

December 17, 2023



Saint James

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THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

THE LORD, YOUR GOD, IS IN YOUR MIDST,
A MIGHTY SAVIOR;
HE WILL REJOICE OVER YOU WITH GLADNESS,
AND RENEW YOU IN HIS LOVE.

—ZEPHANIAH 3:17

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St. James is here to help all people experience
meaning and purpose in life.

Lord's Day Masses

Saturday 4:30 pm and Sunday 8:15 and 10:30 a.m.

Weekday Masses in the Historic Chapel

Wednesdays & Fridays at 8:00 a.m.

Individual Reconciliation

Reconciliation Room: Saturdays 3:45-4:15 pm

Eucharistic Adoration in the Historic Chapel

Tuesdays, 8:30 am-4:00 pm

Holy Hour & Rosary 4:00 pm-5:00 pm on Tuesdays

Also, Saturday from 7 am-8 am

Christmas and Holiday Mass Schedule

Fourth Sunday of Advent: Saturday, Dec 23 4:30 pm or

Sunday December 24 at 9:00 am

December 24 Christmas Eve 4:00 pm & 9:00 pm

December 25 Christmas Day 9:00 am

December 30 4:30 pm

December 31 8:15 am & 10:30 am

New Year's Day - No Mass

Parish Staff Directory

General Parish Email stjameschurch@bizwi.rr.com

Administrative Office in St. James' rectory 262-251-3944

Parish Office Hours Monday-Friday, 7:30-3:30

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Enter NW side door of Church

Sunday 8:00 - noon

Tuesday 8 am - 8 pm,

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday 8 am-4 pm

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We would like to express our sympathy to the family of **Doris Fricke**. May she find peace and happiness with our Lord Jesus in heaven.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE COMING WEEK

Wednesday, December 20

8:00 am St. James Parishioners

Friday, December 22

8:00 am † Family & Friends of the Griebs (Family)

Saturday, December 23

4:30 pm † Ray Schoedl (Schoedl Family)
 † Joseph Bittner (Family)
 † Konrad & Rasira Eltmayer (Family)

Sunday, December 24 (Advent)

9:00 am St. James Parishioners

Sunday, December 24 (Christmas Eve)

4:00 pm St. James Parishioners
 9:00 pm † John & Betty Ratajczak (Pat & Dawn Pribyl)
 † Joe & Marion Pribyl (Pat & Dawn Pribyl)

Monday, December 25 (Christmas Day)

9:00 am † Stacia Klimas (Klimas Family)
 † Tony Salentine (Peggy & Family)
 † Madden & Nettesheim Families (Peg Nettesheim)

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Stewardship: Weekend of December 10, 2023

Stewardship:	\$ 25,988.00
Offertory:	\$ 1,262.25
Line of Credit	\$ 490.00
Christmas Memorials	\$ 500.00
Christmas	\$ 355.00
Total	\$ 28,595.25

Thank you for your support of St. James!

To make an online contribution: Text: 73256 Message is: STJMF

Individual Reconciliation *will Not* be available before Mass on Saturday December 23.

Year End Reminder

A few "business" things to remember as we approach the end of the year:

Parishioner donations received in the collection baskets the weekend of December 30-31 **will be applied to your 2023** parishioner contribution statement. Any contributions received by mail must be **postmarked on or before December 30th** in order for it to be applied to your 2023 contribution statement.

Because of IRS rules we cannot make any exceptions.

Mass Schedule to celebrate the Fourth Sunday of Advent December 24th

Masses to celebrate the Fourth Sunday of Advent will be held on Saturday December 23rd at 4:30 pm and there will be **ONE Mass on Sunday, December 24 at 9:00 am to celebrate the Fourth Sunday of Advent.**

If you attend a morning Mass on December 24 to celebrate the Fourth Sunday of Advent and an afternoon Mass on December 24 to celebrate Christmas you may receive the Holy Eucharist at both Masses.



ST. JAMES CANDLE LIGHT CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Presented by St. James music ministry December 24th beginning at 8:30 pm prior to the 9:00 pm Mass.

BELLS-BELLS-BELLS

Bring bells from home to all Masses on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. This will add a special joy and excitement as we celebrate the birth of *Jesus*.

St. James Parish and Christian Formation offices will be closed on December 22 and December 25. All Parish offices will close at noon on December 29 and be closed all day on January 1.

PRAYER NETWORK -

If you have a prayer request, please send an email to Terri Grimmer at: tmg1123@yahoo.com

If you would like to help us in praying for these requests please contact Terri so she can add you to her email list.

THANK YOU!



Thank you to everyone who contributed to the success of Holly Days this year. Because of your generosity and hard work, we were able to have our most successful event to date. Special "Thank You" to the Knights of Columbus for the delicious pancake breakfast.

In addition to raising money for our parish, Holly Days also continues to pour into our community by donating any leftover bakery to the St Ben's meal, unsold books go to the Next Door Foundation and many items are packed up for Sussex Outreach Services to help local families in need.

Holly Days is also a time to build community and fellowship within our parish. Whether you volunteered or stopped down for the lasagna dinner or pancake breakfast, we hope you were able to meet someone new or spend some quality time with friends. Wishing you all a very Merry Christmas,
John and Denise Walker



90 Days to invite Jesus to draw near, unpack the Scriptures, reveal himself in the Eucharist, and inspire us to go out on mission to others.

Join us for a concentrated season of encountering Jesus Christ and growing firmer in your faith.

St. James will be hosting formation/discussion sessions in the community center on Sundays, at 9:20 a.m. (after the 8:15 Mass) beginning January 7th, 2024 and going through Easter.

Registration for Emmaus 90 is required.

Register by Dec 10 to receive your Pilgrim Guidebook before we start January 1.

Cost will be \$20/pilgrim or \$40/family.

No one will be denied due to financial circumstances, please let us know if you need assistance.

Register here.

Emmaus 90 - 2024 (regfox.com) or contact Sue Devine-Simon at sdevine-simon@stjames-parish.com or call 262-253-2904.

CF classes will be on break beginning Sunday, December 17. Classes will resume on Sunday, January 7.

The CF Office will be closed December 26-29.

We wish everyone a joyous Christmas!



ART AND ENVIRONMENT



Do you enjoy our beautiful church at Christmas?

We will meet this **Sunday, December 17, at 11:30am** to prepare our worship space for the Christmas season. Many willing hands and hearts are needed. We especially need strong men to move items and hang wreaths.

St. Ben's Meal Program

Consider donating food to the St. Ben's Community Meal this coming **Wednesday, December 20**. We need parishioners to bring salads (**No Lettuce**), fruits, vegetables, or meat or seafood casseroles/pastas. **Please write on foil/wrap whether it is salad, vegetable, or casserole.**

You do not have to sign up to be a part of this ministry and can **drop your donations off any time between 7:30 am and 3:30 pm at St. James in the upstairs kitchen.**

Our driver leaves promptly at 3:45. If you have questions call Lynn at 262-227-9862. We suggest using throw away dishes.



November Tithes

The following two organizations received \$500 each in tithes from St. James.

Hope Network - Designed to help mothers gain a sense of community, enhance parenting skills and develop self-reliance through a variety of services.

Exploit No More - Milwaukee based organization cultivating awareness & seeking to end child sex trafficking in our area.

Do you know a St. James parishioner who is homebound?

If so, please invite them to contact Kristen Winter, the Pastoral Health Care Coordinator, at 262-250-2663 or kwinter@stjames-parish.com.

Kristen reaches out to homebound parish members and connecting them with the St. James community through mailed bulletins, phone calls, and home visits. We want to make sure that all homebound parishioners know that they are a valued part of our community.



BANNS OF MARRIAGE I

William Madrzak & Chara Fischer



WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday, December 17 Mass at 8:15 am & 10:30 am

Break Open the Word | 8:15 & 10:30
Peace and All Good Soap Sales | 8:00 - 11:45

Monday, December 18

Music Rehearsal | 6:30 pm
Men's Group - Gospel of John | 7:00

Tuesday, December 19

Day of Adoration in Chapel 8:30-4 | Holy Hour 4-5 pm
Scripture Reflection via Zoom 9:00 am
CF Staff Meeting | 1:00 pm

Wednesday, December 20

Mass at 8:00 am

Staff Meeting | 9:30 am
St. Ben's | drop off between 7:30 - 3:30

Thursday, December 21

Knights of Columbus Member Meeting | 7:30 pm

Friday, December 22

Mass at 8:00 am

Saturday, December 23

Mass at 4:30 pm

Adoration in the Chapel today | 7 am—8 am

Sunday, December 24

Mass to celebrate Fourth Sunday of Advent | 9:00 am
Mass to celebrate Christmas Eve | 4:00 pm
Candlelight Christmas Concert | 8:30 pm
Mass to celebrate Christmas Eve | 9:00 pm

Monday, December 25

Mass to celebrate Christmas Day | 9:00 am

St. James website has the current calendar for the entire year.

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