

# 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.*



*Saint James Church is staffed by  
the priests and brothers of the  
Missionary Servants of the Most  
Holy Trinity*

## 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  
on the first Friday of the month,  
7:30-8:30pm, or 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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**FEBRUARY 12, 2017 · 6TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

## ON THE WAY....



Welcome to African-American Heritage Sunday at St. James. This festivity provides an opportunity to express gratitude for the elders upon whose shoulders we stand today. We can also reflect on the larger role that African-Americans have played in the life of the

Catholic Church in the United States. I highly recommend *The History of Black Catholics in the United States* by Cyprian Davis, OSB, a monk from St. Meinrad's Archabbey who died in 2015. Fr. Davis sketches out the triumph and the tragedy of Black Catholic history that has been "lost, stolen or strayed."

The obvious fact is that Black Catholics are a minority in a minority. The best current estimate is that there are approximately 2 million Black Catholics in the US – about two and one-half percent of the total Catholic population. (If you count recent immigrants to the US from Africa and the Caribbean the numbers are higher.) While 2 million might seem small compared with the 66 million Catholics it is more than the TOTAL number of Jehovah's Witnesses, Seventh Day Adventists and members of the Church of God.

The Civil Rights movement in the United States prompted a re-thinking of the role that African-American Catholics should play in the US. Leaders like Archbishop James Lyke, OFM; Sister Thea Bowman, OFPA, and Brother (later Father) Joseph Davis, SM, articulated the desire to be both authentically Catholic and authentically Black. They realized that much of the cultural baggage of the Church was European, not specifically Catholic. Institutions such as the Black Catholic Clergy Caucus, the Institute for Black Catholic Studies at Xavier University in New Orleans and Augustus Tolten Pastoral Ministry Program at CTU have over the years been able to point out a way forward for Black Catholics.

In 1984 the African-American bishops in the US issued a pastoral letter entitled *What We Have Heard and Seen*. In the letter they describe some of the characteristics of Black Spirituality. It is 1) contemplative, that is aware of God's presence permeating existence; 2) wholistic, including body and soul, mind and emotion, action and contemplation, individual and community, the sacred and the secular; 3) joy-filled, celebrative in rhythm and song, color and sensation, movement and feeling; and 4) communitarian, worshipping in a way that spills out in social justice. We at St. James try to embody that spirituality every day.

Let me end by quoting from St. Pope John Paul II who addressed the Black Catholic leadership in New Orleans in 1987. "Your black cultural heritage enriches the Church and makes her witness of universality more complete. In a real way, the Church needs you just as you need the Church, for you are part of the Church and the Church is part of you... I express my deep love and esteem for the black Catholic community in the United States. Its vitality is a sign of hope for society. Composed as you are of many lifelong Catholics, and many who have more recently embraced the faith, together with a growing immigrant community, you reflect the Church's ability to bring together a diversity of people united in faith, hope and love, sharing a communion with Christ in the Holy Spirit."

Peace,

*Fr. John Edmunds, S.T*

## AT ST. JAMES

# Readings



FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 12, 2017

Readings for the Week of February 12, 2017

Sunday: Sir 15:15-20/Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 17-18, 33-34  
1 Cor 2:6-10/Mt 5:17-37 or 5:20-22a, 27-28, 33-34a, 37

Monday: Gn 4:1-15, 25/Ps 50:1, 8, 16bc-17, 20-21  
Mk 8:11-13

Tuesday: Gn 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10/Ps 29:1a, 2, 3ac-4, 3b, 9c-10/Mk 8:14-21

Wednesday: Gn 8:6-13, 20-22/Ps 116:12-15, 18-19  
Mk 8:22-26

Thursday: Gn 9:1-13/Ps 102:16-21, 29, 22-23  
Mk 8:27-33

Friday: Gn 11:1-9/Ps 33:10-15/Mk 8:34--9:1

Saturday: Heb 11:1-7/Ps 145:2-5, 10-11/Mk 9:2-13

Next Sunday: Lv 19:1-2, 17-18/Ps 103:1-4, 8, 10, 12-13  
1 Cor 3:16-23/Mt 5:38-48



Valentine's Day 2017  
Tuesday, February  
14th Seating: 6-8PM  
Prix Fixe Dinner  
Just pure romance .served in our Old Eagle Room



Menu will include Carved Certified Angus Beef® Boneless Rib eye, Rack of Pork, Wild Alaskan Salmon, and Pasta (vegetarian) accompanied by excellent sides and desserts.

\$50 per person/FULL;  
\$35 per person/VEGETARIAN  
27th Anniversary Special:  
Three-Course Wine Pairings \$27  
RESERVATIONS REQUIRED  
3322 South Morgan Street  
(complimentary parking lot)  
(773) 927-7656



## TREASURE

### SUNDAY COLLECTION REPORT

JANUARY 1 - JANUARY 29

| SUNDAY              | 2017               | 2016               | CHANGE            |
|---------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| ENVELOPES           | \$7,116.00         | \$6,613.00         | \$503.00          |
| LOOSE CHECKS        | \$2,152.00         | \$3,234.00         | (\$1,082.00)      |
| LOOSE CASH          | \$1,185.10         | \$712.56           | \$472.54          |
| ON-LINE             | \$4,281.00         | \$4,495.00         | (\$214.00)        |
| <b>TOTAL SUNDAY</b> | <b>\$14,734.10</b> | <b>\$15,054.56</b> | <b>(\$320.46)</b> |
| BUILDING            |                    |                    |                   |
| MAINTENANCE         | \$167.00           | \$228.00           | (\$61.00)         |
| SAINT AGATHA        | \$296.93           | \$443.25           | (\$146.32)        |
| TOLTON              |                    |                    |                   |
| CANONIZATION        | \$326.00           | \$383.85           | (\$57.85)         |
| <b>TOTAL OTHER</b>  | <b>\$789.93</b>    | <b>\$1,055.10</b>  | <b>(\$265.17)</b> |
| <b>TOTAL GIVING</b> | <b>\$15,524.03</b> | <b>\$16,109.66</b> | <b>(\$585.63)</b> |

## 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...



Victoria Allen  
Ashley Alvarez  
Eric Alvarez  
Louise Bacon  
Dorothy Barnes  
Margarie Bass  
Barbara Bassett  
James Bowman  
Edwina Cook  
Sandra Davis  
Kathleen Foley  
James Fonder  
Paul & Jane  
Freeman  
Cathy Garcia  
Mary Healy  
Robert Helem

Elise James  
Mel Keys  
James & Linda  
Kennard  
Mary Madrigal  
Nancy McCarthy  
Latona Merchant  
Joan Noble  
Margaret Page  
Cynthia Peacock  
Darlene Racker  
Daisy Keel  
Barbara Radziwon  
Sr. Barbara Rastatter  
David Reynolds  
James Reynolds  
Sandra Reynolds

Philip Ricks  
Norman Rouse  
Mary Sanders  
Christine Schatte  
Geraldine Scudder  
Barbara Southall  
Catherine Spraggins  
Bette Strickland  
Bob Swiderski  
Esther Toliver  
Clayton & Sarah  
Whitlow  
Jennifer Warnick  
Ayana Whitehead  
Dina Williams  
Audrey Winfrey  
Ron Zivkovic

### Mass Attendance

January 29th, 2017: 149(9:30 a.m.)/54 (11:30 a.m.)  
February 5th, 2017: 119(9:30 a.m.)/48(11:30 a.m.)

## LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

For Sunday

February 19, 2017

### Lectors

9:30 a.m. Virginia Piecuch & Student

11:30 a.m. Thomas Raclaw & Student

### Communion Ministers

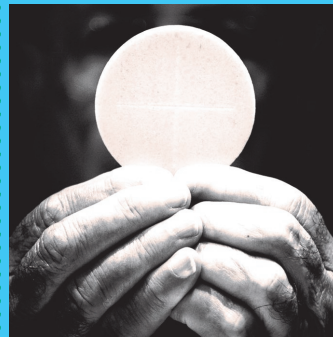
9:30 a.m. Oreaan Perry, Student, Christopher Buck, Cynthia Cooper & Josie Bertucci

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

### Greeters

9:30 a.m. Barbara Ricks

11:30 a.m. Fran Williams



If you are a Communion Minister, or are interested in becoming one or learning more about it, LTP's virtual workshop series continues Wednesday, February 15 at 6:30.

The series will explore the theological, practical, and spiritual aspects of serving as an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion. There is no cost to attend, but please plan on arriving a little early since these internet workshops begin at 6:30pm sharp in the rectory.

St. James is working on a parish cookbook, titled, *Rather, When You Give a Banquet*. The St. James Cookbook Committee is accepting ANY submissions, either written or electronic. A "camera-ready" submission (with photo if possible) would work best.



"Camera-ready" means in either PDF or JPEG format, measuring no bigger than 7 1/2 x 6 inches. If you have any other questions, please contact either Monique Germain (moniquejgermain@ameritech.net) or Joseph O'Shea (aboshea@aol.com). Happy Cooking!"

## LOOKING AHEAD

|              |   |
|--------------|---|
| Sun<br>2/12  | <b>African American Heritage Mass</b><br><b>6th Sunday in Ordinary Time</b><br><b>Second Collection Food and Toiletries for Food Pantry</b> |
|              | 8:30 a.m. Choir Rehearsal   |
|              | 9:30 a.m. Mass<br>† <i>Sarah &amp; Bridget Gaggiano- requested by Bob Gaggiano</i><br>† <i>Jackie Patch - requested by Shirley Barker</i>   |
|              | 10:40 a.m. Children's Liturgy of the World  |
|              | 11:30 a.m. African American Heritage Luncheon   |
| Mon<br>2/13  | 7:30 a.m. Mass (Tolton Chapel — Rectory)<br>† <i>Beatrice Goldsmith - requested by Eileen Coffey</i>  |
|              | 1:00 p.m. Bible Study (Rectory)   |
|              | 7:00 p.m. Bible Study (Rectory)   |
| Tue<br>2/14  | 7:30 a.m. Mass (Tolton Chapel — Rectory)<br>† <i>Iris Green - requested by Mary Jane Vogt</i>   |
| Wed<br>2/15  | 7:30 a.m. Mass (Tolton Chapel — Rectory)  |
| Thur<br>2/16 | 7:30 a.m. Mass (Tolton Chapel — Rectory)  |
| Fri<br>2/17  | 7:30 a.m. Mass (Tolton Chapel — Rectory)<br>† <i>Nevis Kohout- requested by Sr. Tess Marczy</i>   |
| Sun<br>2/19  | <b>7th Sunday in Ordinary Time</b><br><b>Annual Catholic Appeal</b>   |
|              | 8:30 a.m. Choir Rehearsal   |
|              | 9:30 a.m. Mass  |
|              | 9:40 a.m. Children's Liturgy of the World   |
|              | 10:40 a.m. Sharing Parishes Food Delivery   |
|              | 11:30 a.m. Mass<br>† <i>Sr. Clement Mazgelis, C.S.C.- requested by the O'Shea Family</i>  |
|              | 12:30 p.m. Bible Study  |
|              | 12:30 p.m. Campus Ministry Lunch and Meeting (Presentation Hall Basement)   |

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR!



**Fr. John First Course 'How to Read the Gospels'**  
*Feb 13, & 20, 2017 1:00 p.m. & 7:00 p.m.*  
(Rectory)

**Mass & African American Celebration**  
*Sunday, February 12 - 10:30 a.m. - Mass*  
*Celebration to follow Mass*  
(Parish Hall)

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## NEWS YOU CAN USE

# Events This January



**New Year's**

**Brunch**



**MLK Service & Bishop Perry Talk**



**Blessing of the Athletes**



**Dante's First Time Altar Serving!**



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