

*St. James Parish
Menomonee Falls, WI*

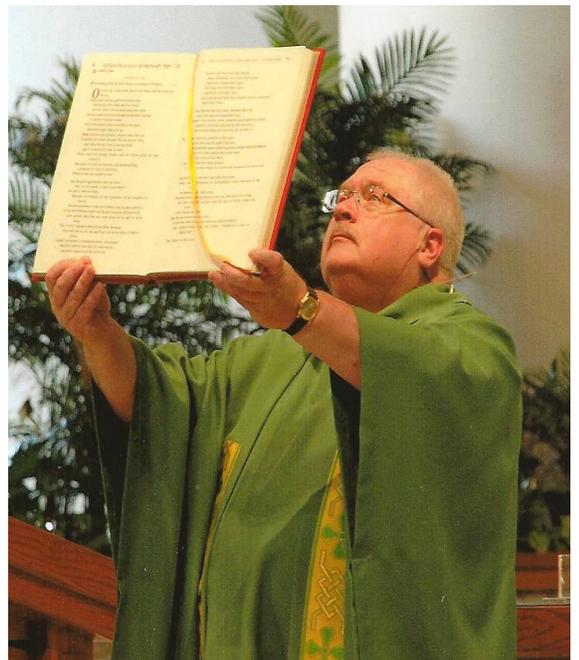
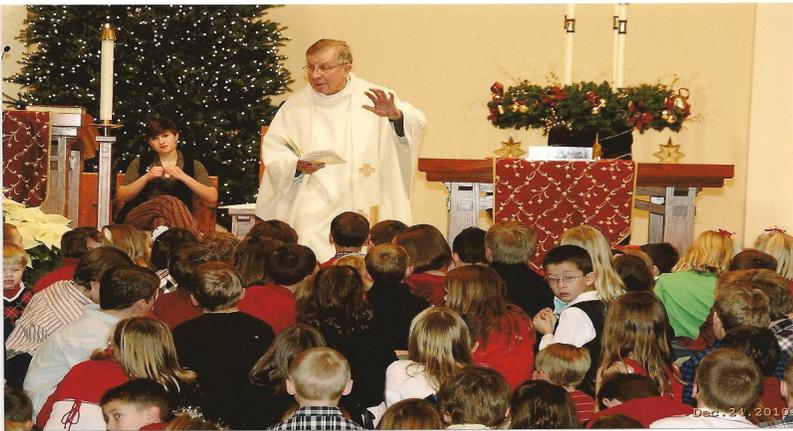
Your Prayer & Worship Committee

*September/October
2011
News letter*



Back Row ~ from the left: Tim Goetz, Bob Stolarczyk, Dee Ooten, Sue Mangan & Mark Zeutzius. **Front Row ~ from the left:** Mary Syverson, Natalie Horch, Joan Laird, Peggy Troestler, Barbara Schuelke & Tom Pinzl

Liturgical Events



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PRAYER & WORSHIP COMMITTEE

The Community of Believers were of one heart and one mind. None of them ever claimed anything as his own; rather everything was held in common.

Acts 4:32

Prayer and Worship are the heart of parish life at St. James. Our God invites us to be a people of praise and prayer who worship Him in all that we do. Our lives then become the gift we bring to our Sunday Eucharistic Celebration. It is here, as a gathered community, that our lives become a gift to God.

We also share our lives as gifts to one another. Our faith community then calls forth Acolytes, Artists, the Assembly, Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, Minister of Hospitality, Musicians, and Presider to serve at the table of the Lord. These ministries strengthen the bond which unites the body of Christ because we become more dependent upon one another in order to fully celebrate the mystery of faith we call the Eucharist. Each person brings their own personal faith experience to enhance the Sunday worship experience. As Catholic Christians we are privileged to share in the fullness of God's love in the celebration of the Sacraments. Through Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist we become members of the Church. In the Sacrament of Reconciliation we ask forgiveness for ourselves and we reconcile with one another. Through the anointing of the sick we share in the healing love God promised to those who believe in Jesus. Holy Orders and Marriage calls us to be dedicated disciples in loving relationships.

Establishing a perception of a shared ministry, of who we are and are called to be in Church, in Eucharist and in mission must increasingly become our agenda in today's church. When we gather for worship, we acknowledge the presence of a God who is **"active"** in our daily lives through this **"conversion"** experience we are challenged to **"transform"** the world. By our loving deeds, our understanding words, our listening ears, our helpful hands, our willingness to love, serve and forgive others we continue Christ's work on earth.

STEWARDSHIP FAIR

The stewardship fair is the weekend of September 24th and 25th. Please stop by all the different tables for volunteer information, and prayerfully consider where your talents can help here at St. James, regardless of how much or little spare time you have! St. James is always looking for a few good men (and women, youth, and children too!)

The Stewardship Committee

BAPTISM INFORMATION

To register for a pre-baptism class and to schedule a baptism call Daryl Olszewski at 253-2213.

Here is some basic information about celebrating baptism at St. James.

1. Parents should be registered members of St. James.
2. Participation in a pre-baptism class is expected of parents. It is highly recommended that parents participate in the class before the child is born.
3. Pre-baptism classes are usually held once-a-month on the second Saturday.
4. Baptisms are generally celebrated at any of the Masses on the weekend of a third Sunday, except during Advent and Lent. So that the baptisms may be as personal as possible only four baptisms are scheduled for any Mass.
5. Upcoming baptisms are scheduled for weekends of:
September 17th and 18th
October 15th and 16th,
November 19th and 20th.



WEDDING HOST MINISTRY

The ministry of hospitality is an important characteristic of St. James. Part of that ministry is experienced through those who serve as hostesses and hosts for the weddings celebrated at St. James. Fr. Mike would like to continue this ministry as he appreciates the assistance during the rehearsals and marriage celebrations. Also, Deacon Mike Rooney and Deacon Bob Wodushek will be presiding at weddings that are celebrated without a Mass and they also would greatly appreciate the assistance of the wedding hosts.



The wedding hosts provide a link between the parish and the bridal party and their guests. The host prepares the church environment for the wedding, serves as a resource to answer questions or take care of details, and is a representative of the community to assist the couple so that their wedding at St. James is a wonderful experience for all.

We are in need of additional hosts as about 20 weddings are celebrated at St. James each year. If you would like to share in the joy of the marriage celebrations by being a wedding host please call Daryl Olszewski at 253-2231

COMING TO ST. JAMES ON SEPTEMBER 18...



THE RESURRECTION DANCE THEATER OF HAITI!

St. James Parish is privileged to host the renowned "Resurrection Dance Theater of Haiti" on Sunday, September 18, 2011 at 2 p.m. From the poorest country in the western hemisphere comes the incredible power of drumming and dance performed by former street children of Haiti.

Through drumming and storytelling the Resurrection Dance Theater incorporates traditional Haitian and African movements into a modern setting. With pulsating drums and incredible acrobatic dance the troupe takes audiences on a journey of excitement, hope, and rhythm where long-lasting memories are created. Audience participation is encouraged and makes this a perfect event for the entire family!

Since the earthquake of January 2010 destroyed two of the homes that housed the boys and some of the young me from this dance troupe, the Resurrection Dance Theater of Haiti has dedicated their tour performances to raising funds to rebuild St. Joseph's Home for Boys and have named their 2011-12 world tour, "Resurrection from the Rubble."

To help support the fundraising efforts of this internationally known troupe a free-will offering will be taken. There will also be an opportunity to interact with the performers and to purchase items from Haiti.

The performance will last approximately 50 minutes and there will be an opportunity to meet the performers. A free-will offering will be taken to support the fundraising efforts of this internationally known troupe. In addition, Haitian items will also be available for purchase. Don't miss this unique opportunity. Bring the family to experience the Resurrection Dance Theater of Haiti" on Sunday, September 18, 2011 at 2 p.m. at St. James Church.

Matthew 25 Revisited – FEED the Hungry!

We decided to do two service projects this past Lenten season: 1) Jeremy House – to provide a meal and eat with residents, and 2) Hebron House – to provide cleaning services. **Jeremy House:** We arrived at Jeremy House with a large meal after being told there are ten residents and a House manager. Only two residents ate with us. One was a gentleman in a wheelchair who seemed to enjoy the company. We left the food in a very full refrigerator. Hopefully, as the residents returned to the house, they were able to enjoy the food. We enjoyed preparing the meal. **Hebron House:** I called Hebron House in Waukesha to arrange a day to clean. When I arrived, I told the manager Michelle that my husband could do handyman work if you called him. She said - "Call Him!" They had many projects that needed to be done as their own handyman had not been there on a regular basis. I was appreciated, but not as much as my handyman husband. Several residents said to me how much safer and cared for they felt at Hebron House. While we were there, an accountant volunteered her time to help the residents get back on their feet. What a wonderful place – the staff seemed dedicated and caring towards their residents. As we left, we decided to go there on a monthly basis to clean and perform handyman tasks.

John & Louise Vos

Many parishioners who wanted to deepen their Lenten experience grabbed 3"x5" service cards from the purple draped Cross placed at the back of the church during Lent. This was in addition to bringing items for those in need and placing their donations in the green bins in the gathering space. We asked people who took cards and performed service to write us a brief note telling us of their experiences. **Thank you John and Louise** for sharing your service experience. If you had an experience during Lent that you would like to share with other, please bring it and place it in the basket behind the fireplace in the Great Room.

CHRISTIAN FORMATION INFORMATION

Upcoming Safeguarding Sessions

We are holding two Safeguarding Sessions here at St. James on Thursday, September 15th from 6:30-9:30 in the Cafeteria and Wednesday, September 21st from 6:30-9:30 in the Community Center. For those adults who are new to the Christian Formation program as a catechist or aide we would request that you plan to attend one of these meetings. It is a requirement by the Archdiocese that volunteers and professionals working with children and youth attend safeguarding session. This program was implemented with the intention that those working with minors can identify signs of abuse and ways to respond if you suspect abuse. This is a one time commitment.

If you haven't signed up to be a catechist but are considering working with children or youth as a **GIFT catechist, a chaperone for a retreat, mission trip adult, helping to provide childcare, or any other role where you will be working with children & youth, or driving for youth** activities, we would ask that you consider making this one time commitment by attending one of these sessions.

PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED.

You can register online at www.archmil.org then scroll down to the bottom of the page for Safeguarding information and Upcoming Safe Environment Education Sessions. You will also see on this site that if the St. James dates do not work for you that this is offered at various parishes, dates and times in the area. If you do choose to attend a session at another parish please let us know and get a copy of your certificate to us after attending.

For more information or for questions about registering, please call Diana at the Christian Formation Office at 253-2902.

S.O.A.L. begins October 7th!

The purpose of S.O.A.L. (St. James Older Adult Learning Programs) is to provide an opportunity for people age 50 and older to continue learning and to keep their minds, spirits and bodies active. The sessions also foster a great sense of community. The Fall programs run from 9:00 a.m. - 3:15 p.m. on these Fridays: October 7, 14, 21, 28 and November 4 and 11. S.O.A.L. concludes with a potluck lunch on November 18th. A wide variety of interesting and fun classes are offered. The deadline to register is September 26th. Registrations will be mailed out at the end of the day on September 9th and can be returned starting Monday, September 12th. If you have not received your registration in the mail by September 12th, please contact the Christian Formation Office at 251-0897.

GIFT to begin soon!

GIFT or "Growing Together in Faith" is an intergenerational faith formation program held at St. James Parish. It begins on September 11th (repeated on Sept. 13th) and runs through April of 2012. GIFT is an alternative to the traditional Christian Formation program for our children in K4 – Grade 10. GIFT meets once a month with occasional additional opportunities to "dig deeper" into our faith. GIFT is geared to households with children as well as to adults of all ages. Perhaps you are a grandparent, a single adult or a parent with children already gone from home. Feel free to attend GIFT! This year we will be exploring the Sacraments. Contact the Christian Formation Office for more information. To register for GIFT, please visit the St. James website.

Doorways to Scripture: A Place Where Life and Scripture Meet

Alverno College, 3335 S. 39th Street
(Clare Hall 105) in Milwaukee

Presenter:

Sister Bea Dorsey, SSSF

Saturday mornings
September. 17; October 1, 15, 29;
and November 12
from 9:30-11:30 a.m.

Fall 2011

Considering the Our Father

According to John Dominic Crossan, the Our Father is a window through which we may understand the heart, mind, and mission of Jesus. When we say this prayer with intention and awareness, we may align our own heart, mind and mission with that of Jesus. With Crossan as a guide, this series probes the potential of the Our Father, drawing us closer to fulfilling Jesus' instruction in the Gospel of Matthew – "Pray then in this way."

\$100. for the series or \$20. per session. Clock hours available. For information, email bdorsey4@wi.rr.com or call 414-545-4332.



Serve the Lord with Gladness

CHRISTIAN FORMATION CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR ...

SEPTEMBER, 2011

5, Mon Offices Closed for Labor Day!

6, Tue Scripture Study, 6:30 in Great Room.

7, Wed All Committee Mtg Nite

8, Thu Community Banquet

9, Fri **SOAL registrations will be mailed out**

11, Sun Confirmation Candidate/Parent Mtg.
9:30-10:00 OR 11:30-12:00 in Cafeteria
GIFT Session 11:30-1:30 in
Community Center

12, Mon **Catechist Mtg. G6-8 6:30-8** in the
Youth Room

13, Tue **Catechist Mtg. K4 thru G5, 6:30** in the
Cafeteria ~ **Catechist Mtg G9-11, 6:30** in
Youth Room
Tues GIFT Session 5:30-7:30,
Community Center
Scripture Study, 6:30-7:30 in Great Room

15, Thu **Safeguarding Session** 6:30-9:00 in the
Cafeteria for new catechists & aides

17, Sat - Retreat for Forming the Catechetical Spirit
In Rm. 7 & 8 from 8:00 AM-2:00 PM
Beyond Date Your Mate, 6:30 Great Room

18, Sun **Catechetical Sunday @ weekend Mass**
K4/K5 Classes, 8:15-9:15
(Parent Meeting during 8:15 session)
G1-5 Classes, 9:30-10:30
(Parent Meeting during 9:30 session)
G6-10 Classes, 4:30-5:30 & 6:30-7:30
(Gr. 6 Parents & New Parents to
St. James w. G6-10 students meet
during this first session, 4:30 or 6:30)
*****All Parent Meetings in**
Community Center

19, Mon G6-10 Classes, 6:30-7:30
(New Parents & Gr. 6 Parents meet
during session)

20, Tue G1-5 Classes, 5:00-6:00 & 6:30-7:00
(Parent Meeting during both sessions)
Scripture Study, 6:30 in Great Room

21, Wed **Safeguarding Session 6:30-9:00** in the
Community Center for new catechists
& aides

22, Thu Community Banquet
RCIA Team Meeting, 7 PM - Great Room

24, Sat **Stewardship Fair** before & after Mass

25, Sun **Stewardship** before & after Masses
K4/K5 Classes, 8:15-9:15

G1-5 Classes, 9:30-10:30
G6-10 Classes, 4:30-6:00 & 6:30-8:00
G 11 Classes meet 1 hour 4:30 & 6:30

26, Mon **SOAL Registrations are due!**

G6-10 Classes, 6:30-8:00
G11 Classes meet 1 hour, 6:30-7:30

27, Tue G1-5 Classes, 5:00-6:00 & 6:30-7:30
Scripture Study, 6:30 in Great Room

29, Thu RCIA, 7:00

OCTOBER, 2011

1, Sat-2, Sun Aluminum Can Drive for Mission Trip

2, Sun K4/K5 Classes, 8:15-9:15
G1-5 Classes, 9:30-10:30
G6-10 Classes, 4:30-6:00 & 6:30-8:00

3, Mon G6-10 Classes, 6:30-8:00

4, Tue G1-5 Classes, 5:00-6:00 & 6:30-7:30
Scripture Study, 6:30 in Great Room

5, Wed All Committee Mtg Night

6, Thu RCIA, 7:00

7, Fri SOAL classes begin today!

9, Sun GIFT, 11:30-1:30 in the Comm. Cntr.
K4/K5 Classes, 8:15-9:15
Gr. 1-5 Classes, 9:30-10:30
Gr. 6-11 classes, 4:30-6:00 & 6:30-8:00

10, Mon G6-11 Classes, 6:30-8:00

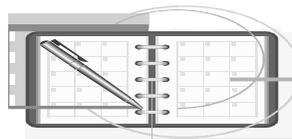
11, Tue GIFT, 5:30-7:30
Gr. 1-5 Classes, 5:00 & 6:30
Scripture Study, 6:30

13, Thu Community Banquet
RCIA, 7:00 in Great Room

14, Fri SOAL Classes

15, Sat Forming the Catechetical Spirit, 8 AM-
Noon in Rooms. 7 & 8
Beyond Date Your Mate, 6:30 Great Room

16, Sun K4/K5 Classes, 8:15-9:15
Gr. 1-5 Classes, 9:30-10:30
Reconciliation Meeting during class for
parents of 2nd graders in
Community Center
MISSION TRIP MEETING, 11:30 in the
Cafeteria
Gr. 6-10 Classes, 4:30 & 6:30



HEALTH MINISTRY

THE SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK

"Are any among you sick? They should call for the elders of the church and have them pray over them, anointing them with oil in the name of the Lord! The prayer of faith will save the sick and the Lord will raise them up; and anyone who has committed sins will be forgiven."

James 5:14-15

Every year we offer all of our parishioners who have health issues a chance to celebrate the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick.

Father Mike and Father Jerry will celebrate this Sacrament as part of the 5 pm Mass on October 1st and the 8:15 and 10:15 am Sunday Masses on October 2nd. In the above quote from James, we are reminded of our mission as believers in Jesus Christ, to participate in the healing ministry of the church. This sacrament is one response to that calling. Blessed oil is used for anointing to preserve, strengthen and protect. We are an anointed people who are called to heal, comfort and support one another during times of physical, emotional and spiritual illness or trauma.

The Second Vatican Council placed this sacrament in the context of mutual prayer and concern as described in the Epistle of James. **It was decided that anointing was not only for the dying, but also for those who are seriously ill.** The purpose of the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick to *"to make people holy, to build up the Body of Christ and to give worship to God."* [Catholic Update, 11/94]

In this sacrament, the priest places his hand on your head. He prays that your faith will be strong and that you have courage if you are afraid. He thanks God for the gift of the oil (olive oil) and then anoints you with the oil of the sick on your forehead and hands.

If you or a loved one are dealing with a chronic or terminal illness, emotional problems, injuries or facing surgery, please participate in the anointing weekend. If you are in need of this sacrament and cannot attend Mass that weekend, please contact Father Mike (262-253-2212) or me and arrangements can be made for you to receive the Anointing of the Sick at another time. You are encouraged to receive the sacrament with your family and friends present. Remember, too that you can receive this sacrament more than once.

If you are in need of healing, please come on **October 1st & 2nd** and invite your family and friends to pray with you. Please know that the entire St. James faith community is praying with you and for you as well.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call me or Father Mike.

Ann Sardegna, Parish Nurse
(262-250-2663)

References:

1. Catholic Update, November 11, 1995
2. Catechism of the Catholic Church

PLEASE NOTE:

October 1st & 2nd
will be our next
Anointing of the Sick Service.

The next First Friday Anointing of the Sick will be
December 2, 2011
At our 8:00 am Mass

ST JAMES 5TH SUNDAY PRIORITY RELATIONSHIP WEEKEND ST BENEDICT'S COMMUNITY MEAL

St Bens will be visiting us at all of our Masses the weekend of October 29th/30th. Look to the bulletin prior to that weekend for specific needs that you can bring to mass.

The St Benedict's Community Meal is a ministry of the Province of St Joseph of the Capuchin Order. The Capuchin Order is a religious community inspired by the life of St Francis of Assisi. As Franciscans, the Capuchin Order works with the poor, disenfranchised and needy providing them with basic human needs, spiritual support and hope. For more than 36 years St Benedict's has offered an average of 375 community meals each evening (except Saturdays) for the homeless and the working poor.

Providing nourishment, the most basic human need, is just the start. Besides a home cooked meal, St Benedict provides an atmosphere of dignity and respect. Participants leave with a feeling of hope, that in their darkest hour, their brothers and sisters have not forgotten them.



SHARING MEALS, BUILDING HOPE

Providing free, hot, homemade meals Sunday through Friday: 5:15-6:30 pm.

Supplying local bus tickets to qualified individuals on a weekly basis for work or medical appointments.

Securing out – of-town bus tickets for those who are stranded in Milwaukee and facing an emergency transportation need.

Offering personal hygiene products such as soap, shampoo, toothpaste, tooth brush, shaving cream, razors and more to guests on a monthly basis.

Providing counseling and assistance to those who wish to pursue adult education GED certification.

Assisting the poor in obtaining and moving furniture, appliances, and other household goods.

Providing legal aid services to guests on a weekly basis.

“The miracle of the Loaves and Fishes is not the multiplication of food, but the willingness of people to share”

How can you get involved and help??

Every 3rd Wednesday of the month, St James prepares food for that evening's meal. Food can be dropped off at church anytime that day and drivers take down the food and help serve the guests.

Volunteer to help serve or participate in the meal by eating supper with the guests to provide them a sense of respect & dignity.

Donate money to St Bens or personal hygiene items that can be taken down with the food.

Donate your time to work in the St Bens Concession Stand at Bradley Center Events

Participate in the annual St Bens Run/Walk to raise funds and awareness.

For more information you can contact St Bens directly by calling 414-271-0135 Ext 15 or visit www.stbensmilwaukee.org (1015 N. 9th St. Milwaukee, WI 53233)

You can also contact Tom Bohmann (St James St Bens Coordinator) @ 262-628-8323



St. James Fall Bus Trip



Date: September 24, 2011

Time: 7:00 AM to 6:45 PM

On Saturday, September 24 we will go to Green Bay and Lambeau Field.



Stops include:

- Seroogy's Chocolates, Coaches Corners for lunch,
- Shrine of Our Lady of Good Help, and Parallel 44 Winery.

Cost: \$36 each person includes continental breakfast, luxury coach bus, tickets to Packers Hall of Fame, lunch entree, winery tour and wine sampling, games, door prizes, and treats on the bus.



We are only taking one bus this year so it is first come, first served for tickets.

We are ordering lunch ahead of time therefore you need to select your entree at the time your purchase your ticket.

Be ready to select lunch from these choices: tenderloin steak sandwich, double bacon cheeseburger, chicken bacon ranch wrap, shrimp basket, hot ham and cheese sandwich, and grilled raspberry chicken salad.

Ladies Night Out

Thursday, October 20, 2011

St James' Community Center

Cocktails, Dinner, and Entertainment

Cocktails and Hors d'oeuvres – 5:30 pm

Dinner – 6:30 pm

Entertainment provided by:

Accompany of Kids

Interested in setting a table?

- Please contact: Barbara at 262 246-6000 or Mitzie at 262 502-7675. **Mark your calendar** and watch for more information in September/October the bulletins

MEN'S CLUSTER WIDE LEADERSHIP **PROGRAM – TITLED:** **THAT MAN IS YOU!**

On Wednesday, September 14th at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Menomonee Falls, a cluster wide Men's Leadership program titled: ***That Man Is You!*** is starting.

All men from St. James along with our other cluster parishes of St. Mary's and Good Shepherd are invited to join. The program starts at 5:30 a.m. and runs until 7:00 a.m. allowing men to get to work after each session. Each session starts with a continental breakfast, followed by a speaker, a multimedia presentation, small group discussions, and ends in prayer. The program runs for 13 weeks this fall with a break for the holidays, and then is followed by another 13 weekly sessions in spring. If you missed the sign up at St. James, come to St. Mary's on Wednesday September 14th at 5:30 a.m. to get a glimpse of the program and join in fellowship and networking with other Christian men. ***That Man is You!*** is transforming men, families and society as it presents the vision of men fully alive! Combining the teachings of the Church and wisdom of the saints with the best research from modern science in an interactive, multimedia format, ***That Man is You!*** puts this vision within the grasp of every man. The first year of the men's leadership program entitled "Becoming a Man after God's own Heart" develops the vision of authentic male leadership based on the four leadership roles entrusted to men and firmly establishes the first step in leadership as personal union with God. The program opens the pathway to authentic leadership by providing the means for overcoming the three main obstacles in the spiritual life and strengthening the individual's union with God.

The organization that developed this program is called Paradisus Dei (Latin for the Paradis of God) and was founded by Steve Bollman. It is an organization of lay Catholics dedicated to discovering the superabundant joy of God within marriage and family life. By integrating the best in Catholic theology with the finest research from modern science, Paradisus Dei develops the vision of a family fully alive. It makes this vision accessible to men and woman through programs and material offered through parishes in the United States and Canada. Paradisus Dei, Inc. is a nonprofit IRS 501©(3) corporation.

FIELD OF DREAMS COMMUNITY GARDEN

This is the second full harvest season of St. James community garden. Last year was a bountiful harvest with abundant rain spread evenly throughout the season and ideal temperatures. This season repre-

sents a little more of a challenge. The rain hasn't been as plentiful which has required more watering by our volunteers, and the higher temperatures have posed a problem with some of our cooler weather crops. High humidity has also caused some mildew on some plant leaves. And I almost forgot to mention that we had a pesky woodchuck helping himself to some of our vegetables. More fencing and a trap solved that problem. All in all, we are still blessed with a good number of dedicated, knowledgeable volunteers, a better working knowledge of our soil and raised beds, a more fully developed garden with additional potted plants along the fence line and a garden that continues to produce food for the Cooperating Churches of Sussex's (CCOS) food pantry. Not to mention, it looks attractive with the flowers out front. Our three goals for the garden remain the same when we first started the project: 1) To provide more nutritious, freshly grown, chemical free vegetables to the CCOS food pantry, 2) To help build community within St. James' parish by bringing together people who have an interest in gardening and helping others, and 3) To have minimal to no drain on parish resources of money – we raise our own funds, time – we work outside on Saturday mornings and meet in the evenings, or talent (i.e. staff) – we do all the work with volunteers from the parish. If you are interested in gardening or want to learn from our volunteers who are always willing to share their knowledge and experience, you can contact Paul Schneider at (414) 587 1202 or pschneider@wi.rr.com or just show up on a Saturday from 8:00 a.m. to about 11:00 a.m. We will put you to work!



HUMAN CONCERNS MINISTRY

Each year the Human Concerns Committee makes decisions on where the St. James tithing to Charities goes. Here are some thank you's that we received from these Charities.

Dear Members of St. James Congregation,
Thank you very much for your donation of \$500, which was a big help with our transport costs ... Since the first of December we have shipped 1,076,390 pounds of supplies to missions in Bolivia, Paraguay, Guinea-Bissau, Tanzania, Peru, Bolivia, Ghana, Honduras, Guatemala, Chile and Panama, costing us \$216, 350.00 for transport....

***Yours in Christ
Brother Regis Fust, S.D.S.
Salvatorian Mission Warehouse***

Dear Friends:

Thank you for your Tithing Program gift of \$500.00 made to Milwaukee Birthright. Your thoughtfulness and support are greatly appreciated. Each dollar we receive is used wisely to benefit women in crisis.

These are desperate times for so many women in crisis pregnancy, they need us as never before... We must be there to let them know comfort and solid help are available. Their health and the lives of their unborn babies are at risk!

***Sincerely,
Veronica Ceszynski***

Dear Friends,

On behalf of the residents, staff and Board of Directors of St. Catherine Resident, I thank St. James for your generous donation of \$500. Women come to SCR for diverse reasons but are all aspiring to improve their lives while living at SCR ...

***Sincerely,
Lynne J. Oehlke***

Dear Friends at St. James,

Thank you once again for your continuing support of Casa Romero Renewal Center. Because of gifts like yours we have been able to serve more than 3,000 Latino families over the past ten years.

Casa Romero Renewal Center is the only bilingual urban retreat center in the Midwest. Our retreats, serving middle and high school youth, help to enable young adults, inspire them to recognize their full potential and encourage them to become productive members of our community ...

***Wishing You Warm Blessings,
Rev. David Shields, S.J.
Executive Director
Casa Romero Renewal Center***

Dear Church of St. James,

What a wonderful gift given to us! We are surprised and grateful. Your generous donation of \$500 will support a number of our efforts... During the course of one week 400 to 500 folks from our neighborhood come by for a meal program, transitional housing, recovery group meetings, for our food pantry, our parish grade school and other opportunities we are sent to do.

Our parish motto is "here to serve, here to stay". We believe we're mainly here to serve which is why we will stay. We, like many other parishes, were once a large active place on the "out skirts" of the city. Time has changed our neighborhood, but not the reason we're located here. Through your tithing donation your support our continuing care here. Continue your great work as well.

***Gratefully,
Father Jack Kern, Pastor
St. Catherine Parish***

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Experience of a Lifetime Join Our Knights of Columbus Council

St. James has an active Catholic men's organization affiliated with your parish. We are seeking new members who love God, your family, your church and your country. Membership in the Order receive special grace from God for themselves and their families. As a member you can participate in the many activities of the KC's — Charity, Youth, Community, St. James and service to God.

Service to God includes:

- Usher duties at Holy Hill
- Special Masses
- Participation in special prayer services.

Service to St. James includes:

- Preparing food for Mass on the Grass, Spring and Fall cleanup
- Welcome Sundays.

We practice the principles of Charity, Unity and Fraternity throughout the community. The internationally fraternal organization has a membership of over 1.8 million members.

Assistance was provided to parishes, schools, religious-education programs, people and those with disabilities, special Olympics, assistance to people that are mentally handicap, programs for the poor and disaster victims, pro-life activities, hospital and abuse, athletics and other important projects.

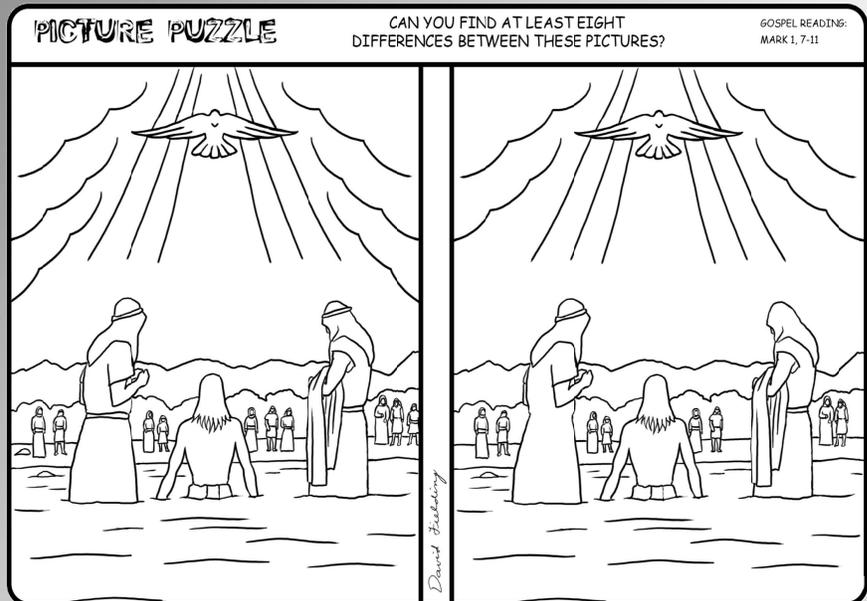
We need new ideas, energy and commitment which new members would better community leaders. We are about making better men, better husbands, better fathers and better community leaders.

Step Forward & Contact
Bob Meller ~ 262-255-4918
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Al Nienas ~ 262-252-3484



"I have baptized you with water; he will baptize you with the holy Spirit."

Mark 1:8



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Trace the picture to finish it

What is Baptism?
Jesus was baptized in the River Jordan. Do you know what it means to be baptized? It means to immerse in water for the forgiveness of sins, to make a fresh start. Have you ever gotten really dirty from playing outside and your mom or dad told you that you need a bath? In the bathtub you use soap and water to clean your body from all the dirt. It makes you feel clean again. Baptism is a bath for your soul. To clean away the sins and make a fresh start.

Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfast

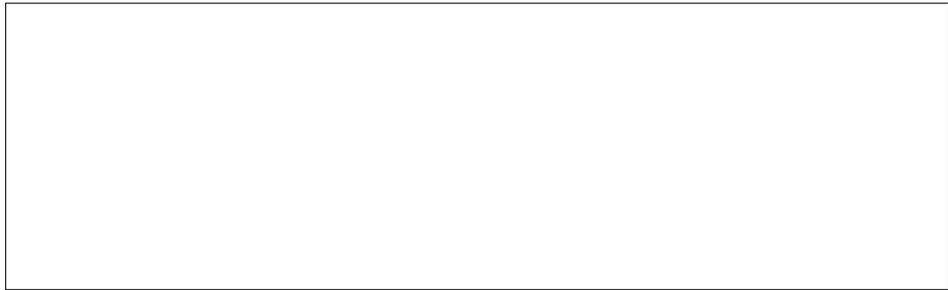
The Knights of Columbus invite you to join them on Sunday, September 25th for the delicious All-You-Can-Eat Pancake Breakfast from 8:00 am until 12:30 pm in the community center. Please plan to join your families and friends for good food and good conversation.



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Dates to Remember

September

<u>Date:</u>	<u>Event:</u>
5:	All Offices are Closed ~ Labor Day
7:	All Committee Meeting Night . 7 pm
8:	Community Banquet. 5:30 pm
10/11:	Blood Pressure Screening after Masses
11:	CCOS 10th Anniversary Memorial Service For 9/11
13:	KC Board Meeting. 7:30 pm
14:	Parish Council Meeting
15:	KC Membership Meeting. 7:30 pm
16:	St. James Senior Club Meeting. 12:30 pm
17/18:	Baptismal Weekend
18:	Haiti Dance Theater 2 pm
21:	St. Ben's Meal Program
22:	Community Banquet. 5:30 pm
24:	Activities Committee Bus Trip to Green Bay Lector Prep Session. 8 am
24/25:	Stewardship Fair after al Masses
25:	KC Pancake Breakfast

October

<u>Date:</u>	<u>Event:</u>
1:	Men-o-Harmony Concert. 7 pm
5:	All Committee Meeting Night. 7 pm
8/9:	Blood Pressure Screening after all Masses
11:	KC Board Meeting. 7:30 pm
12:	Parish Council Meeting. 7 pm
13:	Community Banquet. 5:30 pm
15:	KC Corporate Communion & Grand Knight Dinner
19:	St. Ben's Meal Program
20:	Ladies Night Out. KC General Membership Meeting. 7:30 pm
21:	St. James Senior Club Meeting. 12:30 pm
25:	Sussex Lioness Fashion Show
27:	Community Banquet. 5:30 pm
29:	Lector Prep Session
29/30:	Fifth Sunday Justice Talk

Please see page 5 for Calendar of Events for the Christian Forma-