



# ST. JAMES THE GREATER CHURCH



*A Parish of the Diocese of Greensburg  
"A Pennsylvania Charitable Trust"*

109 Owens View Avenue  
Apollo, PA 15613

[www.stjamesapollo.org](http://www.stjamesapollo.org)

## MISSION STATEMENT

St. James Parish strives to be aware of the unique nature of our Roman Catholic tradition and our call to be a Christ-centered community. As baptized members of this faith community in a diverse Christian environment, we strive to promote the kingdom of God on earth. We achieve this through the scriptures and by celebration of the Eucharist which draws us into a deeper personal relationship with Christ. Through this relationship with Christ we share our faith with all the people of God. We strive through Catholic education, the Family Formation Program, evangelization, and good stewardship to mirror Gospel values as we reach out to serve the larger community.

**MEMBERSHIP:** We welcome new members. If you are a Catholic living in this area and are not registered as a parishioner, please call the Parish Office and we will be happy to include you on our roster. Also we ask that parishioners notify us of any change of address.

**SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:** The Sacrament will be administered on Sundays upon request except during Lent. It is necessary that parents attend a Baptism Preparation Program for parents and sponsors before a child's baptism. Please call the Parish Office for further information and to register for the class.

**SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:** Couples planning marriage should contact Fr. Thomas More at least one year prior to the marriage. Couples are expected to fulfill all pre-marriage requirements. **Wedding time is at 1:30 p.m. on Saturday.** Those who are married civilly and wish to sacramentalize their union, please contact Fr. Thomas More. For those celebrating a wedding anniversary who wish to renew their vows, please contact Fr. Thomas More well in advance of the desired date. Registered parishioners will take precedence for wedding dates.

**rites of Christian Initiation of Adults:** If you are interested in inquiring into the possibility of becoming a Catholic through the process of formation and prayer, we invite you to call the parish office 724-478-4958.

**PRIESTHOOD OR RELIGIOUS LIFE:** If you feel called to be a priest or religious, or would like to discuss the possibility, contact Fr. Thomas More.

**Bulletin information must be in writing and received as soon as possible. You can email articles to [dsummerhill@dioceseofgreensburg.org](mailto:dsummerhill@dioceseofgreensburg.org).**

## EUCCHARISTIC LITURGIES

### *Weekends:*

Saturday Vigil: 4:30 P.M.

Sunday: 9:30 A.M.

Youth Mass 5:00P.M. Every 4th Sunday of the month at  
St. James

### **Weekdays and Holy Days unless noted inside:**

7:30A.M. Weekdays

7:30A.M. & 7:00P.M. Holy Days

## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday - 3:30 — 4:00 p.m. or by appointment.

## ANOINTING AND VISITING THE SICK

Kindly contact the Parish Office.

## PARISH OFFICE

Rev. Thomas More Sikora, O.S.B., *Pastor*

Dana Summerhill

Phone: 724-478-4958

Katie Tylinski-Regional Youth Director

724-478-4851

724-212-6740

## OFFICE HOURS

Monday through Thursday: 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

(Closed Noon - 1:00 p.m.)

Friday: 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

(Closed Noon - 1:00 p.m.)

Evenings: by appointment only

**ST. JAMES PARISH CENTER: 724-478-4071**

September 24, 2017

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

**ORGANIZATIONS**  
**CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF AMERICA**  
**COURT ST. JAMES #2180**

2nd Monday of the month, or as announced. 7:00 P.M.  
(no meetings January or July)

**ST. JAMES ROSARY CONFRATERNITY:**

Last Monday of the month, 2:00 P.M.  
(no meetings January, February, June,  
July, or August)

**ST. VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY:**

Saturday mornings, 9:00 A.M., Parish Center

**Pray For**  
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**PARISHIONERS WHO ARE  
HOSPITALIZED, INVALIDS,  
OR SERIOUSLY ILL AT HOME:**

Mary Ann Amorino, Rose

Ashbaugh, Herb Barber, Marge Bernat,  
Richard Bopp, Frances Bowman, Mary Ann  
Cieslinski, Nick DePetris, Patricia  
Dobrowloski, Barbara Ferrari, Michael Fraser,  
Bill Frye, Lorraine Gallo, Ellen Gould, John  
Jackson, Myrtle Kaplin, Buddy Koffman,  
Mary Ann McIlwain, Paul Metro, Fred  
Morabito, Wanda Morabito, Carole  
Morrison, Mary Shook, Charlene Spelock,  
Lavina Stefaniak, Robert Tandaric, Betty  
Trinclisti, Marcella Trinclisti, Tyler Whaley, Fr.  
Justin-*previously of St. James parish, and all  
the sick who need our prayers.*

**Holy Hour(Adoration/Benediction)**

*There will be Holy Hour/Benediction on  
Thursday, September 28th, 2017*

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Monday: Ezr 1:1-6; Ps 126:1b-6; Lk 8:16-18  
Tuesday: Ezr 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20; Ps 122:1-5;  
Lk 8:19-21  
Wednesday: Ezr 9:5-9; Tb:13:2, 3-4abefghn, 7-8;  
Lk 9:1-6  
Thursday: Hg 1:1-8; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Lk 9:7-9  
Friday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a;  
Ps 138:1-5; Jn 1:47-51  
Saturday: Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a; Jer 31:10-12ab, 13;  
Lk 9:43b-45  
Sunday: Ez 18:25-28; Ps 25:4-9; Phil 2:1-11 [1-  
5]; Mt 21:28-32

Advertiser  
of the Week

**CERRA PLUMBING**



***ALTAR BREAD & WINE***

*Stanley, Tillie & Carl Piekarski*  
By  
*Lorraine*

***SANCTUARY LAMP***

*Health & Welfare of Cindy DelVecchio*  
by  
*Olga Garufi*

***MEMORIAL CANDLES***

*Lucy DiBennardo by Olga Garufi*

**THEOLOGY ON TAP IN THE  
A-K VALLEY**

Calling ALL young adults (single, married, parents, etc.)! Join us for Theology on Tap in the A-K Valley on Thursday, September 28, at 7:00 p.m. at Mogie's Irish Pub/Magill's Grill (3210 Leechburg Road, Lower Burrell, PA 15068). The topic of the evening is "Surviving or Thriving: Building a Family on Faith" presented by Will Smith (husband, father, musician, speaker). Dinner will be provided, and babies are welcome! Invite a friend! Theology on Tap is a program for Catholic Young Adults and their friends to meet together at local bars, cafes, and restaurants to listen to a speaker, share conversation, and gain new insights into the faith. No need to RSVP-just show up!

**YOU ARE INVITED TO HEAR THE TALK AND  
SEE THE FULL SIZE REPLICA OF THE  
SHROUD OF TURIN!**

**WHEN: Sunday October 29, 2017  
Time: 3:00 PM**

**Where: St. Benedict Parish, Johnstown  
2310 Bedford St, Johnstown PA 15904  
ALL ARE WELCOME TO JOIN US!**

**For more information contact  
Deacon Michael Russo at:  
(814) 288-3036**



September 16th 17th~\$4,390.00

Loose Collection~\$46.00

Children's Collection~\$2.00

Hurricane Relief~\$1,967.00

### **SEMINARIAN & CLERGY FORMATION APPEAL**

The Diocese of Greensburg will conduct its annual *Seminarian and Clergy Formation Collection* THIS WEEKEND, September 23rd and 24th. You should have received a special mailing from Bishop Malesic in which he highlights our seminarians, men preparing for the permanent diaconate, the on-going formation of our clergy, and our International priests serving in the Diocese. Extra envelopes are at both entrances to the Church.

### **White Mass for health care personnel at Blessed Sacrament Cathedral Oct. 8**

Bishop Malesic will celebrate the 16th annual White Mass for health care professionals Oct. 8 at 11:30 a.m. at Blessed Sacrament Cathedral.

### **IMMEDIATE NEED**

Help serve the hungry in our area. Drivers needed for Apollo Meals on Wheels. Commit to one hour per week or one hour every other week to deliver meals in our local area. Call Nancy Stevens at 724-331-5000.

### **ROSARY CONFRATERNITY MEETING**

#### **2:00P.M. PARISH CENTER**

St. James Rosary Confraternity will hold a meeting this Monday, September 25th in the Parish Center at 2:00p.m. Please note the time change.

All members are asked to attend.



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Faith Formation Classes will be held immediately following 930a.m. Mass this Sunday, September 24th in the St. James Parish Center. It is not too late to register, please contact the parish office for more information.

### **Discovering Christ**

*"I get confused when I look around at the world and see everybody running around... Yet no one is trying to figure out what is the cause of death and what happens when you die. That to me is the only thing really of importance and the rest is all secondary."*

GEORGE HARRISON, THE BEATLES  
Are you looking for the meaning and purpose of **YOUR** life? Then try **Discovering Christ!** Spend one evening a week enjoying a FREE dinner, listening to an enlightening teaching and joining fellow adults exploring the meaning of life and the identity of Jesus Christ. **Bring a friend, EVERYONE is invited** (all faiths are welcome)!

**Discovering Christ** sessions begin 5 PM every Sunday from October 1st through Nov 19th. *Seating is limited!* For more information or to register call 724-568-2331 or 724-845-8191. *Please register by the end of September.*

St. Mary of Czestochowa Church, 857 Kenneth Ave., New Kensington, invites everyone to its annual Polish Platter Dinner, Bake Sale & Country Store, Sunday, October 15, 2017, in Friendship Hall, with eat-ins from 12 PM to 4 PM, and take-outs from 11 AM to 3 PM. Dinners include pierogi, stuffed cabbage, kielbasa, haluski, green beans, roll, and beverage. Dinner donation: \$11. For more information, please call 724-335-8212



**Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**September 24, 2017**

Turn to the LORD for mercy;  
to our God, who is generous in forgiving.  
— *Isaiah 55:7b*

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**25th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**SATURDAY — September 23**

4:30P.M. Amelia Spicher by Amy's Family

**SUNDAY — September 24**

9:30A.M. Mass for Living & Deceased Members of St. James Parish

5:00P.M. **YOUTH MASS**  
All FUSED 4 YOUTH and their families

**MONDAY — September 25**

7:30A.M. John Wigle Sr. by St. Vincent de Paul Society

**TUESDAY — September 26**

7:30A.M. In honor of St. Vincent de Paul by St. James St. Vincent de Paul Society

**WEDNESDAY — September 27**

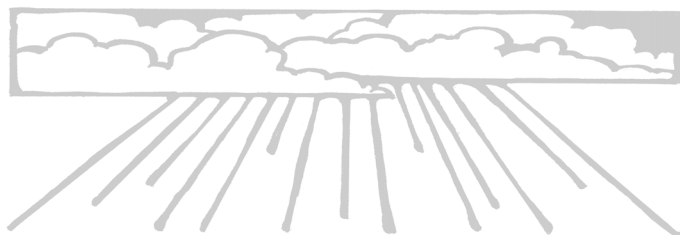
7:30A.M. Don & Madeline Rollinger by Rollinger Family

**THURSDAY — September 28**

7:30A.M. Aulerich Family by Aulerich Family

**FRIDAY — September 29**

7:30A.M. Sandra Polka by Family



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**26th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**SATURDAY — September 30**

4:30P.M. Mass for Living & Deceased Members of St. James Parish

**SUNDAY — October 1**

9:30A.M. Charles Caramellino by Bill & Charlene Toth & Family

# FUSED 4

*St. James \* Christ The King \* St. Gertrude \* Our Lady Queen of Peace*

## **FUSED 4 ~ SEPTEMBER EDGE CALENDAR**

(Grades 9th-12th ~ St. James Parish Underground/Upper Room ~ 6:30-8:00 PM)

September 24th—Youth Mass at 5 PM at St. James with AMP to follow in the hall

27th—NO SESSION

28th—Volunteer at Spaghetti Dinner at St. Gertrude's

## **FUSED 4 ~ SEPTEMBER LIFETEEN CALENDAR**

(Grades 6th-8th ~ Christ the King Parish ~ St. Joseph Room in the basement of the church offices at CTK~ 6:30-8:00 PM)

September ~24th—Youth Mass at 5 PM at St. James with AMP to follow in the hall

28th—Volunteer at Spaghetti Dinner at St. Gertrude's

Please volunteer at the St. Gertrude's Spaghetti dinner on Thursday, September 28<sup>th</sup> from 3:30-6:30 PM in the church hall. Sign up to volunteer by this Sunday, September 24<sup>th</sup>.

Those registered for the NET Retreat: we will meet at St. James church parking lot at 12:00 PM and return around 8:00 PM. This retreat replaces our regular weekly session.

Also, Mass is at 6:00 PM which counts for your Sunday obligation.

Save the date! LIFETEEN goes on the road to visit with the "Men in Black" on Sunday, October 8<sup>th</sup>! Guys and girls are invited to come and see St. Vincent Archabbey and St. Vincent College Campus. It will feature a tour, a unique opportunity to pray Vespers with the Benedictine monks, a time to meet the monks and dinner. Meet at St. James Church parking lot at Noon and we will return around 8:00 PM. Please RSVP by October 1<sup>st</sup>. Cost: Free.

Kennywood Fright Night is Saturday, October 28<sup>th</sup>! Be prepared to be scared! \$15 (which includes your ticket, transportation and pizza) for Kennywood Fright Night is due no later than Sunday, October 15<sup>th</sup>. Please meet at St. James School Upper Parking Lot at 4:30 PM. We are leaving the park at 11:00 PM, and should return to St. James Parish around midnight. Permission slips needed (if you haven't completed one yet). Please make checks payable to St. James Parish. Also, there will be no refunds. Chaperones and drivers are needed!

Save the date: 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> graders, we will be helping with the Trunk or Treat at Christ the King on October 29<sup>th</sup> from 2:00-4:00 PM. Please RSVP to volunteer by October 22<sup>nd</sup>

Bulletin # 910018

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Attn: Dana

MESSAGES:

September 24, 2017

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