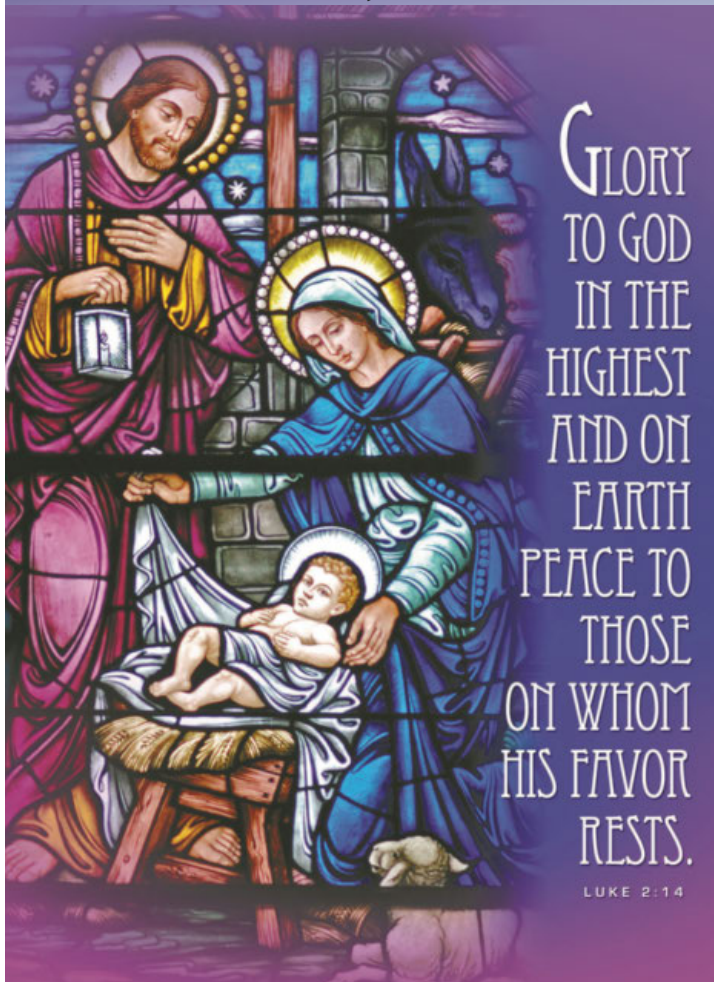


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Parish Staff Directory

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

- Reverend John D. Hemsing, Pastor
Barbara Schuelke, Director of Liturgy & Music
Terri Weber, Director of Administrative Services
Michelle Beimborn, Administrative Assistant
Mary Koloske, Administrative Assistant

Christian Formation Office 262-251-0897
Enter NW side door of Church

Sunday 8:00 - noon
Tuesday 8 am - 8 pm,
Monday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday 8 am—4 pm

- Sue Devine Simon, Director of Christian Formation and Adult & Family Ministry
Kristin Kebis, Child Ministry Coordinator
David Weber, Youth Ministry Coordinator
Amy Ruege, Administrative Assistant

Health Ministry
Kristen Winter, Pastoral Health Care Coordinator

Maintenance Department
Mike Gast, Facilities Manager
After Hours 262-389-6089

Dave Kenney
Sean Hutchinson

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Wednesdays 1:00 to 2:30 pm
Saturdays 10:00 to 12:00 pm
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St. Vincent de Paul 262-251-3944
ERAs Senior Network - Waukesha 262-549-3348

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



“My soul magnifies the Lord,  
 And my spirit has rejoiced in God my Savior.  
 For He has regarded the lowly state of His maidservant;  
 For behold, henceforth all generations will call me blessed.  
 For He who is mighty has done great things for me,  
 Holy is His name.”  
 Luke 1:46-49

Our God is never finished doing great things for each of us.  
 May our hearts be grateful and our souls filled with rejoicing as we celebrate all the wonders of His love.  
 May God bless you all this Christmas season!

Fr. John



**Our Parish & Staff**

**Welcome Visitors & Guests**

We are happy that you have come to share in this celebration of the Eucharist at St. James Parish!  
 If you have come as a visitor, we hope that you will leave as a friend. Come back often and know that you are always welcome here.  
 If you would like to find out more information about St. James Parish please call the **parish office at 262-251-3944** or check our website [stjames-parish.com](http://stjames-parish.com)

*Christmas Joy & Blessings from the St. James Staff*

*Fr. John Hemsing, Pastor*

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| <i>Michelle Beimborn</i> | <i>Lester Nettesheim</i> |
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| <i>Ferri Grennier</i>    | <i>Barbara Schuelke</i>  |
| <i>Sean Hutchinson</i>   | <i>Sue Devine Simon</i>  |
| <i>Kristin Kebis</i>     | <i>David Weber</i>       |
| <i>Dave Kenney</i>       | <i>Ferri Weber</i>       |
| <i>Mary Koloske</i>      | <i>Kristen Winter</i>    |

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE COMING WEEK**

- 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)
- Wednesday, December 27**  
 8:00 am † Rick Harley
- Friday, December 29**  
 8:00 am St. James Parishioners
- Saturday, December 30**  
 4:30 pm † Harold Schroeder (Family)  
 † Mary Syverson (Dale & Mary Syverson)  
 † Shirley Mann (Family)
- Sunday, December 31**  
 8:15 am † Ray Gross (Family)  
 † Ben Meinzer (Family)  
 10:30 am St. James Parishioners

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 Provides Daily Readings, Reflections & Podcasts that you can access online.

**St. James Mass Times Next Weekend**  
**Feast of The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph**

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|------------------------------|----------------------------|
| <b>Saturday, December 30</b> | <b>4:30 pm</b>             |
| <b>Sunday, December 31st</b> | <b>8:15 &amp; 10:30 am</b> |
- There is no Mass on Monday, January 1, 2024**

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](mailto: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.

**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](mailto: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.





## ART and ENVIRONMENT



THANK YOU to all who took time to help decorate the church for the Advent and Christmas season. Without our wonderful volunteers we couldn't create a beautiful worship space for this beautiful season.

### CHRISTIAN FORMATION

#### Vacation Bible School



Dive into adventure with us this summer! Scuba VBS will be July 29<sup>th</sup> – Aug 2<sup>nd</sup> from 9am-noon each day. VBS is open to children entering 3K through 5th grade in the fall of 2023. Registration details coming this spring.

#### BAPTISM



Are you expecting a child or in the process of adoption? Baptism welcomes your child into the Catholic church. We celebrate the sacrament of baptism on the third weekend of most months and baptism preparation classes are available. Visit our website or contact Kristin Kebis at [kkebis@stjames-parish.com](mailto:kkebis@stjames-parish.com) for more information.

#### Mission Trip – 2024



Sign up for the mission trip today!

We will be going to Kansas City, KS from July 6<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup>. This is open

to current 7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> graders as well as college youth up to 20 years old. There are a limited number of spots still available. Contact David Weber if you have any questions or are interested in going.

### CHRISTIAN FORMATION—ADULTS

#### Adult Confirmation

Did you miss being Confirmed when you were younger? Do you want to be fully initiated into the Catholic Church? Would you like to learn more about your faith? We have a process for those who want to be confirmed. This process will begin on Sunday January 28<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 am in the Great Room. Please contact Sue at [sdevine-simon@stjames-parish.com](mailto:sdevine-simon@stjames-parish.com) or 262-253-2904 for more information.

#### Scripture Groups

Each week 2 different groups meet to look at the readings that will be proclaimed at the upcoming Sunday Mass.

Feel free to join us

Tuesdays @ 9:00 a.m.

Thursdays @ 6:30 p.m.

Both groups meet via ZOOM.

Contact Sue (262-253-2904 or [sdevine-simon@stjames-parish.com](mailto:sdevine-simon@stjames-parish.com)) for the ZOOM link or more information.



## EMMAUS 90

Join us on the road to Emmaus, a season of encountering Jesus and growing firmer in your faith.

St. James will be hosting formation/discussion sessions in the community center on Sunday's after 8:15 Mass, beginning January 7th, 2024 and going through Easter.

Registration for Emmaus 90 is required.

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

Contact Sue Devine-Simon at [sdevine-simon@stjames-parish.com](mailto:sdevine-simon@stjames-parish.com) or call 262-253-2904 if you are interested in joining us on the journey.

#### 2024 PARISH FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

The letter and commitment card were mailed for all parish families. Please read the letter & brochure carefully and return your commitment card before December 31, 2023.

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

### 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.**

#### BANNS OF MARRIAGE II

William Madrzak & Chara Fischer



### WEEKLY SCHEDULE

#### 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

All St. James Parish and CF offices closed

#### Tuesday, December 26

Mass at 8:00 am

#### Wednesday, December 27

Staff Meeting | 9:30 am

#### Thursday, December 28

Community Banquet | 5:30 pm

#### Friday, December 29

Mass at 8:00 am

#### Saturday, December 30

Mass at 4:30 pm

Adoration in the Chapel today | 7 am—8 am

#### Sunday, December 31

Mass at 8:15 am & 10:30 am

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



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