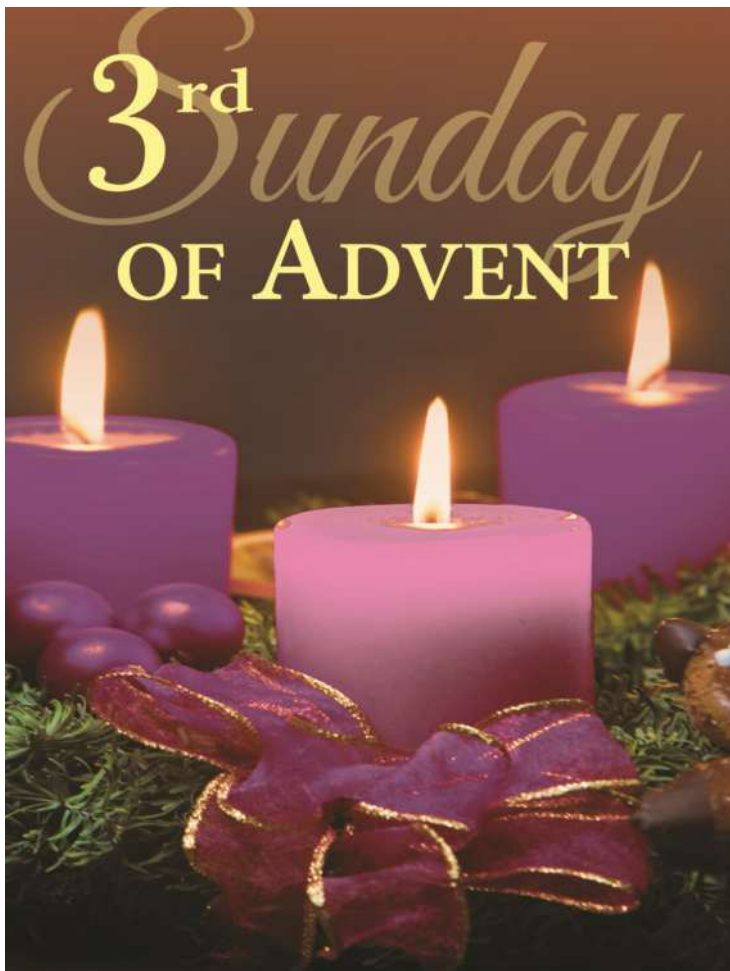


December 14, 2025



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### 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



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## St. James

### MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE COMING WEEK

#### Wednesday, December 17

8:00 am † Marge Blachowiak (The Christiansons)

#### Friday, December 19

8:00 am Parishioners of St. James

#### Saturday, December 20

4:30 pm † Maria & Joseph Bittner (Liz Stefl)  
† Konrad & Rosina Ettmayer (Liz Stefl)  
† Don & Carol Patterson

#### Sunday, December 21

8:15 am † Deceased Members of the Nettesheim & Madden Families (Peg Nettesheim & Family)  
10:30 am † Brian Berardi (Mom & Dad)  
† Gerald Spaeth (Betty & Dick Gilette)

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 14, 2025

**Sunday:** Is 35:1-6a, 10/Ps 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10 (see Is 35:4)/  
Jas 5:7-10/Mt 11:2-11

**Monday:** Nm 24:2-7, 15-17a/Ps 25:4-5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8-9/  
Mt 21:23-27

**Tuesday:** Zep 3:1-2, 9-13/Ps 34:2-3, 6-7, 17-18, 19 and 23/  
Mt 21:28-32

**Wednesday:** Gn 49:2, 8-10/Ps 72:1-2, 3-4ab, 7-8, 17/  
Mt 1:1-17

**Thursday:** Jer 23:5-8/Ps 72:1-2, 12-13, 18-19/Mt 1:18-25

**Friday:** Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a/Ps 71:3-4a, 5-6ab, 16-17/  
Lk 1:5-25

**Saturday:** Is 7:10-14/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/Lk 1:26-38

**Next Sunday:** Is 7:10-14/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 (7c, 10b)/  
Rom 1:1-7/Mt 1:18-24

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### Thanksgiving Mass Collection

At the Thanksgiving day Mass \$668.50 was collected for the St. Vincent de Paul Society of St. James. Thank you for your generosity in supporting those in need within our community.

### Stewardship Weekend of November 30, 2025

|                       |    |          |
|-----------------------|----|----------|
| Stewardship:          | \$ | 8,351.00 |
| Offertory:            | \$ | 1,027.50 |
| Line of Credit:       | \$ | 200.00   |
| Prior Year Assessment | \$ | 25.00    |

**Total \$ 9,603.50**

*Thank you for your support of St. James!*

To make an online contribution: Text: 73256  
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### THE 2026 PARISH FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP LETTER & COMMITMENT CARD

All families should have received their 2026 financial commitment card and letter in the mail; if you didn't please contact the parish office. Please read the letter & brochure carefully and return your commitment card *before December 31, 2025.*

## Menomonee Falls, WI

### Parish Offices Closed

All parish offices will be closed beginning  
Wednesday, December 24 until  
Monday December 29.

*There will be NO morning Mass  
Friday, December 26.*

### St. Ben's Meal Program

Consider donating food to the St. Ben's Community Meal this coming **Wednesday, December 17**. 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.



### Art & Environment



**Mark your calendars for December 21 at 11:30 am.** We will be decorating our church for Christmas and many helping hands are needed! Any amount of time you can give is greatly appreciated!



## Christmas

### MASS SCHEDULE

**CHRISTMAS EVE DECEMBER 24**

**MASS TIMES:**

**4:00 PM & 9:00 PM**

**CHRISTMAS DAY DECEMBER 25**

**MASS AT 9:00 AM**



### Is God inviting you?

We are looking for people to step forward as greeters, ushers, lectors, acolytes, and communion ministers.

If you would like more information about becoming involved in any of the roles mentioned above call the parish office 262-251-3944.

### Sheepshead Players Invited....

Sheepshead players to join us on December 18, 12:30-3pm at St. James school building, in room K, playing 5 handed called ace sheepshead. Bring a finger food or treat to share.



## EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

### The Season That Gives Back

*I don't have anything left to give.*

*You can't pour from an empty cup.*

*All I do is give. Who is giving to me?*

Raise your hand if these thoughts have ever run through your head. I'm sure they occur to all of us from time to time. We can become so easily depleted by the fast pace of life and whatever vocation God has called us to, whether that's parenthood, a demanding professional career or the caretaking of friends and family (or as so often happens, a hybrid of all three). Many of us also undergo certain seasons — seasons of the year, but also seasons of life — that seem to sap us of energy and leave us totally empty.

In these times, it seems impossible to continue in the spirituality of Everyday Stewardship. Graciousness, mindfulness, prayerfulness, gratitude, accountability — maintaining some semblance of these characteristics in our daily life feels not only overly optimistic, but totally impossible.

The Church gives us certain liturgical seasons that are meant to fill us up, almost like spiritual pit stops. Advent is one such season, and the Scriptural passages we reflect on at Mass during these four weeks are filled with images of nature defied. We see the dry steppe blooming. We see the weak made firm. We see the frightened made strong. We see the lame walk. We see the Virgin give birth.

If you think you don't have anything left to give this Advent, think again. This is the season of miracles when what we thought was depleted brings new life.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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## Emmaus 90

Emmaus 90 is a 90-day journey from New Years to Easter 2026 that brings you closer to Jesus Christ through prayer and formation. It's a personal commitment to grow in holiness with the support of hundreds of fellow participants ("pilgrims") and the leadership of nationally recognized educators. Cost is \$20 per person/\$40 per family. If interested in joining contact Sue Devine-Simon at [sdevine-simon@stjames-parish.com](mailto:sdevine-simon@stjames-parish.com) or 262-253-2904.

If I join, what do I get?

- Prompts for daily prayer with Scripture
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  - Weekly guided formation sessions
  - Discussion guide for your small group
  - Holiness challenges (visit the Blessed Sacrament; serve someone in need)
- Community, discussion, Q&A and support

## Bereavement Companion Ministry



*Are you a good listener? Do you find that you reach out to someone when you learn of a death? Would you be willing to reach out to others in our parish community who have experienced the death of a loved one?*

*If so, we could really use your gift of compassion as part of our Bereavement Companion Ministry. If you would like to learn more about this ministry and take part in a short training session, please reach out to Kristen Winter, Pastoral Health Care Coordinator, 262-250-2663 or Michelle Beimborn, Administrative Assistant, 262-253-2235.*



## No Adoration

There will be no Eucharistic Adoration on the following dates:

Tuesday December 23 and December 30  
Saturday December 27

## Weekly Schedule

### Sunday, December 14

Mass at 8:15 & 10:30 am

CF K3/K4/K5 | 8:15 am

CF Gr. 1-5 | 9:30 am

Ellacuria Fair Trade Sale | 9:30 & 11:30 am

CF Christmas Program | 2:00 pm

Confirmation Class | 11:30 am, 4:30 pm & 6:00 pm

CF Gr. 6-10 | 4:30 & 6:00 pm

Boy Scout Troop 175 Meeting | 6:00 pm

### Monday, December 15

Pastoral Council Meeting | 6:00 pm

### Tuesday, December 16

Adoration | 8:30 am - 6:00 pm

CF Staff Meeting | 1:00 pm

CF Classes Grades 1-10 | 6:00 pm

Confirmation Class | 6:00 pm

### Wednesday, December 17

Mass at 8:00 am

Common Threads Quilt Guild | 8:30 am

Staff Meeting | 9:30 am

Children's Choir Rehearsal | 4:00 pm

SVdP Meeting | 6:30 pm

Pack 175 Committee Meeting | 6:30 pm

### Thursday, December 18

Bible Study | 9:30 am

Adult Choir Rehearsal | 6:30 pm

Knights of Columbus Member Mtg. | 7:00 pm

### Friday, December 19

Mass at 8:00 am

Men's Group | 6:15 am

### Saturday, December 20

Mass at 4:30 pm

Adoration | 7:00 am

Lector Prep | 7:00 am

Individual Reconciliation | 3:30 pm (new time)

### Sunday, December 21

Mass at 8:15 & 10:30 am

Art & Environment Decorating Church for Christmas | 11:30 am

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



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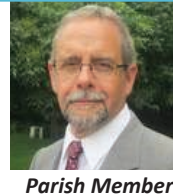
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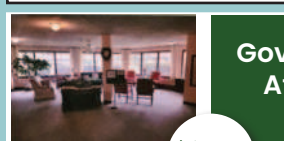
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