

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 a.m.

11:30 a.m.

DAILY MASS

Monday - Friday

7:30 a.m.

Tolton Chapel - Parish Rectory

RECONCILIATION

Confessions 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

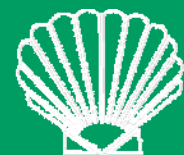
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*St. James Parish welcomes Deacon
Alfred Coleman II and his wife Avis*



First Communion & Confirmation Preparation

Preparation for the Sacraments for Children is through our Sunday School Program. Each of these Sacraments is celebrated 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



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JULY 5, 2015 · FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

INITIAL RESPONSE OF THE U.S. BISHOPS TO THE SUPREME COURT DECISION ON SAME-SEX MARRIAGE

What follows is taken from the web site of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops and contains the reaction of the President of the conference to the decision of the U.S. Supreme Court that last week legalized same-sex marriage throughout the country.

WASHINGTON—The U.S. Supreme Court decision, June 26, interpreting the U.S. Constitution to require all states to license and recognize same-sex “marriage” “is a tragic error that harms the common good and most vulnerable among us,” said Archbishop Joseph E. Kurtz of Louisville, Kentucky, president of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB).

The full statement follows:

Regardless of what a narrow majority of the Supreme Court may declare at this moment in history, the nature of the human person and marriage remains unchanged and unchangeable. Just as *Roe v. Wade* did not settle the question of abortion over forty years ago, *Obergefell v. Hodges* does not settle the question of marriage today. Neither decision is rooted in the truth, and as a result, both will eventually fail. Today the Court is wrong again. It is profoundly immoral and unjust for the government to declare that two people of the same sex can constitute a marriage.

The unique meaning of marriage as the union of one man and one woman is inscribed in our bodies as male and female. The protection of this meaning is a critical dimension of the “integral ecology” that Pope Francis has called us to promote. Mandating marriage redefinition across the country is a tragic error that harms the common good and most vulnerable among us, especially children. The law has a duty to support every child’s basic right to be raised, where possible, by his or her married mother and father in a stable home.

Jesus Christ, with great love, taught unambiguously that from the beginning marriage is the lifelong union of one man and one woman. As Catholic bishops, we follow our Lord and will continue to teach and to act according to this truth.

I encourage Catholics to move forward with faith, hope, and love: faith in the unchanging truth about marriage, rooted in the immutable nature of the human person and confirmed by divine revelation; hope that these truths will once again prevail in our society, not only by their logic, but by their great beauty and manifest service to the common good; and love for all our neighbors, even those who hate us or would punish us for our faith and moral convictions.

Lastly, I call upon all people of good will to join us in proclaiming the goodness, truth, and beauty of marriage as rightly understood for millennia, and I ask all in positions of power and authority to respect the God-given freedom to seek, live by, and bear witness to the truth.

Readings



FOR THE WEEK OF JULY 5, 2015

- Sunday: Ez 2:2-5/2 Cor 12:7-10/Mk 6:1-6a
- Monday: Gn 28:10-22a/Mt 9:18-26
- Tuesday: Gn 32:23-33/Mt 9:32-38
- Wednesday: Gn 41:55-57; 42:5-7a, 17-24a/Mt 10:1-7
- Thursday: Gn 44:18-21, 23b-29; 45:1-5/Mt 10:7-15
- Friday: Gn 46:1-7, 28-30/Mt 10:16-23
- Saturday: Gn 49:29-32; 50:15-26a/Mt 10:24-33
- Next Sunday: Am 7:12-15/Eph 1:3-14 or 1:3-10
Mk 6:7-13

Saint James Day

*Sunday,
July 26, 2015*

*10:30 a.m.
Mass*



What can you do to stop violence?

Catholics for Nonviolence would like to hold a workshop at St. James Parish. This an Archdiocesan effort to interrupt the cycles of violence and to promote the gospel of nonviolence and healing in our community.

The workshop focuses on helping the parish gather together and learn how violence touches their lives and the lives of others in the community. Through education and reflection on bullying, domestic violence and gun violence, parishioners are invited to choose new practices and steps to end the cycles of violence they see and experience.

If you are interested in this workshop, please contact Cathy Moore at 312-842-1919 or email cmoore@stjameswabash.org



Social Care Board Openings

At present there are two openings on the Social Care Board. The purpose of the social care board is to provide food assistance to low income families, provide care for the elderly, and provide nutritional needs for the homeless. The board meets the third Thursday of each month except August and December. The term of each board member is two years. If anyone is interested in serving on the board, please contact Liz Bowman at 312-842-1919 ext. 211.

TREASURE

Sunday Collection Report

June 21, 2015 - 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Envelopes	\$2,276.00
Loose Checks & Checks	\$851.96
Electronic Giving	\$450.00
Collection Total	\$3,577.96

SUNDAY COLLECTION MONTHLY BREAKDOWN

2014 & 2015	Envelopes	%	Loose	%	Electronic	%	Total
July	\$7,345.00	49%	\$4,478.40	30%	\$3,300.00	22%	\$15,123.40
Aug	\$6,080.00	51%	\$2,995.00	25%	\$2,855.00	24%	\$11,930.00
Sept	\$9,229.00	54%	\$4,390.22	26%	\$3,395.00	20%	\$17,014.22
Oct.	\$7,730.66	59%	\$1,841.84	14%	\$3,435.00	26%	\$13,007.48
Nov	\$6,468.00	48%	\$4,275.34	32%	\$2,725.00	20%	\$13,468.34
Dec	\$9,355.67	60%	\$3,762.33	24%	\$2,715.00	16%	\$15,833.00
Jan	\$5,553.50	50%	\$4,092.32	37%	\$1,134.00	13%	\$11,094.82
Feb	\$6,232.00	50%	\$2,224.07	18%	\$3,905.00	32%	\$12,361.07
Mar	\$9,585.00	57%	\$3,082.57	18%	\$41,64.00	25%	\$16,831.57
Apr	\$7,230.00	62%	\$3,287.02	28%	\$1,135.00	10%	\$11,652.02
May	\$6,381.00	55%	\$2,790.09	24%	\$2,330.00	20%	\$11,501.09
	\$80,167.17	53%	\$38,240.84	25%	\$31,754.00	21%	\$150,162.01

PLEASE PRAY FOR...

Finis Abernathy Victoria Allen Ashley Alvarez Eric Alvarez Dorothy Barnes Margie Bass Barbara Bassett James Bowman Willie B. Clay Edwina Cook Kathleen Foley Paul & Jane Freeman Cathy Garcia Bertha Griffin Mary Healy	Robert Helem Elise James Benjamin Jefferson Mel Keys Minnie Kimbrough Wayne Lambert Mary Madrigal Latona Merchant Mary Moore Kay Nachel Joan Noble Margaret Page Cynthia Peacock Francis Quigley Darlene Racker Daisy Keel	Sr. Barbara Rastatter David Reynolds James Reynolds Sandra Reynolds Philip Ricks Norman Rouse Mary Sanders Christine Schatte Barbara Southall Catherine Spraggins Bette Strickland Bob Swiderski Clayton & Sarah Whitlow Dina Williams Audrey Winfrey
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Mass Attendance

June 21, 2015: 161(9:30 a.m.)/ 50(11:30)
 June 28, 2015: 114(9:30 a.m.)/ 48(11:30)

NEXT WEEK'S LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

For Sunday

July 12, 2015

Lectors

9:30 a.m. Monique Germain

11:30 a.m. Mary E. Levine

Communion Ministers

9:30 a.m. Josie Bertucci (Bread),
 Sheri Seyfried, Werner Seyfried,
 Barbara Sutton, and Reshma Shekhar

11:30 a.m. Christine Pao & Verda Abernathy

Greeters

9:30 a.m. To Be Announced

11:30 a.m. To Be Announced

Altar Servers To Be Announced

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 happy to have more.



Blessings in a Bag Help Families who are Food Insecure!

Dear St. James Parishioners,

Over 1200 families who are food insecure received help from your St. James Food Pantry last month. Thank you for your donations. Please continue to help our neighborhood families with toiletry donations this July.

St. James Food Pantry is very low on all hygiene items in both travel size and family size. Families can not purchase toiletries with their food assistance cards. The need is great! All toiletry items will be appreciated

Today, **July 5, 2015**, I am asking that you take a shopping bag with the donation list attached to it from the back of the hall after Mass. Please fill your donation bag with the following items:

Razors, Soap, Shampoo, Deodorant, tissue, Toothpaste, Toothbrush, and Body Wash,

Bring your donations back to Mass, next **Sunday, July 12 2015**.

Thank you in advance for blessing those who need services at St. James Food Pantry.

Cathy



LOOKING AHEAD

Sun 7/05	14th Sunday in Ordinary Time Second Collection - Sharing Parish St. Agatha	
	8:30 a.m.	Choir Rehearsal
	9:30 a.m.	Mass (Hall) † Bill Cloonan - request by Dot Nachel
	9:40 a.m.	Children's Liturgy of the Word
	10:30 a.m.	Ladies of Peter Claver Meeting (Parish Offices)
	11:30 a.m.	Mass (Hall)
Mon 7/06	7:30 a.m.	Mass (Tolton Chapel — Rectory)
Tue 7/07	7:30 a.m.	Mass (Tolton Chapel — Rectory) Health and Well Being of David Murray - request David Murray
	7:00 p.m.	Fr. Bob facilitates class on T.S. Eliot (Rectory)
Wed 7/08	7:30 a.m.	Mass (Tolton Chapel — Rectory)
	9:30 a.m.	Staff Meeting (Rectory)
Thur 7/09	7:30 a.m.	Mass (Tolton Chapel — Rectory)
Fri 7/10	7:30 a.m.	Mass (Tolton Chapel — Rectory)
	9a.m. - 12p.m.	Office open by appointment only
Sat 7/11	8:00 a.m.	Second Saturday Produce Pantry (Hall Parking Lot)
Sun 7/12	15th Sunday in Ordinary Time Collection - Food & Toiletries for the Food Panty	
	8:30 a.m.	Choir Rehearsal
	9:30 a.m.	Mass (Hall) † Jim Delaney - request by Dot Nachel
	9:40 a.m.	Children's Liturgy of the Word)
	11:30 a.m.	Mass (Hall)

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!



Cross Roads Ministries speaks at St. James

Sunday, July 12- After both Masses

(St. James Rectory)

Fr. Bob Facilitates class on T.S. Eliot

Tuesday, July 14 - 7:00 p.m.

(St. James Rectory)

St. James Day

Sunday, July 26 - Mass 11:30 a.m.

One Mass only— 10:30 a.m.

(Hall Grounds)

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NEWS YOU CAN USE



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Dear Friends,

As I prepare to meet with Pope Francis in Rome and receive the pallium, my thoughts are with you and your children, asking God to keep them safe over these summer months. I also will be following closely some important developments related to our Catholic schools. They are a place of hope and learning and a beacon of safety in our communities. Our schools are also a key ministry of our Catholic faith. Our teachers not only instruct our students about math, science, history, technology, and literature, but also about our Catholic values: dignity of the human person from conception to natural death, care for the poor and vulnerable, participation in the family and community, care for God's creation, the dignity of work, and solidarity as one human family. Their focus on academic excellence results in a graduation rate of 98 percent for our high school seniors. Of those graduating seniors, 95 percent go on to attend college.

With this letter, I want to share with you important information about the Illinois Kids Campaign and ask your help in supporting it. The Illinois Kids Campaign is an initiative that seeks to increase funding for both private and public schools. The Catholic Conference of Illinois is a leading partner in the Illinois Kids Campaign, a diverse coalition of organizations working to advance education policy forward. In particular, we are working to ensure two provisions of significant importance to Catholic school parents and supporters of Catholic education are included in the final state budget.

These provisions would:

- Increase the education expenses tax credit for school parents to \$1,000 from the current \$500.
- Create scholarships so more students can attend Catholic and other schools their parents believe are the best fit for their children.

The goal of the Illinois Kids Campaign is to ensure that the mission of our schools remains vibrant and that more students have the opportunity of a Catholic education. We also want Catholic and other school parents to be reimbursed for more of their education expenses. That's why the Illinois Kids Campaign is important. The Illinois Legislature is in its final weeks of session, and we need you to contact your state lawmakers now and urge them to support the Illinois Kids Campaign. Now is the time you can make a difference. More information about how to contact your state representatives can be found at www.ilcatholic.org, or you can call the Catholic Conference at 312-368-1066 for help.

Wishing you every blessing, with kind regards I remain,
Sincerely yours in Christ,

+ Blase J. Cupich

Most Reverend Blase J. Cupich
Archbishop of Chicago

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