

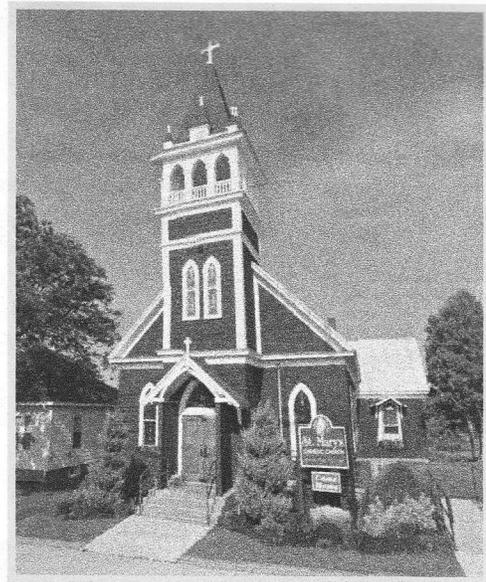
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First Church Dedicated and Incorporated, 1821

Present Church Dedicated 1866



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Land Deeded 1901, Incorporated 1890

Present Church Dedicated 1902

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Pastoral Associate: Deacon Richard J. Staab

Pastoral Associate: Sr. Mary Ellen Brett, SSJ

Augustinian Academy: Mrs. Mary Ann Margrey, Principal

Sunday Mass Schedule Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday: 5:00 pm St. James (ant.)

Saturday: 3:30 pm – 4:30 pm St. James

Sunday: 8:00 am St. Mary's

Sunday: 7:30 am St. Mary's

10:00 am St. James

Sacrament of Marriage: Contact Pastor

Sacrament of Baptism: Contact Rectory

Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick:

Contact the Rectory anytime

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August 13, 2017

MASS INTENTIONS

August 13, 2017

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

SATURDAY, AUGUST 12

5:00SJ(ant.) - David Shampine by CAA Class of 1966

SUNDAY, AUGUST 13

8:00SM - Patrick Berry by Larry & Gail Vogt

10:00SJ-Anne Margaret Lowder by Mary Bracy & Talitha Workman

MONDAY, AUGUST 14

5:30SJ (ant) - For the Intentions of Sr. Annunciata Collins by Steve & Jeanne Szalach

TUESDAY, AUGUST 15 THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

12:00SJ - Fr. John J. Cosmic by Good Samaritans of St. James

5:30SM - Thomas Ablan, Sr. by the Lawler family

WEDNESDAY, August 16

9:00SM - Ruth Garvin by Marion & Al Eisel & family

THURSDAY, AUGUST 17

THERE IS NO MASS OR COMMUNION SERVICE TODAY

FRIDAY, August 18

12:00SJ - Angeline Cassoni Cronk by Mike & Peg Ashcroft

SATURDAY, AUGUST 19

5:00SJ(ant.) -David Shampine by Don, Kathy & Bonnie

SUNDAY, AUGUST 20

8:00SM - For the people of the parishes

10:00SJ - Helen Gerace by Frank & Yolanda Skvorak

Calendar of Events:

Aug. 12 - Youth Group -Carthage Revolution Football Game, 6:00pm (CHS Football field)

Aug. 13 - Pancake Breakfast, 8:30am - noon (CR)

Aug. 15 - Church Cleaning, 9am (SJ)

Aug. 15 - Follow up fair meeting, 7pm (CR)

Aug. 16 - Deadline for applications for Formation for Ministry program

Aug. 19 - Youth Group Pool Party, 3pm (35249 Conroy Rd.)

Aug. 26 - SJ Franciscan Seculars Adoration, 10am - 12 noon (SJ)

Aug. 27 - Parish Picnic, 12 noon (SJ)

Sep. 30 - Pre-Cana Class, 10am-5pm (CR)

Creating a culture of vocation...ST. THOMAS MERTON

prayed: "My Lord God, I have no idea where I am going, I do not see the road ahead of me...But I believe that the desire to please You does in fact please You. And I hope I have that desire in all that I am doing."

Weekly Offerings

August 6, 2017

St. James		St. Mary's	
Envelopes	\$5,449.00	Envelopes	\$910.00
Plate	\$949.80	Plate	\$155.00
TOTAL	\$6,398.80	TOTAL	\$1,065.00
Last Year	\$7,159.77	Last Year	\$1,194.00

Thank You!



St. James & St. Mary's Parish Picnic



August 27; 12 noon
On lawn in front of St. James

*Bring dish to pass

*Parishes will provide beverages, meat and tableware

*Children's Program - CHILD & ADULT GAMES including a Magic Show



"Get hold of yourselves! It is I. Do not be afraid!" Uncertainty can sometimes bring fear along with God's call to consecrated life or priesthood. If the Lord is truly calling you, what is needed is trust. If you are discerning your vocation, talk to Fr. Donald Robinson or contact Fr. Tom Higan at www.myvocation.net.

DIOCESAN YOUTH COUNCIL:

Applications Due August 18

Students in grades 10-12 are invited to apply to Diocesan Youth Council for the '17-'18 academic year! DYC members will grow in spiritual development and leadership to act as leaders in their parishes, as well as by helping to plan and lead some diocesan events. Contact Kelly at kdonnelly@rcdony.org for more information.

The Fall 2017 Pre-Cana Session - will be Saturday, September 30 from 10am-5pm.

Pre-Cana will be held in the St. James Community Room and lunch and refreshments are included in the fee. Couples must pre-register on the Diocese of Ogdensburg website and sessions are limited to 7 couples. To register and pay, please go to the following website and click on the Office of Pre-Cana link: <http://www.rcdony.org>. The fee is \$75 and is payable by check or credit card.

If you have questions about Pre-Cana at St. James, you can contact Andrianna Crawford at 778-1883 and leave a message if necessary.

St. Mary's News: August 13th

Wed. Aug. 16th - Food Pantry - 4:30 - 6:30 pm

Anyone wishing to donate an item for this year's **Turkey Dinner raffle** please notify MJ Fleming at 315-688-4464 by August 20th so that tickets can be prepared and mailed by Sept. 1st.

We are always looking for volunteer help. Watch the bulletin for dates and times of upcoming meetings.

Thanks to all. God bless & a safe summer!

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One Minute Meditations

St. Rose of Lima

Born in colonial Peru, Rose worked constantly to help her poverty-stricken family. From early on, she wanted to become a nun and practiced heavy penances. When her parents tried to make her marry, she marred her face with pepper and cut her hair to deter suitors. She became a lay Dominican, despite opposition. Concerned about the living conditions of Native Americans and slaves, she cared for homeless children, the elderly, and the sick in her home.

Be meek, not weak.

Meekness can be mistaken for weakness, but nothing could be further from the truth. Being "meek of heart" means being in control of your emotions rather than letting them control you. Today, pray for the courage to be meek of heart.

"If you forgive others their transgressions, your heavenly Father will forgive you. But if you do not forgive others, neither will your Father forgive your transgressions"
(Matthew 6:14).



Love can make us saints

It is very Catholic to admire the saints and imagine that they had characteristics of holiness that we don't. Yet many people who became saints didn't perform great deeds but had great love of God and neighbor. If they can do it, we can, too.

St. Augustine was a playboy. He was into partying, paganism, and an immoral lifestyle. Through the prayers of his mother and the guidance of St. Ambrose, Augustine came to adore the God he discovered in Scripture. His love for God made him a new man.

St. Mary of Egypt lived a life of extreme sin. Openly a prostitute, it is reported that she traveled to the Holy

Land to ply her illicit trade to pilgrims. Instead, she had a spiritual experience while trying to enter a church and devoted the rest of her life to prayer and penance. She had a special love for Our Blessed Mother.

St. Ignatius of Loyola dreamed of courtly love and knightly deeds. Injured during a battle with the French, he was forced to convalesce to heal his shattered leg. While recuperating, he read the only books available - biographies of Jesus and the saints. Captivated by their holiness, Ignatius became attracted to a life of holy love. He later founded the Society of Jesus (Jesuits), a religious order that thrives today.



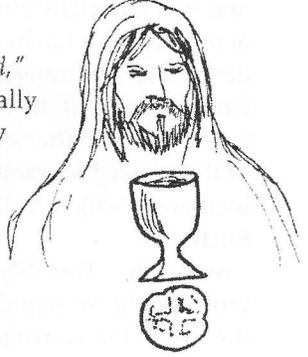
Why Do Catholics Do That?

What is transubstantiation?

During Mass, although the appearance doesn't change, the substance of the bread offered by the priest is changed into the substance of the Body of Christ. The same is true of the wine - its substance is changed into Christ's Blood.

Catholics believe that the words Christ said at the Last Supper, "This is my Body,

this is my blood," meant that really and physically the bread and wine became his Body and Blood. He decreed that it be so.



Live a Catholic life

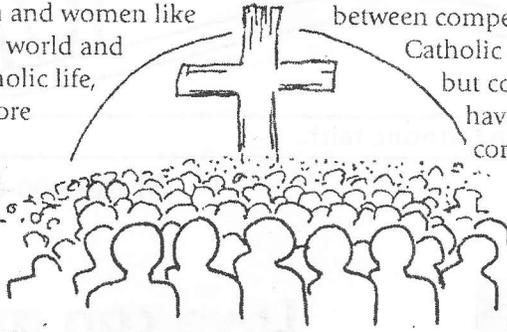
Our history is rich with Catholic men and women like us who have carried their faith into the world and made a difference. When we live a Catholic life, we help shape a better society and a more peaceful world.

At home. Our Gospel values guide us to value our families and friends as gifts of God's love. This translates into spending time together, working to strengthen and build up our loved ones, and being for them instruments of love.

At work. As people of faith, we can be pressured to choose... That is the true Catholic way.

between competing values in the workplace. Making Catholic choices means not just avoiding evil but consciously choosing good. It means having the courage to honor our Catholic consciences always.

In the world. "Everyone to whom much is given, of him will much be required" (Luke 12:48). Catholics – especially in the United States – are called to care for the poor, protect the vulnerable, welcome the stranger and treat all people with dignity.



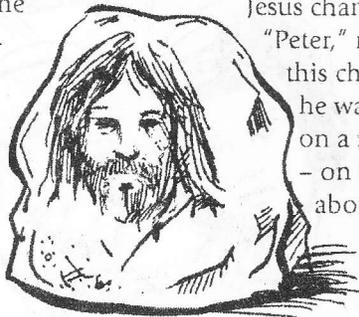
from Scripture

Matthew 16:13-20, The Rock for ages

The events in this passage lay the foundations for the Catholic Church. In it, Jesus asked his disciples who people said he was. Then he asked them, "Who do you say that I am?" It was a question about Jesus' identity, not his teaching or his popularity. At its heart, Catholicism centers around who Jesus is.

Simon Peter answered for the group and identified Jesus as the Son of God, the Messiah. Jesus pointed out that it was only by divine inspiration that Peter could know this. ("Blessed

are you, Simon son of Jonah. For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my heavenly Father" Matthew 16:17.)



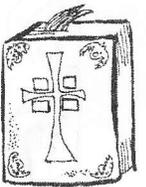
Jesus changed Simon's name to "Peter," meaning "rock." By this change, Jesus signaled he was building his Church on a rock-solid foundation – on the confession of Peter about Jesus' divinity. This truth has been handed down through the ages, from the Apostles

to the bishops to us. The Holy Spirit would lead Peter – and his successors, the popes – to speak and act in truth as the head of the Church.

Q & A How can Sacred Scripture be "truth" if not everything is correct?

The Bible is intended to convey truths about God. More than a book, it is a library of documents written by different authors in different times and places. These works have been compiled by the Church under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, according to specific criteria. Like any library, the Bible contains a variety of literary genres: poetry, history, biography, etc. Knowing this can determine how we read it. For example, a poem may not be meant to be as factually accurate as a biography.

Finally, there are various ways in which to interpret Scripture, and each highlights different aspects of the truth. The literal sense deals with what the author wrote. The allegorical sense highlights the symbolism of the people and events in the story. The moral sense tells us what we ought to do regarding God and our neighbor. The "future" sense concerns what will happen at the end of time. These different senses give us a fuller understanding of God and his plan for us.



Feasts & Celebrations

August 3 – St. Peter Julian Eymard (1868). Born in France, Peter was ordained a Marist in 1834 and was especially effective at preaching at Eucharistic devotions. He founded the Congregation of the Blessed Sacrament and the Servants of the Blessed Sacrament to increase devotion to the Holy Eucharist.



August 6 – Transfiguration of the Lord. Tradition says that Mt. Tabor was the site of the Transfiguration during

which Christ appeared radiant in the company of Moses and Elijah, and a voice was heard to say, "This is my beloved son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him" (Matthew 17:5).

August 15 – Solemnity of the Assumption. Declared a dogma of faith in 1950 by Pope Pius XII, this Holy Day of Obligation celebrates Mary being taken up into Heaven body and soul at the end of her life. "A great sign appeared in the sky, a woman clothed with the sun, with the moon under her feet, and on her head a crown of twelve stars" (Revelation 12:1). Mass attendance on this day is required.

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From the Pastor:

The 43rd St. James Fair is now history but it will long be remembered as a very successful event. The financial report was included in last week's bulletin. As you know by now, the profit was about \$23,000 but we are expecting another \$1,000.00 donation for the Fair so the total profit should be \$24,000. That is WONDERFUL news! Thanks to Margaret Woods for putting together the financial report again this year for us (along with all the many other stuff she does for the Fair!). And it goes without saying, THANKS to everyone who worked so hard to make the Fair a HUGE success. We will have a Fair Evaluation Meeting this week on Tuesday at 7pm. If you have any comments or concerns, please see me or one of the committee members before then. One comment that I have heard over and over this summer is this one: "The pastor needs to sit in the dunking booth for a longer period of time. He needs to come up with better and more exciting outfits. His sense of style is inferior!" I accept the challenge and will try to do better next year.

Don't forget that the Second Annual Parish Picnic for St. James and St. Mary's is fast approaching – Sunday, August 27 at 12 noon in front of St. James Church. Just gather up your family and bring your favorite dish to pass. We will provide the beverages, meat and the tableware. We have scheduled the "balloon man" from the St. James Fair and he will be available to make surprises for all the children (and adults). Also, a talented magician will be on hand to perform all kinds of magic tricks. He is planning to saw the pastor into 2 pieces, so there will be 2 Father Robinsons after that. Many people will be sad.

A number of people have asked me about the church turrets after last week's bulletin info about the exterior renovations. This is what I know thus far: the 4 turrets at the corners of the church are purely ornamental and not supportive of the walls, like the side buttresses. I suspect they were included in the church's design 150+ years ago to add to the beauty of the church and also offer symmetry and uniformity. They really are a beautiful addition to the over-all appearance of the church. There have been some serious complications with the repair of the turret by the handicap ramp. After a meeting with an engineer who specializes in the preservation of historic buildings, it seems that this turret is in very poor condition. His report indicates that the concrete slab in the turret could collapse into the bottom of the turret, possibly causing the turret to collapse. The recommendation is that this turret be demolished and reconstructed reusing the same brick or new brick to match the existing. It will be an extensive addition to the assigned work designated for Phase I. As soon as I know more info, I will let you know. Obviously, this is NOT the news I wanted to receive about the exterior renovation project.

Don't forget that Tuesday, August 15 is the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary and it is a Holyday of Obligation. Please check the mass schedule printed herein.

A number of parishioners from St. James and St. Mary's have registered for the Formation for Ministry program which begins in September here at St. James. You will be glad to know that the deadline for submitting applications has been extended until Wednesday, August 16. Please consider this wonderful program that is being offered for the first time in many years right here at St. James. The need for trained and formed lay leaders is great in the Diocese, and especially here locally.

The Franciscan Sisters of the Atonement, who appealed to you last weekend on behalf of their missions at home and abroad, wish to thank you for your very warm welcome and generous response. As the Psalmist sings, "The Lord is good and his mercy endures forever.

The Sisters are confident that, in gratitude, God's love and mercy will bless each of you in your daily life. Be assured of the continued prayer of the Franciscan Sisters of the Atonement for this and for all your intentions.

YOUTH LEAD: LEADERSHIP WEEKEND:

Registration is Open!

Students in grades 9-12 are invited to register for YOUth Lead, the annual leadership weekend held at Camp Guggenheim! This weekend will be full of opportunities to grow in faith, leadership, and friendship. It will be held September 29-October 1. Spaces are limited- -register soon! To register: <http://rcdony.org/youth/leadership.html>. For more information contact Kelly Donnelly at kdonnelly@rcdony.org.

The St. James Franciscan Seculars will be having adoration for vocations on August 26, 2017, 10am - 12noon at St. James.

Augustinian Academy School News

August 13, 2017

Congratulations to Anna Scott, who participated in the Horizon Program at Clarkson University this summer. Anna was selected to participate in a weeklong program which encourages young women to pursue careers in Math, Science, and Technology. We are very proud of Anna!

Today's monthly pancake breakfast is being sponsored by the Knights of Columbus and the Ave Maria Circle. Enjoy a wonderful meal and community!

The school office is opened daily from 9:00 – 3:00.

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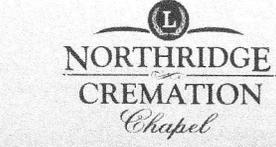
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