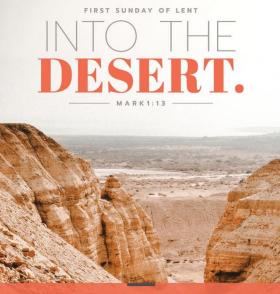
### 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent February 18, 2024



CHURCH OF ST. MATTHEW JACKSON ST. MILWAUKEE, WI 1555,555,5555 I EMAIL@EMAIL SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2024

Weekend Mass Schedule Till Further Notice Sat. 4:00 pm, St. Isaac Jogues Sat. 5:30 pm, St. James Sun. 8:30 am, St. Isaac Jogues Sun. 10:00 am, Blessed Sacrament Contributions Report: Please call the office if you would like to receive a contributions report. Please leave message: Messages left on the machine are seen via email even if we are not in the office!

**Home Visits:** Please let Fr. John know of anyone who would like a home visit during Lent.

#### Fasting & Abstinence

Good Friday is a day of both fast & abstinence. "Abstinence" is to abstain from meat. "Fasting" means not eating in-between meals and only having one main meal with two smaller meals not equaling the main meal. Also, the custom in our Diocese is to observe Lenten Fridays as days of abstinence. Those ages 18 to 59 are asked to fast and abstain on Good Friday

### **Blessed Sacrament**

**Intentions:** Please call Rita Whitney at 518-338-6858.

2/18 Joyce Senese *Req. Barb & Bill Carlozzi*2/25 The Intentions of Jackie Lanning & Family Living & Deceased *Req. Ellie & Tom Torebka*Memorial Service: for Jasper Zarcone will be Saturday, March 16<sup>th</sup> at 1 pm.
Prayer Intentions: Please call Pat Nugent 518-668-2765
Lake George Catholic Outreach: will meet
Friday, February 23<sup>rd</sup>, 6-8 pm, Canvas & Cocoa.
Cost is \$12. Pizza will be served.
See Flyer. This group is doing a clothing drive for children to benefit the North Country Ministry.
Linens: We need someone to come forward to help wash the weekly linens that we use for Mass. Do you have a little time to give to this Ministry?

### St. James

**Intentions & Mass Cards**: Please call Kathy DeBartolo at 518-494-7873 2/24 Judy Ringler Cook

*Req. Tracy Watson & Sue Ringler* **Next Town Wide Meeting:** will be Sunday, March 25<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 pm.

**Shelf Stable Food Donations:** We will continue to collect food for our needy friends and neighbors through *Adirondack Community Outreach*. A check/cash donation box is also available. Thank you again for your generousity.

# Offertory

Weekend	St. James	St. Isaac	Bl. Sac
Feb. 11	\$964	\$1,665	\$726

## VITA Volunteer Income Tax Assistance

St. Cecilia's is hosting VITA in their hall Friday's and Saturday's, February 2nd through April 6th 9am to 3pm. For those earning less than \$64,000 call for an appointment at <u>1-800-211-5128</u>



### St. Isaac Jogues

**Intentions & Mass Cards:** Please call Kathy DeBartolo at 518-494-7873 2/17 4 pm Ralph Gervasio, Jr.

Req. Kathy DeBartolo

2/24 JoAnn Lewis *Req Marie A. Trombley* **Cinco de Mayo:** Save the date, Saturday, May 4<sup>th</sup>, after the 4 pm Mass. More to come!

Save the Date March 16<sup>th</sup>: St. Patrick's Day Parade, Chestertown. Come join us! Father John is the Grand Marshall for 2024. Please sign up in the back.



### North Country Ministry

SAVE the DATE Cocktails for Charity Black M Mite Opring Tundraiser Friday, April 26, 2024, from 6 pm—10pm Fort William Henry, Carriage House 48 Canada Street, Lake George, NY 12845 Children & Baby Clothes: are desperately needed. Winter clothing is on sale, please consider

donating clothes to this cause.

#### Rachel's Vineyard Retreat

"Healing the pain of abortion, one weekend at a time." **Rachel's Vineyard** is a retreat of healing and reconciliation for women and men whose lives have been touched by abortion. The retreat will be held **May 3-5, 2024** at the **Dominican Retreat & Conference Center** in **Niskayuna**. The weekend will combine discussions, spiritual exercises, the Sacrament of Reconciliation, a Memorial Service and a Mass of Entrustment. Participation is strictly confidential and offers a beautiful opportunity to experience God's love, forgiveness, and compassion. For more information or to register contact: Pat Mousaw, 518-222-1160 or Katie Bolibaugh, 518-495-3574 or email rachelsvineyardalbany@yahoo.com **The Diocesan Appeal**: Why should you contribute? Support of the parish and the greater Church is the responsibility of ALL of us, not just a few.

- Support of the Diocesan Appeal is not for the benefit of the Diocese as an entity itself – rather it is a key mission and logistics partner/resource for our parish allowing us to focus on ministry.
- It's the expectation that the church is here to serve you and your family in your everyday and milestone moments. Unfortunately, there are costs associated with that, but if we ALL share the costs, the individual burden is less AND we are more likely to be able to fund the church beyond its needs and toward our wants.
- It is gratifying to know that support of the Diocesan Appeal impacts ALL 126 parishes in the Diocese that is powerful!

The active practice of religion is in jeopardy and the impact on society is evident. It is not enough to quietly attend Mass and privately practice. If not us, who? We need to be Jesus' witnesses, showing people the joy that Jesus brings to us in our life and bringing others to follow him in this beautiful way of life. Let us join together and rebuild our local and regional Catholic Church – support our parish offertory and Diocesan Appeal goal! To make your gift: Please reply to the Appeal mailing you received at home. Make your gift online at www.thediocesanappeal.org; Or mail a check payable to "Diocesan Appeal" to 40 N. Main Avenue, Albany, NY 12203. TIP: Have you decided you are going to make a gift but you're not ready to make the payment now? Consider a pledge! You can spread out your payments through June 30, 2024, or delay payments until 2024(payable by 6/30/2024 and you avoid multiple solicitations! You allow us to then focus on those who have not yet made a commitment to supporting our Diocesan Appeal Goal! St. James' Assessment is \$5,000 St. Isaac Jogues' Assessment is \$18,357 Bl. Sacrament's Assessment is \$31,043

When School is delayed or cancelled, weekday morning Mass, the Rosary, Holy Hour are also CANCELLED! Check Flocknote, even if there is a small amount of snow.