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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.

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sun. Feb. 11 8:00 am (SJ) Jim Farber by Jill & Dave Knapp
10:00 am (SA) Judee Lauria by Vincent Lauria

Mon. Feb. 12 No Scheduled Mass

Tues. Feb. 13 8:30 am (SJ) Edward Sczerzenie by Frank Sczerzenie

Ash Wednesday

Wed. Feb. 14 8:30 am (SA) Ron Reo's health by Pam Broils

4:00 pm (SJ) Carrie Plunket by Michelle & Jason Roberts

Thu. Feb. 15 8:30 am (SA) Ellen Magistro by Nancy Brylewski

Fri. Feb. 16 8:30 am (SJ) Ritha & Reginald Cornelia by Judy & Rick Hilton

Sat. Feb. 17 No Scheduled Mass

Sun. Feb. 18 8:00 am (SJ) Joseph Paton by Patricia Paton

10:00 am (SA) The Naple Family by Marie Naple & Family

11:00 am (SA) Adoration & Novena to the Sacred Heart of Jesus

Collection last week: St. Ann \$ 1258.00
St. James \$ 873.00

Thank you very much for your generosity in response to God's blessing to you and to your beloved family.

Ash Wednesday February 14, 2024

St. Ann's Church, Wells: 8:30 am Mass & Distribution of Ashes.

St. James Major Church, Lake Pleasant: 4:00 pm Mass & Distribution of Ashes.

Stations of the Cross before our Sunday Mass.

We encourage our Parishioners to come 30 minutes early to participate in the Stations of the Cross.

Lenten Regulations 2024

- **ABSTINENCE** – All Catholics who have reached their 14th birthday are bound to abstain totally from meat on the following days: Ash Wednesday, Fridays of Lent and Good Friday.
- **FASTING**- All Catholics between 18-59 are bound also to observe the Law of Fast on the following days: Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. Fasting, that is, eating less, involves limiting oneself to a single full meal and avoiding food between meals. Lighter nourishment may be taken on two other occasions in course of the day.
- **PRAYER AND PENANCE**- The entire season of Lent should be observed in a spirit of prayer and penance. Spending extra time in prayer or Bible study, attending daily Mass, voluntary sacrifices, and self-denial, combined with works of charity and service to others, are all excellent ways to obey the Lord's command to reform our lives and prepare for the joyful celebration of Easter.
- **EASTER DUTY** – All Catholics who have reached the age of reason must confess their sins in the Sacrament of Penance at least once a year. They must also receive Holy Communion at least once each year between the First Sunday of Lent and Trinity Sunday.

Lent: Reflections of Bishop Barron on the Eucharist

Our Catholic Church is in the midst of a 3-year Eucharistic Revival that aims to inspire, educate and unite, in a world where not many people know Jesus intimately. Therefore, Saint James' Lenten program will host Bishop Barron's 4-week presentation on the Eucharist. Bishop Barron offers inspiring insights into the mystery of Christ's presence in our lives and the centrality of the Eucharist. Too many believers do not understand the mystery of the Eucharist, which Vatican II said is the "source and summit of the Christian life". This fresh look at the Eucharist brings to light its reality as a sacred meal, the sacrifice necessary of communion with God, and the real presence of Christ.

The program will be presented on Wednesday, March 6, 13, and 20, and April 3 at 5:00 pm. (The Seder meal will be celebrated on Wednesday, March 27.) The four presentations will follow a simple shared Lenten meal of soup and bread.

Please plan to join fellow parishioners and friends to enjoy a social time and together develop a deeper understanding of and love for the Eucharist. Sign-up sheets are in the back of Church.

- Jean and Richard Doell

World Marriage Day, National Marriage Week

World Marriage Day, the second Sunday in February, and National Marriage Week (February 7-14) are observed annually in dioceses and parishes throughout our country as an opportunity to focus on building a culture of life and love that begins with supporting and promoting marriage and the family. This year's theme, "Marriage...one flesh, given and received" highlights the one-flesh union of husband and wife that is willed by God. It also indicates the personal self-gift of each spouse, one to the other. These concepts point to Christ who gives Himself under the appearance of bread and wine – as real flesh and blood. For more information, go to the Family Life office link- www.rcdony.org/family-life/79-family-life 19/2411-world-marriage-day-and-national-marriage-week-html.

"Through the intercession of Saint Blaise, bishop and martyr, may God deliver you from every disease of the throat and from every other illness: in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit".

This Sunday, after Mass, we will have the blessing of the throat. Last Sunday, Fr. Sony forgot all about it...he is getting old. And he blames Kaiser for not reminding him about the blessing. Let us forgive him!

