

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

May 28 - June 3, 2007

Weekly Schedule

Mon. May 28

Memorial Day - Rectory Closed

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

Tues. May 29

7:35 a.m. - Public recitation of the rosary
 8:00 a.m. - Mass for Art & Ruth Colgan
 7:00 p.m. - CCS Commission Meeting

Wed. May 30

7:35 a.m. - Public recitation of the rosary
 8:00 a.m. - Mass for Special Intention for Providence Faculty

Thurs. May 31 - Visitation of the Virgin Mary

7:35 a.m. - Public recitation of the rosary
 8:00 a.m. - Mass for Winifred Hauser
 6:30 p.m. - CCS Middle School Graduation at Cathedral

Fri. June 1 - First Friday

7:35 a.m. - Public recitation of the rosary
 8:00 a.m. - Mass for Ray Brisson
 8:30 a.m. - All-Night Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Sat. June 2 - First Saturday

7:15 a.m. - Benediction
 7:30 a.m. - Mass to Stop Abortion & Support Family Life
 8:00 a.m. - Public recitation of the rosary
 11:30 a.m. - Baccalaureate Mass for Providence Academy
 3:30 p.m. - Confessions
 4:30 p.m. - Vigil Mass for Bill Craig

Sun. June 3 - Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

7:30 a.m. - Mass for Jim & Peg Hauser
 9:00 a.m. - Confessions
 10:00 a.m. - Mass for Living & Deceased Members of the St. James PCCW

READERS - COMMENTATORS SERVERS - USHERS

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

READER: P. Harnisch-Smith
 COMMENTATOR: J. Schwabenbauer
 MINISTERS: T. Duffrin/C. Patterson
 USHERS: R. Bjorkman
 K. Boswell
 SERVERS: Jared Berger
 Matt Bornheimer

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

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

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

READER: A. Marshall/R. Rusch
 COMMENTATOR: A. Thompson
 MINISTERS: V. Brauer
 USHERS: J. Koelbl/G. Brauer
 F. Benesh/O. Sagen
 SERVERS: Andrew Reischl
 Stephen Reischl

CHURCH COLLECTION

Envelopes/Plate	\$4,824.67
Votive Candles	71.00
Youth Envelopes	<u>11.00</u>
TOTAL COLLECTIONS	\$4,906.67

Thank you....

We had a successful blood drive for the Blood Center of Wisconsin on Tuesday, May 22 in Murphy Hall. We had 37 people register to donate. Thank you again to all our loyal St. James the Less parishioners who took time to donate blood and possibly save a life at Franciscan Skemp or Gundersen Lutheran Medical Center.

Church Cleaning Schedule

June 2 - J. Wiegand/B. Tomten/J. Wolfert
 June 9 - J. Tydrich/J. Wurzer/M. Dolle
 June 16 - K. & B. Guggenbuehl/M. & D. Heilman

The Marian Catechist Apostolate is sponsoring a **Marian Day of Reflection** with the theme of "Mary, Model of the Church's Faith" on Saturday, June 9th from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe.

Professor Douglas Bushman, Director of the Institute for Pastoral Theology of Ave Maria University, and a frequent guest on Catholic radio and television, will give three conferences, reflecting on Mary's faith as the source of her perfect and perpetual Fiat (her "Yes" to God), her unbreakable union with her Son, and her cooperation with Him in His mission of redemption.

In addition to these talks, the Holy Rosary will be prayed, and Holy Mass will be celebrated. All are welcome. **Registration is required.** Cost, including conferences and buffet lunch, is \$25. For more information or to register, please call the Marian Catechist Office at 782-0011. Seating is limited.

Natural Family Planning 99% Effective - 100% Safe

Recent research findings on the long-term health risks of the pill, patch or shot have made many couples rethink their family planning options. Natural Family Planning (NFP) offers you a reliable way to achieve or avoid a pregnancy without artificial chemicals or devices. NFP is completely safe and scientifically proven, and it is also in harmony with the teaching of the Church. All you have to do is listen to your body.

A Natural Family Planning Three Class Series will be offered at Franciscan Skemp Hospital in the Lang Conference Room in LaCrosse from 2:30-4:30 PM on the following Sundays: June 10, June 24, July 15. To register or obtain more information call the Natural Family Planning Office at 1-800-255-6226 or email at nfp@dioceseoflacrosse.com

I wish to use some of the space in our bulletin to give a report on the St. James Endowment Trust. The trustees met on Dec. 14, 2006. (Endowment Trustees: Rev. Roger J. Scheckel, Elaine Bonsack, Ray Mosey, Jill Marshall, Debra Colgan, and Mona Craig). As of Nov. 30, 2006 the Trust had a balance of \$703,034.67. For the first eleven months of the year of 2006 gifts of \$7,341.69 were made to the trust. The increase in value of the Trust during this same period was \$74,247.00. A net return of 10:77% was accomplished through our investment strategy which employs a classical value investment approach. The distribution to St. James Parish for 2006 was \$54,166.00. Since the inception of the Endowment Trust in 1989 a total of \$488,503.99 has been distributed to St. James Parish. The amount distributed to St. James this past year was used to pay for two months of parish support, \$55,176.66 to Coulee Catholic Schools. Please consider making a contribution to the Endowment Trust. For your name to appear on a plaque in the main vestibule a minimum donation of \$100 is required. Also, please remember to include a planned gift to the endowment Trust through your will. Thank you.

Weekly Readings

May 28 - June 3

Monday - Sir 17: 20-24; Mk 10: 17-27
Tuesday - Sir 35: 1-12; Mk 10: 28-31
Wednesday - Sir 36: 1, 4-5a, 10-17; Mk 10: 32-45
Thursday - Zep 3: 14-18a or Rom 12: 9-16; Lk 1: 39-56
Friday - Sir 44: 1, 9-13; Mk 11: 11-26
Saturday - Sir 51: 12cd-20; Mk 11: 27-33
Sunday - Prv 8: 22-31; Rom 5: 1-5; Jn 16: 12-15

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

A **Mass for the Dead** will be celebrated at the altar in the Veterans' Section at the Catholic Cemetery in La Crosse on **Memorial Day**, May 28th, beginning at 11:15 a.m. followed by prayers and devotions in Our Lady of Sorrows Chapel. The Very Rev. Msgr. Robert Hundt, Judicial Vicar, will be the principal celebrant. All are welcome to participate.

St. James Church Decorating Project

A number of parishioners have inquired regarding the final completion of our Church redecorating/painting project. We have two matters still to be achieved: the framing of the Stations of the Cross and final lighting—underneath the choir balcony and in the choir loft. Progress is being made on the frames. They are being done by one person who works on them in his off hours. Unfortunately he suffered a back injury that hospitalized him. He is back at work and while we don't have a definitive time for their completion we have been assured they will be coming. The lighting, particularly under the choir loft will depend on the placement of the Stations of the Cross located in that part of the Church. The lighting will be completed after the installation of the Stations of the Cross.

I can report that all of the bills from our major contractors—painting and redecorating, floors in the nave and sanctuary, sound system, and the lighting already done—have been paid in full. Thank you for your patience and generosity toward this project.

“Stop Abortion and Support Family Life”

is the Mass intention for a novena of Masses on First Saturdays from October through June. The June Mass will be Saturday, June 2, 7:30 a.m. at St. James the Less Catholic Church. Everyone is invited to participate and pray for these intentions.

Please remember to turn out the lights after you use the restrooms in Murphy Hall. Also if you turned on any lights to get to the restrooms, please turn them off as well. Thank you.

ST. JAMES

CALENDAR RAFFLE WINNERS

Mon. 5/21	Ginny Clark	\$20
Tues. 5/22	Lisa Merfeld	\$20
Wed. 5/23	Mike Johnston	\$20
Thurs. 5/24	Dorothy Dowling	\$20
Fri. 5/25	Bill Graumann	\$40

CCD News

We are currently in need of an 8th grade CCD teacher for the upcoming 2007/2008 school year. We meet on Sunday mornings from 8:30 to 9:45 beginning in September and ending in May. Please consider donating your time and talent to our CCD program. For more information or to enlist, please call Donna at 782-1022. Thank you.

Rachel's Vineyard Retreat

A Rachel's Vineyard weekend retreat for spiritual and emotional healing after abortion will be held in the Wausau area on July 6-8, 2007. For more information, please contact Mary Piper at 715-209-0949 or 715-209-6387.

**Ninth Annual Spirituality Day
La Crosse Diocesan Council of Catholic Women
(DCCW)**

Saturday, June 9, 2007

At St. Joseph Parish, 407 Main St.

Black River Falls, WI 54615

- 8:30 - 9:30 Sign in, coffee and snack, networking
- 9:30 - 10:30 Spirituality the Franciscan Way—
Speaker to be announced
- 10:45 - 11:45 Mass
- 11:50 - 12:50 Lunch provided by the Sparta
Deanery CCW
- 1:15 - 2:30 Second Presentation

Registration Form To: Rita Sanchez,
3475 Woodbridge Ct., LaCrosse, WI 54601

Name: _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Parish _____

Please send \$8 per person with check payable to LaCrosse DCCW by June 1st, 2007. After June 1st or on site \$10