

SS John and James Parish

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BAPTISM

Parents must be participating members of the parish for at least three months. Godparents must be participating members of their parish. For more information and registration please contact our Baptismal Coordinator, Jeanne Gereau at 828-4711.

PENANCE

Confessions are on Saturdays from 4:00 pm to 4:45 pm and by appointment.



SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

Please notify the parish (821-7661) when you are admitted to the hospital, suffering from a serious illness, home bound or know someone who is and would like to receive Communion on a regular basis.

MARRIAGE

Contact the priest at least one year in advance to set a date and make arrangements for marriage preparation.

The Second Sunday of Lent

GOSPEL READING:

Luke 9:28b-36

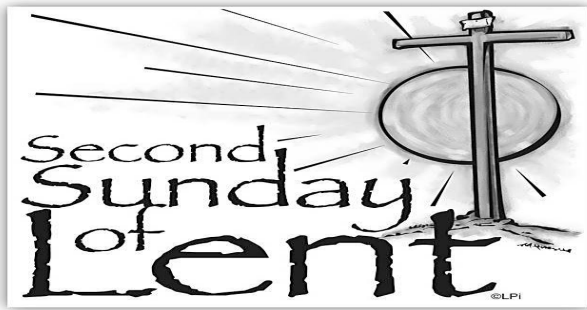
February 21, 2016

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday thru Thursday: 7:30 am
First Friday: 8:00 am
Civil Holiday Mass: 9:00 am

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday: 5:00 pm
Sunday: 7:30 am & 9:30 am
Spanish Mass: 11:30 am



*The Sanctuary Candle is burning for the parishioners
& benefactors*

SATURDAY, February 20, Vigil

5:00 PM †DECEASED MEMBERS OF ST. VINCENT de PAUL
& THE DECEASED POOR by the members of
St. Vincent de Paul

SUNDAY, February 21, Second Sunday of Lent

7:30 AM FOR THE PARISHIONERS & BENEFACTORS
9:30 AM †DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE ST. PIERRE &
LEVESQUE FAMILIES by Rasaire & Aurare St. Pierre &
Thelma St. Pierre

11:30 AM SEE SPANISH BULLETIN

MONDAY, February 22, The Chair of St. Peter the Apostle

7:30 AM †RONALD BOISVERT by family

TUESDAY, February 23, St. Polycarp, Bishop & Martyr

7:30 AM FOR THE PARISHIONERS & BENEFACTORS

WEDNESDAY, February 24

7:30 AM †RITA LAVALLEE & CLAIRE LAVALLEE
by Leonard Lavallee

THURSDAY, February 25

7:30 AM †FOR THE SOULS IN PURGATORY

SATURDAY, February 27, Vigil

5:00 PM FOR THE PARISHIONERS & BENEFACTORS

SUNDAY, February 28, Third Sunday of Lent

7:30 AM FOR THE PARISHIONERS & BENEFACTORS
9:30 AM FOR THE PARISHIONERS & BENEFACTORS
11:30 AM SEE SPANISH BULLETIN

Parish Cemetery

ST. JOSEPH CEMETERY 10/10 CLUB DONATIONS

The St Joseph Cemetery Fund 10/10 Club is in need of items for the raffle basket table. We are in need of: gift cards, restaurant gift certificates, new items, lottery tickets.

Items can be placed in the box at the communion railing or in the collection basket by April 3. Thank you for your support and generosity.

PARISH SUPPORT/WEEKEND COLLECTIONS

WEEKEND OF FEBRUARY 13 & FEBRUARY 14, 2016

Weekly Collection: \$3736.00
Second collection (Easter Flowers): \$1142.00
Ash Wednesday Collection: \$648.00

SECOND COLLECTIONS

Second Collection this week: Utility Fund
Second Collection next week: Religious Education

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

LITURGICAL + ROLES

Daily Mass—February 22 thru February 25

LECTOR— Francis Caplette

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER— Tim Coughlin

Weekend of February 27 and February 28

LECTORS EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

5:00 PM	D. Larocque	M. & L. Osenkowski
7:30 AM	D. King	R. Gagne, E. King
9:30 AM	M. Kelly	D. & D. Sylvester



Are you a caregiver for a family member over the age of 60? The Diocesan **CareBreaks Program** can help! CareBreaks assists family caregivers in paying for a regular break from caregiving duties. Whether you need a worker to come to your home, help paying for a day of Adult Day Care each week, or even assisting with an occasional overnight stay in a nursing home, a break can help **you** take care of your own needs and maintain your own health. Don't try to do it alone. For more information call Hector at the CareBreaks Program, 421-7833 x 211, hmunoz@dioceseofprovidence.org



**Please Support the 2016
Catholic Charity Appeal**

Today is our parish's *The Catholic Charity Appeal* in-pew weekend. Christian stewards recognize Christ as the giver of all our many gifts. We are grateful for these many gifts and are eager to give back and return some of these gifts in appreciation to show our love for Christ and for one another. All of us share as Christ's disciples in the mission of the Diocese of Providence. Only together can we accomplish God's work. After the homily and lay witness presentation, we will together, as a parish family, have an opportunity to make our pledge in support of those less fortunate. Won't you be a part of your larger family?



Feb. 21—10/10 Club meeting in rectory at 10:30am (collection meeting)
 Feb. 21 & 28—In pew solicitation for Catholic Charity Appeal
 March 2—Knights of Columbus meeting in cafeteria at 7:00pm
 March 5—11am to 3pm confessions at SS John & James by area priests
 March 5—Pasta Dinner in cafeteria sponsored by Social Committee
 March 8—Holy Hour for Life 7:00pm
 April 20—Confirmation at SS John and James 6:00pm

St. Joseph Catholic School (850 Wakefield St., W. Warwick) is a pre-Kindergarten through grade 8 school, which offers an academic program where students are encouraged to grow in confidence, knowledge, and faith. Our early childhood (PreK & Kindergarten) is unlike any other in the Kent County area. Our teachers focus on individual progress by directing students through the learning process by exploring their personal interests and surroundings. Our elementary and middle school students focus on mastering their skills and exploring new possibilities.

In addition to academics, our students compete in competitive sports, develop leadership skills in student government, participate in theater and choir. Our early childhood program (pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten) is unlike SJS students are accepted into the finest Catholic high schools in the area, including: Bishop Hendricken, The Prout School, and La Salle Academy where they continue to thrive.

St. Joseph School is currently accepting applications for pre-Kindergarten through grade 8 students in the 2016-2017 school year. If you are interested in registering your child and arranging a tour, please contact us at 401.821.3450. Visit us online – www.sjsw.org



**PASTA DINNER
 SS JOHN AND JAMES
 SATURDAY, MARCH 5
 4:00 TO 7:00PM**

The SS John & James Parish Social Committee will hold a Pasta Dinner on Saturday, March 5 from 4:00 to 7:00 pm in the school cafeteria. Our

chef, Valentino Faraone, will prepare meatballs, sausage & peppers and chicken with your choice of pasta. Donation is \$12 per person, children under twelve is \$6. What a wonderful way to support your parish. Come and enjoy good food and good company. For tickets call Marianne Holmes at 374-0931 or Dan & Dillia Sylvester

HOLY HOUR: FOR LIFE

There will be a Holy Hour on *Tuesday, March 8 at 7:00pm here at SS John and James, 20 Washington St.* . All are Welcome!

SS JOHN AND JAMES

CONVERSION: FOLLOWING THE CALL OF CHRIST

When you hear the word "Conversion," what comes to mind? Catholicism defines "conversion" as a life-long process of turning one's attention and energy toward an ever-deepening relationship with Christ. Join us as we begin the DVD-based program, *Conversion: Following the Call of Christ*, presented by Bishop Robert Barron. Using six stories from the Bible, Bishop Barron demonstrated how ordinary, sinful people like us are met by Jesus and called to a better life through Him.

You may choose a morning or evening time. Morning sessions will begin on Tuesday, February 16, from 10:00-11:30AM or evening sessions will begin on Wednesday, February 17 from 6:30-8:00 PM. Our parish will begin the *Conversion: Following the Call of Christ* program in the cafeteria. To find out more information or to register, please contact Deb 821-7661 Ext 12 or stop by the parish office to sign up. **It is not too late to participate.** All are welcome to join.

2nd Sunday of Lent

"Peter and his companions had been overcome by sleep, but becoming fully awake, they saw his glory." Today's Gospel records the event we call the Transfiguration of the Lord. In this miraculous moment, Jesus' divine nature was revealed clearly to Peter, James and John. Often, we think only in terms of what happened to Jesus: "his face changed" and "his clothing became dazzling white" and he began a supernatural conversation with two ancient prophets. But that was only half of the story. The other part is what happened to the men.

They were able to witness this revelation of Jesus only because they were "fully awake." Had they stayed sleeping, they would have missed out. They would not have had this astonishing insight into the glory of their friend and Master. It's an obvious point but one that may need more attention than we'd care to admit. Of course **we have to be "awake" in order to absorb the fullness of our faith.** If we are not tuned in, not attentive, not exerting any effort, then we are certainly going to miss out. But the fact is that we don't always realize we are falling asleep.

Just as Peter, James, and John were "overcome" with sleep, we too can slip into this state without necessarily realizing it's happening. Spiritually speaking, we can become numb or lazy and slowly fade away from the fervor of authentic faith. This is why the church, in her wisdom, gives us the season of Lent. During these weeks, we strive to purify ourselves by attacking the sins and selfishness that make us spiritual sleepwalkers. **Lent is the time to refocus, to clear away the cobwebs and to become "fully awake."** Ultimately, we pray that these efforts will allow us to truly see "his glory" come Eastertide.

The Rejoice In Hope Youth Center in Cranston is sponsoring a Search Retreat weekend on February 26-28th. Any high school youth (grade 10 +) or college age young adult is welcome to attend. Please contact the Rejoice in Hope Youth Center at 401-942-6571 or go to www.CatholicYouthRI.org for any additional information or to register.

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