

St. James the Less Catholic Church

1032 Caledonia Street, La Crosse, WI 54603

Weekend Masses

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

Confessions

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

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Pastor

Rev. Roger J. Scheckel 782-7557

Associate Pastor

Rev. Anandan Rajandran (Fr. Rajan) 782-7557

Parish Staff

Secretary - Lynne Ostervich 782-7557
Parish Fax Number 796-0086
Director of Religious Education - 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 Committee - Chair - Dawn Pierce 787-5575
Family Life Committee - Chair - Milt Tyler 784-3576
Education Committee - Vacant
Representative to Coulee Catholic Schools -
Margaret Flottmeyer 781-1779
Representative to Aquinas PTO - Kathy Banasik 781-7799
Social Justice Committee - 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 - Jane Schwabenbauer 783-1986
Holy Name Society - President - Vacant

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.

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

Parish Website

www.saintjameschurch.net

January 28, 2008 – February 3, 2008

Weekly Schedule

Mon. January 28 - St. Thomas Aquinas

7:35 a.m. - Public recitation of the rosary
8:00 a.m. - Mass for Rosie & Harold Baumgart

Tues. January 29

7:35 a.m. - Public recitation of the rosary
8:00 a.m. - Mass for Ginny Weber

Wed. January 30

7:35 a.m. - Public recitation of the rosary
8:00 a.m. - Mass for George Loughan

Thurs. January 31 - St. John Bosco

7:35 a.m. - Public recitation of the rosary
8:00 a.m. - Mass for Living & Deceased Members
of the Leonard & Metabelle Mack Family
6:30 p.m. - RCIA

Fri. February 1 - First Friday

7:35 a.m. - Public recitation of the rosary
8:00 a.m. - Mass for Rosie & Harold Baumgart
8:30 a.m. - All-Night Adoration of the Blessed
Sacrament

Sat. February 2 - Presentation of the Lord

First Saturday

7:30 a.m. - Mass for Living & Deceased Members
of the Mosey-Larkin Families
8:00 a.m. - Public recitation of the rosary
3:30 p.m. - Confessions
4:00 p.m. - Blessing of Throats for Feast of St. Blaise
4:30 p.m. - Vigil Mass for Donald Mumm &
Chloe Vogt

Sun. February 3 - Fourth Sunday of Ordinary

Time

7:00 a.m. - Blessing of throats for Feast of St. Blaise
7:30 a.m. - Mass for Katherine Butkovich
8:30 a.m. - CCD
9:00 a.m. - Confessions
9:30 a.m. - Blessing of Throats for Feast of St. Blaise
10:00 a.m. - Mass for Beatrice & Cornelius Mauss

Fr. Scheckel returns tonight!

VOLUNTEER SCHEDULES

READERS - COMMENTATORS SERVERS - USHERS

Saturday, February 2 - 4:30 p.m.

READER: P. Harnisch-Smith
COMMENTATOR: J. Schwabenbauer
MINISTERS: T. Duffrin
C. Patterson
USHERS: R. Bjorkman/K. Boswell
SERVERS: Marcus Skiles

Sunday, February 3 - 7:30 a.m.

READER: B. Sullivan/D. Pavela
COMMENTATOR:
MINISTERS: J. Nelson
USHERS: R. Allen/J. Flottmeyer
M. Tyler/J. Fuchsel
SERVERS: Charles Fuchsel

Sunday, February 3 - 10:00 a.m.

READER: R. Rusch
COMMENTATOR:
MINISTERS: V. Brauer
USHERS: J. Koelbl/G. Brauer
F. Benesh/O. Sagen
SERVERS: Matt & Cole Squire

CHURCH CLEANING

Feb. 2 - R. Brauer/C. Guanella/T. Bornheimer

Feb. 9 - J. Wiegand/B. Tomten/J. Wolfert

Feb. 16 - J. Tydrich/J. Wurzer/M. Dolle

CHURCH COLLECTION

Envelopes/Plate	\$4,487.77
Votive Candles	90.00
Youth Envelopes	24.11
TOTAL COLLECTIONS	\$4,601.88

Please pray for family members or friends who are being activated for military duty overseas especially remembering Shane Deback, Greg Schumacher, Christopher Lyons, and Steven Deitelhoff.

Liturgical ministers are always needed on Holy Days. When you come to Mass, please check in at the sacristy to see if a reader, commentator, etc. is needed. Thank you.

Blood Drive of January 15, 2008

The results of the Blood Drive on January 15 at Trinity Lutheran are 33 donors registered with 24 whole blood units, 2 dual red cells units and 1 platelet unit donated. A warm thank you to each person who came on such a cold day to help another person. The next blood drive is Tuesday, March 25 at St. Luke's United Methodist Church.

Retrouvaille Presents "Marriage 911"

...a lifeline for troubled marriages

Central Wisconsin Retrouvaille is part of a world-wide, non-profit, volunteer-run program that has helped hundreds of local couples regain happy marriages. All volunteer couples have been through this program.

Take the first step - save your marriage.

Call Toll-Free: 1-877-922-4673

www.HelpOurMarriage.com

Upcoming "Marriage 911" Weekends in Wausau

May 2-4, 2008 and August 8-10, 2008

Chris Padgett Speaks About Christian Discipleship

at Aquinas High School on January 30, 2008.

Music ~ 6:30-7:00 p.m. Presentation ~ 7:00-8:00 p.m.

Reserved seats only! Space is limited!

Please call the number below to reserve a seat today!

Office of Youth & Young Adult Ministry

Jen Mickschl, Secretary, 608-791-0161

jmickschl@dioceseoflacrosse.com

Cathedral Health Fair

Thursday, February 7, 2008, 2 - 4 p.m. (In Undercroft)

Free and Open to the Public

Over 20 health care groups will be presenting

at this educational opportunity

to learn how to keep yourself healthy and well.

Make the Mind-Body-Spirit Connection.

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 Marshfield and Eau Claire Council of Catholic Women 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, February 2, 2008. 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 up your registration form (in the back of church) and send it in today! Question? Please call Roberta

PLEASE PRAY FOR THESE PARISHIONERS WHO ARE ILL OR HOSPITALIZED:

Joe Arlt, Bernard Endris, Janet Storandt, Elaine Addis, Steve Butterfield, Elizabeth Gilbertson, Joe Huber, Judith Dohlby, Winifred Merfeld, Catherine Kainz, Franz Butkovich, Jasmine Kranz, Virginia Stanislawski, Elizabeth Crogan, Mary Janisch, Jordan Lohman, Elaine Bon-sack, Robert Chandoda, Norman Melde, and Mary Apel

Knights of Columbus Friday Fish Buffet Dinner

Buy one buffet dinner, get one free!

Any Friday night, 4:00 - 8:00 p.m.

3020 Hwy 16

For St. James the Less Church bulletin readers

Coupon expires February 10, 2008

News from your Pastor:

I hope you still remember me! I am presently in Rome awaiting the start of a meeting of the Diocesan Directors for the Propagation of the Faith. I arrived here on January 15th after spending a week traveling with Bishop Listecki in Ghana, Africa. There we met with four bishops, an archbishop and the Cardinal of Ghana to thank them for sending to the La Crosse Diocese their priests (we have eight serving in our Diocese) as well as to encourage them to send us more. It was a good trip with a lot of bumpy roads in some rather remote regions. I am presently staying at the North American College in Rome, where seminarians from the United States prepare for the priesthood. We have two seminarians from the Diocese of La Crosse studying here. The weather is cool - 50 degrees (perfect for me) but rainy. I keep up with La Crosse through the Tribune website and see that you have had a good snowfall.

With an assurance of my prayers,
Fr. Scheckel

Thank you from Wafer...

On behalf of WAFER Food Pantry, thank you for your donations over the past year. For over 20 years, WAFER has provided food packages to LaCrosse County households. Without your donations this would not be possible.

WAFER's goal is to continue to make a difference in hunger, the most basic of needs. We depend entirely on cash, food, volunteer hour donations, and are grateful for your compassion. With the help from supporters like you, we will continue to provide food to community members without enough to eat.

The **annual Chastity Ring ceremony** will be held on Wednesday, Feb. 13, 2008. This event is open to all young men and women from 9th grade on up. For more information or to register, please call the rectory.

"Stop Abortion and Support Family Life" -Mass intention for a novena of Masses on First Saturdays from Oct.-June. The Feb. Mass will be Sat., Feb. 2, 7:30 a.m. at Blessed Sacrament. Everyone is invited to participate and pray for these intentions.

Weekly Readings

January 28 - February 3

Monday - 2Sm 5: 1-7, 10; Mk 3: 22-30

Tuesday - 2 Sm 6: 12-15, 17-19; Mk 3: 31-35

Wednesday - 2 Sm 7: 4-17; Mk 4: 1-20

Thursday - 2 Sm 7: 18-19, 24-29; Mk 4: 21-25

Friday - 2 Sm 11: 1-4, 5-10, 13-17; Mk 4: 26-34

Saturday - Mal 3: 1-4/Heb 2: 14-18; Lk 2: 22-40 or 2: 22-32

Sunday - Zep 2: 3, 3: 12-13; Mt 5: 1-12a

Offering Envelopes for

Coulee Catholic School and home schooled students

are available on a table in the back of church.

Please pick up your child's box of envelopes as you leave church. Thank you.

Sportsmen's Calendar Raffle Winners

11/7/07 Ralph Brillowski, Stevens Point, WI
11/8/07 Ronald Lahman, Sr., Shell Knob, MO
11/14/07 Carlene Monson, Spring Grove, MN
11/15/07 Michael Stout, LaCrosse, WI
11/21/07 Joy Priester, Wyoming, MN
11/22/07 Christopher Covey, Crystal Lake, IL
11/28/07 Joseph Guzik, Columbia Heights, MN
11/29/07 William Krueger, DeSoto, WI
12/5/07 Robert Fletty, Mosinee, WI
12/6/07 Ken Schelfhout, Onalaska, WI
12/12/07 Daniel Hellios, McHenry, IL
12/13/07 Rich Olson, Schofield, WI
12/19/07 John Marshall, Janesville, WI
12/20/07 Todd Suhr, Plover, WI
12/26/07 Thomas Stolarczyk, Madison, WI
12/27/07 Ron Hutchinson, Brookfield, WI
1/2/08 Oak Moser, Tomah, WI
1/3/08 Donald Smith Sr., Rhineland, WI
1/9/08 Mary Benish, Highland, WI
1/10/08 Lawrence Freng, Pardeeville, WI
1/16/08 David Trummer, Deforest, WI
1/17/08 Jerome Novak, Pelican Lake, WI
1/23/08 Tom Reinardy, Oshkosh, WI
1/24/08 Neal Fish, Tomah, WI

St. Patrick's Youth Group in Onalaska will be holding their annual Spaghetti Dinner/Silent Auction on Saturday, February 2, 2008, in the church basement. Dinner includes salad, spaghetti and meatballs, bread sticks, coffee or juice; desserts and beverages also available. Serving will be from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. Tickets are \$6.00 prior to event and \$7.50 at the door. Children under five eat free. Carry outs available. Silent Auction winners will be announced at 7:00 p.m. Please contact Cathie Steinhoff at 783-5535 ext. 8, by e-mail cathie@stpatz.com or in the parish office. All proceeds go toward the youth activities and outreach programs.

From the Catechism of the Catholic Church, this week's term used in our Catholic Faith is:

CATECHUMEN: a person who is preparing for Baptism. The *catechuminate* is the formation of these catechumens in preparation for their Christian Initiation, and aims at bringing their conversion and their faith to maturity within the ecclesial community. The candidates are anointed with oil of catechumens by which they are strengthened in their conversion from sin and renunciation of Satan.