

# 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.

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### 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 prepa-



ration through our adult Confirmation and R.C.I.A. class. Contact Michael Maher at 312-842-1919 ext. 212 or maher@stjameswabash.org



Bells from the tower of the former St. James Church

#### **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 Closed



### ST. JAMES PARISH

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AUGUST 2, 2015 · EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

### O COME, LET US ADORE HIM!

For nearly two thousand years the death and resurrection of Jesus has been at the center of the Christian life, placed in our hearts by the love of the Lord, and placed before our eyes and in our hands by the celebration of the Holy Eucharist. By this sacrament the totality of Christ – his body and his blood, his humanity and his divinity – is presented to us. It feeds us and teaches us, it strengthens and guides us. It is the medicine that heals, and the bread for our journey.

All this we know, and all this becomes a part of our Sunday celebration of the Eucharist, and of our daily mass as well at 7:30 a.m. in the rectory chapel. And now it will become a part of our parish prayer life in a monthly evening of Eucharistic adoration, which will begin in September in the parish hall. Starting in September, on the first Friday of every month, the evening adoration will commence with the exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at 7 p.m., and will continue until midnight, when the brief rite of benediction will be celebrated.

Between that opening prayer at 7 p.m. and the closing benediction five hours later, there is nothing but silence, silence and the opportunity to enter into the presence of the Lord and to spend some time in prayer with him. Although there will be a sign-up sheet covering all the hours, to make sure that at least a couple of people are there throughout the evening, people are basically free to come and go as they like and/or as the Spirit moves them.

This is a very different kind of Eucharistic prayer from the mass, but it remains connected with it, and always leads us back to it and deeper into it. For the purpose of the Eucharist, the purpose of all prayer, is to lead us into a deeper union with God. In



that union of love, our hearts are opened to him and to our brothers and sisters for whom we pray, so that we are strengthened and better equipped for the life of active charity that is the life of every disciple of Christ. At mass this happens in a prayer within which we are mostly

guided by others: the priest and deacon at the altar, the music director and the choir, the readers and ushers and communion ministers. In Eucharistic adoration there is none of that, but only the prayers that we know by heart and the prayers that will be formed in our minds by the promptings of the Holy Spirit. We may in this feel a spiritual consolation or we may feel nothing at all – indeed, the more time one devotes to this quiet prayer, the more one realizes that our feelings during it are largely irrelevant. What matters is that we have set aside this time, his gloriously unstructured time, for God, and we simply leave it to him what he will do with it... and with us.

In the weeks ahead before Friday, September 4, there will be more announcements about this in the bulletin and from the pulpit. But we mention it now so that parishioners can know what is coming and begin to look forward to it. We all have many needs to pray for, for ourselves and for those we love. This will be one more place and time where that can happen.

> Peace Fr. Bob Sprott, O.F.M.



### FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 2, 2015

Sunday: Monday: Tuesday: Wednesday: Thursday: Friday: Saturday: Next Sunday: Ex 16:2-4, 12-15/Eph 4:17, 20-24/Jn 6:24-35 Nm 11:4b-15/Mt 14:13-21 Nm 12:1-13/Mt 14:22-36 or 15:1-2, 10-14 Nm 13:1-2, 25--14:1, 26-29a, 34-35 Mt 15:21-28 Dn 7:9-10, 13-14/2 Pt 1:16-19/Mk 9:2-10 Dt 4:32-40/Mt 16:24-28 Dt 6:4-13/Mt 17:14-20 1 Kgs 19:4-8/Eph 4:30--5:2/Jn 6:41-51

### **Pastoral Care for the Homebound**



Please call 312-842-1919 ext. 201 and ask to speak to Fr. Robert Sprott, O.F.M., if any parishioners are hospitalized or homebound, so we can visit and pray for them. Hospitals do not notify us of a parishioner's admittance. Even if you do mention this at Sun-

day Mass, please make allowance for poor memory and call the parish offices.



There is a promise of marriage between John Idyakunnel and Reshma Sekhar. They will be married on September 13, 2015 in Mumbai, India.

### **Volunteers Need**

St. James Food Pantry needs volunteers to help distribute food to over 300 families on Saturday, August 8, 2015 from 8 am to 12:00 pm. Please invite friends, neighbors and family to volunteer as well. There is always a shortage of volunteers during the Summer months.



### AT ST. JAMES

### TREASURE

#### Sunday Collection Report July 19, 2015 - 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time Envelopes \$1,845.00 Loose Checks & Checks \$367.86 Electronic Giving \$1,250.00 **Collection Total** \$3,462.86

### SUNDAY COLLECTION MONTHLY BREAKDOWN

2014 &	Envelopes	%	Loose	%	Electronic	%	Total
2015							
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. Clav Edwina Cook Kathleen Folev Paul & Jane Freeman Cathy Garcia Bertha Griffin Mary Healy Robert Helem Elise James

Benjamin Jefferson Mel Keys Candace Lane Christopher Lane Wayne Lambert Mary Madrigal Latona Merchant Paul Mesirow Mary Moore Kav 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

### Mass Attendance

July 19, 2015: 97(9:30 a.m.)/ 35(11:30 a.m.) July 26, 2015: 161(10:30 a.m.)

### **NEXT WEEK'S LITURGICAL SCHEDULE**

### For Sunday

#### Lectors

- 9:30 a.m. Michael McLaughlin & Virginia Picken
- 11:30 a.m. Eva Leonard & Michael DeAndre

#### **Communion Ministers**

9:30 a.m. Deacon Alfred Coleman (Bread), Bob Gaggiano, Leona Martin, Orean Perry and Cynthia Cooper

11:30 a.m. Mary E. Levine

### Greeters

9:30 a.m. Barbara Ricks

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



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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 August.

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, Sunday, August 2, 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, August 9.
- Thank you in advance for blessing those who need
- services at St. James Food
- Pantry.

Cathy



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### LOOKING AHEAD

Sun 8/02	18 <sup>h</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time Second Collection - Sharing Parish St. Agatha			
	8:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m. † 10:30 a.m. 10:40 a.m. 11:30 a.m.	Choir Rehearsal Mass (Hall) <i>Mr. James Zivkovic by Ron Zivkovic</i> Ladies of Peter Claver Meeting (Parish Hall) Children's Liturgy of the Word Mass (Hall)		
Mon 8/03	7:30 a.m. †	Mass (Tolton Chapel — Rectory) Andrew Borge - request by Virginia Picken		
Tue 8/04	7:30 a.m. †	Mass (Tolton Chapel — Rectory) Sr. Sandra Marie Sosnowski - request by Sisters of the Holy Family of Nazareth		
Wed 8/05	7:30 a.m. †	Mass (Tolton Chapel — Rectory) Sr. Sandra Marie Sosnowski - request by Sisters of the Holy Family of Nazareth		
Thur 8/06	9:30 a.m. 7:30 a.m.	Staff Meeting (Rectory) Mass (Tolton Chapel — Rectory)		
Fri 8/07	7:30 a.m. † 9a.m 12p.m.	Mass (Tolton Chapel – Rectory) <i>Pat Woods - request by David Milks</i> Office open by appointment only		
Sat 8/08	8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	Second Saturday Fresh Produce Distribution (Hall Parking Lot) Evangelization Board Meeting (Rectory)		
Sun 8/09	19 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time Collection - Food & Toiletries For the Pantry			
		Choir Rehearsal Mass (Hall) <i>Robert Dybas by Zmek Family</i> Children's Liturgy of the Word Mass (Hall)		



Parish & Student Fall Retreat Saturday, October 3 - 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. (IIT Campus)

#### Oktoberfest

Sunday, October 4 - 12:45p.m. to 3:00 p.m. (Hall Grounds)

### **ST. JAMES DAY**



Above & Below: Parishioners and friends of St. James Celebrating St. James Day, Sunday, July 26.



Above: The choir lead by Dan Murphy, Director of Music & Liturgy, on piano, inspires the Parish.



Above: Over 160 Parishioners, friends, and guest worshiped together at the 10:30 mass last Sunday.

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