

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



Saint James Church is staffed by the priests and brothers of the Missionary Servants of the Most Holy Trinity

SUNDAY MASS

9:30 and 11:30 a.m. Presentation Hall

DAILY MASS

Monday - Friday 7:30 a.m. Tolton Chapel (Parish Rectory)

RECONCILIATION

Confessions at St. James on the first Friday of the month, 7:30pm- 8:30pm, or by appointment

OFFICE HOURS

Monday -Thursday 8:00am-4:00pm

Friday

9:00am-12:00pm By appointment only

Saturday & Sunday Closed

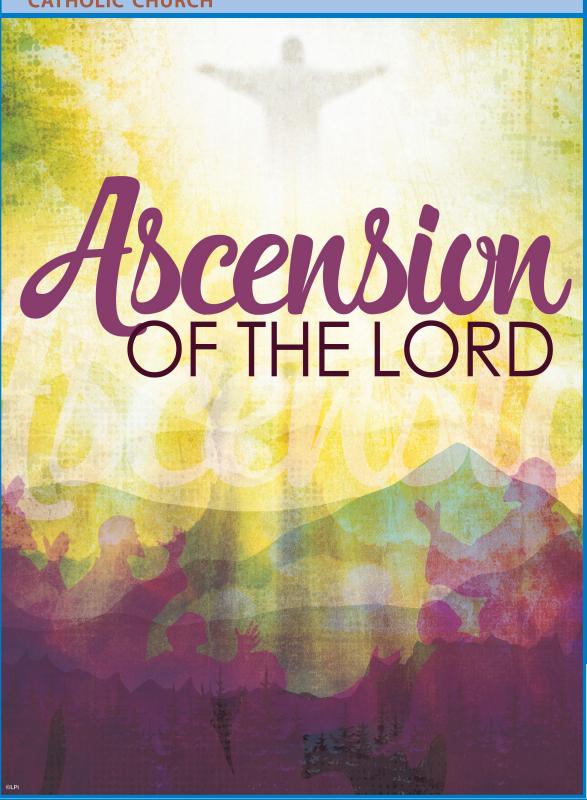
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May the grace and peace of the Holy Spirit be with us forever.

Today is Mother's Day in the United States. Flowers, candy, a nice meal, presents, prayers – we find many ways in which to honor our mothers. How fitting that we do so for it is from mothers that we learn the kind of love that God has for us: love that is given simply because her child is her child. Even when children break their mother's heart, she still loves them. So with God's love. "Love consists in this: not that we have loved God but that God has loved us" (1 John 4:10), just like a mother.

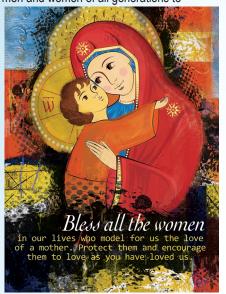
May is also the time when in the Church's calendar we remember Holy Mary not merely as the mother of Jesus but also as the mother of the Church, our mother. Those of us of a certain age will remember the, at times over the top, sentimentality which characterized the 1950's devotion to Mary. Did you ever sing this song at a May crowning? "Bring flowers of the fairest, Bring flowers of the rarest, from garden and woodland and hillside and vale; Our full hearts are swelling, Our Glad voices telling the praise of the loveliest Rose of the vale."

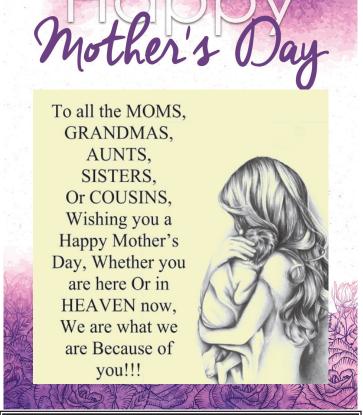
More recently a renewed appreciation of the role and identity of Mary has been developed by women theologians. My favorite is by Sister Elizabeth Johnson, CSJ, currently at Fordham University who wrote a reflection on Mary, probably called by her contemporaries as Miriam of Nazareth, entitled Truly Our Sister: A Theology of Mary in the Communion of Saints. Sister Beth rescues Holy Mary from the pieties of the past and situates her as a model of Christian life for today, even in feminist terms. Sister Beth in particular notices that the prayer Mary said during her encounter with Elizabeth called the Magnificat (Luke 1:46-55) is a clarion call for a more just society.

One reviewer put it this way: Elizabeth Johnson does something which I believe to be valuable if not indispensable in understanding and truly appreciating Mary, which is to take much of the historical dust she has acquired and reveal the incredible yet humble peasant she was. It truly inspires us as it shows us that despite our mundane life truly God is in our midst, and if like Mary we open ourselves to God's love and respond with the openness that she did God can truly do wonders through us too. One often ignored part of Mary is her Magnificat when she proclaims God's goodness and challenges the men and women of all generations to

proclaim God's love to all, which includes often challenging the injustice found in so many of our structures. It is easier to remain with the Mary found in our homes, made of wood, plaster or whatever else. These though they can serve as reminders of the real Mary, can never substitute for the real first century Jewish peasant woman who said Yes to God and lived that Yes throughout her life.

In the Most Holy Trinity, Fr. John Edmunds, S.T







Join us for the celebration of First Communion today! Congratulations to Brendan, Lucia, and Sofia as they celebrate this sacrament.

Please celebrate with us after the 9:30 mass downstairs.

TREASURE, TIME, & TALENT

Arise Chicago is an interfaith organization that trains, organizes, and develops the leadership of low-wage immigrant workers.

With support from religious allies, Arise Chicago has partnered with thousands of workers to recover over \$8 million in stolen wages, improved health and safety conditions, and ended discrimination and sexual harassment

We are proud and grateful to St. James Parish for hosting our 2018 Member Vidory Party!

Faith Labor Action

Learn more about Arise Chicago at arisechicago.org or visit us on Facebook Saturday May 19th 5-9pm

SUNDAY COLLECTION REPORT

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| | JANUARY 1— | April 29 | |
| SUNDAY | <u>2018</u> | <u>2017</u> | <u>CHANGE</u> |
| ENVELOPES | \$26,439.00 | \$24,797.00 | \$1,642.00 |
| LOOSE CHECKS | \$6,727.00 | \$7,656.00 | (\$929.00) |
| LOOSE CASH | \$4,472.86 | \$4,108.13 | \$364.73 |
| ON-LINE | \$19,205.00 | \$15,772.00 | \$3,433.00 |
| TOTAL SUNDAY | \$56,843.86 | \$52,333.13 | \$4,510.73 |
| BUILDING MAINTENANCE SHARING | \$1,143.80 | \$694.00 | \$449.80 |
| DONATIONS | \$2,287.53 | \$1,339.25 | \$948.28 |
| TOLTON CANONIZATION | \$745.93 | \$745.34 | \$ 0.59 |
| TOTAL OTHER | \$4,177.26 | \$2,778.59 | \$1,398.67 |
| TOTAL GIVING | \$61.021.12 | \$55.111.72 | \$5,909,40 |





Our Home Bound:
Judy Archer
Margie Bass
Barbara Bassett
Altee Clark
Edwina Cook
Paul & Jane
Freeman
Juanita James

James Kennard
Sr. Barbara
Rastatter
Norman Rouse
Geraldine Scudder
Barbara Southhall
Bette Strickland
Dina Williams

Our Sick
Herbert Cobbs
Aayliah Cooper
Patsy Cunningham
Joan Noble
Barbara Radizwon
Sandra Reynolds
Kimberly Starr
Sarah & Clanton
Whitlow

Mass Attendance

April 29, 2018: 107(9:30 a.m.)/51(11:30 a.m.) May 6, 2018: 132(9:30 a.m.)/58(11:30 a.m.)

NEXT WEEK AT ST. JAMES....

| Sun 05/13 | The Ascension Of the Lord, 7th Sunday of Easter Second Collection for Catholic Charities Second Collection Food & Toiletries for Food Pantry | | |
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| | 8:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m. Mass Frist Communion Children's Liturgy of the World Mass Annie Marano - requested by Philomena Marano | | |
| Mon 05/14 | 7:30 a.m. Mass (Tolton Chapel — Rectory) | | |
| Tue 05/15 | 7:30 a.m. Mass (Tolton Chapel — Rectory) Ed Molda - requested by Ron Zivkovic 9:00 a.m. SNAP Assistance (Food Pantry) | | |
| Wed 05/16 | 7:30 a.m. † Mass (Tolton Chapel — Rectory) **Irene Kalina - requested by Judy Bululgajewski** | | |
| Thur 05/17 | 7:30 a.m. Mass (Tolton Chapel — Rectory) 6:00 p.m. Social Care Board (Rectory) | | |
| Fri 05/18 | 7:30 a.m. Mass (Tolton Chapel — Rectory) Arise Chicago Event (Hall Basement) | | |
| Sun 05/20 | Pentecost Sunday | | |
| | 8:30 a.m. Choir Rehearsal 9:30 a.m. Mass 9:40 a.m. Children's Liturgy of the World 10:30 a.m. Sharing Parishes Food Delivery Mass | | |

VOLUNTEER NEEDED

The Food Pantry is looking for one individual to help bring boxes to the Recycle Center. Shift is Tuesday and Thursday for 45-60 minutes. (2 hours a week.) Start time would be between 11:15 am and 11:45 am. Individual would drive van full of boxes and unload them into the Recycle Center on 17th and Clark. Please contact Peter with your interest! pwawire@stjameswabash.org



WE NEED SOME GOOD VOLUNTEERS!



We will be praying the Rosary every Sunday, during the month of May, in honor of Mary Mother of Jesus. Please join between the masses on the stage at 10:45 a.m.





Jazzin' to Feed is right around the corner! This year it will be on Saturday, May 26th and we need your help! Please consider volunteering for the event, it will be a lot of fun! If you are interested in volunteering please contact Megan Clarke at (312) 842-1919 x 214 or volunteer@stjameswabash.org.

Thank You!!!