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Sacrament of Confession: Before weekend Masses and by request.
Sacrament of Baptism: Contact priest 2 weeks prior to Baptism.
Sacrament of Marriage: Contact priest 6 months in advance.
Sacrament of the Sick: Inform priest about the person to be anointed.

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sat.	Sep 19	5:00 PM	(SJ)	Don Vogel by Rosemarie and Constantino Isabella
Sun.	Sep 20	8:00 AM	(SJ)	Doris Anne Sengenberger by John Sengenberger
		10:00 AM	(SA)	Dennis Parker by the Parker Family
Mon.	Sep 21			No Mass Scheduled
Tue.	Sep 22	8:30 AM	(SJ)	Teddy Upson by Michelle and Jason Roberts
Wed.	Sep 23	8:30 AM	(SA)	The Church in China by Christine Lancaster
Thu.	Sep 24	8:30 AM	(SA)	The Victims of Floods in Nepal by Christine Lancaster
Fri.	Sep 25	8:30 AM	(SJ)	The People of Saint James and Saint Ann Parishes
Sat.	Sep 26	5:00 PM	(SJ)	Bob McCormack by Tom and Cathleen Connolly
Sun.	Sep 27	8:00 AM	(SJ)	Daniel Gonzalez, Jr. by Nilda and Fred Barrett
		10:00 AM	(SA)	Marianna Zuchniewicz by Christine Lancaster

Collections Last Week:

Saint James: \$2,831
Saint Ann: \$944

Please send to the office email any information and announcements that you feel are important and helpful so that it all can be included in the weekly parish bulletin. Thank you!
JVT

From the Pastor’s Desk

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

There are different ways to do different things in our lives and world...that’s for sure! We come across that continuously in our experiences. We find that in one another. With family members, friends, and coworkers we discover that as we engage in work, projects, service, and a whole number of activities. My way may not be someone else’s way of bringing something to completion. It’s on the one hand reassuring as we try to be respectful of each person’s uniqueness. It can also be frustrating at times as we are all creatures of habit and opening ourselves to the “otherness” of other people isn’t easy. Patience and understanding are required!

This Sunday’s readings inform us that God’s ways are different from ours...revealing it outright in the wording of our first reading and through the parable in the Gospel. While it is an understanding to heed, it’s also a source of hope for us as God’s people, especially when we come to troubling moments in our lives. When our world might say to be relentless, our God shows us his mercy and compassion. When our world is impatient and in a hurry, our God calls us to patience and a willingness to wait. When our world encourages us to amass wealth and material items, our Lord Jesus reveals the value of poverty, simplicity, and the greatness of spiritual realities.

The message for us today is not just a warning to heed so that we don’t find ourselves going down the wrong path, only to discover the problems it may bring upon us later. It’s filled with hope when we realize that God’s ways can be those that we take on as well as his people. Jesus’ teaching in the Gospels is about finding those other worldly values and virtues that bring us more into the life of God, enabling us to see what it is to live with him and in him.

In our kindness, love, and service to one another, God’s ways can become ours, even though we struggle at times and fail long the way. Forgiveness and reconciliation are found when we receive it from God and then share it with each other. It’s a way for us all to find and it is a path forward. May this Sunday’s message for us, while admonishing us of cultural tendencies today, guide us in the hope we find when we walk humbly with our God and draw strength from the example of Christ and the grace granted to us today in our celebration.

Yours in Christ the Lord,
Fr. Jim Teti

Parish Visit to Weston Priory

Interested parishioners will be able to make a visit to this community of Benedictine monks in Weston, Vermont on Tuesday, September 29th. We will depart by 8:30 AM and return by 5:30 PM. For further details and to RSVP, please email or call the Rectory.

Priest Appreciation Sunday is September 27th. The Rosary at Saint James before Sunday Mass at 7:30 AM will be offered for the intention of all priests. Thank you for your daily prayers for our priests!

To Report Abuse

If you have a complaint of suspected misconduct involving diocesan clergy, religious, employees or volunteers, contact Victim Assistance Coordinator, Terrianne Yanulavich, Ph.D., LMHC, 5050 Route 374, Merrill, NY 12955; terrianneyanulavich@yahoo.com Phone: 518-569-0612; or Father Christopher Carrara, the Episcopal Vicar for Clergy; ccarrara@rcdony.org Phone: 315393-2920 ext. 1340. If you have a complaint of suspected abuse or related misconduct by the bishops, contact the Catholic Bishop Abuse Reporting Service at 800-276-1562 or www.ReportBishopAbuse.org