

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.



*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
(Rectory, 2942 S. Wabash)

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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1st SUNDAY OF LENT

Then the devil took Jesus up to a very high mountain, and showed him all the kingdoms of the world in their magnificence, and he said to him, "All these I shall give to you, if you will prostrate yourself and worship me." - Mt 4:8-9

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ON THE WAY.....



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

According to Church documents “the annual observance of Lent is the special season for the ascent to the holy mountain of Easter. Through its twofold theme of repentance and Baptism the season of Lent disposes both the catechumens and the faithful to celebrate the Pascal Mystery.” Notice that the theme of baptism is not limited to the catechumens, those who will be receiving the sacraments at the Easter vigil. Lent invites us to examine our own baptismal call when we were christened as priests, prophets and kings or queens responsible for bringing God’s love into the world.

Also of note is the image of an “ascent.” I love walking around Chicago because it is flat. Ascending up a steep hill is a wholly different matter. Lent provides us the opportunity to develop those spiritual muscles that make our identity as a baptized people tangible. The gospel for this Sunday describes Jesus being taken up (ascending) a very high mountain as part of the temptation by Satan. Next Sunday Jesus takes Peter, James and John and ascends Mount Tabor for the transfiguration. On Palm Sunday Jesus ascends the Mount of Olives where the crowds wave their palm branches. And of course, these various ascensions all prepare Jesus for being “lifted up” on the cross and his eventual Resurrection and Ascension into heaven.

We walk in the footsteps of Jesus this Lent as we seek to ascend the ladder of perfection. All of our spiritual practices during the season are geared to move us closer to God. In particular, as we celebrate the rites of the catechumenate with Luke we journey with him up the mountain of faith. Later today the Catechumenate Team will join Luke at Holy Name Cathedral for the Rite of Election. We will bless him and send him to the bishop where he will join with those from various parishes around the archdiocese who will come forward to write their names in the Book of the Elect. This inaugurates the final steps on the journey toward the Easter Sacraments.

Many of us have memories of Lent as being an austere time characterized more by privation than by any spiritual growth. The great liturgist, Alexander Schmemman, wants us to view Lent as a time of “bright sadness.” “As we make the first step in the ‘bright sadness’ of Lent we see – far, far away – the destination. It is the joy of Easter, it is the entrance into the glory of the Kingdom. And it is this vision, the foretaste of Easter, that makes Lent’s sadness bright and our Lenten effort a ‘spiritual spring.’”

As we journey through Lent and climb the mountain that leads to Easter, let us consider our own spiritual journey. The founder of my religious community, Fr. Judge, used to call it taking our spiritual temperature. Where is God in my life right now? What practices will help me create a greater place for God in my heart? What do I need to do to meet God “on this holy mountain?”



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

AT ST. JAMES....

St. James Lenten Day of Reflection Surprised by God: Noticing God in Everyday Moments



Saturday, March 7, 2020

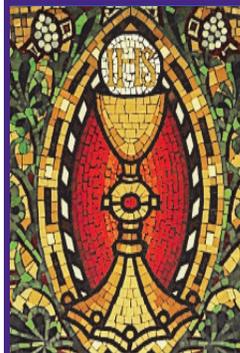
10AM—3PM

(lunch included)

Registration/Hospitality begins at
9:30AM

Cost: Free will donation

Sign up for the Retreat today! E- mail
Amy at apellettiere@stjameswabash.org,
call at 312-842-1919 ext. 212



Eucharistic Adoration

1st Friday of Each Month

Next Adoration is
March 6, 2020 @ 7:00pm

Fr. John hears confession
during adoration from
7:30pm until 8:30pm.

SHARING OUR STORIES Session Two – Are You Happy?



SAINT JAMES CATHOLIC
CHURCH
SUNDAY MARCH 15, 2020
at 4:00
ST JAMES RECTORY

A LIGHT MEAL WILL BE
SERVED

Archdiocesan Women's Committee



What causes Catholic women to stay
in or leave
their Church?

Listening
Session

Sunday, March 8th
10:45AM

St. James Church - Lower level

TREASURE, TIME, & TALENT



Maya J. Germain

The Peace and Justice Committee in honor of the birthday of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. has selected Maya Germain as our student to sponsor for the trip to the Legacy Museum and Montgomery Alabama.

Maya has been attending St James Church ever since she was a baby. She has been very involved in keeping St James church open and has never been shy to express the religious needs of young people in the community. She ministers as an altar server at both St James Church and Our Lady of Peace/Haitian Catholic Mission. She is a freshman at Jones College Prep High School. She is also enrolled in Project SYNCERE, a program that involves youth in participating in different engineering classes. Maya aspires to be an aerospace engineer.



SUNDAY COLLECTION REPORT

JANUARY 1— FEBRUARY 16

SUNDAY	2020	2019	CHANGE
ENVELOPES	\$7,532.50	\$8,798.00	(\$1,265.50)
CHECKS	\$2,845.00	\$3,298.00	(\$453.00)
CASH	\$1,823.48	\$2,327.94	(\$504.46)
ON-LINE	\$10,655.00	\$10,785.00	(\$130.00)
TOTAL SUNDAY	\$22,855.98	\$25,208.94	(\$2,352.96)
SHARING	\$1,178.65	\$1,197.02	(\$18.37)
MAINTENANCE	\$625.00	\$353.00	\$272.00
TOLTON			
CANONIZATION	\$344.00	\$290.30	\$53.70
TOTAL OTHER	\$2,147.65	\$1,840.32	\$307.33
TOTAL GIVING	\$25,003.63	\$27,049.26	(\$2,045.63)



Our Home Bound:

Judy Archer
Margie Bass
Altee Clark
Edwina Cook
Paul Freeman
Juanita James
James Kennard

Sr. Barbara Rastatter
Barbara Southhall
Dina Williams

Our Sick
Victoria Allen
Aayliah Cooper

Patsy Cunningham
Marvelean Doss
Nancy McCarthy
Barbara Radizwon
Sandra Reynolds
Donald Rogers
Kimberly Starr

Mass Attendance

February 16, 2020: 99(9:30 a.m.)/74(11:30 a.m.)
February 23, 2020: 238(10:30 a.m.)

NEXT WEEK AT ST. JAMES....

Sun 03/01	1st Sunday Of Lent Second Collection Zacchaeus House	
	9:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 9:40 a.m. 10:40 a.m. 11:30 a.m.	Choir Rehearsal Mass Kid's Word Sunday School Mass † <i>Shirley & Debra Barker - requested by Phyllis Barker</i>
Mon 03/02	7:30 a.m. † 6:30 p.m.	Mass (Rectory-Tolton Chapel) <i>Marion Lucas - requested by Sr. Tess</i> Liturgy Meeting (Rectory)
Tue 03/03	7:30 a.m. †	Mass (Rectory-Tolton Chapel) <i>Romeo & Norma Alforque - requested by Patrick Alforque</i>
Wed 03/04	7:30 a.m. † 7:00 p.m.	Mass (Rectory-Tolton Chapel) <i>Daniel Gockel - requested by Elaine Gockel</i> Parish Council (Rectory)
Thur 03/05	7:30 a.m. † 6:30 p.m.	Mass (Rectory-Tolton Chapel) <i>William & Therse Cusack - requested by Sheila Cusack</i> Evangelization Committee (Rectory)
Fri 03/06	7:30 a.m. † 7:00 p.m.	Mass (Rectory-Tolton Chapel) <i>Daniel Gockel - requested by Elaine Gockel</i> Eucharistic Adoration - (Church)
Sat 03/07	10:00 a.m.	Lenten Retreat (Church Lower Level)
Sun 03/08	2nd Sunday of Lent Second Collection Church in Central and Eastern Europe & Food & Toiletries for Food Pantry	
	9:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. † 10:40 a.m. 11:30 a.m. 5:00 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal Mass <i>Ginny Picken - requested by Susan and Stephen Jordan</i> Sunday School Mass Student Mass (God Box @ IIT)



Student On-Campus
Mass and Meal

Sunday, March 8th
5:00PM

Carr Chapel/God Box



RESTAURANT

St. James Food Pantry

During Lent, give up going out for dinner and give the amount of the dinner to St. James Food Pantry, so others may eat. Drop the envelope in the collection box when you have finished. Envelopes are available at the entrances.



Bible Study

Gethsemane

Mondays
Mar. 16, 23, 30
1-2:30pm and 7-8:30pm

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