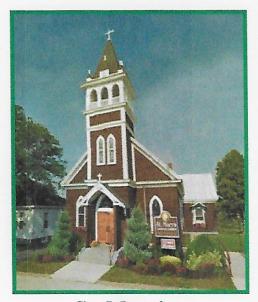


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Pastoral Associate: Deacon Richard J. Staab

Pastoral Associate: Sr. Annunciata Collins, SSJ

Augustinian Academy: Sister Suanne Johnson, Principal

Sunday Mass Schedule Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday: 4:00 pm St. James (ant.) Saturday: 2:30 pm - 3:30 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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## November 3, 2024 Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 2 - ALL SOULS DAY

4:00SJ(ant.) - Gordon DeLosh by Deanna, Nicole & Jeff

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3

8:00SM - For the People of St. Mary's & St. James

10:00SJ - Kenneth Ryan by Maureen & family

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 4

9:00SJ - Rosary/Miraculous Medal Novena

9:30SJ - Communion Service

#### TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5 - ELECTION DAY

9:00SJ - Rosary

9:30SJ - Patrick Britton by David, Lisa & Kamide Brothers

10:00-11:00SJ - Eucharistic Adoration

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 6

9:00SM - Ronald Burns by Marion Eisel & family

2:40-3:00SJ - Rosary

3:00-6:00SJ - Eucharistic Adoration

#### THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 7-SCHOOL MASS W/ BISHOP LAVALLEY

10:00SJ - Rosary

10:30SJ - Patrick Britton by Barb & Don Kohler

11:30-12:30SJ - Eucharistic Adoration

#### FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 8

9:00SJ - Rosary

9:30SJ - Carlyle Holliday by Trust Fund

#### SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 9

4:00SJ(ant.) - Barbara Zehr by family

#### SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 10

8:00SM - Herbert St. Louis by Barbara Crane & family

10:00SJ - For the People of St. James & St. Mary's

#### Calendar of Events:

Nov. 2-3 - Pennies Collections, after Masses

Nov. 4 - Good Samaritan Meeting, 4:00pm (CR)

Nov. 5 - Ave Maria Circle Meeting, 6:30pm (CR)

Nov. 6 - St. Mary's Altar & Rosary Meeting, 6:30pm (SM)

Nov. 7 - KofC Meal/Meeting, 6:00&7:00pm (CR)

Nov. 9 - Nov 24 - Advent Wreath orders placed, after Masses

Nov. 15 - Ave Maria Bake Sale - Carthage Savings/Loan

Nov. 20 - St. Mary's Turkey Raffle - tickets must be returned

Nov. 24 - St. Mary's Turkey Raffle drawing, after 8:00am Mass

<u>Wanted</u> - Someone to head the decorating committee for St. James. Please call 315-493-3224

Weekly Offerings						
October 27, 2024						
St. James		St. Mary's				
Envelopes	\$3,796.00	Envelopes	\$1,098.00			
Plate	\$783.11	Plate	\$149.50			
TOTAL	\$4,579.11	TOTAL	\$1,247.50			
Weekly Need to Meet Budget	\$9,938.07	Weekly Need to Meet Budget	\$1,754.80			
Last Year	\$4,769.00	Last Year	\$820.50			
	THANI	X YOU!				

#### Augustinian Academy

Autumn Blessings!

Last week, Fr. mentioned that we had made our Bishop's fund appeal goal. I want to thank you for your continued support of the Bishop's fund. The success of this fund is vital to many services throughout the Diocese—especially our Catholic Schools. It is well known that any parish with a Catholic school receives back from the Bishop's fund much more than they are asked to donate. Augustinian Academy is going to receive about \$54,000.00 in TAP (Tuition Assistance) from the Bishop's Fund. That is more than double our goal. We will be able to offer assistance to every family that needs help with tuition to attend Augustinian. And it is thanks to you that we can offer that help. May God bless all of you for your continued generous support of the Bishop's Fund and Augustinian Academy!

If you haven't had a chance to come over and see all of our Bountiful Baskets, Come on over! Doors are open every Sunday from 11:00-1:00pm. Or you can order just by reading through the tickets. You can put it in an envelope and drop it in the offertory basket, send it by mail, give it to me at Mass or bring it over to the school if you are coming our way during the week. Any way that works for you, works for us. And be sure to let us know if you are planning on attending the Thanksgiving Dinner and Basket drawings! RSVP by Nov. 18. Details are on the Basket order forms in the back of the church!

Thanksgiving Dinner and Basket Raffle—we are looking for donations of winter squash and Cranberry sauce (Jellied, <u>not</u> whole berry) If you can donate any of these things, please put it in the box in the back of the church or leave it on the convent side porch. Thank you!

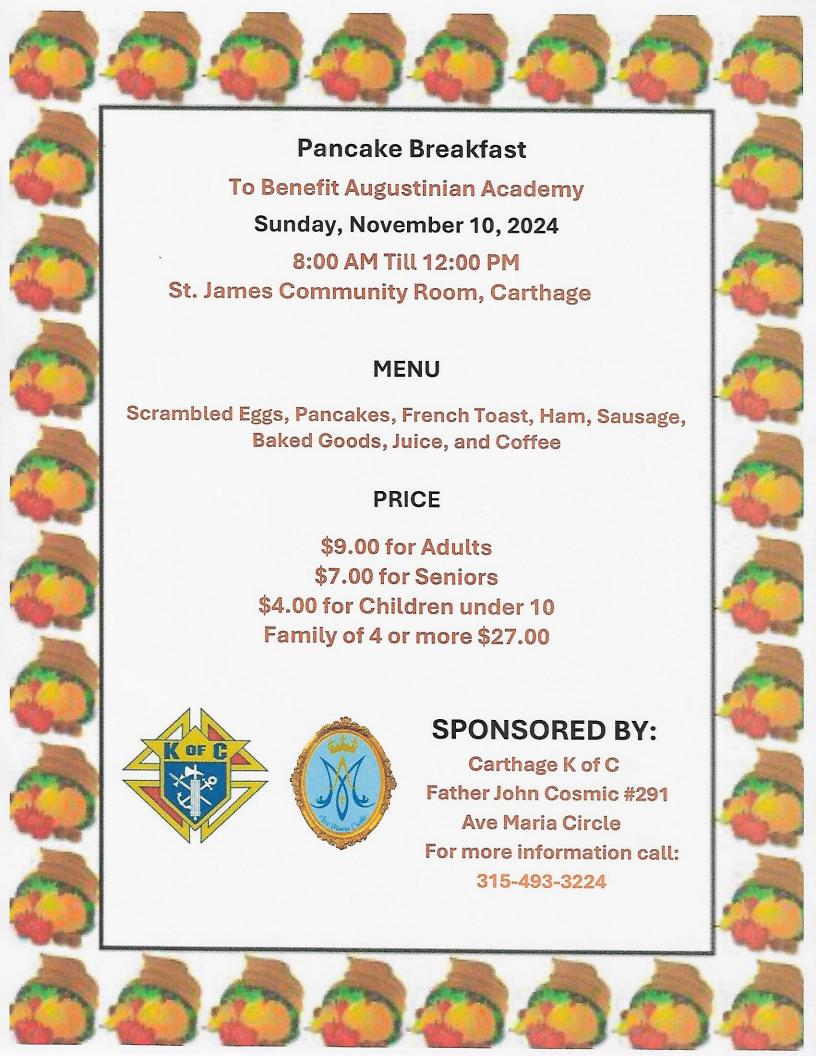
I am so glad that every one of our little ghosts and goblins had a safe and fun Halloween. Our middle school students did a great job transforming into the Saints we all know they can be!:) Wonderful job to them! These saints are a great education for our younger students on how to live their lives for God in such a selfless and holy way. We can all strive to live by their example.

Sister Suanne

#### WAYS TO BRING PEOPLE BACK TO CHURCH

First and foremost is prayer, penance, fasting, and sacrifice. Nothing happens without the grace of God. Everything is God's grace. We have to pray, it's the greatest thing we can do if we want to help bring people back to the Lord. We need to pray, and we need to offer petition and intercessory prayer specifically, of course, in the presence of our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament after we receive our Lord in Holy Communion. But, also, we need then enter bodily into that prayer, through sacrifice, through fasting. Our Lord encourages this throughout the ages of the Church, and we found this to be tremendously efficacious. So, to enter into our prayer, offer something up, turn off Facebook, turn off the internet, fast from some sort of food or pleasure or convenience in your life and do it for the souls who have fallen away from the Lord. So, the first and foremost thing-in fact, nothing else that I say is worth anything—unless we are first and foremost becoming all the more united with our Lord and allowing His prayer to become our prayer, to be His prayer......Father Jonathan Meyer, Archdiocese of Indianapolis wrote an article of 7 steps to bring people back to church. Over the next seven weeks, we will post a step.

<u>Baptism Classes</u> - To be offered by Deacon Staab, in Community Room, after 10am Masses, on 1st & 3rd Sundays. If you have a first child that needs to be Baptized, this class is for you. Please call the rectory to register, 315-493-3224.



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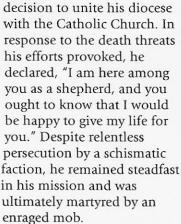
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## One Minute Meditations

#### St. Josaphat of Volhynia

Born in Lithuania in 1580, St. Josaphat, a Ruthenian

Archbishop of Plotsk, made the unpopular



#### Be prepared, not afraid

Jesus warns us to expect trials but assures us not to be afraid. Following Him doesn't mean life will be easy, but it promises unshakable peace and everlasting joy. Trust in Him and prepare your heart to receive Him.

"Well done, good and faithful servant; you have been faithful over a little, I will set you over much; enter into the joy of your master"
(Matthew 25:21).

## Become friends with God's friends

Befriending a saint whose story

resonates with your own can deepen your connection with God. Through their writings, prayers, and practices, saints offer wisdom for living faithfully and acquiring virtue. They aren't distant figures but companions in faith. Find a special, "holy friend" to encourage you to grow in holiness.

Adopt a saint:
Choose a saint whose life, interests, or profession appeal to you. Learning how someone achieved extraordinary virtue can attune you to how God might be working in your life.

Read their writings: The saints' meditations, letters, and books on the spiritual life can enrich our experience

of God's love, while giving practical advice for living our Faith.

Imitate a saintly practice:
Wake with your alarm to offer your day to God. Offer a small sacrifice daily for priests. Make space in your heart for God by decluttering your home.
Refuse to gossip.

Pray with them: When asking earthly friends for help or prayers, we aren't "praying" to them. It's the same with our heavenly friends. When you pray, invite some "holy friends" to add their prayers to yours.

Join them at Mass: "In communion with and commemorating the Blessed Virgin Mary and all the saints, the Church offers the Eucharistic sacrifice" (Catechism of the Catholic Church, #1370). At every Mass, we're in the company of the saints.



# Why Do Catholics Do That

## Why do Catholics believe in Purgatory?

This doctrine has scriptural roots. In Jesus' parable of Lazarus and the Rich Man (Luke 16:19-31), the Rich Man, though suffering after death, expressed concern for his brothers. Other references include 2 Maccabees 12:43-46, Wisdom 3:1-6, Zechariah 13:8-9, and 1

Corinthians 3:13-15. Purgatory reflects God's mercy and generosity, because it reflects
His desire for us to be with Him and experience the fullness of Heaven. Our prayers for those in Purgatory help hasten their purification, drawing them closer to eternal joy.

## Stay grounded this Christmas season

Advent and Christmas can be a magical time, but the hustle and bustle of the secular season can leave even the calmest person feeling overwhelmed. Stay grounded by honoring your priorities, making time to recharge, and focusing on Jesus, the Prince of Peace.

Honor your priorities: Setting and keeping priorities will help streamline your holiday schedule. An example of "holiday priorities" might including spending time with loved ones, taking time for daily prayer, and refusing to overspend. You'll feel more at peace because you're putting first things first.

Make time to recharge: Remember the importance of getting enough rest, especially when juggling extra social commitments, projects, decorating, and travelling. Resting takes any form that helps you feel refreshed - napping, praying, walking, reading, listening to music.

Seek the Prince of Peace: For Christians, Advent and Christmas commemorate that Love came to Earth as a child. We know true peace is only found in Jesus. Consider devoting five minutes daily for Him. Pray for His peace to reign

in your heart.

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## John 18:33b-37, Jesus' Kingdom is "not of this world"

Throughout the years of slavery

and oppression, God's promise of a triumphant Israelite king kept hope alive. Many clung to the image of an avenging savior who would destroy their enemies and make Israel a nation to be feared. Jesus, bound, beaten and seemingly powerless before Pilate, the powerful Roman governor, was not what they had in mind. They didn't want a king who talked of love, suffering, and service; they wanted one who would wipe their enemies off the face of the earth. They wanted Jesus to come down off the Cross.

Yet it was Jesus' sacrifice of love on the Cross that conquered the real

enemies of sin and death.

Jesus is King and He has a Kingdom, but as He teaches Pilate and us, His power is not of this world. His kingdom is about peace, justice, integrity, repentance, charity, forgiveness,

compassion, and care for the poor and needy.

Do our lives and actions reflect that awareness? As Christians we are challenged to become more "Christ-like" in our actions, and that means becoming more like Jesus, our King.



November 6 - St. Jean-Theophane Venard (1861). Born into a pious family in Poitiers, France, St. Jean-Théophane was ordained in 1852 and sent as a missionary to Vietnam, to minister to persecuted Catholics. Eventually, he was arrested and martyred.

November 9 - Dedication of the Lateran Basilica (1724). The Lateran Basilica was built by Emperor Constantine and is the pope's cathedral. The Church-wide feast of the Lateran's dedication is an expression of the Church's unity with Rome.

November 13 - St. Frances Xavier Cabrini (1917). Mother Cabrini started the Missionary Sisters of the Sacred Heart in Italy and founded 67 institutions to care for the sick and forgotten in Europe, S. America, and the U.S. She was the first U.S. citizen to be canonized.

November 30 - St. Andrew, Apostle (1st Century). The son of a Galilean fisherman and brother of Simon Peter, he introduced Jesus to Peter. After the Resurrection, he conducted missions in M Turkey, Greece, and Macedonia. He was martyred on a X-shaped cross.

## Q How can we & admonish the sinner A without judging?

The phrase "Don't judge me!" is often used to deflect correction and excuse sinful behavior. So how can we kindly speak the truth when it's

Judge acts, not people. God gives us the ability to recognize whether actions—our own or others'—are right

or wrong. However, we can't judge a person's heart, soul, or intentions. Only God knows their motives.

Start with humility. Jesus said, "First take the log out of your own eye, and then you will see clearly..." (Matthew 7:5). Before offering correction, ensure you are living an authentically holy life

Pray and fast. Some situations require more than words. Prayer and sacrifices on behalf of others can have a powerful impact, especially when it's not possible to intervene directly.

Love is the goal: Speaking the truth to a loved one is difficult, but it's an act of love. True correction looks out for the person's well-being. When done with care and compassion, the person will sense that the correction comes from love, not judgment.

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#### St. Mary's News - November 3, 2024

The next meeting of our Altar and Rosary Society is scheduled for November 6th at 6:30 PM at the church.

It's that time again for our annual Turkey Raffle Fundraiser. Tickets and monies can be mailed or turned in to Marcia Mundy, Or given to MJ Fleming after Masses on Sundays. Extra tickets are available also. Please try to sell at least 1 book of tickets as this is our only major fundraiser for the Church. All tickets and monies need to be returned by Wednesday,

November 20th. The drawings will be held on Sunday, November 24th after 8:00am Mass.

All raffle items can be viewed in the church hall after the Mass on Wednesday mornings or Sundays.

Altar & Rosary Volunteers for November are:

Linens: Ruth Brady Cleaner: Janet Aubin

Coffee Hour: Green and Sullivan families.

Please join us after Mass on the first Sundays of the month. All are invited to attend.

RADA Cutlery Fundraiser - Kate Fazio is taking orders for RADA Cutlery to benefit St. Mary's Church. To obtain a catalog or place an order, contact her at 315-688-2824. Please leave a message. Orders will be taken through November 25th to insure delivery for Christmas.

FYI - Sister Mary Ellen will be celebrating a birthday on November 9th. Let's shower her with cards: Sister Mary Ellen Brett, 251 Proctor Ave., Ogdensburg, NY 13669

KofC News: - Catholic Citizenship Essay Contest is under way. Entries are due back before Nov 4th!

**Upcoming dates:** 

Nov 2&3 - Pennies collections

Nov 7 - KofC meal and meeting, 6&7pm &

essay contest results Nov 10 - Pancake Breakfast

Nov 16 - Mens rosary, 8:30am

Nov 28 - Thanksgiving

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#### Ave Maria Circle News:

11/5 - Monthly meeting, 6:30 in CR

11/9 & 11/10 - Advent wreath sales before and after Mass

11/15 - Bake sale, Carthage Savings bank 11/16 & 11/17 - Bake sale & Advent wreath sale before and after Mass

11/23 Bountiful Baskets & Turkey Dinner with CAA

11/23 & 11/24 - Advent wreath sale before and after Mass (last time to place order)

New members always welcomed!

Heidi Marshall, President

ADVENT WREATH SALES: Members of the Ave Maria Circle will be taking orders for Advent Wreaths before and after Mass starting 11/9 until 11/24. Please plan to pay for your wreath at the time of ordering. Advent Wreaths: \$10, Advent candle set alone: \$5.

In addition to the sale of the Advent Wreaths, available for purchase: leftover soda & Gatorade from the fair & blue candle sticks. Advent wreaths will be ready for pick up before and after Mass on 11/30 & 12/1.

Wanted - St. James is looking for a full time maintenance person or 2 part time maintenance people. Needs to have maintenance skills along with plowing and mowing. Send resume and salary requirements to St. James Church, 327 West St., Carthage, NY 13619 If interested, please call the rectory 315-493-3224 for more information.



November 2-3, 2024

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

The Church is much more than a building made of wood, brick and stone. By virtue of our baptism, Church is a body of believers united in Christ. When we all come together with the unique gifts and talents that God has given us, we strengthen our relationship with Him and with one another.

As Catholic stewards, we are called to receive God's gifts gratefully, cultivate them responsibly, share them in justice and love with one another, and return them with increase

Next weekend, as we observe Stewardship Sunday across the diocese, I ask you to please prayerfully reflect on the unique gifts and talents that God has entrusted to you. Ask yourself: "What gifts has God given me and how is God calling me to share these gifts with my parish, community and beyond?" Speak with your pastor about the ministries in your parish in which your gifts and talents can enrich the vibrancy and longevity of your parish.

I am deeply grateful to the many women, men and children who serve our parishes in a variety of ministries throughout the year. Your continued service in our parishes provides strength and growth to our parish family and brings your sisters and brothers closer to Christ.

May God continue to bless the work of your hands and hearts. With the promise of prayer for you and your loved ones, I am

Faithfully yours in Christ,

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Most Reverend Terry R. LaValley Bishop of Ogdensburg

Religious Education - Joanne Lazore will be teaching St. James and St. Mary's Religious Education Program for grades 4-8 from 6:00-7:15pm on Sunday evening at Augustinian Academy School. Classes began October 27, at 6:00pm. Please complete a registration form and submit it to the Rectory or Augustinian Academy. Registration forms will be available in the back of church, at the Rectory Office, at the Augustinian Academy Office, and on the Academy Facebook page. Registration can also be completed on the first day of class.

#### Early Bulletin Submission Due Dates

Weekend bulletin for Nov. 24 - info due to SJ by Nov. 14 Weekend bulletin for Dec. 1 - info due to SJ by Nov. 20

#### IN MEMORIAM-For the month of...November 2024(SJ & SM) Sanctuary Lamp

SJ - In memory of Stanley & Norma Campany by family SJ - In memory of Carol Lee Bartell Ashcroft by Jim

**SM** - In memory of deceased members of the Eisel family

#### Mass Candles

SJ - In memory of Patrick Britton by Ablan family SM - In memory of Jerry Green

#### Votive Lights on our Lady's Shrine

SJ - In memory of deceased members of O'Dett & Warnock families

#### Votive Lights on St. Joseph's Shrine

SJ - In memory of Calvin Terry & Auguste Trepanier

#### Altar Breads

SJ - In memory of Kenneth Ryan by Maureen & family

SJ - In memory of the Souls in Purgatory by friends

SM - In memory of Mary Aubin



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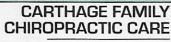
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