

November 23, 2025

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

ARE YOU NOT THE CHRIST?

— LUKE 23:39 —



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

Lord's Day Masses

Saturday 4:30 pm

Sunday 8:15 & 10:30 am

Weekday Masses in the Historic Chapel

Wednesday & Friday at 8:00 am

Individual Reconciliation

Reconciliation Room, Saturdays 3:30pm - 4:00 pm

Eucharistic Adoration in the Historic Chapel

Tuesdays 8:30 am - 6:00 pm

Saturdays 7:00 - 8:00 am



Saint James Parish

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<https://www.stjames-parish.com>

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Monday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday 8:00 am - 4:00 pm

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OUTREACH

Sussex Food Pantry

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Mondays 5:30 pm - 7:00 pm

Wednesdays 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Saturdays 10:00 am - 12:00 pm

Donations can be dropped off:

Mon - Fri between 10:00 am - 12:00 pm

St. Vincent de Paul 262-251-3944

ERAs Senior Network - Waukesha 262-549-3348

Sacrament of Reconciliation at St. James New Time and New Space

Beginning next Saturday, November 29 the Sacrament of Reconciliation will take place from 3:30 - 4:00 pm.

Confessions will be heard in the Reconciliation Chapel located in the northwest corner of the main church. There will be signage to direct you.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE COMING WEEK

Wednesday, November 26

8:00 am † Fr. Robert Skeris

Thursday, November 27 (Thanksgiving)

9:00 am Parishioners of St. James

Friday, November 28 (No Mass)

Saturday, November 29

4:30 pm † Janice Surprise (Tom & Linda Malczewski)

† Patricia LePine (Ralph & Cheri Herro)

Sunday, November 30

8:15 am † Grace & Gerry Ehr (Grace & Gerry Ehr)

† Gerald Spaeth (Betty & Dick Gillette)

10:30 am Parishioners of St. James

St. James Parish and Christian Formation Offices will be closed for Thanksgiving November 27 and November 28. *We wish everyone a blessed Thanksgiving.*

There will be NO morning Mass on
Friday, November 28.

*"To be grateful is to recognize the
Love of God in everything."*

- Thomas Merton

Thanksgiving Day Mass

Thanksgiving Mass will take place in the church at 9:00 am. The collection taken at the Thanksgiving Mass will benefit the St. James St. Vincent de Paul Society. Your donations are used to assist those in our community with a variety of needs. In the recent fiscal year, 70 home visits were completed, helping 442 people. Financial assistance of \$23,645 was provided, along with \$4,154 in food and gas gift cards. We THANK YOU for your generosity and concern! You make a difference in the lives of others. May God bless you!



Art & Environment



We will need many extra hands the next two weekends to prepare our worship space for Advent.

Saturday, November 29 Beginning at 9:00 am we will be decorating the worship space for Advent. **Consider giving the gift of your time to help.**

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 23, 2025

Sunday: 2 Sm 5:1-3/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4, 4-5 (see 1)/Col 1:12-20/Lk 23:35-43

Monday: Dn 1:1-6, 8-20/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56/Lk 21:1-4

Tuesday: Dn 2:31-45/Dn 3:57, 58, 59, 60, 61/Lk 21:5-11

Wednesday: Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28/Dn 3:62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67/Lk 21:12-19

Thursday: Dn 6:12-28/Dn 3:68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74/Lk 21:20-28

Friday: Dn 7:2-14/Dn 3:75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81/Lk 21:29-33

Saturday: Dn 7:15-27/Dn 3:82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87/Lk 21:34-36

Next Sunday: Is 2:1-5/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Rom 13:11-14/Mt 24:37-44

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Giving Tree Donations

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Saturday, November 15th, the St. James Christmas Giving Tree was set-up in the Gathering Space. All donations will need to be returned to the Giving Tree space by **December 7th**. Please consider selecting a card off the tree to support one of the following organizations.

Sussex Outreach Services: The Sussex Outreach Services organization holds an annual Christmas Gift program, where area parents of children in need are allowed to select one gift of their choice. Your donation of an unwrapped toy, game, or clothing item will ensure that all children connected with the SOS program will be able to receive a gift.

St. Vincent de Paul Society of St. James: This St. James Parish based group responds to parish needs in many ways, but most frequently in emergency situations that include power shut offs or imminent evictions. Please donate Cash (checks payable to St. Vincent de Paul Society), gift cards to Pick 'n Save or Gas Station gift cards, which are especially needed. These donations will assist individuals or families in our parish area who have come upon extremely difficult times.

ERAS: This faith-based Waukesha County non-profit organization runs a Holiday Gift Program which provides a gift envelope of items to low-income homebound seniors and adults with disabilities. A \$10 gift card to Meijer, Pick 'n Save, Walmart or a book of stamps are the donations of choice for ERAS to include in their gifts.

Hebron House: This non-profit organization provides emergency housing and related services to people in transition with the basic needs of shelter, food and personal support. Please donate specific gifts as listed on the gift tag. These are gifts that will be given to a current resident at Hebron House.

Thank you for helping to brighten the holiday season for so many in our community!

Remember to pick up any pictures you placed
on the Jacob's ladder this
Weekend, November 22 & 23.

**THE 2026 PARISH FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP
LETTER & COMMITMENT CARD**

Was mailed the week of November 10 and will be arriving shortly by mail for all parish families.
Please read the letter & brochure carefully and return your commitment card before December 31, 2025.

HOLLY DAYS

Saturday, December 6 4:00 - 7:30 pm

(Lasagna Dinner)

Sunday, December 7, 8:00 am - 12:30 pm

(Pancake Breakfast)

Next Weekend is the **LAST** weekend for HOLLY DAYS donation boxes - think of Holly Days during your holiday shopping!

HERE IS HOW YOU CAN HELP:

Secret Santa Workshop: Santa's Workshop gives children the joy of choosing their own special gifts for parents and family members. New items for men, women, teens & children are needed.

Used Books: Books, CDs, and DVDs. Please no encyclopedias, magazines or VHS tapes.

Theme Basket Donations: We need colored paper shred and large and jumbo size CLEAR basket gift bags to create the Theme Baskets this year in addition to donations to fill the baskets. **If you are donating alcohol or a complete basket, please deliver it to the Parish Office.

Silent Auction: The Silent Auction is always popular, and will again be an online auction. Each of the auction items up for bid will be displayed at Holly Days, but bidding will only happen via the auction site. Please check out the website for items that are already listed. We will be adding additional items throughout the week and bidding will open on Saturday, 12/6.

<https://www.32auctions.com/HollyDays>



Take and Bake Lasagna Sign Up: Need a dinner idea for your family celebrations or a busy weeknight? New this year, Holly Days is offering a limited number of Take and Bake lasagnas for you to enjoy at home. The cost is \$25 for a 10"x12" pan. This is the same delicious lasagna served at the Saturday Supper. Sign up using this link or QR code <https://tinyurl.com/take-bake-lasagna>



Calling All Bakers

It's time to drag out your favorite recipes for the **Holly Days bake sale!**

If you bake it, we'll take it - whether it's

- Cookies & Bars
- Candy
- * Cakes & Pies
- * Chex Mix or Other Treats

Let's make this Holly Days the sweetest one yet!

Peace & All Good will be selling their soaps and lotions, creams & candles after all Masses next weekend, November 29 & 30. Peace & All Good social enterprise is part of the Franciscan Peacemakers.

It's Never too Early to think about the St. James Thrift Sale!

As you are putting away your fall decorations and getting out your Christmas decorations if you come across items that you no longer want please consider setting them aside for the 2026 St. James Thrift Sale.

Break Open the Word (BOW)



Children ages 3 through 5th grade are invited to join us **during the 8:15 or 10:30 Mass on Nov. 30, Dec. 7, 14 and 21** for a special child-friendly time of hearing and exploring the Gospel. Through age-appropriate discussion and simple activities, children can grow in faith and understanding during this beautiful season. No registration is needed – simply send your child forward when Father invites them to the altar during Mass.



CF Christmas Program

Sunday, December 14 • 2:00 p.m. • In the Church All are invited to join us for a joyful celebration of the Christmas season! Our Christian Formation students in 4K through 6th grade will present a special program of prayer, song, and a Nativity play on **Sunday, December 14 at 2:00 p.m. in the church.** Come and share in the spirit of the season as our young parishioners help us reflect on the true meaning of Christmas. We look forward to celebrating with you!

There are no Christian Formation Classes Tuesday, Nov. 25 and Sunday, Nov. 30.

**“Eucharistic Miracles of the World” Exhibit at
Good Shepherd in Menomonee Falls
December 4 - December 7, 8:00 AM-8:00 PM**

(closed ½hr before and during liturgical services- Sat 4:30 PM Mass, Sun 9:30 AM Mass, Sun 6:00 PM Rosary Service)

Weekly Schedule

Sunday, November 23	Mass at 8:15 & 10:30 am
CF Family Faith Day 9:30, 11:30, or 5:00 pm	
Art & Environment Take Down 11:30 am	
Boy Scout Troop 175 Meeting 6:00 pm	
Monday, November 24	
Tuesday, November 25	
Adoration 8:30 am - 6:00 pm	
Wednesday, November 26	Mass at 8:00 am
Thursday, November 27	Mass at 9:00 am
All Parish Offices Closed	
Friday, November 28	
NO Morning Mass/All Parish Offices Closed	
Saturday, November 29	Mass at 4:30 pm
Adoration 7:00 am	
Lector Prep 8:00 am	
Art & Environment Set-up 9:00 am	
Individual Reconciliation 3:30 pm (new time)	
Peace and All Good Soap Sale 5:30 pm	
Sunday, November 30	Mass at 8:15 & 10:30 am
Peace and All Good Soap Sale 9:15 & 11:30	
<i>St. James website has the current calendar for the entire year.</i>	