



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
4 p.m. in Alumni Lounge
of Hermann Hall at IIT

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



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First Communion & Confirmation Preparation

Preparation for the Sacraments for
Children is through our Sunday
School Program. Each of these Sacra-
ments 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
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AUGUST 23, 2015 · TWENTYFIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SUMMER'S PASSING

Once upon a time in America summer came to an end the Tuesday after Labor Day. The highways and byways were clogged with traffic that weekend, as families hit the road for one last trip to the beach or the dunes or the state parks or wherever just to get one last taste of summer before – reluctantly, for the most part – yielding to the inexorable arrival of autumn and the winter that was never far behind.

That was then. Now most schools and school systems begin well before Labor Day has come and gone, with some starting as early as mid-August. The long summer vacation from school also starts earlier these days, in mid-May or earlier, but nobody thinks much of that or even remembers that as July yields to August and the too soon end of summer is suddenly staring us in the face.

The calendar of most Catholic churches tends to follow the school-year calendar, even in parishes like St. James, for whom the years when they had a parish school recede into an ever more distant past. So even if our lives and schedules don't change much with the passing of summer, we feel like they do, or at least we feel like they should. As we move into late August and head towards September, we feel like we should be getting on with it, whether that means returning to the same old stuff or starting over with something new. For most of us, the real New Year begins with the end of summer and the changing of our routines and perspective, rather than with January 1 and the changing of that last number in our four-digit year.

At St. James, a parish much more heavily involved than most in ministry to the university crowd, the end of summer changes significantly the makeup of our Sunday congregation. Maybe because we are such a small parish, we notice this – we notice it a lot. At St. James, the presence of even one new face often is remarkable, but come August we get a lot of them, and most of them quite young. Every year at this time it's like the parish gets doused with the water of the fountain of youth, as our average age is edged downward by the return or the new arrival of a good number of IIT and ICO students.

This year we are trying something new with the Sunday mass schedule, and this may well reduce the visibility of our student population for most of the parish. Today begins our on-campus Sunday afternoon mass. That mass will be at 4 p.m., and the hope is that this time will appeal to and be convenient for students: it should fit well with the dining hall schedule, which starts serving meals at 5 p.m., and it leaves the rest of Sunday evening free for the weekend's last minute reading and writing, which seems to be a part of most students' lives.

The on-campus mass for the first few weeks of the school year will be in Hermann Hall. It will move to its permanent location at Carr Chapel once construction there has been completed. Although it is on-campus and a campus ministry event, it is very much a work of St. James parish, and all parishioners are invited and welcome to check it out.

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

Readings



FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 23, 2015

- Sunday: Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b/Eph 5:21-32
or 5:2a, 25-32/Jn 6:60-69
- Monday: Rv 21:9b-14/Jn 1:45-51
- Tuesday: 1 Thes 2:1-8/Mt 23:23-26
- Wednesday: 1 Thes 2:9-13/Mt 23:27-32
- Thursday: 1 Thes 3:7-13/Mt 24:42-51
- Friday: 1 Thes 4:1-8/Mt 25:1-13
- Saturday: 1 Thes 4:9-11/Mk 6:17-29
- Next Sunday: Dt 4:1-2, 6-8/Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27
Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

Pastoral Care for the Homebound

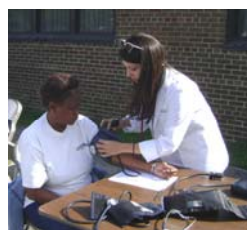


Please call 312-842-1919 ext. 201 and ask to speak to Fr. Robert Sprott, O.F.M., if any parishioners are hospitalized or homebound, so we can visit and pray for them. Hospitals do not notify us of a parishioner's admittance. Even if you do mention this at Sunday Mass, please make allowance for poor memory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

The Evangelization Board is seeking new members. The Board plays a key role both in growing our parish and in deepening our discipleship. Please consider helping out, and if you are interested in finding out more about the Board or in signing up for it, please contact Fr. Bob or Michael Maher.



Fall Back to Good Health - Health Fair
Saturday, September 5, 2015



St. James Social Care in partnership with Rush University will host free health screenings and information that includes: blood pressure & blood sugar screening, stroke, nutrition information, vision, health & dental education. We invite you to the free Health Fair which will be

located in the parish hall parking lot on Saturday, September 5 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Your Help is Needed Saturday,
September 5, 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Please support the Food Pantry Saturday, September 5. We need help setting up, assisting and registering clients during the Health Fair. Please sign up at the back of the hall if you can help that day.

TREASURE

Sunday Collection Report

August 9, 2015 - 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Envelopes	\$ 1,232.00
Loose Cash & Checks	\$ 1,165.80
Electronic Giving	\$505.00
Collection Total	\$ 2,902.80

SUNDAY COLLECTION MONTHLY BREAKDOWN

2015	Envelopes	%	Loose	%	Electronic	%	Total
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
June	\$9,918.00	66%	\$2,694.29	18%	\$2,390.00	16%	\$15,002.29
July	\$6,692.00	50%	\$3,337.08	25%	\$3,390.00	25%	\$13,419.08
	\$51,331.50	56%	\$21,466.44	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 Mary Healy Robert Helem Elise James	Benjamin Jefferson Mel Keys Candace Lane Christopher Lane Wayne Lambert Mary Madrigal Latona Merchant Paul Mesirov Mary Moore 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

August 9, 2015: 102(9:30 a.m.)/ 30(11:30 a.m.)
 August 16, 2015: 126(9:30 a.m.)/35(11:30 a.m.)

NEXT WEEK'S LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

For Sunday

August 30, 2015

Lectors

9:30 a.m. Jim Sherman & Sherri Seyfried

11:30 a.m. Thomas Raclaw & Clarissa Algetera

Communion Ministers

9:30 a.m. Bob Gaggiano (Bread),
 Deborah Cooper, Julia Hodges,
 Leona Martin, and Melby Phillips

11:30 a.m. Eva Leonard & Christine Pao

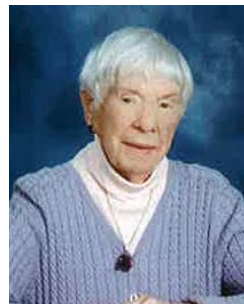
Greeters

9:30 a.m. Tricia Koestner

11:30 a.m. Fran Williams

Altar Servers To Be Announced

May Catherine Nachel rest in peace...



Kay Nachel passed at Mercy Hospital, in their hospice care floor, on Monday morning, August 17, a few weeks shy of her 101st birthday. She had been a member of St. James parish for decades, and our prayers are with her, her sisters, and all the family.

The Wake was last Wednesday, August 19, at Beverly Ridge Funeral Home located at 10415 S.

Kedzie. The Funeral and Reception was held last Thursday at St. John Fisher located at 10234 S. Washtehew. Kay was buried Friday, August 21, 2015.

Today begins our on-campus Sunday afternoon mass. That mass will be at 4 p.m.. The on-campus mass for the first few weeks of the school year will be in Hermann Hall. It will move to its permanent location at Carr Chapel once construction there has been completed.

The annual Missionary Cooperative Plan for the Archdiocese of Chicago is coming up! Mr. Paul Wheeler of the Comboni Lay Missionaries will be visiting us on Sunday, August 30, to speak about their mission work in Peru, Ethiopia, and Malawi. He is the director of a program that trains lay Catholics who are single or married to serve in Latin America or Africa for three years. There will be a second collection to support their mission work. More information about them may be found online at www.laymission-comboni.org



LOOKING AHEAD

Sun 8/23	21st Sunday in Ordinary Time	
	8:30 a.m.	Choir Rehearsal
	10:30 a.m.	Mass (Hall) † <i>Robert C. Dybas by Virginia Piecuch</i> † <i>Ulden Revoal by Rochelle Lee</i>
	10:40 a.m.	Children's Liturgy of the Word
	11:30 a.m.	Mass (Hall) † <i>Lucille Woods by Alice Morgan</i>
	4:00 p.m.	Mass (Herman Hall on IIT Campus)
Mon 8/24	7:30 a.m.	Mass (Tolton Chapel — Rectory) † <i>Leo Coffey - request by Eileen Coffey</i>
Tue 8/25	7:30 a.m.	Mass (Tolton Chapel — Rectory) † <i>Deceased members of Croistierre Family - request by Josie Bertucci</i>
Wed 8/26	7:30 a.m.	Mass (Tolton Chapel — Rectory) † <i>Caroline Tadin - request by Virginia Picken</i>
Thur 8/27	7:30 a.m.	Mass (Tolton Chapel — Rectory)
Fri 8/28	7:30 a.m. 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.	Mass (Tolton Chapel — Rectory) Office open by appointment only
Sun 8/30	22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time	
	8:30 a.m.	Choir Rehearsal
	10:30 a.m.	Mass (Hall) † <i>Mr. & Mrs. Walter Kruszynski by Ron Zivkovic</i> † <i>Ulden Revoal by Rochelle Lee</i>
	10:40 a.m.	Children's Liturgy of the Word
	11:30 a.m.	Mass (Hall) † <i>Lucille Woods by Alice Morgan</i>
	4:00 p.m.	Mass (Hermann Hall on IIT Campus)

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

Eucharistic Adoration

Friday, September 4 - 7:00 p.m. to 12:00 a.m.
(Parish Hall)

Health Fair

Saturday, September 5 - 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
(Parish Hall Grounds)

Office & Food Pantry Closed

Monday, September 6

Eucharistic Adoration

Friday, October 2 - 7:00 p.m. to 12:00 a.m.
(Parish Hall)

Parish & Student Fall Retreat

Saturday, October 3 - 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.
(IIT Campus)

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NEWS YOU CAN USE

Eucharistic Adoration

1st Fridays Beginning Sept. 4

St. James Catholic Church
2912 S. Wabash Avenue
Parish Hall (Behind School)
7 p.m. - 12 a.m.



Sister Janet Stelken, PBVM, Volunteer Pastoral Caregiver for the Elderly and Homebound, began sharing her ministry here at St. James in the fall of 2014 when she moved to Chicago.

The oldest of eleven children and a native of Farley, Iowa, Sister Janet entered the convent after graduating from high school in

1963. She served as a teacher early in her career, and later in leadership for her order and in senior ministry. She is a graduate of Clarke University, Dubuque, Iowa and Loyola University Chicago. She is from the same order as Sister Barbara Rastatter who served our community for many years. You may contact Sr. Janet at 312-842-1919 ext. 206

Thank You From Victoria Allen.

To My St. James Parish Family,

Thank you for all the love, prayers and support, you all have given since I suffered a stroke two years ago. It is such a joy and blessing to be able to attend Mass at St. James again.

*God Bless & Peace!
Victoria*



Pictured are (left to right) Gloria Bonner, and Victoria Allen at 9:30 Mass, Sunday August 16.

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