



SAINT JAMES CATHOLIC CHURCH

*St. James Roman Catholic Church,
a diverse community rooted in vibrant Eucharistic Liturgy,
serves those in need in partnership with others.*



**Bells from the tower of the former
St. James Church**

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SUNDAY MASS

9:30 and 11:30 a.m. in the Parish Hall

DAILY MASS

Monday - Friday
7:30 a.m.

Tolton Chapel - Parish Rectory

RECONCILIATION

CONFESSIONS AT ST. JAMES
by appointment

OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday
8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Friday
9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
By appointment only

Saturday & Sunday
Closed



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Scan this QR code with your smart
phone's barcode scanner app and it will
direct you to the parish webpage.



Fifth Sunday of Easter

First Communion & Confirmation Preparation

Preparation for the Sacraments for
Children is through our Sunday School
Program. Each of these Sacraments is cele-
brated every two years. For adults wishing
to receive these Sacraments, we provide
preparation through our adult Confirmation
and R.C.I.A. class. Contact Michael Maher at
312-842-1919 ext. 212 or maher@stjameswabash.org



APRIL 24, 2016 · FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

As part of the Renew My Church initiative in the Archdiocese of Chicago, Fr. Cameli has prepared a series of study guides to help us reflect on what it means to be Catholic.

The beginnings of the Church: disciples gathered around Jesus.

All four gospels report that Jesus gathered disciples around him from the very beginning of his public ministry. These gathered disciples represent the earliest nucleus of what would become the Church. So, for example, the Gospel according to Mark offers this account in chapter three:

Jesus went up the mountain and called to him those whom he wanted, and they came to him. And he appointed twelve, whom he also named apostles, to be with him, and to be sent out to proclaim the message, and to have authority to cast out demons. So he appointed the twelve: Simon (to whom he gave the name Peter); James son of Zebedee and John the brother of James (to whom he gave the name Boanerges, that is, Sons of Thunder); and Andrew, and Philip, and Bartholomew, and Matthew, and Thomas, and James son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus, and Simon the Cananean, and Judas Iscariot, who betrayed him. Mark 3:13-19

The text tells us some important things about this earliest community gathered around Jesus. The gathering of these disciples who will become apostles is a work of grace, that is, a sheer gift. They gather around Jesus, because he calls them. And he calls them simply because he wants them. It is nothing that they have earned, merited, or deserved. It is a pure gift that he calls "those whom he wanted." And it is by a like grace that we find ourselves in the community of disciples we call Church.

Mark says that Jesus "appointed twelve." The original Greek phrase actually reads, "...he makes the twelve." He creates or forms a community, the Twelve. That mirrors our own experience in the Church: the Lord brings us together to form a community not based on anything other than his call.

The purpose of this community is extraordinarily important and clearly focused: they are "to be with him and to be sent out." There is a paradox in this. It seems that it ought to be either "to be with him" or "to be sent out from him." In fact, it is both. The community of disciples stays in the company of Jesus, they learn from him, and they experience him first hand. At the same time, he sends them out in mission to carry his message and his healing reconciliation to the world beyond the community. Again, this echoes our experience of being part of the community of the Church. We are called to be in the company of Jesus, to share in his word and sacraments. We are also called to move beyond ourselves to bring him and his ministry into the world.

The passage from Mark then gives the names of the individual disciples and even their nicknames. This community is, indeed, a community but it is certainly not an anonymous crowd. People are known individually and by name. Although it may not always be the case with our experience of church, the ideal is that we too are not just part of a crowd but known and loved individually, just as we would know and love others. Then, we know that both together and individually we are called and sent.

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AT ST. JAMES

Readings



FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 24, 2016

Sunday:	Acts 14:21-27/Ps 145:8-13/Rv 21:1-5a Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35
Monday:	1 Pt 5:5b-14/Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17 Mk 16:15-20
Tuesday:	Acts 14:19-28/Ps 145:10-13, 21 Jn 14:27-31a
Wednesday:	Acts 15:1-6/Ps 122:1-5/Jn 15:1-8
Thursday:	Acts 15:7-21/Ps 96:1-3, 10/Jn 15:9-11
Friday:	Acts 15:22-31/Ps 57:8-10, 12/Jn 15:12-17
Saturday:	Acts 16:1-10/Ps 100:1-3, 5/Jn 15:18-21
Next Sunday:	Acts 15:1-2, 22-29/Ps 67:2-3, 5-6, 8 Rv 21:10-14, 22-23/Jn 14:23-29

ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO PARISHIONER SURVEY

Archbishop Cupich wants your input.

When Archbishop Cupich announced the "Renew My Church" initiative in January, he invited everyone in the Archdiocese of Chicago to participate in the process of revitalizing our parish communities. Just as Pope Francis asked Catholics across the globe for their input prior to the Synod of Bishops meetings in 2014 and 2015, Archbishop Cupich is asking for your help as the Archdiocese begins a new listening phase of this important effort.

Please take time to respond to a survey designed to help Archbishop Cupich and the Archdiocese better understand the perspectives of Catholics across Cook and Lake Counties. The survey will be available beginning on Easter Sunday at: www.archchicago.org/renew

We encourage you to complete the survey online. Paper copies will also be available.

ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO WWW.ARCHCHICAGO.ORG

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Finally, the name of Judas Iscariot who betrayed him appears. His name signals the fragility of the individuals who belong to the community and of the community itself. The grace and the call come from the Lord, but they can only take hold of those who are willing to respond. Again, we know that the Church embraces saints and sinners, those who are strong and those who are weak.

Question: Do I actually have a sense that we are Catholic, because we have been called to be in the company of Jesus? Do I have a sense of purpose that directs me to share Jesus with others in word and action? Do I connect with others who have similarly been called by Jesus?

TREASURE

SUNDAY COLLECTION REPORT

January 1 — April 10

<u>SUNDAY</u>	2016	2015	CHANGE
ENVELOPES	\$24,749.00	\$24,935.50	(\$186.50)
LOOSE CHECKS	\$9,377.00	\$7,926.00	\$1,451.00
LOOSE CASH	\$3,281.22	\$2,246.96	\$1,034.26
ON-LINE	\$12,605.00	\$9,285.00	\$3,320.00
<u>TOTAL SUNDAY</u>	<u>\$50,012.22</u>	<u>\$44,393.46</u>	<u>\$5,618.76</u>
BUILDING MAINTENANCE	\$707.00	\$760.00	(\$53.00)
SAINT AGATHA	\$1,855.17	\$1,313.07	\$542.10
TOLTON CANONIZATION	\$666.60	\$0.00	\$666.60
EASTER COLLECTION	\$4,081.61	\$2,029.70	\$2,051.91
<u>TOTAL OTHER</u>	<u>\$7,304.38</u>	<u>\$4,102.77</u>	<u>\$3,201.61</u>
TOTAL GIVING	\$57,316.60	\$48,496.23	\$8,820.37

Mass Stipends

A way of helping St. James is to send offerings to celebrate Holy Mass. These offerings are called "Mass Stipends" and are offerings to the parish for the priest to celebrate Holy Mass for a particular intention. The normal offering in our Archdiocese is \$10. We never have enough stipends for each daily Mass so we are always grateful for more.



PLEASE PRAY FOR...

Victoria Allen
Ashley Alvarez
Eric Alvarez
Louise Bacon
Dorothy Barnes
Margie Bass
Barbara Bassett
James Bowman
Edwina Cook
Sandra Davis
Kathleen Foley
James Fonder
Paul & Jane
Freeman
Cathy Garcia
Mary Healy
Robert Helem
Elise James
Benjamin Jefferson

Mel Keys
Candace Lane
Christopher Lane
Wayne Lambert
James & Linda
Kennard
Mary Madrigal
Nancy McCarthy
Latona Merchant
Paul Mesirow
Mary Moore
Joan Noble
Margaret Page
Cynthia Peacock
Francis Quigley
Darlene Racker
Daisy Keel
Barbara Radziwon
Sr. Barbara Rastatter

David Reynolds
James Reynolds
Sandra Reynolds
Philip Ricks
Norman Rouse
Mary Sanders
Christine Schatte
Barbara Southall
Catherine Spraggins
Fr. Bob Sprott
Bette Strickland
Bob Swiderski
Esther Toliver
Clayton & Sarah
Whitlow
Jennifer Warnick
Ayana Whitehead
Dina Williams
Audrey Winfrey
Ron Zivkovic

Mass Attendance

April 10, 2016: 140 (9:30 a.m.)/42 (11:30 a.m.)

April 17, 2016: 229 (10:30 a.m.)

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

For Sunday

May 1, 2016

Lectors

9:30 a.m. Br. Chris Buck & Darren Haley

11:30 a.m. Eva Leonard & Frances Lane

Communion Ministers

9:30 a.m. Deacon Alfred Coleman (Bread)
Josie Bertucci, Br. Chris Buck,
Barbara Sutton & Abigail Searles

11:30 a.m. Deacon Alfred Coleman & Mary Ellen Levine

Greeters

9:30 a.m. Eileen Coffey

11:30 a.m. Fran Williams



Elections for Parish Council will be held in May, and there are several open positions. Per our bylaws, the open positions are to be announced at mass, on the website, and in the bulletin.

Interested candidates will need to submit a candidacy form by May 1.

Candidates must meet the following criteria: (a) at least 18 years of age, (b) registered parishioner of St. James for at least one year, and (c) not a member of the same household as an existing Parish Council member.

Each Wednesday & Thursday 10:30 a.m.—1:30 p.m. For Homebound/Disabled Delivery

St. James Food Pantry is in need of volunteer delivery persons and drivers for homebound seniors and disabled.

If you are interested, please contact Cathy Moore, at 312-842-1919 ext. 211 or email: cmoore@stjameswabash.org



The Evangelization Board is conducting a survey of parishioners in order to better plan programs, activities, and advertising for St. James. We have paper copies at Mass, which we actually prefer you to use, but if you would prefer to take the survey online, please use the links: For

Parishioners: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/B3G8GWK>

For College & University Students: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/BM7KKZM>

Please complete the survey no later than April 24. Also, please only take the survey once, either on paper or online.

LOOKING AHEAD

Sun 04/24	Fifth Sunday of Easter	
	8:30 a.m.	Choir Rehearsal
	9:30 a.m.	Mass
		† <i>Jim Sherman - request by Anna Belle O'shea</i>
	9:40 a.m.	Children's Liturgy of the Word
	10:45 a.m.	Sunday School (Hall Basement)
	11:30 a.m.	Mass
Mon 04/25	7:30 a.m.	Mass (Tolton Chapel — Rectory)
Tue 04/26	7:30 a.m.	Mass (Tolton Chapel — Rectory)
	9am - 11:30am	SNAP Assistance (Food Pantry)
Wed 04/27	7:30 a.m.	Mass (Tolton Chapel — Rectory)
Thur 04/28	7:30 a.m.	Mass (Tolton Chapel — Rectory)
		† <i>Pat Gaggiano - requested by Bob Gaggiano</i>
Fri 04/29	7:30 a.m.	Mass (Tolton Chapel — Rectory)
		Office open by appointment only
Sun 05/01	Sixth Sunday of Easter	
	Second Collection - Franciscans Province of Our Lady of Guadalupe for Thanks to Fr. Bob Sprott	
	8:30 a.m.	Choir Rehearsal
	9:30 a.m.	Mass
		† <i>Eleanor Zivkovic - request by Ron Zivkovic</i>
	9:40 a.m.	Children's Liturgy of the Word
	10:45 a.m.	Sunday School (Hall Basement)
	11:30 a.m.	Mass
	12:30 p.m.	Ladies of Peter Claver Meeting (Hall)

On April 24, we will take up a second collection for the Franciscan Province of Our Lady of Guadalupe, Fr. Bob's province. We will give the donation to the Province in gratitude of Fr. Bob's service here at St. James.

If you wish to send Fr. Bob a card, you can send it to:

Fr. Bob Sprott, OFM

C/O the Christian Brothers

3344 S. Indiana Ave.

Chicago IL 60616 (Email: RWSofm@aol.com)

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

Eucharistic Adoration

Friday, May 6 - 7:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.

Benediction at 10:00 p.m.

(Parish Hall)

Trip to St. Edna's Parish

Sunday, May 22 - 8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

(Arlington Heights, IL)

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NEWS YOU CAN USE



Eucharistic Adoration

May 6, 2016 &

1st Fridays of Each Month

7 p.m. to 10 p.m.

Confession Available

7:30— 8:30 p.m.

Benediction at 10:00 p.m.

St. James Catholic Church

2912 S. Wabash Avenue

Parish Hall (Behind School)

JAZZIN' TO FEED 2016



Thank You to All who made this year's Jazzin' to Feed event a success. Special thanks to Jazzin' to Feed committee members Liz Bowman, Sara West, Oli Mamaril, Jackie Drake, Rhonie Hendee, Cynthia Cooper, and Greg Makowski. Also, thanks to Fran

Williams for leading raffle ticket sales and Danielle Ayodele for being this year's Master of Ceremony.

I am also grateful to De La Salle, DL Comprehensive Healthcare, Polo Café, M-Lounge, and VanderCook College of Music for their support.

Thank you to all volunteers and donors for your contribution.

Peter Wawire

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