

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 preparation through our adult Confirmation and R.C.I.A. class. Contact
Michael Maher at 312-842

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Bells from the tower of the former St. James Church

SUNDAY MASS

9:30 and 11:30 a.m. in the Parish Hall 4 p.m. in Carr Chapel at I.I.T.

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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FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

TIME AND TIME AGAIN



So Saturday is Halloween, which probably not all of us will be participating in. And it is also the Saturday when the clocks get turned back an hour, which certainly all of us will be participating in, even if we

forget to do it. Those of us who show up an hour early for mass next Sunday will no doubt regret our having not taken advantage of the year's single opportunity for an absolutely free extra hour of sleep, but after that it is easy enough to change the watches and the clocks, and just get on with it. The twice-a-year time change no longer splits the year into perfectly equal halves, but we get used to it and take it in stride.

Maybe it even seems like a righteous and just thing, this thing that we do to time twice every year. In the spring and in the fall we change time, either adding an hour or subtracting an hour from a day. We change time, in a very small way, but it's the best we can do by way of payback to time, which is always changing us. For the youngest among us, the change is great and very rapid – every year they add inches to their height, and every year they can do more and more, as time continually changes them into larger, stronger versions of themselves. For the older set, the changes time works can seem more subtle and more slow. You get to a certain point and one year pretty much seems like the one before, we don't seem to change very much at all, or at least not very fast. And yet we are, and we know it when we pause to look at ourselves seriously. The years pile up and they weigh us down, and we are different from what we were – we have been changed by time.

Or have we? This whole way of looking at time presumes that time is a reality separate and apart from us. St. Augustine, however, in Book XI of his *Confessions*, makes a plausible argument that time does *not* exist separately and apart from us and everything else. "What is time?" he asks, and then answers with one of his more famous sayings, "So long as nobody asks me what it is, I know; but when an answer is demanded of me, it's then that I can't really say." We normally divide time into present, past, and future, and our mental image of it is something like a river: time flows into the present from the future, and then flows through the present into the past. Yet when we look more carefully at things, we realize that the truth cannot be anything like this. Neither the past nor the future can have any real existence, and as for the present, it rather quickly shrinks down to nothing. The "present year," after all, consists of some months that are past and some that are off in the future. We can say the same kind of thing about "the present hour" and even "present minute" – some seconds are already gone, some are yet to be, and only the present one has any claim to reality. And even a second can be divided and sub-divided, so that "the present" winds up a nullity, a nothing.

So what is time? If it has any reality at all, where does that reality lie? Augustine answers that so far as he can see time is only a *distentio*, or a kind of stretching, of the human mind – if time is elsewhere, other than in the mind, he cannot imagine where it might be. There are, of course, answers that we could give back to Augustine, but on the day when Daylight Savings Time comes to an end, maybe it would be enough just to rest a while with the question, the question that so stumped Augustine and that we so seldom think about: What is time?

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

AT ST. JAMES

Readings



FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 25, 2015

Sunday: Jer 31:7-9/Heb 5:1-6/Mk 10:46-52

Monday: Rom 8:12-17/Lk 13:10-17 Tuesday: Rom 8:18-25/Lk 13:18-21 Wednesday: Eph 2:19-22/Lk 6:12-16 Thursday: Rom 8:31b-39/Lk 13:31-35 Friday: Rom 9:1-5/Lk 14:1-6

Saturday: Rom 11:1-2a, 11-12, 25-29/Lk 14:1, 7-11 Next Sunday: Rv 7:2-4, 9-14/1 Jn 3:1-3/Mt 5:1-12a

On – Campus Mass Sundays at 4 p.m. I.I.T Carr Chapel (aka "God Box")



IIT Athletics has teamed up with the St. James Food Pantry!

While people are often mindful about food for the needy, toiletries are also in great need, and food stamps cannot be used to buy them. Imagine what it would be like if you

couldn't afford deodorant, shampoo, or toothpaste. How would people treat you? How would you find a job? Please support the IIT athletes and help those in need by going to the games and bringing items to donate:

Tuesday, October 27, 6 p.m. at Keating, Shampoo Drive at the Women's Volleyball Game

Tuesday, October 27, 7p.m. at Stuart Field, Shampoo Drive at the Women's Soccer Game

Wednesday, October 28, 7p.m. at Stuart Field, *Deodorant Drive at the Men's Soccer Game*

Saturday, October 31, 1p.m .at Keating, *Toothpaste Drive at the Swimming & Diving Meet*



St. James Court # 129 Ladies of Peter Claver



Invite you to join us for a trip to

FOUR WINDS CASINO

Saturday, November 14, 2015 from 10:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Central Time

Donation \$40 and receive \$15 instant play credit and \$10 food credit.

Bus loads at 8:30 a.m. and leaves at 9:00 a.m. sharp from St. James Church parking lot - 2942 S. Wabash. The Bus will return approximately 6:00 p.m.

Purchase tickets from any Lady of Peter Claver Court # 129.

TREASURE

Sunday Collection Report			
October 11, 2015 - 27 th Sunday in Ordinary Time			
Envelopes	\$706.00		
Loose Cash & Checks	\$299.20		
Electronic Giving	\$725.00		
Collection Total	\$ 1,730.20		

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
Aug	\$8,233.00	54%	\$4,577.54	25%	\$5,210.00	29%	\$18,020.54
Sept	\$5,716.00	42%	\$3,547.18	26%	\$4,265.00	32%	\$13,528.18
	\$65,280.50	53%	\$29,591.16	24%	\$28,319.00	23%	\$123,190.66

PLEASE PRAY FOR...



Finis Abernathy Victoria Allen Ashley Alvarez Eric Alvarez **Dorothy Barnes Margie Bass** Barbara Bassett James Bowman **Edwina Cook** Kathleen Folev Paul & Jane Freeman Cathy Garcia Mary Healy Robert Helem Elise James

Benjamin Jefferson Mel Kevs Candace Lane **Christopher Lane** Wayne Lambert **Stephanie Linton** Mary Madrigal Latona Merchant **Paul Mesirow** 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 Jennifer Warnick **Dina Williams Audrey Winfrey**

Mass Attendance

October 11, 2015: 85(9:30 a.m.)/ 23(11:30 a.m.) October 18, 2015: 98(9:30 a.m.)/ 39(11:30 a.m.)

NEXT WEEK'S LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

For Sunday

November 1, 2015

Lectors

9:30 a.m. Br. Chris Buck & Darren Haley

11:30 a.m. Eva J. Leonard & Marian Jones

Communion Ministers

9:30 a.m. Deacon Alfred Coleman (Bread),

Barbara Sutton, Br. Chris Buck, Abigail Searles and Josie Bertucci

11:30 a.m. Deacon Alfred Coleman & Verda Abernathy

Greeters

9:30 a.m. Julia Hodges

11:30 a.m. James Fonder



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.

SOLEMN VESPERS ON HALLOWEEN

Holy Cross Monastery (at the corner of 31st St. and Aberdeen in Bridgeport) will sing Vespers for the Feast of All Saints on Saturday, October 31, at 5:15 p.m. in the monastery church. The evening prayer service features both Gregorian chant and 16th century polyphonic musical selections by Francisco Guerrero and Hernando Franco. There is no admission fee, but freewill offerings are gratefully accepted.

St. Rita High School Mother's Club Vendor Fair Thursday, November 5, 2015 6:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.

The St. Rita of Cascia High School Mothers' Club is hosting their Annual Vendor Fair Thursday, November 5 from 6:30 p.m. until 9:30 p.m. in the St. The Dining Hall. All are welcome. Admission is \$5 and includes one raffle ticket plus ho d'oeuvres, desserts, soda, water and coffee. Additional raffle tickets and a cash bar of beer and wine will be available. Vendors will be on hand with clothing, chocolates, art, jewelry, food, candles, and much more... For more information please contact Margie Hopkins at (773) 925-6600 ext. 6516 or mhopkins@stitahs.com.

PERPETUAL NOVENA TO ST. RITA OF CASCIA

Thursday, November 5, 7:00 p.m.

All are invited to the next monthly St. Tita of Cascia Novena Mass to be held Thursday, November 5, 2015 at the St. Tita of Cascia Shrine Chapel, 7740 S. Western Ave, Chicago, Il. Confesions wll take plaaeat 6:00 p.m. Mass and novena prayers will begin at 7:00 p.m. Secure and ample parking is available.

CHECK OUT OUR NEW WEBSITE: www.stjameswabash.org

LOOKING AHEAD

LOOKING AILAD				
30 th Sunday in Ordinary Time				
9:40 a.m. 10:45 a.m. 11:30 a.m. †	Mass (Hall) Kay Nachel - request by Nancy McCarthy Children's Liturgy of the Word Sunday School Mass (Hall) Paul Pao - request by Christine Pao			
4:00 p.m. 7:30 a.m. † 7:00 p.m.	Mass (Carr Chapel on IIT Campus) Mass (Tolton Chapel — Rectory) Kay Nachel- request by Nancy McCarthy Fr. Bob facilitates class: Western			
7:30 a.m.	Mass (Tolton Chapel — Rectory)			
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7:30 a.m. 9a.m 12p.m.	Mass (Tolton Chapel – Rectory) Office open by appointment only			
Solemnity of All Saints Second Collection - Sharing Parish St. Agatha				
	Sunday School			
	30 th 8:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 9:40 a.m. 10:45 a.m. 11:30 a.m. † 4:00 p.m. 7:30 a.m. 7:30 a.m. 7:30 a.m. 7:30 a.m. 7:30 a.m. 7:30 a.m. 9:40 a.m. 9:40 a.m. 10:45 a.m. 11:30 a.m. 2:00 p.m.			

Mark Your Calendari



First Friday's Eucharistic Adoration

Friday, November 6 7:00 p.m. - 12:00 a.m. (Parish Hall)

Walgreens Administers Flu Shots

Tuesday, November 17 - 9:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. (Food Pantry)

Thanksgiving Dinner for Seniors

Sunday, November 22 - 12:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.

(IIT campus at

the McCormick Student Center in the Ball Room.)

NEWS YOU CAN USE

THANKSGIVING EVENTS AND FESTIVITIES

Thanksgiving Dinner

St. James, in partnership with The Near South Rotary Club, will be hosting a Thanksgiving Dinner for Seniors. The dinner will be served on the Sunday before Thanksgiving, November 22, 2015 at 12:00 p.m. at IIT campus McCormick Student Center in the Ball Room.

Invitations are being sent out the week of October 19. If you wish to attend the dinner and have not received an invitation please call Erin Makowski (312-842-1919 Ext. 206) by Monday, November 16.



One of the highlights of the dinner will be piano music by Alderman Ed Burke!

CALLING ALL VOLUNTEERS

As you know, we need many volunteers to make this a successful event. Please stop in the back of the Hall and sign up!

RAFFLE PRIZES

One of the big events during the dinner is the drawing for Raffle Prizes! We are asking



you to donate to this cause. The following items are great gifts for the Seniors: towels and wash cloths, lotion, shampoo and other personal items. Hats, scarves and gloves are also welcome! Gift certificates for Jewel, Walgreens, Mariano's or Target make wonderful raffle prizes! Please bring your donated items to Erin Makowski by Monday, November 17, 2015.



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