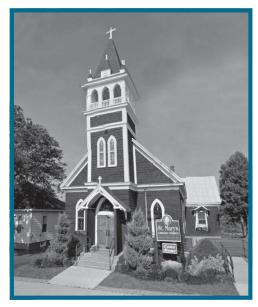


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Pastoral Associates: Sr. Mary Ellen Brett, SSJ, Sr. Annunciata Collins, SSJ

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:

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Website: www.sj-sm.org December 31, 2017



December 31, 2017

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 30

5:00SJ(ant.) - Joseph & Elizabeth Shortt Renaud by Richard, Elaine & Anne Renaud

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 31 - NEW YEAR'S EVE

8:00amSM - Mary O'Rourke by Dawn & Ron Burns 10:00amSJ - Catherine Sinicropi by Mary Lou Peebles 4:00pmSJ(ant.) - For the People of the Parishes 6:00pmSM(ant.) - For the People of the Parishes

MONDAY, JANUARY 1 - NEW YEAR'S DAY

11:00amSJ - Intentions of Rose Ball by Steve & Jeanne

TUESDAY, JANUARY 2

12:00SJ - Terry Rigabar - Jim & Pam Shettleton

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 3

9:00SM - Dr. Claud Lawler by Al & Marion Eisel

THURSDAY, JANUARY 4

THERE IS NO MASS OR COMMUNION SERVICE TODAY

FIRST ,FRIDAY JANUARY 5

9:30SJ - William Walseman by students, staff & faculty of CAA 2:00HR - Edward Nabywaniec - 9th Anniversary by family

SATURDAY, JANUARY 6

5:00SJ(ant.) - For living & deceased members of Ave Maria Circle #234

SUNDAY, JANUARY 7

8:00SM - Ruth Williams by Mary Jane, Terry Fleming & family

10:00SJ - For the People of the Parishes

NOTE: Please note Mass days & times

Calendar of Events:

- Jan. 3 St. Mary's Altar & Rosary Meeting, 7pm (SM)
- Jan. 4 K of C Meeting, 7pm (CR)
- Jan. 6 -Ave Maria Epiphany Dinner, after 5pm Mass (American Legion)
- Jan. 7 Little Flowers Girl's Club, 11-12:30pm (CR)
- Jan. 7 St. James 2nd Annual Open House, 11-2pm (Rectory)
- Jan. 9 Women of Grace, 10am (CR)
- Jan. 11 Women of Grace, 6:30pm (Rectory)
- Jan. 13 Men of Faith, 8:30-10am (SJ Church)
- Jan. 14 Pancake Breakfast, 8:30am noon (CR)
- Jan. 21 St. Mary's 2nd Annual Breakfast, after 8am Mass (SM)

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT - Will be on First Friday, January 5, after the 9:30am Mass. You are invited to come and spend an hour in prayer. Nocturnal Adoration is 6pm until 7am, Saturday. REMINDER - Confessions on First Friday are at 8:45am. Also, Holy Hour for Vocations 7-8pm every First Friday.

Weekly Offerings					
December 17, 2017					
St. James		St. Mary's			
Envelopes	\$5,543.00	Envelopes	\$1,005.00		
Plate	\$834.83	Plate	\$176.50		
TOTAL	\$6,377.83	TOTAL	\$1,181.50		
Last Year	\$5,224.53	Last Year	\$930.31		
Thank You!					

Augustinian Academy School News December 31, 2017

Many thanks to Ms. Widrick and the students for their Christmas concert. It was delightful to share the songs of the season with friends and family.

We welcome back the students on January 2, 2018.

Altar Server practice will resume on Wednesday, Jan. 3rd. Mr. Margrey will meet the students at school.

Join us for First Friday Mass on Jan. 5th.

The students and staff of Augustinian Academy wish you a very happy new year!

<u>Knights of Columbus</u> - The winner of the K of C - 50/50, Keep Christ In Christmas drawing was Marco Franchini - \$606. Thank you everyone for your participation.

The Lewis County Right to Life and Knights of Columbus would like to invite you to participate in their annual Right to Life Bus Trip to Washington DC. This year marks the 44th Anniversary of the Supreme Court decision Roe v. Wade, legalizing abortion in the United States. The bus will be leaving at 10 PM on the evening of January 18th and traveling through the night to Washington DC for the Right to Life March on January 19th. The bus will be returning mid-morning on January 20th. Adults are \$25 donation and Youth are Free. For more information please feel free to contact Paul Campeau at (315) 346-6575 or (315) 486 -7928 or Bob Kreager (315) 348-4000.

Due to the interior renovations...the Angel Dusters will be dusting St. James on each Friday at 3:30pm. If you are able to help, it would be very much appreciated. Many hands make light work.

The St. Joseph of Cupertino fraternity of the 3rd Order of Secular Franciscans will meet on Saturday, January 27th at St. Anthony's Parish for adoration of the Blessed Sacrament to pray for vocations to the priesthood and religious life. The regular monthly meeting will be the following day, Sunday, January 28th. Everyone is welcome to both of these events.



Creating a culture of vocation... DO YOU BELIEVE you are called to holiness? By Baptism, we are children of God! We are called to holiness. We are called to be saints! All of us, not just priests, sisters and brothers. Pray to be the saint God is calling you to be!

Ave Maria Epiphany Dinner - It is once again time to join us for our "Little Christmas" celebration. On January 6, 2018 we will celebrate the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass at St. James at 5pm. We will travel through the snow to the American Legion where we will enjoy a Pot Roast Dinner with all the trimmings. The cost is \$15 and all members and their guests are welcome. If you would like to be a part of the "Santa Gift Exchange", please bring a wrapped gift. Phone the party hot line 315-493-0169 - (Joanne Sligar). If no one answers, please leave a message and I will return your call.

From the Pastor:

HAPPY NEW YEAR!! As we celebrate the beginning of 2018 we are filled with hope – hopeful that nations might find a better way than waging war to get along with one another. We are hopeful also that our world will be more just, that life will be respected, that we might enjoy health and happiness. Although we may party at this time of year, we also have a lot of reasons to be here in church, to seek God's help in the coming year, and to thank Him for his help in the past. Mary, Mother of God and our spiritual mother gives us an example of how to enter into this new year in the sacred scriptures of this day. May we come to know God's support as we move another year closer to the kingdom of his eternal love. Amen.

Next Sunday is not quite (but almost) the final day of the Christmas Season and we are planning a special event at St. James . We will have the Second Annual Open House at the St. James Parish House (rectory). This event is being planned as an opportunity for the pastor to thank the many people involved in so many various ministries in the parish. Last fall, I was surprised to find out that many parishioners had never stepped foot in the Parish House. This is your home as much as it is mine. I am just living here for a while. Therefore, next Sunday from 11am to 2pm will be an opportunity for you to visit the house and office, and check out my luxurious "digs". There will be food and drink, some gifts and raffles. You will be able to tour "never before seen" parts of the house. Come and see the Christmas decorations; check out the pastor's messy desk in his office on the 2nd floor; see his personal fitness center; don't miss his sock drawer in his bedroom. Having the Open House over a 3 hour period will hopefully allow people to come and go at a leisurely pace. Obviously, the Open House is extended to all the parishioners from St. Mary's also!

Now, I haven't forgotten about St. Mary's Parish: Sister Mary Ellen and I are planning the Second Annual Appreciation Breakfast for Sunday, January 21. We are planning to prepare another gourmet breakfast for all the parishioners from St. Mary's. We will serve it after the 8am Mass, so mark your calendars. This will give us an opportunity to thank all the parishioners of St. Mary's for a great year also.

As you can well imagine, Bishop LaValley sends out hundreds and hundreds of Christmas cards to people across the Diocese and throughout the country. This year I am happy to announce that the 2017 Bishop's card cover design was created by Alena Pak, a 7th grade student at CAA. What a great honor for Alena and for our school. The card is on display on the bulletin board at the side door of the church leading to the Community Room. Please take a look at it.

Throughout the month of December, the ladies of the <u>AVE Maria Circle</u> will be selling Save Around coupon books before and after the weekend Masses. The books cost \$25.00 & make great gifts! Books can also be ordered online to send to family and friends for use locally where they live. Go to supportourgroups.com/GN/224193 and follow the directions shown on screen. Thank you for supporting the fundraising efforts to facilitate the work and activities that serve our parish communities!

2018 Pre-Cana Announcement - The **Spring 2018 Pre-Cana Session** at St. James Church will be Friday, March 16 from 6-8pm & Saturday, March 17 from 10am- 5 pm. **The Fall 2018 Pre-Cana Session** will be Friday, October 12 from 6-8pm & Saturday, October 13 from 10am - 5pm. COUPLES ONLY NEED TO PICK 1 SESSION TO ATTEND.

Pre-Cana will be held in the St. James Community Room and

lunch and refreshments are included in the fee. Couples must preregister on the Diocese of Ogdensburg website and both 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 315-778-1883 and leave a message if necessary.

SURVIVING DIVORCE: 12-week program

The Diocesan Family Life Office is pleased to announce an exciting new ministry that will bring hope and healing to those who have experienced the pain and loneliness of a broken marriage. Surviving Divorce features twelve video presentations that cover topics such as shock and grief, anger and forgiveness, money issues, dealing with children and a former spouse, and annulment and remarriage. This program is for the newly separated and divorced and those still struggling with issues many years later. It will help them find answers to their questions, restore their hope, and begin authentic healing.

The twelve-week program begins on January 25th from 6:30 to 8:30pm at St. Mary's Church in Canton and will meet weekly in the sacristy. The cost of the program for participants includes the Surviving Divorce Personal Guide and all program materials is \$25. For more information or to register, please call Steve Tartaglia at 315-393-2920 or go to http://www.rcdony.org/family-life/surviving-divorce-support-group.html

2nd Annual Christmas Open House

St. James Parish House

Sunday, January 7, 11am -2pm

Thank you to all the different ministries at St. James



St. Mary's News: Dec. 31st

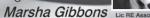
Thanks for all the blessings you brought to St. Mary's Parish during 2017. May Jesus bless you abundantly with faith, hope and love for all in 2018.

Jan. 7th – No Coffee & Donuts this month. Read Pastor's Notes for more details.

St. Mary's Bishop Fund Goal: \$2840 Received to Date: \$2662 Needed to reach goal: \$178

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