

ST. JAMES THE LESS CATHOLIC CHURCH

1032 CALEDONIA ST. , LA CROSSE, WI

Pastor

Rev. Roger J. Scheckel 782-7557

Associate Pastor

Rev. Roy Witucki 782-7557

Parish Staff

Secretary - Lynne Ostervich 782-7557

Parish Fax Number 796-0086

Coord. of Religious Ed - Donna Walz 782-0011

Parish Custodian - John Koelbl 782-7557

Youthope - 1353 Caledonia St. – Susan Swanke 782-1741

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 - Herb Bassett 781-4844

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

February 18 - February 25, 2007

Weekly Schedule

Mon. February 19

7:35 a.m. - Public recitation of the rosary

8:00 a.m. - Mass for Shawn McMahon

Tues. February 20

7:35 a.m. - Public recitation of the rosary

8:00 a.m. - Mass for health & welfare of Donna Walz

Wed. February 21

7:35 a.m. - Public recitation of the rosary

8:00 a.m. - Mass for Herb Kramer

Thurs. February 22

7:35 a.m. - Public recitation of the rosary

8:00 a.m. - Mass for Spec. Int. of Becky & Jeff Dicharry

6:30 p.m. - RCIA

Fri. February 23

7:35 a.m. - Public recitation of the rosary

8:00 a.m. - Mass for the conversion of a pro-abortion
Catholic politician

8:30 a.m. - Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

3:00 p.m. - Benediction

Sat. February 24

7:30 a.m. - Mass for Rita Formella

8:00 a.m. - Public recitation of the rosary

3:30 p.m. - Confessions

4:30 p.m. - Vigil Mass for Don (Butch) Poellinger

Sun. February 25 - Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 a.m. - Mass for Edward J. Rodenkirch

8:30 a.m. - CCD

9:00 a.m. - Confessions

10:00 a.m. - Mass for St. James Parishioners

READERS - COMMENTATORS

SERVERS - USHERS

Saturday, February 24 - 4:30 p.m.

READER: L. Alysworth

COMMENTATOR:

MINISTERS: M. Heilman

G. Guanella

USHERS: A. Mathews

G. Heilman

R. Bjorkman

SERVERS: Jacob Alford

Caleb Alford

Sunday, February 25 - 7:30 a.m.

READER: M Thompson

COMMENTATOR: R. Allen

MINISTERS: D. Randall

USHERS: G. Besl/B. Rudy

R. Greeno

SERVERS: M. Thompson

A. Wolfert

Sunday, February 25 - 10:00 a.m.

READER: C. Heilman/B. Stetzer

COMMENTATOR: M. Craig

MINISTERS: R. Devine

USHERS: D. Seufzer/G. Brauer

J. Koelbl/J. King

SERVERS: M. Knudtson

S. Marshall

CHURCH COLLECTION

Envelopes/Plate \$5,440.32

Youth Envelopes 31.88

TOTAL COLLECTIONS \$5,472.20

St. John Vianney Seminary

Offers a special opportunity for young men of high school (15+) or college age to spend several days visiting St. John Vianney Seminary, St. Paul, Minnesota. The visit is three days in length from Thursday, February 15 at 5:30 p.m. until Saturday, February 17, after lunch. On Friday visitors can attend several classes with the seminarians. Come for all or part of the weekend.

Immaculate Heart of Mary Seminary

Offers a special opportunity for young men of high school (15+) or college age to visit Immaculate Heart of Mary Seminary, Winona, Minnesota. The visit is three days in length from Saturday, March 10 at 2:00 p.m. until Monday, March 12 after lunch. On Monday you can attend several classes with the seminarians. Come for all or part of the visit. For more information and to register for either or both visits contact Fr. Joseph Hirsch at jhirsch@dioceseoflacrosse.com or call the Office of Vo-

FORTY HOURS DEVOTION

This week we will give thanks to God for the completion of our Church project through Eucharistic Adoration for 40 hours. Please consult the schedules at the church entrances.

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 \$78,880.00 in cash donations and \$380,700.00 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. Thank you.

A Theological Time Bomb:

Pope John Paul II's Theology of the Body

Pope John Paul II spent five years (1979-1984) explaining the beauty, meaning and mystery of our human bodies. These extraordinarily rich presentations ultimately formed his "Theology of the Body", which beautifully and eloquently articulates the spiritual significance of our human bodies. Pope John Paul's insights are timely, in that they show the wisdom of the Church's teaching regarding human sexuality, marriage and celibacy.

On Thursday, February 15th at 7:00 p.m. Father Sam Martin, Chaplain at Aquinas High School and Director of the Holy Cross Seminary House of Formation, will share his understanding of how our former pope's insight can enrich our life whether we are young or old, married or single. Please join us in the Gathering Space at St. Patrick's Parish in Onalaska for this marvelous presentation, which can also help enrich your family life. Refreshments will be provided. For free child care, please call Brenda at 783-5574 or Diana at 783-7828. This is sponsored by the parish Council of Catholic Women and the Knights of Columbus.

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

CCD News...

The annual Chastity Ring Ceremony will be held on February 14, 2007 at 6:00 p.m. at St. James. Reception will follow in Murphy Hall. If you would like to make your vows of chastity or renew your past vows, please call Donna at 782-0011 with your RSVP. Thank you.

Jason Evert will be at Blessed Sacrament Parish
Monday, February 26, 7:00 p.m.

Monsignor Anthony P. Wagener Parish Center
130 Losey Blvd.

Jason's presentation on Chastity is appropriate and valuable for entire families, especially for teens and young adults.

Free will offering taken.

50th Wedding Anniversaries

If you are celebrating 50 years of marriage this year, please call the rectory so we may forward your name and address to the Office of Family Life — Diocese of LaCrosse. You will receive an invitation to attend a special celebration in your honor which includes Mass with Bishop Jerome Listecky and an elegant reception on Sunday, July 29th in LaCrosse, Sunday, September 9th in Altoona, or Sunday, September 16th in Plover. Last year over two hundred couples joined Bishop Listecky in celebrating their anniversaries. Names need to be sent to the Diocesan Office by March 31st.

Who are the Capuchins?

The Capuchin Franciscan friars will be holding a weekend in the Milwaukee area for men (ages 18-49) who are interested in learning about religious life and seeing how Capuchins live as Franciscans in our world and in the Church today.

The weekend is March 2-4, 2007. If you would like to attend, have questions, or want to recommend someone for the weekend, call 920-915-4400 or email the Vocation Office at: vocation@capuchinfranciscans.org Check out the Capuchin website at: www.capuchinfranciscans.org

Volunteers: Fulfill a need which will last a lifetime. St. Joseph's Rehabilitation Center is seeking individuals or groups of volunteers at our nursing home. Residents look forward to playing cards or bingo, letter writing, reading and socialization with our volunteers. If you are interested in being a volunteer at St. Joseph's please call 788-9870 ext. 216 or speak with Jenny Knutson. Thank you.

Any Liturgical Ministers or committee members who have not called in their RSVP for the Volunteer Appreciation Dinner, please do so by this Monday, February 12th. The dinner will be held at Baus Haus on Saturday, February 17th. Thank you.

Weekly Readings

February 12 - February 18

Monday - Gn 4: 1-15, 24; Mk 8: 11-13

Tuesday - Gn 6: 5-8, 7: 1-5, 10; Mk 8: 14-21

Wednesday - Gn 8: 6-13, 20-22; Mk 8: 22-26

Thursday - Gn 9: 1-13; Mk 8: 27-33

Friday - Gn 11: 1-9; Mk 8: 34-9:1

Saturday - Heb 11: 1-7; Mk 9: 2-13

Sunday - 1 Sm 26: 2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23; 1 Cor 15: 45-49; Lk 6: 27-38

Begin the New Year with a Bible Study!

The Church & The Christian Community is an 8 week study on Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians. Monday nights beginning February 12th at 7:00 p.m. in the rectory library. \$7.00 covers the cost of a student workbook.

The Great Adventure Bible Timeline, a 24 week series with Jeff Cavins, gives the serious Bible student a better understanding of the Old Testament and how it leads us to the New Testament. Tuesday nights beginning February 13th at 7:00 p.m. in the rectory library. \$45.00 covers the cost of the student binder and supplies.

For more information or to register, call 782-0011.

Saturday, February 17 - Spaghetti dinner, Holy Trinity Parish 4:00 - 7:00 p.m. \$6 adults, \$3 children under 12.

Saturday, February 17 - Spaghetti dinner, Saint Patrick's, Onalaska 5:00-8:00 p.m. \$7 prior to event \$7.50 at the door. Under 5 free.

Embracing the Supernatural Call to Holiness

We live at a time in history when many seek to undermine the beauty and dignity of motherhood, the importance of fatherhood, authentic femininity, noble character, and even the belief in the existence of God. In response to the times, the Family Concerns Commissions of the Chippewa Falls and Eau Claire deaneries are uniting to host an event for women of all ages that will revive in them the nobleness of their mission, the dignity of their vocation, and their call to holiness as women reflecting Christ. This special day for ladies is a lovely one-day conference to be held at St. Mary's Community Center, Altoona, WI on Saturday, March 3, 2007. Singles, religious, young ladies in high school, mothers, grandmothers, and great-grandmothers will be edified and challenged to fully embrace their call to holiness. Please pick your registration form up (in the back of church) and send it in today: Questions? Please call Beth DeCook at 715-288-5968.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 10:00AM TO STUFF, LABEL, SEAL, AND STAMP 5,000 LAND RAFFLE LETTERS. I'LL HAVE REFRESHMENTS. CALL LYNNE AT THE RECTORY IF YOU CAN HELP OR EVEN TAKE A FEW HOME. THANK YOU!

FORTY-HOURS DEVOTION

In Thanksgiving for the Completion of the Church Renovation Project

**St. James the Less
Catholic Church
1032 Caledonia St.
La Crosse, WI 54603**

*(*The Blessed Sacrament will remain exposed for adoration continuously, except during Holy Mass)*

SCHEDULE

SUNDAY, Feb. 11, 2007

7:00 pm Solemn Exposition
Vespers
Simple Eucharistic Procession

8 - 10 pm Confessions

**All Night Adoration*

MONDAY, Feb. 12, 2007

7:30 am Rosary

8:00 am Holy Sacrifice of the Mass

8:30 - 9:30 am Confessions

3:00 pm Chaplet of Divine Mercy

5:30 pm Holy Sacrifice of the Mass
(with Anointing of the Sick)

**All Night Adoration*

TUESDAY, Feb. 13, 2007

7:30 am Rosary

8:00 am Holy Sacrifice of the Mass

8:30 - 9:30 am Confessions

3:00 pm Chaplet of Divine Mercy

5:15 - 6:15 pm Confessions

6:30 - 7:30 pm

***SOLEMN VESPERS**

***SCRIPTURAL & MUSICAL
MEDITATIONS**

***EUCHARISTIC PROCESSION**

***BENEDICTION**

***REPOSITION of the Blessed
Sacrament**

7:30 pm Reception in Murphy Hall