

### *St. James*

*State Street, Carthage*

*Land Deeded by James D. Leray de Chaumont, 1818  
First Church Dedicated and Incorporated, 1821  
Present Church Dedicated 1866*



### *St. Mary's*

*NYS Rt. 12, Copenhagen*

*Land Deeded 1901, Incorporated 1890  
Present Church Dedicated 1902*

*We are two diverse communities of faith who are united in bringing the Gospel into the daily lives of all who worship with us. We stand together with all people, especially the poor and the alienated, as a sign of God's universal love for all people. We extend a warm welcome to all and hope that you will find the parishes of St. James and St. Mary's places where faith can be nourished.*

### **Parish Staff**

**Pastor:** Rev. Donald A. Robinson  
**Pastoral Associate:** Deacon Richard J. Staab  
**Pastoral Associates:** Sr. Mary Ellen Brett, SSJ, Sr. Annunciata Collins, SSJ  
**Augustinian Academy:** Mrs. Mary Ann Margrey, Principal

#### Sunday Mass Schedule

Saturday: 5:00 pm St. James (ant.)  
 Sunday: 8:00 am St. Mary's  
 10:00 am St. James

#### Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday: 3:30 pm – 4:30 pm St. James  
 Sunday: 7:30 am St. Mary's

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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**March 29, 2020**

# MASS INTENTIONS

March 29, 2020  
Fifth Sunday of Lent

**ALL PUBLIC MASSES ARE SUSPENDED  
UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE**

**ALL THESE MASSES WILL BE SAID BY  
FATHER ROBINSON IN PRIVATE**

**SATURDAY, MARCH 28**

- For the People of the Parishes

**SUNDAY, MARCH 29**

- Keith Hebert by Grandparents  
- Geneveive Buckingham by family

**MONDAY, MARCH 30**

- Edward O'Brien by Don & Kathy Latremore

**TUESDAY, MARCH 31**

- Edward Boliver by Norma & Stan Monnat

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1**

- Duane Rowland by Marion Eisel

**THURSDAY, APRIL 2**

- Laurence, Anna, Dale Dalton & Janice Cole by family

**FIRST FRIDAY, APRIL 3**

- Gordon DeLosh by Pat & Joanne Britton

**SATURDAY, APRIL 4**

- Herman Stevens - 45th Anniversary by Garry & Rosie

**SUNDAY, APRIL 5 - PALM SUNDAY**

- Tom Carroll by Cliff & Sue  
- For the People of the Parishes

**Augustinian Academy School News March 29, 2020**

We have just completed week 2 of our closure due to COVID-19. The teachers are doing an awesome job of providing learning at home. Check out our website, [www.c-augustinian.org](http://www.c-augustinian.org) and our Facebook page to see some of the exciting things going on. Teachers have been reading books and offering challenges. Some have even been holding class meetings using ZOOM. There is a resource page with many resources for parents and families, as well as health updates. Even though we are not present in the building, the teaching and learning continue!

Students and staff at Augustinian Academy are praying for everyone to stay safe and well!

**Bulletin Info Submission For Holy Week & Easter**

Weekend bulletin for Apr. 12 - info due to SJ by Apr. 2

**Weekly Offerings**

**March 22, 2020**

<u>St. James</u>		<u>St. Mary's</u>	
Envelopes	\$2,260.00	Envelopes	\$170.00
Plate	\$- 0-	Plate	\$- 0-
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$2,260.00</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$170.00</b>
	(Coronavirus)		(Coronavirus)
<b>Weekly Need to Meet Budget</b>	<b>\$9,938.07</b>	<b>Weekly Need to Meet Budget</b>	<b>\$1,754.80</b>
Last Year	\$5,165.00	Last Year	\$1,693.75

**THANK YOU!**

**5th Sunday of Lent/March 29, 2020**

SUNDAY'S READINGS -

**First Reading:**

You shall know that I am the LORD,  
when I open your graves and have you rise from them,  
O my people! (Ez 37:13)

**Psalm:**

With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.  
(Ps 130)

**Second Reading:**

But if Christ is in you,  
although the body is dead because of sin,  
the spirit is alive because of righteousness. (Rom 8:10)

**Gospel:**

Jesus told her,  
"I am the resurrection and the life;  
whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will live." (Jn 11:25)

**GOSPEL MEDITATION -**

Even though we say that we believe, there is a part of us that doesn't. There are many times in our lives when we experience death, whether it be the physical death of someone we love, a failed relationship, the loss of a job, or a broken dream. As we are going through these death experiences, we can easily find ourselves reaching out to God to make it better and fix it! We think that the proper order of life is to maintain the things of this world, especially those things that are essential to our sense of well-being and security. We do not like change. The grieving that comes from our death experiences can keep us stuck and in despair. If we have lost something or someone of great value, the very meaning and essence of life is lost with them. We need gentle companions to lift us from despair and that is precisely who God desires to be in our life as well.

God calls us out of our tombs, where we have been closed up in fear and despair, and shouts, "Come out!" He desperately wants to show us the path to hope and the new life that is possible after loss and death. But our faith can be weak, and we still prefer to cling to the memory of what we had rather than the joyful possibilities of tomorrow. We sometimes live as if God is not real and that the transformative power of His resurrected presence is a story found in the Bible rather than a narrative unfolding in our lives.

God is the God of surprises, not our demise. God opens new possibilities, begins new chapters, creates new verses, and brings us to new heights! We spend so much time and energy ruminating over what we left behind yesterday that we are far too tired to see what can unfold tomorrow. Loving someone new doesn't negate our past loves. Embracing the love of a person, God, or life itself tomorrow doesn't diminish the love of yesterday. Each of our loves is different, and one cannot be replaced by another. They don't cancel each other out. God truly has tended to every detail of our lives, and if we listen to each detail, we find that they all lead us back to Him. Jesus wants us to come out of our closed-up tombs. Are we going to listen this time?

**K of C News - Upcoming events:**

Prayer for our uncertain future. Brother Knights, our sword is prayer, our shield is good works informed by faith. During this time of social distancing, please keep in contact with and pray for all those affected by our health crisis. May you be blessed.

Respectfully, James T (Jim) Gratch, Grand Knight



## From the Pastor:

Thanks for your support in these most troubling of times. We are traveling through uncharted waters. And we are all experiencing a wide range of emotions: fear, sadness, high anxiety, confusion, discouragement and anger, among others. I hope and pray that the need to prohibit the public celebration of Masses in our Diocese will be short-lived. It was a very difficult decision for the Bishop to make. The life of the parish community is energized and sustained through its celebration of the Eucharist. I am also now faced with even more financial headaches than I had before the virus outbreak. Anything you can do to help would be greatly appreciated; making up your past offertory envelopes would be very helpful.

These are the present updates that I can report as of today (although things seem to change by the day):

**CHRISM MASS** – has been cancelled for the time being and will be rescheduled later; we have been told to use the oils currently on hand in the parish.

**PALM SUNDAY** – palms will be blessed and left in the churches for people to pick up

**HOLY WEEK** – all the celebrations will be private (more on this next week)

**CONFIRMATION AND FIRST COMMUNION** –will be rescheduled to a later time

**CHURCHES** – will be open each day only for private prayer and devotions; at St. James, please sit in the pews that are not roped off; at the end of the day, we will only have to clean the pews that have been used.

**RECONCILIATION** –I am available at the regular time each Saturday (3:30-4:30pm) for the Sacrament of Penance; I have set up a reconciliation “station” in front of the St. Joseph altar allowing for social distancing.

The Sunday weekend Mass is being video-taped (thanks to Katie Clarkson) and can be viewed by going to the parish website. Many people have found this helpful and we will continue to do this until we get back to normal.

Some parishioners have come regularly to the church for private prayer since the coronavirus outbreak. That is wonderful to see. I am asking parishioners who stop by the church, to bring a photo of themselves and other family members and tape them to the pews. There is a roll of scotch tape on the table in the Gathering Area. It is a very meager way to stay connected. When I celebrate the private Mass, I will be able to look out to the congregation and see all your smiling faces in the photos. I have been celebrating my Masses either in the Church or in the Convent Chapel.

### St. Mary's News March 29th

A yellow pansy popped up in the garden, in front of church on March 20 - First day of Spring. What a sign of Spring, as we trust in the future.

Continue to follow Sunday Masses every weekend, on [sj-sm.org](http://sj-sm.org) website. You can also follow the bulletin on that website.

Stay Healthy.

## NOVENA PRAYER FOR AN END TO THE CORONAVIRUS PANDEMIC

O Mary, full of grace, Patroness of this nation and Mother of the Church, in this time of illness and worldwide need we seek your intercession for the human family before your Son's throne of grace and mercy. We ask for strength in adversity, health in weakness, and comfort in sorrow. Help us, O Blessed Mother, to be filled with confidence and trust in the tender compassion of our God. Let us not be afraid, like our own Saint Marianne Cope, who entrusted her life and ministry among the outcasts of society into the care of our Divine Physician. Continue to watch over all who are sick as well as those who care for them and give wisdom to all who are seeking a cure. We ask this through Christ,

our Lord,  
Amen.



Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ:

In this time of need and uncertainty, I invite all the faithful to seek the maternal intercession of our Blessed Lady as I share this prayer with you and encourage you to pray it daily, either individually or together as a family.

**Mary Immaculate, our Mother and our Patroness, we ask you to intercede for us with your Son, as you did at the wedding in Cana.**

**Pray for us, loving Mother, and gain for our diocese, our nation and our world, for our families and loved ones, the protection of your Maternal mantle from this dreaded virus.**

**In this time of trial and testing, teach all of us to love one another and to be patient and kind.**

**Help us to bring the peace and healing Presence of Jesus to our land and to our hearts.**

**We come to you with confidence, knowing that you are our compassionate mother, health of the sick and cause of our joy. Keep us in the embrace of your arms, Help us always to know the love of your Son, Jesus our Lord AMEN.**

Faithfully yours in Christ,  
Most Reverend Terry R. LaValley  
Bishop of Ogdensburg

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