

Mass Intentions

SATURDAY MARCH 28TH ANTICIPATED SUNDAY MASS

4:00 PM ✠ **JOSEPH ISKRA** (2nd Anniversary)
Requested by: Gerry, Mike & Joanne

SUNDAY MARCH 29TH FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

7:30 AM ✠ **HARRY HAYES**
Requested by: Wife & Family

9:30 AM ✠ **PARISHIONERS OF ST. JAMES**

11:30 AM ✠ **WILLIAM NEWTON**
Requested by: Nancy

MONDAY MARCH 30TH LENTEN WEEKDAY

9:00 AM ✠ **PETER & JOANN SALESKI**
Requested by: Niece Claire

TUESDAY MARCH 31ST LENTEN WEEKDAY

9:00 AM ✠ **MARION HELDMANN**
Requested by: Fr. Dave & St. James Parishioners

WEDNESDAY APRIL 1ST LENTEN WEEKDAY

9:00 AM ✠ **FRAGOLINA, ADELE & ALBERTO LUCCI**
Requested by: Daughter Luisa

THURSDAY APRIL 2ND LENTEN WEEKDAY

9:00 AM ✠ **PALMA SABBATINO**
Requested by: Vito & Betty

FRIDAY APRIL 3RD LENTEN WEEKDAY

NO MASS
WAY OF THE CROSS AT 5:30PM

SATURDAY APRIL 4TH ANTICIPATED SUNDAY MASS

4:00 PM ✠ **TINA MASTRANGELO**
Requested by: Husband Bernard

SUNDAY APRIL 5TH PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION

7:30 AM ✠ **GILBERT CASEY** (25th Anniversary)
Requested by: Betty & Family

9:30 AM ✠ **BLESSING OF THE PALMS**

9:30 AM ✠ **MICHELINO ALBINO**
(20th Anniversary)
Requested by: Wife Luisa

11:30 AM ✠ **PARISHIONERS OF ST. JAMES**

OFFICE CLOSING & BULLETIN DEADLINE

The **deadline** for the **bulletin** for the weekend of **April 11th** and **12th** will be **April 2nd**. Please submit your articles by then as the bulletin has to be sent in earlier due to the **Easter Holiday**.

The **office** will close at **12Noon** on **Holy Thursday, April 9th**, and will be **closed** on **Good Friday, April 10th**. Your cooperation concerning the above is greatly appreciated. If you have any questions please contact Betty at 529-8655.

GREETERS NEEDED

I have observed many people walking past the basket of worship bulletins as they enter the church and not taking one. Do they not want to fully participate in mass? I am not willing to believe that people don't want to sing. I believe that parishioners may not notice the worship bulletins or if they are new to the parish they wouldn't know we have these bulletins. The mission of a Greeter is to welcome people to our community Celebration of the Eucharist, with a cheerful "hello." I would like to add to the mission of the Greeter, distribution of worship bulletins to all those who are coming to mass.. Unfortunately, we have no Greeters to help with this mission. Please consider being a part of this ministry. All that is required is arriving 15 minutes before mass begins, welcoming the parishioners as they enter, and handing them the worship bulletin. If you are not able to stand, you may sit and still greet the people. This ministry is desperately needed during the Easter Masses, when there will be many visitors to our church. Please help us by making St. James a more welcoming place to worship, and where everyone knows your name. Call Joy at 529-8655, ext. 17. Thank you and God Bless.

A PRO-LIFE PRAYER FOR OUR PRESIDENT AND PUBLIC OFFICIALS

Lord God, Author of Life and Source of Eternal Life, move the hearts of all our public officials and especially our President to fulfill their responsibilities worthily and well to all those entrusted to their care. Help them in their special leadership roles, to extend the mantle of protection to the most vulnerable, especially the defenseless unborn whose lives are threatened with extermination, by an indifferent society. Guide all public officials by your wisdom and grace to cease supporting any law that fails to protect the fundamental good that is human life itself, this is a gift from God and parents. You are the protector and defender of the lives, of the innocent unborn. Change the hearts of those who compromise the call to protect and defend life. Bring our nation to the values that have made us a great nation, a society that upholds the value of life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness for all. Mary, the Mother of the living, help us to bear witness to the Gospel of Life with our lives and our laws, through Christ Our Lord. Amen.

ST. JAMES PASTORAL STAFF

Father David Baranowski, Pastor
Betty Kreder, Administrative Assistant
Joy O'Sullivan, Music Director
Robert Pallotti, Deacon
Thomas Sacerdote, Director of Religious Education

Your Sacrificial Offering

WEEKLY OFFERING 03/22/09

\$9,798.13



Dear Fellow Parishioners:

I hope that you enjoyed our latest newsletter. The article on "Reverence" was insightful. We are God's temple and so we show reverence for ourselves by what we say and do. We need to show greater reverence for our church building. It is both the "House for the Church" as well as "God's Temple. Bringing the worship aids back to the vestibule, not leaving candy wrappers on the floor, or gum under the pews is a way of showing that we meet our loving God in this place. Just a little more awareness would help us reverence our place of worship.

There is no set date for the return of your flower envelope. You may drop it in the collection at any time.

Finally, as we get ready for Easter, a word about the Easter Vigil would be in order. We light the new fire outside the parish center and then go inside to listen to the scriptures. We do this in a different place, with our Candidates for Full Communion in the Church. Hopefully in a different environment we listen more carefully to the Lord in the scriptures. If you are looking for the "fast track" special, this is not the Mass to come to. If, however, you are seeking some time to reflect on the mystery of salvation, don't miss this service!

FATHER DAVE



**WAY OF THE CROSS
FRIDAYS DURING LENT
5:30PM IN THE CHURCH.**

ST. JAMES NURSERY SCHOOL FUNDRAISER

St. James Nursery School is holding a Butter Braid/Cookie Dough Fundraiser. If you would like to make a purchase, or would like more information please contact Kathleen Brouillard at 983-0520. Your order will be available for pick up on April 6th.



MARCH 28TH & 29TH

The Dominican Sisters of West Hartford will join us again this weekend to sell their **homemade pies, breads and brownies**. The **proceeds** will be used to **buy medical supplies** for their mission to support the lepers. Thank you and God Bless.

2009 ARCHBISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

The Archbishop's Annual Appeal helps provide the critical funding needed to feed the hungry, shelter the homeless, counsel those in despair, offer job training to the unemployed, and make available medical care to those without health insurance. Your gift to the 2009 Appeal will help to continue these and other vital ministries, services & programs that reach out to those in need.

COME ONE, COME ALL!!

SHARING ETHNIC BREADS—HOLY THURSDAY

Bread, in all its varieties, is a basic source of nourishment for all cultures. For this reason, at the Last Supper, Jesus took the Bread, Blessed it, Broke it and Gave it to the Apostles (and us) as His Body, the source of our spiritual nourishment and life. With this in mind, we will again this year (as in years past), gather in the Parish Center after the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday evening, to share various traditional breads and celebrate the diversity of ethnic backgrounds that make St. James Parish Family part of Christ's Body—The Church. If anyone is interested in baking a traditional bread of their ethnic heritage or would like to help in any other way, please call Vinnie and Lina D'Angelo at 529-6408, or email them at vda235@aol.com. Thank you for sharing your gifts with our Parish Family.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION

Registration for 2009-2010 catechetical year will be held on the following dates. All grades, K-10, will register on these dates.

A Special Needs Class is available, please inquire the day of registration.

Tuesday, March 31st

7:00PM-8:00PM in Fr. Shea Hall.

Wednesday, April 1st

7:00PM-8:00PM in Fr. Shea Hall.

Registration forms will not be mailed home nor available on the internet. For more information please contact the Religious Education Office at 529-1274.



Our next food drive will be the weekend of April 18th and 19th. Please bring your donations to the sanctuary in the church. Our food drives are held the second weekend of each month. Thank you for your help and God Bless.

ROCKY HILL RE-EMPLOYMENT

The Rocky Hill Re-Employment meetings will be held at St. James Church every Thursday at 7:00PM in Fr. Shea Hall. On Thursday, April 30th, the meeting will be at the same time but will be held in the Parish Center. The only date they **will not meet** is Holy Thursday, April 9th. Walks-ins are welcome. If you have any questions, please contact Joe Soja at 529-4539.

CHANGE FOR CHANGE

MARCH, 2009

\$56.60

The collection for "Change for Change" is every third weekend of the month. Thank you for your support.

CORPUS CHRISTI CRAFT FAIR & BAKE SALE

Corpus Christi School HSA, will hold a Craft Fair & Bake Sale this Sunday, March 29th, from 9:30AM to 3:00PM, at the school gym. There will be over 55 craft vendors, delicious baked goods, breakfast & lunch menu, and over 75 items in their teacup raffle.

UPCOMING EVENTS FOR TEENS

This winter has been long, so let's start thinking about the summer. There are two great summer teen retreats for you. Upcoming fund raisers will help with the cost.

St. James Teen Summer Retreat

Come join with other teens from the parish for an awesome Teen Leadership Retreat. We will be going to the Mellos Retreat Center in Jacksonville, Vt. This is the retreat center that burnt to the ground last February 7th and members from our parish went two summers ago to help them re-build. It is also owned by Dave Dumaine who speaks at our confirmation retreats.

When: June 26th, 27th & 28th, 2009

Where: The Mellos Center, Jacksonville, Vt.

The cost is \$125.00 (includes housing, food and transportation for the weekend). To reserve a spot, a deposit of \$25.00 is due ASAP. The deadline to register is May 1st. Please remember to fill out a permission slip. They can be found at www.stjamesrh.org. If you have any questions, please call Sharon at 712-5245.

Steubenville "East" 2009

A High School Summer Youth Conference, July 24th-26th on the campus of the University of Rhode Island. The total package for this year is \$263.00. The package includes: All coordination, scheduling, and documentation; Transportation: pickup and drop off at or near your location by A/C Coach; Registration, Lodging, 6 meals, AC Hall Events, Conference T-Shirt, Youth Magazine, Mass & Concert and much more. To reserve a spot a \$60.00 deposit is due ASAP. Make checks payable to: St. James Youth Group. Any questions please call Sharon at 712-5245.



LENT

LENTEN DAILY MASSES

9:00AM Monday-Thursday

EVENING PRAYER

Sundays at 5:00PM in the Church.
Mondays & Wednesdays 6:30PM
(Blessed Sacrament Chapel.)

GOOD FRIDAY LENTEN REGULATIONS

Day of FAST and ABSTINENCE from MEAT. All those between the ages of 18 and 59 inclusive may take only one full meal on this day. Two smaller meals are permitted to maintain strength according to one's needs. The eating of solid food between meals is not permitted.

SEDER SUPPER

Wednesday, April 8th, at 6:00PM.

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confessions)

Saturday, April 4th from 2:00PM-3:30PM
Tuesday, April 7th 7:00PM Communal Service
Wednesday, April 8th from 3:00PM-5:00PM

PALM SUNDAY, APRIL 5TH MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, April 4th, 4:00PM (Vigil Mass)
Sunday Masses:
7:30AM, 9:30AM (Solemn Blessings of Palms),
& 11:30AM.
Evening Prayer with cantor 5:00PM, Sunday, April 5th.

HOLY THURSDAY, APRIL 9TH

NO MORNING MASS

Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7:00PM
Visits to the Repository (Day Chapel) until 10:30PM

GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 10TH

Morning Prayer at 8:00AM
Passion and Death of Our Lord at 3:00PM
Way of the Cross at 7:00PM

HOLY SATURDAY, APRIL 11TH

Morning Prayer at 8:00AM
Blessing of Easter Baskets at 11:00AM
Easter Vigil Mass at 8:00PM

EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 12TH

7:30AM, 9:30AM, 11:30AM

Meetings

Tuesday, March 31st **SMALL CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY**

8:45AM Fr. Shea & 6:00PM Cry Rm.

Wednesday, April 1st **KNIT, CROCHET & SEW**

GOOD WORKS

1:00PM-4:00PM Fr. Shea

Wednesday, April 1st **THE FAITH & FELLOWSHIP TEAM**

7:30PM Fr. Shea

Thursday, April 2nd **PRECIOUS BLOOD PRAYER GROUP**

7:30PM Chapel

Sunday, April 5th **YOUTH GROUP MEETING**

6:30PM Rm. 1

Monday, April 6th **NO PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING**

Tuesday, April 7th **SMALL CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY**

8:45AM Fr. Shea & 6:00PM Cry Rm.

Readings for the week of March 29, 2009

Sunday: Jer 31:31-34/Heb 5:7-9/Jn 12:20-33

Monday: Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or
13:41c-62/Jn 8:1-11

Tuesday: Nm 21:4-9/Jn 8:21-30

Wednesday: Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95/Jn 8:31-42

Thursday: Gn 17:3-9/Jn 8:51-59

Friday: Jer 20:10-13/Jn 10:31-42

Saturday: Ez 37:21-28/Jn 11:45-56

Next Sunday: Mk 11:1-10 or Jn 12:12-16 /Is 50:4-7/

Phil 2:6-11/Mk 14:1---15:47 or 15:1-39