

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

January 8 - January 14, 2007

Weekly Schedule

Mon. January 8 - Baptism of the Lord

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

8:00 a.m. - Mass for Special Intention for Clara Haag

7:00 p.m. - CCS Commission Meeting

Tues. January 9

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

8:00 a.m. - Mass for Frances Apfel

6:30 p.m. - PCCW Meeting (Note: earlier time)

Wed. January 10

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

8:00 a.m. - Mass for Joshua Kiesling

6:30 p.m. - First Confession Parents' Meeting

Thurs. January 11

Father Scheckel & Bishop ListECKI leave for India

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

8:00 a.m. - Mass for Rose Gilbertson

6:30 p.m. - RCIA

Fri. January 12

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

8:00 a.m. - Mass for Jane & Richard Duncan

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

9:30 a.m. - Benediction

Sat. January 13 - St. Hilary

7:30 a.m. - Mass for Special Intention

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

3:30 p.m. - Confessions

4:30 p.m. - Vigil Mass for Randy Call

Sun. January 14 - Second Sunday in Ordinary

Time

7:30 a.m. - Mass for Edna Allen

9:00 a.m. - Confessions

10:00 a.m. - Mass for Henry Stall

**READERS - COMMENTATORS
SERVERS - USHERS**

Saturday, January 13 - 4:30 p.m.

READER:
COMMENTATOR: P. Harnisch-Smith
MINISTERS: A. Arlt/C. Guanella
USHERS: R. Rieber/R. Bjorkman
J. King/M. Orcutt
SERVERS: Jared Berger
Marcus Skiles

Sunday, January 14 - 7:30 a.m.

READER: D. Wurzer
COMMENTATOR: R. Allen
MINISTERS: F. Wigdal
USHERS: G. Skemp/D. Kneifl
G. Seifert
SERVERS: Matt Thompson
Adam Wolfert

Sunday, January 14 - 10:00 a.m.

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

CHURCH COLLECTION

Envelopes/Plate	\$11,352.37
Christmas	1,005.00
Youth Envelopes	<u>9.50</u>
TOTAL COLLECTIONS	\$12,366.87

**Please note that confessions are heard before
the weekend Masses in the small kitchen
located in the gymnasium on the opposite end
of the stage.**

**Visit The Holy Cross Seminary House of For-
mation website: www.houseofformation.com**

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 \$76,505.00 in cash donations and \$370,750.00 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.

In the very near future we will be returning 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.

Please pray for family members or friends who are being activated for military duty overseas especially remembering Shane Deback, Paul Endris, and Mike Endris.

Thank you to all who donated gift cards to the rectory this Christmas Season. With your generosity we were able to help 19 families have a happier Christmas.

IRA Incentive

A recent tax law effective only for 2006 and 2007 has created a lucrative tax incentive to take money tax free from IRA accounts by contributing an amount directly to a charity. This law only applies to individuals who are required to take distributions from their IRA accounts because they are 70 1/2 or older. This new law is especially beneficial for people who have significant IRA accounts or are unable to itemize deductions. If you wish to make a contribution to the parish from your IRA account, please call or consult your tax advisor.

Blood Drive - January 15

Our next combined blood drive is January 15 from 2-7 p.m. at Trinity Lutheran Church at 1010 Sill St.

Trinity Lutheran Church has joined St. James the Less and St. Luke's Methodist Church in hosting the blood drives. The schedule of blood drives will increase to six a year, two at each host church.

Blood may be donated every 56 days and the six blood drives are more than 56 days apart.

If you would like more information or you would like to sign up to be a donor please call Trudy at 783-3095.

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.

Attention CCS and Home School Students:

Your offering envelopes are on the table in the chapel. Please pick up your envelopes and record your name and number on the sheet provided. Thank you.

**La Crosse Mardi Gras Ball
January 20, 2007
at Stoney Creek Inn**

**Last chance for Ball Tickets!!
Phone in Deadline: Jan. 9, 2007
788-9213**

**Tickets for Ball Only \$45/person
Family Sponsorship \$125
Includes 2 Ball Tickets
2 Sponsor Party Tickets at the Freighthouse
2 Adult Admission to the Family Event
Individual Sponsorship is \$65
Includes 1 of everything listed above.**

**Mark you calendars!
January 28, 2007
Family Festival at the La Crosse Center
Adults and Kids over 12 are \$3
Kids 12 and under are FREE
Food, Entertainment, Games, Petting Zoo, Jump
Houses and much more.**

**Wake Up with *Morning Air*
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Aquinas Middle and High School will be holding their annual "*Get To Know Us Night*" on Monday, January 8, 2007. This is a great opportunity for both prospective parents and students to learn about all that Aquinas offers.

***Middle School, grade 6 parents & students -
6:30 p.m.***

***High School, grade 8 parents and students -
7:30 p.m.***

***In the Aquinas Theater,
315 South 11th Street, La Crosse***

General school and enrollment information, along with building tours, will be available. For more information, call Aquinas Middle School at 784-0156 or Aquinas High School at 784-0287.

Fr. Scheckel and Bishop Jerome Listecky will be traveling to India, leaving this coming Thursday, January 11th and returning Friday, January 19th. We will be blessing a Shrine Church dedicated to Our Lady of Good Health in the Diocese of Guntar as well as meeting with 8 archbishops and bishops to discuss the possibility of more priests coming from India to serve in the diocese of La Crosse. Please pray for our safe travel.

Weekly Readings

January 8 - January 14

Monday - Is 42: 1-4, 6-7/Acts 10: 34-38; Lk 3: 15-16, 21-22 or Is 40: 1-5, 9-11; Ti 2: 11-14; 3: 4-7; Lk 3: 15-16

Tuesday - Heb 1: 1-6 plus Heb 2: 5-12; Mk 1: 14-20 plus Mk 1:21-28

Wednesday - Heb 2: 14-18; Mk 1: 29-39

Thursday - Heb 3: 7-14; Mk 1: 40-45

Friday - Heb 4: 1-5, 11; Mk 2: 1-12

Saturday - Heb 4: 12-16; Mk 2: 13-17

Sunday - Is 62: 1-5; 1 Cor 12: 4-11; Jn 2: 1-11

**Visit our parish website at
www.saintjameschurch.net to get a
close up view of our stained glass
windows.**