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February 23, 2025

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Rectory Office Hours: Tuesday - Friday, 9:30 am - 3:30 pm (*Emergencies anytime*)

MASSES

Saturday Vigil-----4:30 pm

Sunday-----7:00, 9:00 & 11:00 am

Weekdays-----9:00 am

Holy Days -----7:00, 9:00 am & 6:00 pm

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BAPTISM PREPARATION PROGRAM

Please call the Rectory to register for the Preparatory Class & Baptism. Baptisms are held on the third Sunday of every month at 12:00 noon. Registration forms available on website.

WEDDING

Call the Rectory at least six months prior to your wedding date. If not confirmed, one year.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday, 3:45 to 4:15 pm in the church, or by appointment.

HOSPITAL & HOME VISITS

Please notify the priests of family illnesses.

DAYDREAMS OF A PASTOR...

“Do to others as you would have them do to you”
As a seminarian of 15 years of age my rector asked me to write an essay on this Golden Rule – Do to others as you would have them do to you. I still believe that this was a real turning point in my life as a first-year seminarian. I always kept this rule in my heart to become what I am today.

We expect that everyone should love us, we ask everyone to pray for us, we want everyone to forgive us, and we want everyone to be generous and compassionate towards us. The Golden Rule asks us to take an extra step always.

Jesus calls us to love our enemies. By loving our enemies, we align ourselves with the example set by Christ who forgave even those who crucified Him. There is a call that we respond to hatred with blessings.

Prayer allows us to be close to God. It allows us to see our enemies as human beings in need of God’s grace and transformation. It is an act of humility, recognizing that we all fall short and require God’s mercy. When we pray for those who mistreat us, our hearts soften.

God is boundless in his generosity. We as humans are challenged to imitate this divine generosity, offering love and compassion not only to those who are easy to love but also to those who may be difficult. We are prone to judge and criticize, yet forgiveness liberates us from the burden of holding grudges. By forgiving others, we free ourselves and allow God’s love to shine through us.

The Golden Rule reminds us of the principle of reciprocity. The love and compassion we extend to others often return to us in unexpected ways. By treating others as we wish to be treated, we create a world filled with kindness and understanding.

Let us open our hearts to the challenging words of Jesus who calls us to love and to be merciful as our heavenly Father is merciful.

Fr. Roy Parayil, M.S.

SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: 1 Samuel 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23
Saul wanted to harm David and went into the desert to locate him. David and his companion Abishai visited Saul and his troops while they slept. Abishai wanted to kill Saul, but David would not allow it, as he refused to kill the Lord’s anointed.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:45-49
Paul portrays Adam as the first physical man and Jesus as the first man to give us our spirituality. One man was formed from dust, the other sent down from heaven. Just as we resemble the first being physically, we should model ourselves after Jesus spiritually.

Gospel: Luke 6:27-38
Jesus explains that loving only people who love us is no great achievement. He also reminds us that doing a favor for someone while expecting something in return is not what he asks of us. Instead, we should emulate God by being compassionate and non-judgmental, even towards individuals who hate and mistreat us.

LENTEN SCHEDULE

Ash Wednesday, March 5th – Mass 7AM, 9AM, 6PM
Daily Mass: Monday through Friday - 9AM
Saturday Vigil ----- 4.30 PM
Sunday -----7AM, 9AM & 11AM
Confessions: Every Saturday 3:45PM to 4.15PM
Stations of the Cross: Every Friday during Lent at 7PM

PARISH MISSION:

March 30, 31st, April 1st – 7PM - 8PM
Fr. William Kaliyadan, M.S, Provincial Superior,

CONFESSIONS:

Every Saturday 3.45PM - 4.15PM
March 29th, Saturday – 3PM – 4:30PM
April 12th, Saturday - 3PM - 4.30PM
April 14th, Monday - 9.30AM - 12PM

HOLY WEEK SERVICE

Palm Sunday Vigil Mass: April 12th, 4:30PM
Palm Sunday: April 13th at 7AM, 9AM & 11AM
Holy Thursday: April 17th
Mass of the Lord’s Supper - 7PM
Good Friday: April 18th,
Stations of the Cross - 3PM followed by Celebration of the Lord’s Passion – 3.30PM
Easter Vigil: April 19, (Holy Saturday) - 8PM
Easter Sunday: April 20th, 7AM, 9AM and 11AM

We thank you for the loving service of Pope Francis and the hope he has inspired in so many in your great mercy. Have mercy on him in his illness now, we pray and guide the medical staff in his care. Grant him peace and healing. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Schedule for March 1st and March 2, 2025

	4:30PM	7:00AM
Celebrant:	Fr. Rene Parent	Fr. Roy Parayil
E. Minister:	Louis LePine Sandra LePine	John Lupien Maureen Mann
Lector:	Phyllis Morrison	Susan Griffiths
	9:00AM	11:00AM
Celebrant:	Fr. Rene Parent	Fr. Roy Parayil
E. Minister:	Bev Richardson Theresa Labbe	John Brady Michelle Brady
Lector:	Adam Brindamour	Laurie Barrette

UP-COMING EVENTS FOR 2025 – ST. JAMES CHURCH

(Please add to your calendar)

ASH WEDNESDAY: March 05, 2025
SEASON OF LENT: March 05, 2025 – April 20, 2025
ST. JOSEPH’S DAY – FAMILY EVENT: March 22, 2025 – 5.15 pm to 6.30 pm. (Church Hall, by Vocation Committee)
FIFTH SUNDAY ROSARY: Every Fifth Sunday after the 9 am mass. (K of C)
PARISH MISSION: March 30, 31 & April 01, 2025 - 7pm to 8pm.
LENTEN PENANCE SERVICE: April 12, 3pm – 4.15pm, April 14, 9.30 am to Noon.
VISIT OF THE RELIC OF ST. ANDRE BESSETTE: April 08, 2025, 6-8pm
HOLY WEEK CELEBRATIONS: April 13 – April 20, 2025
DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET: April 27, 2025 – 3pm
FIRST COMMUNION: May 3, 2025 -11 am.
CROWNING OF BLESSED VIRGIN MARY: May 4, 2025 – 9 am Mass, (CCD)
BLESSING OF THE BIKES: May 10, 2025 -11am(Parking Lot, KofC)
MOTHER’S DAY CELEBRATION: May 10 2025 -2 pm -4 pm, (Church Hall, Vocation Committee)
150th ANNIVERSARY OF ST.JAMES SCHOOL: May 18, 2025, 11am Mass
MEMORIAL DAY MASS: May 26, 2025 – 9 am. (Cemetery)
GRADE 8 GRADUATION MASS: June 6, 2025
FATHER’S DAY CELEBRATION: June 15, 2025
CORPUS CHRISTI: June 22, 2025 –Adoration after 11 am mass – 4 pm, Vocation Committee)
FEAST OF THE SACRED HEART: June 27, 2025
FIFTH SUNDAY ROSARY: June 29, 2025, After the 9 am mass.
FEAST OF ST. JAMES: July 26-27, 2025
PARISH PICNIC: July 27, 2025 -11.30 am.
FIFTH SUNDAY ROSARY: August 31, 2025, After the 9 am mass.
LA SALETTE NOVENA AND FEAST: September 13 - 21, 2025
BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS: October 4, 2025 - 11 am (Parking Lot, K of C)
3rd ANNIVERSARY – FR. JOHN: October 11, 2025 - 9 am mass.
CONFIRMATION: October 28, 2025 – 7 pm.
FIFTH SUNDAY ROSARY: November 30, 2025, After the 9 am mass.
BREAKFAST WITH SANTA: December 06, 2025
CHRISTMAS LIGHTS – Bus trip to La Salette –: December, 2025

CLEANING

CHURCH CLEANING: Volunteers: April 12 - 9 am to 12pm.
CHURCH CLEANING: Volunteers: December 20 - 9am to 12pm.
SPRING CLEAN UP (OUTSIDE): Mid-April. (K of C)
SUMMER CLEAN UP (OUTSIDE): Mid-November. (K of C)

PARISH EVENTS

Wednesday – Devotion to the Infant Jesus of Prague Every Wednesday at 8:30AM.
Rosary for Vocations - Tuesdays and Thursdays at 8.30AM.
Wednesday – Bingo in the Church Hall at 7PM.
Men’s Bible Study – Fourth Monday of every Month at 7PM in the Church Hall.
Holy Hour – Every Third Monday of the Month **March 17th at 7pm with rosary at 6:40PM.**

MASSES

MONDAY, February 24,
 9:00AM Ed & Irene Stack...by Bev
 9:00AM Mary Veillette...20th Anniv...love, the Veillette family

TUESDAY, February 25,
 9:00AM Mr. & Mrs. Etienne La Belle...by Helene
 9:00AM Souls in Purgatory

WEDNESDAY, February 26,
 9:00AM Departed Souls of the Adoration Sisters
 9:00AM Debra Bernier...Birthday...by Linda Pacheco

THURSDAY, February 27,
St. Gregory of Narek, Abbot and Doctor of the Church
 9:00AM Evelyn Larrow...by family
 9:00AM Peace in our world

FRIDAY, February 28,
 9:00AM Ronald Mayo...by Helene La Belle
 9:00AM For the Unborn

FIRST SATURDAY, March 1,
Blessed Virgin Mary
 4:30PM Ed H. Desaulnier...16th Anniversary...by family
 4:30PM Florence Motyka...by family

SUNDAY, March 2,
THE EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
 7:00AM Mona & Dick Radei & Sister Cecile LeBeau...
 By Jane Radei
 7:00AM For Priests, Deacons and Sisters of our Parish
 9:00AM Edna Lavallee...by Claire & Peter Lavallee
 9:00AM William Lucchesi...by their Godson
 11:00AM Christopher M.Guari...12th Anni...by family
 11:00AM Terrance Veazie...by family

LASLETTE MASSES

In memory of Frederick & Adelyn Bodenschatz
 In memory of David & Sophie Horvat, by son, Joseph
 In memory of Lawrence & Gloria Clark and Edmond and Agnes Lefrancois...by daughter
 In memory of Raymond Veillette, Veronica Gumula & Beatrice Gumula, love from the Veillette family

2025 Masses Available

7AM: 3/09;-- 3/23; 3/30; 4/13; 4/20; 5/04; 5/11; 6/01; 6/08; 6/15; 6/29; 7/06; 7/13; 8/10; 8/17; 8/24; 9/14; 9/21; 9/28; 10/05; 10/12; 10/19; 10/26; 11/09; 11/16; 11/23; 11/30; 12/07
9AM: 3/03; 3/04; 3/05; 3/06; 3/07; 3/10; 3/11; 3/12; 3/13; 3/14; 3/16; 3/17; 3/18; 3/19; 3/21; 3/24; 3/25; 3/26; 3/27; 3/28; 3/31; 4/01; 4/02; 4/03; 4/04; 4/07; 4/09 4/10; 4/13; 4/14; 4/15; 4/16; 4/21; 4/22; 4/23; 4/24; 4/25; 4/28; 4/29; 4/30; 5/01; 5/02
11AM: 3/16; 3/23; 5/04; 5/25; 6/01; 6/08; 6/15; 6/22; 6/29; 7/06; 7/13; 8/03; 8/10; 8/17; 8/24; 8/31; 9/14; 9/21; 9/28; 10/05; 10/12; 10/26; 10/09; 10/16; 11/30; 12/07; 12/14; 12/28;
4:30PM: 3/08; 3/22; 3/29; 4/12; 5/03; 5/10; 5/17; 5/24; 5/31; 6/21; 6/28; 7/05; 7/12; 7/19; 7/26; 8/16; 8/23; 8/30; 9/06; 9/13

Please call the office at 860-774-3900 or place intentions in the basket at \$10.00ea.

WEEKLY OFFERING 2/16 \$3459.00
 Renovation Fund 2/16 \$1410.00
 March 2nd – Renovation Fund;
 March 5 – Ash Wednesday

MARIAN SHRINE ALTAR FLOWER ARRANGEMENT...

The flower arrangement for the Blessed Mother's Marian Altar for the rest of the month of February is open to volunteers. Please consider donating a flower arrangement in memory of a loved one.

S.O.S. Save Our School...

St. James School wishes to thank all of our donors for their generous contributions to the St. James School Tuition Assistance Scholarship Fund.

We ask you to consider making a voluntary donation on the occasion of a death of a loved one (in lieu of flowers) or on the occasion of a happy event; e.g. wedding or anniversary (in lieu of flowers. "Save Our School" envelopes are at the entrances to the church.

Eastern Europe Spiritual & Cultural Tour-2025

Father Ben will be hosting a trip to Poland, Austria, Croatia, and Bosnia from Sept. 7th through Sept. 19, 2025. The cost per person is \$3975 Double occupancy- Tips included. Contact Father Ben at 860-481-2880 or by email: bvinjoe@gmail.com if interested.

Fr. John O'Neill Memorial Fund

Dear Parishioners and friends,

We all know the love Fr. John O'Neill, M.S. had for St. James School. The School had a place in his heart and he dedicated his life for the betterment of the school.

To honor Fr. John and for the continuous support of the school we have started a fund called, "**Fr. John O'Neill Memorial Fund**". A new account has been opened for St. James School **please make your check payable to St. James Church and in the memo; please specify – Fr. John O'Neill Memorial Fund.** As of February 11, 2025, the donations have amounted to \$76,480.00.

Operation Rice Bowl: Our Lenten Program: For Lent For Life

For 52 years, Operation Rice Bowl has helped to feed the hungry poor. Through Operation Rice Bowl --- a program of prayer, fasting, learning, and giving --- what you give up for Lent can give hope to the poorest of the poor. Make this Lenten season one of awareness, compassion, and reflection. Operation Rice Bowl is sponsored by Catholic Relief Services and the Diocese of Norwich. Details of this program will appear in next Sunday's Bulletin.

Diocesan Women's Conference ~ Please join women from the diocese for the Norwich Diocesan Women's Conference entitled *Dinner with Jesus* **March 19, 2025**, at the Great Neck Country Club in Waterford. Lisa Irish, author, bereavement chaplain, and both a spiritual and retreat director, will be the featured speaker at this year's conference speaking on the topic *How Are We the Image of Christ*. Tickets for the conference, which includes dinner, are \$70 and still available. To register, go online at faithevents@norwichdiocese.net or call the Office of Faith Events, 860-848-2237, ext. 304.

SIGN-UP- SHEET FOR WEEK OF PRAYER AT HOME PRAYER AT HOME – The week of March 1st is by the Sisters. Please consider signing up.

The St. James School Calendar raffle will run from Valentine's Day through Easter, with over 9 weeks of drawings ranging from \$20 daily, \$50 on Sunday's, \$100 on select holidays, and \$250 on Valentine's Day and Easter. Please fill out the yellow slips in the church or email Monique Sanborn at mlgrant16@gmail.com with any questions.

St. James School News: Calendar winners:

And here is the final list of winners.....

- Jan 21...SAMANTHA VADEBONCOUER---\$25 Weidele's Pizza
- Jan 22...SHAWN GARRITY---\$50 Hanks & \$25 DD
- Jan 23...KEVIN PARCIACK---\$25 Saw Dust Coffee House
- Jan 24...TINNA BALDWIN---\$100
- Jan 25...ANNE BENNET---\$50 TJMAXX
- Jan 26...BARBARA PORTER---\$100
- Jan 27...CHRISTINE HEBERT---\$25 DD
- Jan 28...WILLIAM BARTHOLIC---\$25 Shell Gas
- Jan 29...SHERRIE GEMELLI---\$50 Mr. Z's
- Jan 30...BLYTHE HANLEY---\$25 Panera and \$25 AMC
- Jan 31...KELLY SALVAS---\$100
- KRISTIN MORWAY---\$50 Baker's Dozen

**PILGRIMS OF HOPE
 2025 JUBILEE YEAR PRAYER**

Father in heaven, may the faith you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of charity enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed hope for the coming of your kingdom.

May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the Seeds of the Gospel.

May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of Evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope, a yearning for the treasures of heaven.

May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth.

To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever. Amen.

Saint James Spring Super Raffle

To: Friends of St James
From: Fr Roy Parayil, Joe & Kerri Beaudreault
Subject: **Annual Super Raffle In honor of Fr. John O'Neill**

The Spring Super Raffle is here again. Since 2020 this raffle has proven very successful. We have been able to give our school over \$100,000. The Spring Raffle will have the same format as last year's. Prizes will be based off the number of tickets sold. If we sell 200 tickets, we will have prizes of, \$5000, \$2000, \$1000 and two \$500. We will still have our famous 50/50 Raffle as well. The drawing will take place March 15th after the 4:30 mass in the church hall. All are welcome to attend.

Please send your completed choice back to St. James Parish no later than March 12th

Name: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

Please mark your choice below:

- ____ Pastor Circle \$1000 (Ten Tickets for the grand prizes and Ten 50/50 Tickets)
- ____ Principal Circle \$750 (Seven Tickets for the grand prizes and Seven 50/50 Tickets)
- ____ Deacon's Circle \$500 (Five Tickets for the grand prizes and Five 50/50 Tickets)
- ____ Board of Directors Circle \$250 (Two Tickets for the grand prizes and Ten 50/50 Tickets)
- ____ Patrons Circle \$100 (One Ticket for the grand prizes)
- ____ Students Circle \$50 (Six 50/50 Tickets)
- ____ Benefactors Circle \$10 (50/50 Tickets)

**** Please include another piece of paper if you have multiple names you wish to have on your tickets. ****

Make checks payable to St James
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Thank you again for supporting St James School.
Any questions or concerns please contact Joe & Kerri Beaudreault or St James Rectory.
Joe # 860-428-0277 Kerri # 860-377-0214 St James Rectory# 860-774-3900

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