

# ST. JAMES THE LESS CATHOLIC CHURCH

## 1032 CALEDONIA ST. , LA CROSSE, WI

**Pastor**

Rev. Roger J. Scheckel 782-7557

**Associate Pastor**

Rev. Cheriyan Thomas 782-7557

**Parish Staff**

Secretary - Lynne Ostervich 782-7557  
 Parish Fax Number 796-0086  
 Coord. of Religious Ed - Donna Walz 782-1022  
 Parish Custodian - John Koelbl 782-7557  
 Senior Choir Director - Benedict Nguyen 779-5702  
 Parish Music Director - Dawn Pierce 787-5575

**Consultative Bodies**

Pastoral Council-Chair-Vacant  
 Sacred Worship Comm-Chair-Dawn Pierce 787-5575  
 Family Life Comm-Chair-Milt Tyler 784-3576  
 Education Comm - Vacant  
 Representative to Coulee Catholic Schools -  
     Margaret Flottmeyer 781-1779  
 Representative to Aquinas PTO-Kathy Banasik 781-7799  
 Social Justice Comm-Chair-Al Mathews 782-0589  
 Finance Council-Chair-Elaine Bonsack 783-1791  
 Buildings and Grounds - Vacant

**Parish Organizations**

Parish Council of Catholic Women (PCCW)  
     President Rita Krueger 782-4658  
 Holy Name Society-President-Vacant

**Weekend Masses**

Saturday, 4:30 p.m.; Sunday, 7:30 & 10:00 a.m.

**Weekday Masses**

During the School Year

Monday - Friday, 8:00 a.m.; Saturday, 7:30 a.m.

During the Summer Months

Monday - Saturday, 7:30 a.m.

**Confessions**

Saturday, 3:30 p.m.; Sunday, 9:00 a.m.

**Baptisms**

Call the rectory for an appointment.

**Marriages**

Arrangements must be made at least six months prior to the wedding. Call for an appointment.

**Parish Library Hours**

Tuesday - Friday, regular rectory business hours  
 (Use rectory front door)

**Parish Website**

[www.saintjameschurch.net](http://www.saintjameschurch.net)

**April 2 - April 8, 2007**

**Weekly Schedule**

**Mon. April 2**

7:35 a.m. - Public recitation of the rosary  
 8:00 a.m. - Mass for Florence LaFleur  
 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. - All Day Confessions at Cathedral  
 7:00 p.m. - Bible Study

**Tues. April 3**

7:35 a.m. - Public recitation of the rosary  
 8:00 a.m. - Mass for Herb Kramer  
 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. - Confessions  
 7:00 p.m. - Bible Study

**Wed. April 4**

7:35 a.m. - Public recitation of the rosary  
 8:00 a.m. - Mass for Special Intention of the Brennan  
     Family  
 6:00 - 7:00 p.m. - Confessions

**Thurs. April 5 - Holy Thursday**

NO MORNING MASS  
 10:00 a.m. - Chrism Mass at the Cathedral  
 7:00 p.m. - Mass of the Last Supper  
     Intention for Patrick & Daniel Haag  
 8:00 - 10:00 p.m. - Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

**Fri. April 6 - Good Friday - Day of Fast & Abstinence**

NO MORNING MASS  
 NO ALL-NIGHT ADORATION FOR FIRST  
 FRIDAY  
 2:00 p.m. - Celebration of the Lord's Passion

**Sat. April 7 - Holy Saturday**

NO MORNING MASS  
 8:00 p.m. - Easter Vigil Mass  
     Intention for John Shuda

**Sun. April 8 - Easter Sunday**

7:30 a.m. - Mass for Edna Allen  
 10:00 a.m. - Mass for Parishioners of St. James

**READERS - COMMENTATORS  
SERVERS - USHERS**

**Holy Thursday, April 5, 7:00 p.m.**

READER: J. & C. Vacek  
 COMMENTATOR: J. Schwabenbauer  
 MINISTERS: F. Wigdal  
                   C. & G. Guanella  
 USHERS: A. Mathews/B. Sullivan  
                   C. Reischl  
 SERVERS: Jacob Alford & Caleb Alford  
                   Charles Fuchsel  
                   Stephen & Andrew Reischl

**Good Friday, April 6, 2:00 p.m.**

READER: J. Cook  
 MINISTERS: D. Pavela/C. Patterson  
 USHERS: G. Brauer/K. Boswell  
                   A. Mathews/C. Reischl  
 SERVERS: Jacob & Caleb Alford  
                   Charles Fuchsel  
                   Matt Thompson

**Holy Saturday, April 7, 8:00 p.m.**

READER: B. Sullivan/L. Aylsworth  
                   J. Cook/M. Thompson  
 COMMENTATOR: J. Schwabenbauer  
 MINISTERS: C. Patterson/R. Brauer  
 USHERS: G. Brauer/K. Boswell  
                   A. Mathews  
 SERVERS: Jacob & Caleb Alford  
                   Matt Thompson

**Easter Sunday, April 8 - 7:30 a.m.**

READER: D. Wurzer  
 COMMENTATOR: R. Allen  
 MINISTERS: F. Wigdal  
 USHERS: G. Skemp/D. Kneifl  
                   G. Seifert  
 SERVERS: Charles Fuchsel  
                   Adam Wolfert  
                   Chris Ganrude

**Easter Sunday, April 8 - 10:00 a.m.**

READER: K. Heilman/K. Brauer  
 COMMENTATOR: B. Hanson  
 MINISTERS: P. Thompson/V. Brauer  
 USHERS: G. Brauer/D. Seufzer  
                   F. Benesh/O. Sagen  
 SERVERS: Mark Knudtson  
                   Stephen & Andrew Reischl

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**CHURCH COLLECTION**

Envelopes/Plate	\$5,134.17
Votive Candles	81.00
Youth Envelopes	<u>0.00</u>
<b>TOTAL COLLECTIONS</b>	<b>\$5,215.17</b>

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***We Belong To Christ Campaign***

The final phase of our Stewardship Campaign has begun. All parishioners are being solicited either personally or by mail. Presently we have received \$83,825.00 in cash donations and \$379,530.00 in pledges. The overall parish goal is \$670,000. If you have not done so, please fill out your pledge card and return it to the rectory.

We have now returned to our parish church. The financial means that is being used to pay for the painting and decorating of our church comes through the "We Belong to Christ Campaign". Hopefully all our parishioners will want to be part of this very worthwhile project. If you have not yet made a donation, please do so. If you misplaced your appeal card, contact the rectory and one of them will be sent to you.

**Please make checks payable to *We Belong to Christ*, not *St. James Parish*.** Thank you.

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**Catholic Holy Land Pilgrimage**

Father William Felix, Pastor of St. Charles Borromeo Parish in Chippewa Falls and our own Father Roger Scheckel, and Christopher Cross are planning a pilgrimage to the Holy Land October 21 - November 1, 2007. The total price for this trip is \$2,750 per person, which includes round trip air from La Crosse, Eau Claire, Wausau or Mpls., hotels, breakfast, lunch and dinners daily and all entrance fees. Visit all the holy sites and celebrate Mass daily as we visit Jerusalem, Nazareth, Bethlehem, boat ride on the Sea of Galilee, Jordan River, Cana and Mt. Tabor. More info available at the rectory. Call 1-800-435-2964 for a registration form.

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**Feast of Divine Mercy**

Lent is a time to stop and examine our spiritual lives through the eyes of Jesus. When He looks in to our souls, does He see Himself reflected back at Him...or not? Because of the effects of Original Sin, we are all sinners and don't always show Him a very holy reflection. Jesus in His great love for His children gave us the Sacraments of Confession and Holy Communion to help us stay holy for Him. Do we use those sacraments and if we do, do we receive them often and worthily? Even with frequent reception of the sacraments, there is still punishment due for our offenses, but our dear Lord in His infinite mercy, on one very special day each year gives us the opportunity to be freed of all our sins even the punishment due to them. The hearts turn to Him in sorrow and repentance for their sins. This day is Divine Mercy Sunday, the first Sunday after Easter, which will be celebrated here at St. James on April 15th beginning at 12:00 p.m. Information on this Day of Mercy is available in the back of church and at the rectory. Please take the time to familiarize yourself with this Feast Day that can turn your whole life around with its observance.

## Weekly Readings

**April 2 - April 8**

**Monday** - Is 42: 1-7; Jn 12: 1-11

**Tuesday** - Is 49: 1-6; Jn 13: 21-33, 36-38

**Wednesday** - Is 50: 4-9a; Mt 26: 14-25

**Thursday** - Ex 12: 1-8, 11-14; 1 Cor 11: 23-26; Jn 13: 1-15

**Friday** - Is 52: 13--53: 12; Heb 4: 14-16; 5: 7-9; Jn 18: 1--19, 42

**Saturday** - Gen 1: 1-2; 2; Gen 22: 1-18; Ex 14: 15-15: 1; Is 54: 5-14; Is 55: 1-11; Bar 3: 9-15, 32-4: 4; Ez 36: 16-17a, 18-28; Rom 6: 3-11; Lk 24: 1-12

**Sunday** - Acts 10: 34a, 37-43; Col 3: 1-4 or 1 Cor 5: 6b-8; Jn 20: 1-9

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### **ST. JAMES CALENDAR RAFFLE WINNERS**

Mar. 26 Paul Merfeld	\$20
Mar. 27 Dean Bartelson	\$20
Mar. 28 John & Kay Sagen	\$20
Mar. 29 Orville Buchner	\$20
Mar. 30 Donna Rattle	\$40

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The Saint James Library has quality videos to assist you in your Lenten journey during Holy Week. Some suggestions include:

*The Easter Triduum* by Fr. John Corapi

*The Way of the Cross* by Holy Hill, Shrine of Mary

*The Passion of the Christ* with Jim Caviezel

*How Jesus Died: The Final 18 Hours* by Trinity Pictures

There are DVD's and books available, too, and you may check all materials out for the time needed for you, no strict due dates apply. The Saint James Library is located in the rectory basement and is open during office hours.

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**Please pray for family members or friends who are being activated for military duty overseas especially remembering Shane Deback and Shane Trussoni.**

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### **Church Cleaning Schedule**

**April 7 - D. Walz/M. Leis & Girls**

**April 14 - C. & J. Haag/D. Colgan**

**April 21 - C. Patterson/D. Sullivan/R. & G. Krueger**

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**We extend our condolences and prayers to the Richard Wing Family on the event of Dick's death this past week. May he rest in peace.**

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**This past week you all should have received a letter from your pastor explaining the CCS debt that is being assigned to every parish in the La Crosse Deanery. Our portion is \$259,924.00. To begin to address this matter, I have requested all parishioners to participate in our upcoming land raffle by purchasing at least 2 tickets. Please make every attempt to respond to this request. We need to reduce this amount as much as possible before interest charges begin in 24 months. Thank you.**

## **Holy Week Schedule**

**Holy Thursday, April 5th**

Chrism Mass at Cathedral - 10:00 a.m.

**Mass of the Last Supper - 7:00 p.m.**

Adoration until 10:00 p.m.

**Good Friday Service - 2:00 p.m.**

**Easter Vigil - Saturday 8:00 p.m.**

**Easter Sunday -7:30 and 10:00 a.m.**

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**Be certain to prepare yourself for celebration of the Triduum by making a sincere and complete confession of your sins. Times for confession are listed on the front of the bulletin. Make every attempt to celebrate the Mass of the Last Supper on Holy Thursday, the Good Friday Service and the Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday.**

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### **Our Lady of Sorrows Chapel to hold**

**Stations of the Cross and Prayer on Good Friday**

You are invited to follow in the footsteps of Mary, Our Sorrowful Mother, contemplating the Passion of her Divine Son, Jesus Christ, on Good Friday, April 6, 2007.

Good Friday devotions will be as follows:

8:30 a.m. Our Lady of Sorrows Chapel open for private prayer

9:00 a.m. The Way of the Cross for the Holy Souls in Purgatory

The Stations of the Cross are located in the Catholic Cemetery. All are encouraged to meet in the Chapel before proceeding to the First Station

10:00 a.m. Prayer of the Little Rosary of the Seven Dolours of Mary

A plenary indulgence is granted to Christian faithful who devoutly make the Stations of the Cross. Conditions of receiving a plenary indulgence include: Sacramental confession, Eucharistic communion, performance of the Stations of the Cross, pray for the Pope's intentions, c.g. Our Father, Hail Mary, or any pious prayer. All conditions must be met within eight days prior or after making the Stations of the Cross. All soul must be in the state of grace and not attachment to any sin including venial sin. Otherwise, venial sin renders only a partial indulgence.

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Thank you again to our loyal St. James blood donors who donated on Thursday, March 22. Your time and donations are greatly appreciated. Our next blood drive is Tuesday, May 22 at St. James.

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Adoration for vocations: Please join us on Monday evening, April 2nd, to pray for holy vocations to the priesthood, religious life, and marriage. Adoration will be held in the Crypt Chapel of Holy Cross Diocesan Center from 7:00 - 8:00 p.m. All ages are welcome.