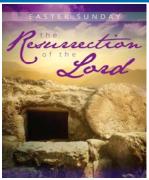


SAINT JAMES CATHOLIC CHURCH

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 312-842-1919 ext. 212 or maher@stjameswabash.org



Bells from the tower of the former St. James Church

SUNDAY MASS

9:30 and 11:30 a.m. in the Parish Hall

DAILY MASS

Monday - Friday 7:30 a.m. Tolton Chapel - Parish Rectory

RECONCILIATION

CONFESSIONS AT ST. JAMES 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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Scan this QR code with your smart phone's barcode scanner app and it will direct you to the parish webpage.



FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Easter is the divine affirmation of the importance of human life.

"We are Easter people and "alleluia" is our song," said St. Augustine. This great African saint was commenting on the constant tradition of the Church on the centrality of the events around Easter (the Pascal Mystery) for the Christian faith. While Easter might be most important in a spiritual sense, it doesn't always feel that way. In fact, if you look at the amount of preparation time we spend to get ready for a holiday we are much more of a Christmas people and "tis the season to be jolly" is our song. This is, in a way, understandable since we can relate to angels, shepherds and starry visitors more than a crowns of thorn, the cross and the tomb. But if we want to deepen our prayer life it behooves us to become in a more profound way an Easter people.

Christmas is about a child being born – something we all have in common. Easter is about new life – and we don't many experiences which help us understand what that means. When you look at the stories of the Resurrection appearances of Jesus, they have a very strong corporeal element. Jesus is shown eating, walking and talking, being touched. The gospel writers stress that the Risen Jesus is "not a ghost" but a genuine, though risen, human being. In our creeds we capture that belief in confessing "I believe in the resurrection of the body." Easter implies something very positive about being embodied.



The problem we have, of course, is that while Jesus has gone ahead of us in Resurrection life, we do not have any familiarity with what that entails. When we are confronting death we find consolation in the promise of heaven – "there are many dwelling places in my Father's house."

But that very consolation can cause us to miss the significance of our creedal faith in "the resurrection of the body" which Easter morning is all about. Easter is, therefore, the divine affirmation of the importance of human life. We don't live these few years on the earth merely to escape into some kind of vague "hereafter." Somehow or other, we know not how, all that we are as human beings is raised up in a new and richer existence. (St. Paul says we are raised up in a "spiritual body," which stretches language into poetry.) The Resurrection of Jesus is the model or template of our resurrection. As He is, we shall be.

Easter is the feast which reminds us to reverence our own and every human life. Each person has a destiny following our Elder Brother, the Risen Jesus. The corporal and spiritual works of mercy are a concrete manifestation of the honor due every individual. We are not simply taking care of this immediate need in the here and now. We are at the same time laying the groundwork for new life we will one day share together. No wonder we are Easter people and "alleluia" is our song.

Fr. John Edmunds, S.T.

AT ST. JAMES

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FOR THE WEEK OF March 27, 2016

Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17. Sunday:

22-23/Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8

Jn 20:1-9 or Lk 24:1-12 or Lk 24:13-35

Acts 2:14, 22-33/Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-11 Mt 28:8-15

Monday:

Tuesday: Acts 2:36-41/Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22

Jn 20:11-18

Wednesday: Acts 3:1-10/Ps 105:1-4, 6-9/Lk 24:13-35 Thursday: Acts 3:11-26/Ps 8:2, 5-9/Lk 24:35-48

Friday: Acts 4:1-12/Ps 118:1-2, 4, 22-27

Jn 21:1-14

Saturday: Acts 4:13-21/Ps 118:1, 14-21/Mk 16:9-15

Next Sunday: Acts 5:12-16/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24

Rv 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19/Jn 20:19-31

Bishop Perry's **Catholic Men's Conference Chicago Rebuild My Church**

Saturday, April 2, 2016 - 9:00 a.m. until noon

St. Ailbe Church in Chicago, Il. Keynote: Father Bob Lombardo, Franciscan Friars of the Renewal

Mass and Homily: Bishop Joseph N. Perry of Chicago Master of Ceremonies: Peter Palanca, Exec. VP, TASC, Inc.

> Presented by Catholic Men Chicago Southland "Living the Goodness of A Catholic Man"

Info and Registration on the CMCS Tumblr site:

-- CMCSVirtues.tumblr.com/conference --

Twitter hashtag: #CMCSVirutes

April 3 will be our
Jazz Masses.
Invite friends and family.





On April 17, Archbishop Cupich will bless the hall. There will be **ONE Mass at 10:30 a.m.** followed by a meal. There are sign-up sheets at the back of the hall to bring food!

DONATE AN ITEM TO BE AUCTIONED AT THIS YEAR'S JAZZIN' TO FEED EVENT

ITEMS TO DONATE INCLUDE: GIFT CERTIFICATES, GIFT BASKETS, SPORTS TICKETS, SPA SERVICES, ART PIECES, TRAV-EL PACKAGES, TIME SHARE OPTIONS, AND NEW ITEMS.

PLEASE CONTACT PETER WAWIRE (312-842-1919 EXT. 213)

TREASURE

SUNDAY COLLCTION REPORT January 1 — March 13

SUNDAY	2016	2015	CHANGE
ENVELOPES	\$20,085.00	\$17,328.50	\$2,756.50
LOOSE CHECKS	\$6,925.00	\$6,363.00	\$562.00
LOOSE CASH	\$2,549.36	\$1,713.73	\$835.63
ON-LINE	\$9,395.00	\$6,860.00	\$2,535.00
TOTAL SUNDAY	<u>\$38,954.36</u>	<u>\$32,265.23</u>	<u>\$6,689.13</u>
BUILDING MAINTENANCE	\$569.00	\$593.00	(\$24.00)
SAINT AGATHA	\$1,532.12	\$1,030.07	\$502.05
TOLTON CANONIZATION	\$408.85	\$0.00	\$408.85
TOTAL OTHER	\$2,509.97	\$1,623.07	<u>\$886.90</u>
TOTAL GIVING	\$41,464.33	\$33,888.30	\$7,576.03

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 always grateful for more.

PLEASE PRAY FOR...



Mel Kevs Candace Lane Christopher Lane Wayne Lambert **Stephanie Linton** James & Linda Kennard Mary Madrigal Nancy McCarthy Latona Merchant **Paul Mesirow** Mary Moore Joan Noble Margaret Page Cvnthia Peacock Francis Quiglev Darlene Racker Daisy Keel Barbara Radziwon Sr. Barbara Rastatter

David Revnolds James Revnolds Sandra Reynolds **Philip Ricks** Norman Rouse **Mary Sanders Christine Schatte Barbara Southall** Catherine Spraggins Fr. Bob Sprott **Bette Strickland** Bob Swiderski **Esther Toliver** Clayton & Sarah Whitlow Jennifer Warnick Dina Williams **Audrey Winfrey** Ron Zivkovic

Mass Attendance

March 6, 2016: 126(9:30 a.m.)/ 70(11:30 a.m.) March 20, 2016: 138(9:30 a.m.)/ 54(11:30 a.m.)

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

For Sunday

April 3, 2016

Lectors

9:30 a.m. Virginia Piechuch & Michael McLaughlin

11:30 a.m. Cynthia Cooper & Julia Hodges

Communion Ministers

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

11:30 a.m. Deacon Alfred Coleman & Eva J. Leonard

Greeters

9:30 a.m. To Be Announced 11:30 a.m. To Be Announced



Pastoral Care for the Homebound

Please call 312-842-1919 ext. 201 and ask to speak to Fr. John Edmunds, S.T. 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.

ARCDIOCESE OF CHICAO PARISHIONER SURVEY

Archbishop Cupich wants your input.

When Archbishop Cupich announced the "Renew My Church" initiative in January, he invited everyone in the Archdiocese of Chicago to participate in the process of revitalizing our parish communities. Just as Pope Francis asked Catholics across the globe for their input prior to the Synod of Bishops meetings in 2014 and 2015, Archbishop Cupich is asking for your help as the Archdiocese begins a new listening phase of this important effort.

Please take time to respond to a survey designed to help Archbishop Cupich and the Archdiocese better understand the perspectives of Catholics across Cook and Lake Counties. The survey will be available beginning on Easter Sunday at: www.archchicago.orgrenew

We encourage you to complete the survey online. Paper copies will be available.

ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO (2.11)
WWW.ARCHCHICAGO.ORG

Surveys will be distributed with the bulletins on April 3 and April 10. These need to be turned in at Mass on Sunday, April 17. There will be boxes marked "**surveys**" in the hall. These two surveys will help the Evangelization Board set goals and plans as we move our parish forward.

Your opinions are needed!

ST. JAMES · CHICAGO

LOOKING AHEAD

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Sun 03/27 Easter Sunday					
	8:30 a.m. Choir Rehearsal 9:30 a.m. Mass † Jim Sherman - request by Virginia Picken				
	9:40 a.m. Children's Liturgy of the Word 10:45 a.m. Sunday School (Hall Basement) Easter Egg Hunt (Hall Grounds) Mass				
Mon 03/28	7:30 a.m. Mass (Tolton Chapel — Rectory) Bernard Pleasant Griffard - request by Virginia Picken	,			
Tue 03/29	7:30 a.m. Mass (Tolton Chapel — Rectory) 9am - 11:30am SNAP Assistance (Food Pantry)				
Wed 03/30	7:30 a.m. Mass (Tolton Chapel — Rectory)				
Thur 03/31	7:30 a.m. † Mass (Tolton Chapel — Rectory) **Lorraine Martin - request by Sr. Tess	•			
Fri 04/01	7:30 a.m. Mass (Tolton Chapel — Rectory) Office open by appointment only 7p.m - 10 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration (Hall)				
Sat 04/02	10:00 a.m. Evangelization Board Meeting (Rectory	7)			
Sun 04/03	Second Sunday of Easter Second Collection - Sharing Parish St. Agatha				
	8:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m. Mass † Mass Jim Sherman - request by Virginia Picken 9:40 a.m. 10:45 a.m. 11:30 a.m. Mass Choir Rehearsal Mass Jim Sherman - request by Virginia Picken Children's Liturgy of the Word Sunday School (Hall Basement) Mass				
	12:30 p.m. Ladies of Peter Claver Meeting (Hall Basement)				

MARK YOUR CALENDARI

Eucharistic Adoration

Friday, April 1 - 7:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. (Parish Hall)

Live Jazz at St. James (Rose Colella & Dan Murphy)

Tuesday, April 5 - 7:00 p.m.

(Parish Hall)

Jazzin' to Feed

Saturday, April 9 -

VIP Reception 5 p.m.-7 p.m.

Main Event 7 p.m. - 10 p.m.

(De La Salle Institute 3434 S. Michigan Ave.)

Archbishop Cupich to Bless the Hall

Sunday, April 17 - 10:30 a.m. (Parish Hall)

Eucharistic Adoration

Friday, May 6 - 7:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. (Parish Hall)

NEWS YOU CAN USE





Eucharistic Adoration

1st Fridays April 1, 2016 St. James Catholic Church 2912 S. Wabash Avenue Parish Hall (Behind School) 7 p.m.-10 p.m.

St. James Social Care wishes to thank and acknowledge the Charity Grants received from the Knights of Peter Claver Ladies Auxiliary Northern States District for 2014 and prior years.

We are grateful and thankful for the recent, January 2016, grant of \$1500 awarded to St. James Social Care, Food Pantry from the National Foundation of the Knights of Peter Claver for its work throughout the community.