJ - In memory of Father Hugh Connaghan & Allan Baldwin

SM -

### Votive Lights on our Lady's Shrine

SJ -In memory of Ella & Kenneth Ryan

### Votive Lights on St. Joseph's Shrine

SJ - In memory of Josephine & Thomas Ablan by family

### Altar Breads

SJ - In memory of Jack Jones by Woods family

SJ - In memory of Ambrose (Bruce ) Buckingham by Yvonne

SM -

## Act of Consecration to St. Joseph

O dearest St. Joseph, we your faithful of the Diocese of Ogdensburg, consecrate ourselves to your honor and give ourselves to you, that you may always be our father, our protector, and our guide in the way of salvation.

Obtain for each one of us a greater purity of heart and fervent love of neighbor. After your example, may we do all our actions for the greater glory of God, in union with the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

O Blessed St. Joseph, pray for this Church of the North Country. O Blessed St. Joseph, pray for our families that we may all grow in faith, hope and love so that we may faithfully serve Jesus Christ our Lord, all the days of our lives. AMEN

### March 7 - Reflection

**Sorrow:** The return from Egypt. (Matt. 2:22).

But hearing that Archelaus was reigning in Judea in place of his father Herod, he was afraid to go there; and being warned in a dream, he withdrew into the region of Galilee.

**Joy:** Life with Jesus and Mary at Nazareth. (Luke 2:39).

And when they had fulfilled all things prescribed in the Law of the Lord, they returned into Galilee, into their own town of Nazareth.

**Conclude** with an Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory be and the Act of Consecration to St. Joseph.

**Servers Needed** - Any adult wishing to volunteer to serve for funerals, please contact the rectory (315-493-3224) or Joe Margrey (315-493-1430). Adult servers may also be needed in the future for regular Sunday Mass due to the lack of students volunteering to serve.

### K of C News: Upcoming Dates:

Mar 6&7 - "Pennies" collections

Mar 13 - Men of Faith, 8:30am.

Brian Thompson, Grand Knight

### St. James Parish Mission

It's almost here! It won't be long now, Sunday night, March 21, through Wednesday night, March 24! Our parish mission, being led by Bill Wegner, a Catholic Lay Evangelist, is almost here. Just 2 weeks away! It will truly be a time of renewal and rejoicing for our community. Don't let these 4 days pass you by and leave you saying, "I wish I had been there". If you haven't made your plans yet, do it right now! Stop whatever you're doing and put it in your calendar! And remember, bring a friend!

### Prayer for Our Parish Mission

God our Father

We offer You praise and thanksgiving for  
All the many gifts you have given us.

We thank you especially for the gift of  
Our Parish Mission.

Quiet our minds and open our hearts  
To receive the gift of your Truth.

Grant that our coming Mission will be a  
Time of Grace for all.

A time of Growth for our Young  
A time of Refreshment for our Old  
A time of Renewal for our Families  
A time of Healing for the Broken  
A time of Joy for the Sorrowing  
A time of Challenge for the complacent  
A time of Grace for the Sinner  
A time of Strength for the Holy  
A time of Homecoming for those who  
Have been away.

Grant, most loving Father, that the Mission  
May bring down your richest Blessings  
On one and all!

We ask this through the Intercession of  
Mary, Our Mother, and all our Patron Saints  
In the Name of Jesus Christ  
Who is Lord of all. AMEN



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