



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

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.

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

February 4, 2018

5th 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

**Advertiser
of the Week**

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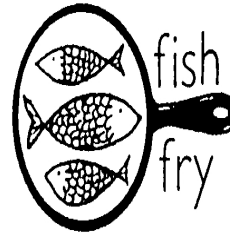


SANCTUARY LAMP
*Stanley, Tillie & Carl
Piekarski
by Lorraine*

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, **Ray
Damico**, Nick DePetris, Patricia
Dobrowloski, Barbara Ferrari, Michael
Fraser, Bill Frye, Lorraine Gallo, John
Jackson, Myrtle Kaplin, Buddy Koffman,
Kimberly McHenry, Mary Ann McIlwain,
Paul Metro, Fred Morabito, Wanda
Morabito, Carole Morrison, **Mary Rainelli**,
Mary Shook, Charlene Spelock, Lavina
Stefaniak, Robert Tandaric, Marcella
Trinclisty, Tyler Whaley, Fr. Justin-previously
of St. James parish, and all the sick who
need our prayers.*



**Lenten Fish Fry
Information
Our Lady, Queen of
Peace
Fish Fry
Ash Wednesday**

February 14, 2018

1-6:30p.m.

Every Friday During Lent

(Except Good Friday)

2/16, 2/23, 3/2, 3/9, 3/16, 3/23

3:30-6:30p.m.

Eat in or Take Out

SAVE THE DATE

**Living Stations will be coming to
St. James Church on Sunday, March
18th at 7:30p.m.**



A big "thank you very much" to
Fr. Tom Sikora, Fr. John Euker,
and the members of St. James the
Greater Parish for all your
prayers, thoughts, cards, and
visits during my recent illness. I
appreciate all of you so very much! Through the grace of
God and all the prayers, I continue to be on the road to a
full recovery.

God bless, Pat Dobrowolski

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday: 1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13; Ps 132:6-7, 8-10;
Mk 6:53-56
- Tuesday: 1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30; Ps 84:3-5, 10-11;
Mk 7:1-13
- Wednesday: 1 Kgs 10:1-10; Ps 37:5-6, 30-31, 39-
40;
Mk 7:14-23
- Thursday: 1 Kgs 11:4-13; Ps 106:3-4, 35-37, 40;
Mk 7:24-30
- Friday: 1 Kgs 11:29-32; 12:19;
Ps 81:10-11ab, 12-15; Mk 7:31-37
- Saturday: 1 Kgs 12:26-32; 13:33-34;
Ps 106:6-7ab, 19-22; Mk 8:1-10
- Sunday: Lv 13:1-2, 44-46; Ps 32:1-2, 5, 11;
1 Cor 10:31 — 11:1; Mk 1:40-45



Weekly Offering
 January 20th & 21st~\$4,883.00
 Loose Collection~\$82.00
 Children's Collection~\$5.00
 Accent~\$5.00

January 27th & 28th~\$3,929.00
 Loose Collection~\$94.00
 Children's Collection~\$9.00
 Catholic Accent~\$15.00

**Diocesan Second Collection for the Church
 in Central & Eastern Europe
 February 3rd & 4th**

Every year our Diocese participates in the **Collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe** on the first Sunday of February. This year, the collection is to be taken at all parish Saturday evening Masses and Sunday Masses on **February 3 and February 4**. The Church in Central and Eastern Europe is in need of assistance to rebuild after more than 70 years of Soviet rule and oppression.

2nd Collection Next Weekend will be for the Apollo-Ridge Food Bank.

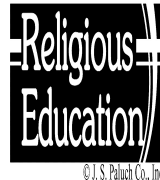
**Respect Life Mass
 Wednesday, February 7**

At St. James the Greater Church the monthly Respect Life Mass will be offered on **Wednesday, February 7 at 7:00 pm**. Catholics are called to uphold the dignity of every human life from the moment of conception until natural death. A powerful response to this call is prayer. All are invited to join together for this Holy Mass in support of God's great gift of life.

C.D.A MEETING

The Catholic Daughters will hold their monthly meeting on Monday, February 12th at 7:00p.m. The meeting will be a pizza party & chit chat.

All are welcome to attend.



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There will be classes this Sunday, February 4th, 2018 immediately following 9:30a.m. Mass in the Parish Center.

Holy Hour(Adoration/Benediction)

There will be Holy Hour/Benediction on Thursday, February 8th, 2018 from 6:30P.M.-8:30P.M. in the Church.

All are welcome!

LENTEN BIBLE STUDY

Attention anyone who would like to have your Catholic faith explained more fully through the Symbolon video series. This Lent we will be meeting Thursday afternoons in the parish center between 1:00-3:00 p.m. Please join us and deepen your knowledge of our Catholic faith.

Diocesan Heritage Center Mass and light lunch on Saturdays in Lent

The Diocesan Heritage Center is hosting a Lenten program on the five Saturdays in Lent (Feb. 17 and 24, March 3, 10 and 17). Mass will be celebrated at 10:30 a.m. at the St. Joseph Chapel at the Bishop Connare Center. A light soup lunch will follow, and attendees will be invited to the new Heritage Center exhibit, "Journeying with Jesus: The Passion."

CMA HONOR ROLL-2ND QUARTER

Cardinal Maida Academy would like to congratulate the following second quarter Honor Roll Students;

Julian Iagnemma, Ireland McMaster ,Augie Smith, Cloe Stedman, Caleb George, Caprice Hammer, Amara Sterlitz, Maeggie Wysocki and Maria Heath.

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jesus cured many who were sick

February 4, 2018
[The LORD] tells the number of the stars
and calls each by name.

— Psalm 147:4

5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

SATURDAY — February 3

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

SUNDAY — February 4

9:30A.M. Our Parents by Dave & Gloria
Notte

MONDAY—February 5

7:30A.M. Anniversary Mass of Tish &
Gerald Pears

TUESDAY — February 6

7:30A.M. Mary Frampton by Daughter,
Loretta

WEDNESDAY —February 7

7:30A.M. Eddie Shaffer Jr by Ed Shaffer
& Family

THURSDAY—February 8

7:30 A.M. Joan Damico by Larry & Arlene
Laurenti

FRIDAY —February 9

7:30A.M. Olga A. Myers by Daughter
Elaine & Grandson Scott



6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

SATURDAY — February 10

4:30P.M. John Wigle Sr. by Wife &
Children

SUNDAY — February 11

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



FUSED 4 ~ FEBRUARY EDGE CALENDAR

(Grades 6th-8th ~ St. James Parish ~ 6:30-8:00 PM)

February ~ 7—NO SESSION (because of snow tubing on the 10th) ~ 10th—Snow tubing at Hidden Valley ~ 14—Ash Wednesday Mass at St. James ~ 16th—Winter Jam ~ 21—Session ~ 22nd—Volunteer at Spaghetti Dinner at St. Gertrude's ~ 25—Youth Mass at 5 PM at St. James with AMP to follow in the hall ~ 28—Session

FUSED 4 ~ FEBRUARY LIFETEEN CALENDAR

(Grades 9th-12th ~ Christ the King Parish ~ (lower level of church offices at CTK) ~ 6:30-8:00 PM)

February ~ 4—Session ~ 11—NO SESSION (because of snow tubing on the 10th is the session) ~ 10th—Snow tubing at Hidden Valley ~ 16th—Winter Jam ~ 18—Session ~ 22nd—Volunteer at Spaghetti Dinner at St. Gertrude's ~ 25—Youth Mass at 5 PM at St. James with AMP to follow in the hall/Winter Retreat

Attention 9th-12th graders: Join us for the Winter Retreat, "I AM the Vine, You are the Branches" February 23rd-25th at Laurelville Retreat Center Solar House, Mount Pleasant. Take time out of your busy life and make some quality time for God! It's an amazing experience! Your cost for the retreat is \$40 (You will need to pay \$102.50 if you missed the January 2nd Francis Fund deadline. This is still a discounted price as the total cost is \$125.00 but youth ministry is subsidizing the remaining \$22.50) The cost includes all lodging, meals and supplies for the weekend. Don't miss out on a fantastic weekend! If finances are an issue, please see Katie. In order to register you must turn in your check payable to St. James. Please register for the retreat by this Thursday, February 8th.

Attention 6th-12th graders: Winter Jam (Christian music's largest annual tour) at PPG Paints Arena (former Consol Energy Center) will take place on Friday, February 16th. Cost is only \$10 (we will pay for the remaining \$5). Please let us know that you are coming and permission slips and money are due by Saturday, February 10th. We will meet at St. James Church parking lot at 5:00 PM and will car-pool. Chaperones needed.

If you signed up to go snow tubing at Hidden Valley on Saturday, February 10th: we will meet at St. James at 4:00 PM and return around 10:30 PM.

Attention 6th-12th graders: Please volunteer at the St. Gertrude's Spaghetti dinner on Thursday, February 22nd from 3:30-6:30 PM in the church hall. Sign up to volunteer by Sunday, February 18th

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Attn: Dana

MESSAGES:
February 4, 2018

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