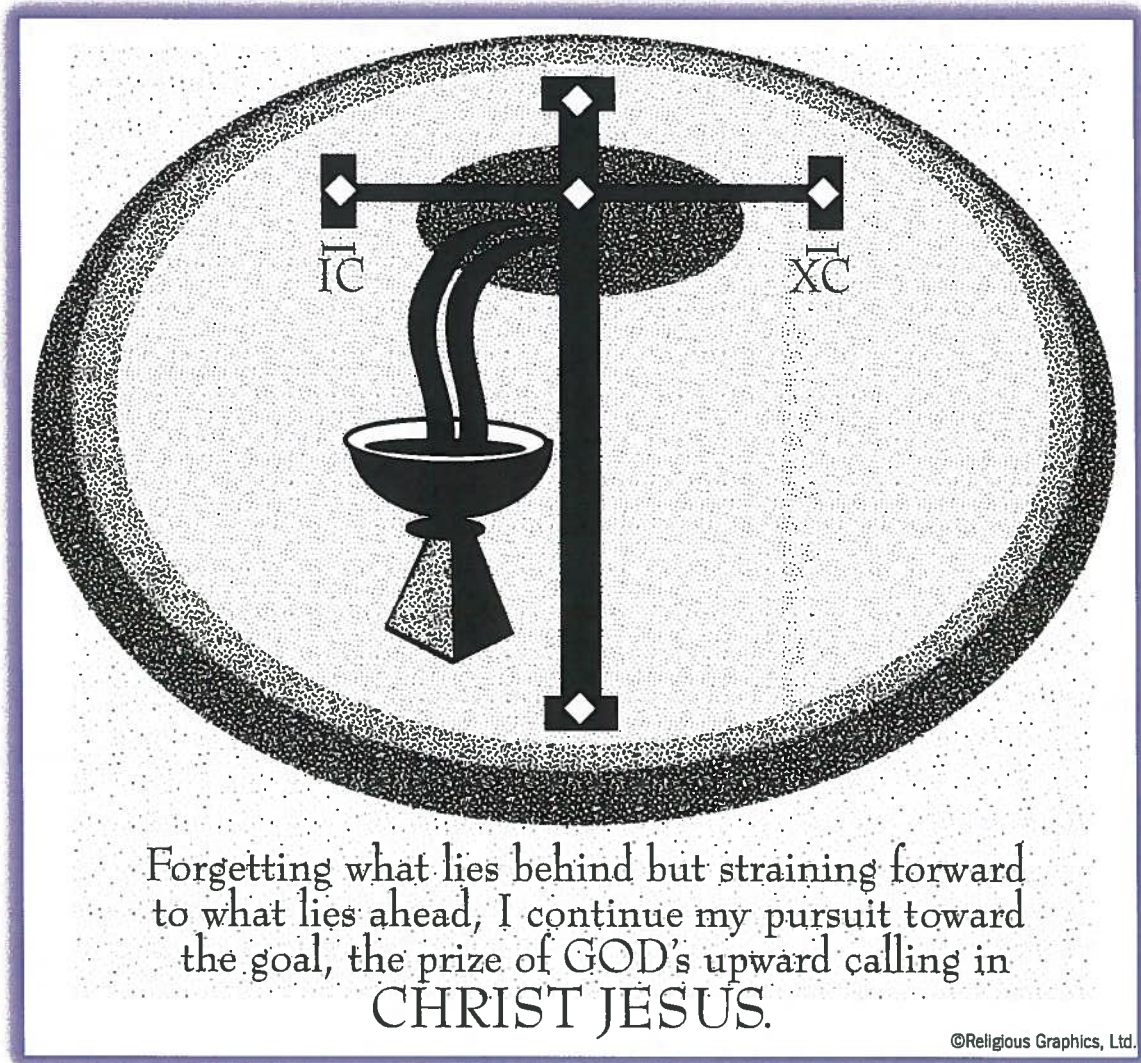


**The Roman Catholic Parishes of
St. Margaret Mary, Herscher
St. James the Apostle, Irwin
Sacred Heart, Goodrich**



5th Sunday of Lent

April 6-7, 2019

Church Mailing Address:

207 E. 5th Street
Herscher, IL 60941
Phone: 815-426-2550

Confessions:

St. Margaret Mary
Saturday 4:15
or by appointment

Quotable: "You are called to stand up for life... You are called to work and pray against abortion."

~Pope John Paul II

5th Sunday of Lent – April 13-14, 2019

Liturgical Schedule	St. Margaret Mary Saturday, April 13 5:00 pm	Sacred Heart Sunday, April 14 7:30 am	St. James Sunday, April 14 9:00 am	St. Margaret Mary Sunday, April 14 10:30 am
Celebrant	Fr. Allam	Fr. Allam Deacon Ron	Fr. Allam	Fr. Allam
Ushers	Dan Hoffman Dave Emling Roger Jensen Gery Wright	James Mallaney Daryl Ferris	Jerry Steinke Jerry Ogrentz Todd Mesewicz Arlen Hansen	Nick Zerebny Corey Eich Connor Powers Bill Powers
Lector	Bobbie Buza Jackie Eberle	Mark May Terri Weakley	Brett Miller Dave Ladehoff	Julie Splear Dana Masching
Communion Ministers	Cathy Wright	None needed	Reatta Gohlke Joe Benoit	Susan Feller
Servers	Xander Buza Zoe Buza		Dylan Miller Hannah Reese	Maggie Torres

Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, April 8, 2019

8:00 am + JR Matern (Butch Lambert Family) (SMM)

Tuesday, April 9, 2019

8:00 am +Joe Harrington (Jackie Cross & Family) (SH)

Wednesday, April 10, 2019

8:00 am + Ruth Martin (Dennis & Diane Martin) (SJ)

Friday, April 12, 2019

8:00 am +Dale Siedentop (The Family) (SMM)

Saturday, April 13, 2019

5:00 pm +John Koerner (Philip & MaryAnn Hughes)

+Leo Feller (Tim & Susan Feller) (SMM)

Sunday, April 14, 2019

7:30 am +Roger Wagner (Roger & Margaret Jensen) (SH)

9:00 am +Rhea Suprenant (Dallas & Joyce Ferris)

+Bonnie Draper (Geri Tobenski) (SJ)

10:30am For All the Parish Family (SMM)

A Look Ahead

Tues., April 9—SH CCW 7pm

Fri., April 12—Stations of the Cross at SJ 3:00

Sun., April 14—St. James CCW Meeting after 9am Mass

Sun., April 14—Confirmation Class 11:30-1:30 SMM

Mon., April 15—SMM CCW Meeting 7 pm

Tues., April 16—SJ Parish Council

Wed., April 17—Confirmation Class SJ 7-9 pm

Thurs., April 25—SH Spring Luncheon/ Card Party 11:30am

Pastor: Fr. Allam - 815-426-2153 Cell – 630-253-3444

Deacon – Ron Gagnon—rjgckg@gmail.com

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Parish Email – smm_sja_sh@yahoo.com

TriParish web page – www.triparishcatholics.org

Like us on Facebook [triparishcatholiccommunities](https://www.facebook.com/triparishcatholiccommunities)

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Julie Bisailon 426-2550

Tri Parish Faith Formation – Stacie Powers –426-2550

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RE Coordinators –

St. Margaret Mary – Stacie Powers – 426-2550

St. James – Alicia Miller – 933-5443

Sacred Heart – Rhonda Berns – 935-8669

Parish Nurse – Jackie Eberle – 815-421-4048

Prayer Line–

SMM -Janice 815-426-2574 Jdstreefarms@aol.com

SMM—Pat Wagner 815-592-0773

St. James— Mary Offerman—602-670-8888 (call or text)

Father, help me to see this holy season of Lent as a time of spiritual renewal, rather than a time of deprivation. Motivate me to reach a new level of experiencing your grace.

Sunday Collections

March 30-31, 2019

St. Margaret Mary -	\$2,307	Cath. Relief—\$314
St. James -	\$984	Cath. Relief—\$375
Sacred Heart -	\$1,314	Cath. Relief- \$507

Thank you for your generosity

ALL PARISHES-

- ◆ Sacred Heart CCW is having their Spring Luncheon and Card Party Thursday, April 25th at 11:30am. It will be a great opportunity to get out after this long winter. There will be a hot and cold buffet, raffles, and door prizes. Luncheon tickets will be available at the door. Gentlemen are always welcome! The proceeds will be going towards the renovation of the church sacristy.
- ◆ Thank you to our parishioners who have already pledged their support to the 2019 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal. If you are still prayerfully reflecting on your gift, please remember that every contribution, is welcome and appreciated. If we all participate, we can meet our parish goal and help support the 30 ministries the CMAA supports.
- ◆ Stations of the Cross at 3 pm at St. James each Friday of Lent.



Contact your legislators! Put your address in and send an email or call.

<https://www.illinoispolicy.org/maps/illinois-senate/>

<https://www.illinoispolicy.org/maps/illinois-house/>

House Bill 2467 & Senate Bill 1594

- *Repeals Illinois Parental Notification of Abortion Act. This current law requires a parent or legal guardian be notified when a minor seeks an abortion.*

House Bill 2495 & Senate Bill 1942

- *Repeals the current state ban on partial-birth abortions.*
- *Defines abortion as a fundamental right.*
- *Removes abortion clinics from regulations for serious medical procedures.*
- *Removes the requirement that only doctors can perform abortions.*

Parish News:

St. Margaret Mary—

- * SMM CCW will meet Monday, April 15 at 7 pm. All women of the parish are encouraged to join us.

Sacred Heart—

- * All SH CCW members, please pick up your envelopes with your raffle tickets for the Spring Luncheon from the table at the entrance of the church.
- * If you would like to donate or know of businesses that would donate to our raffles and door prizes for the Spring Luncheon, please contact Laurie Palinski at 815-937-0036 or any of the CCW officers. Thank you for your support.

St. James—

- **Please use this new Ministry schedule!!**
- * St. James Church Easter cleaning will be this Monday, April 8th at 6:00 pm. Come join us for an opportunity to serve during the Lenten Season. Many hands make light work!
- * There will be a CCW meeting after the 9 am mass on Sunday, April 14.
- * St. James Parish is collecting toiletries for needy children, teens, adults in the Kankakee area. Tooth brushes and toothpaste are especially needed, but other items such as shampoo, conditioner, hand lotion, sanitizer, etc. are also welcome. All items must be TRAVEL SIZE and toothbrushes must be individually wrapped.

A Stewardship Moment— Fifth Sunday of Lent

There are times in life when each of us needs to begin anew. We recognize that our former ways are hurting us or preventing us from being who we desire to be. We need a fresh beginning, a new way of thinking, acting, and living. Such newness of life will demand a deep personal change. Beyond embracing the disciplines of Lent—prayer, fasting, and almsgiving— Lent is a time for us to be renewed in our spiritual life. All of our Lenten words must flow from and lead to that change in order that we may be new people.

Are you thankful you don't live in the Middle East? Are you frightened, disgusted, or saddened by the persecution and maltreatment of Christians there? Do you feel powerless to do anything because you live so far away? All of us here and right now can help our fellow Christians' in the Holy Land. We can personally make a difference through our praying, fasting, and almsgiving.

On Good Friday, the Church will take up a worldwide collection for the Holy Land—its people and its shrines. Your monetary support is desperately needed by those struggling to maintain our Faith and our physical presence there. This is the time for us to be extra generous. If you gave nothing in the past, consider making some type of gift. If you gave a dollar last year, think of giving two. If you won't be at the Good Friday service, consider putting your gift in an envelope marked GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION and dropping it in the Sunday basket or mailing it to the parish office. Christianity is rapidly disappearing from the Holy Land. For our brothers and sisters there, it is a daily struggle for survival. You can join in their suffering by making a sacrificial gift yourself on Good Friday.

Do you have concerns about falling?

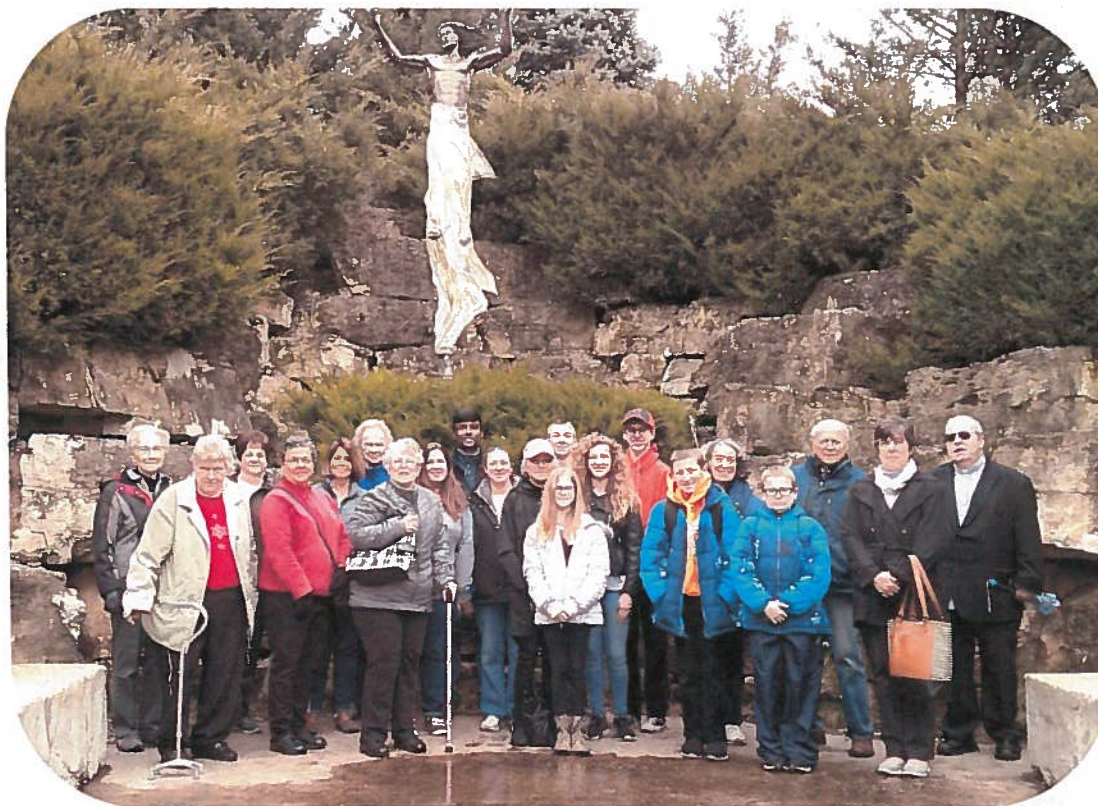
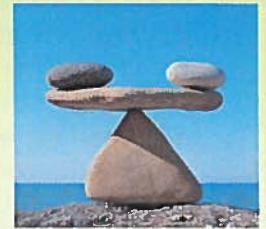
Many older adults experience concerns about falling and restrict their activities. Catholic Charities, Diocese of Joliet is offering A MATTER OF BALANCE, an award-winning program designed to manage falls and increase activity levels. This program emphasizes practical strategies to manage falls.

Classes on Tuesday mornings from 10:00am—12:00 pm at St. Margaret Mary Catholic Church Herscher

Dates: April 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, and May 7, 14, 21,

Program is FREE and available to anyone ages 60 and older! For more

information and to register, please call Amanda at 815-523-9918. To learn more about the programs and services provided by Catholic Charities, visit Catholiccharitiesjoliet.org



Our pilgrimage to Shrine of the Christ's Passion in St. John's, Indiana began with mass, then a bus journey to the shrine. A very knowledgeable guide walked with us as we followed the stages of Christ's Passion. A very moving experience to witness the artistic sculptures of the people involved. After browsing the impressive gift shop, we enjoyed lunch together and returned home. The rain stayed away and it was a pleasant early spring day.

Illinois Right to Life's 51st Annual Banquet

Please join us on Friday, May 17, 2019, at the Carlisle in Lombard, IL. Cocktail hour begins at 6pm, followed by dinner and a program at 7pm. Our keynote speaker will be Trey Gowdy, former Congressman and outspoken pro-life advocate. This is our largest fundraiser of the year. It will determine just how many hearts and minds we can change and lives we can save, as we work to restore a culture that respects and protects human life in Illinois. We hope you can join us!

To purchase tickets, go to www.IllinoisRightToLife.org/Banquet or call 312.422.9300.

St. James – April 2019

April 7 – Fr. Allam /Deacon Ron

Greeter – Jerry Ogrentz

R. Leader – Reatta Gohlke

Ushers – Rick White, Bee Papineau,
Dallas Ferris, Todd Mesewicz

Lector – Jeff O’Connor

Com. Min. –Donna Bernicky

Servers - Gwen Jackubowski

April 14 – Fr. Allam – Palm Sunday

Greeter – Rita Thiesen

R. Leader – Reatta Gohlke

Ushers – Jeff Steinke, Jerry Ogrentz,
Todd Mesewicz, Arlen Hansen

Lector –Brett Miller, Dave Ladehoff

Com. Min – Reatta Gohlke, Joe Benoit,

Server – Dylan Miller, Hannah Reese

April 20 Easter Vigil – Fr. Allam

Greeter – Karen Miller

R. Leader – Mary & Darwin Peerbolte

Ushers – Dallas Ferris, Arlen Hansen,
Bee Papineau, Dennis O’Connor

Lector – Andy Hansen, Mary Peerbolte

Com. Min. – Todd Mesewicz, Donna
Bernicky, Mary & Darwin Peerbolte,
Joyce & Dallas Ferris

Server - Ayla Summer, Dylan Miller

April 21 – Fr. Allam

Greeter – Jerry Ogrentz

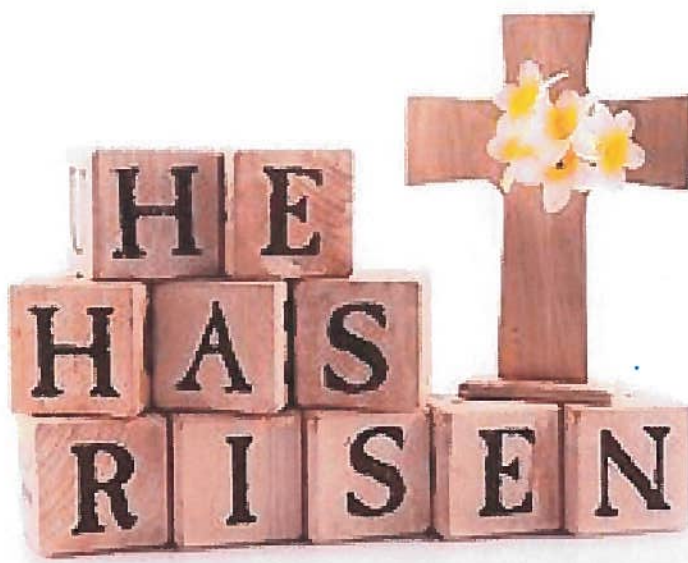
R. Leader – Noreen Saathoff

Ushers – Jeff Steinke,
Jerry Ogrentz, , Rick White

Lector – Dave Ladehoff

Com. Min – Joe Benoit, Jonathan Wood
Vic & Cheryl Carlile, Craig & Liz Frerichs,

Server – Gwen Jackubowski



April 28 – Fr. Allam/Deacon Ron

Greeter – Rita Thiesen

R. Leader – Pat Perrault

Ushers – Dallas Ferris, Jeff Steinke,
Jerry Ogrentz, Todd Mesewicz

Lector – Craig Frerichs

Com. Min – Joe Benoit, Natalie Mesewicz,
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