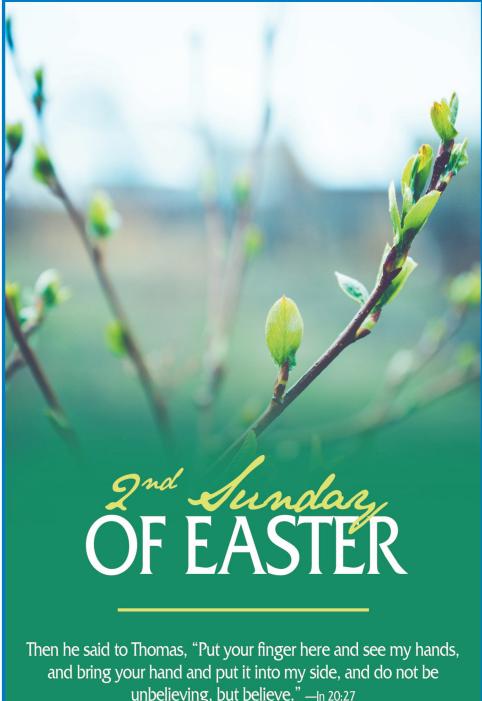


SAINT JAMES CATHOLIC CHURCH

St. James Roman Catholic Church, a diverse community rooted in vibrant Eucharistic Liturgy, serves those in need in partnership with others.



unbelieving, but believe." —Jn 20:27



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

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ON THE WAY....



Lent is over, Alleluia! That is not exactly the right sentiment but you get the idea. The tradition that has formed so many of us in honoring the spirit of Lent has not always spilled over into celebrating the days of Easter. In the thinking of the Church Lent/ Easter are part of a continuum. We should not simply think of the forty days of Lent but also of the fifty days of Easter (from Easter Sunday until Pentecost.) This fifty day season of Easter is just as important in the spiritual formation of a Christian as Lent. Let me point out the significance of the season.

Liturgically the fifty days of Easter are devoted to mystagogy. This big word can be summarized as an initiation into God's self-revelation. We've all experienced God's revelation. If you think about it, you can probably recall something that happened to you just a moment ago that you'd identify as God acting in your life. Certainly you've experienced an act of God within the last 24 hours. God is acting all the time. God is in every breath we take and every blink of our eyes. It's not as though God chooses some obscure moment to break into our lives with thunderbolts or floods. Just the opposite. God is *so* present that we sometimes take the ongoing, constant revelation of God for granted. We have to *remember* how God has been acting in our lives to fully see.

The Church recovered the idea of mystagogy in the restored catechumenate. During the fifty days of Easter the newly baptized shift from catechesis to experience. Through baptism that the catechumens are given the insight of the mystery of Christ. With that grace, they are brought to the table to eat and drink the full presence of Christ in way they have not yet fully encountered. The Easter season is a time to focus specifically on remembering that initiation into the Banquet in a systematic way. It is primarily a liturgical experience that takes place in the midst of the Sunday assembly. The neophytes might be gathered once or twice in the Easter season specifically to remember and explore the experience of their initiation at the Vigil. But the systematic, catechetical process of the catechumenate ended when Lent began. Now the neophytes enter into the ongoing adult faith formation process of the rest of the baptized. And that process is, of course, mystagogical.

The significance of the season for all the baptized is a reminder of the call to life-long formation. We as Catholics should be constantly at work deepening our prayer life, coming to a better understanding of the teachings of the Church, celebrating the presence of Christ in the gathered community, applying the ethical lessons of Catholic life in our daily existence, and growing in service to those who are in need. The Easter season prompts us to continue to let the presence of Christ change our minds and hearts.

Peace,

Fr. John Edmunds, S.T

AT ST. JAMES



FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 23, 2017

Readings for the Week of April 23, 2017

Sunday: Acts 2:42-47/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24

1 Pt 1:3-9/Jn 20:19-31

Monday: Acts 4:23-31/Ps 2:1-9/Jn 3:1-8 Tuesday: 1 Pt 5:5b-14/Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17

Mk 16:15-20

Wednesday: Acts 5:17-26/Ps 34:2-9/Jn 3:16-21

Thursday: Acts 5:27-33/Ps 34:2, 9, 17-20/Jn 3:31-36 Friday: Acts 5:34-42/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/Jn 6:1-15

Saturday: Acts 6:1-7/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19

Jn 6:16-21

Next Sunday: Acts 2:14, 22-33/Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-11

1 Pt 1:17-21/Lk 24:13-35

A BIG THANK YOU TO OUR STUDENTS AND PARISHIONERS WHO VOLUNTEERED THIS SCHOOL YEAR. WE APPRECIATE ALL THAT YOU DO.



LITURGICAL

MICHAEL DESCH
MARIO SERRANO
BETHANY ROSENTHAL
ABIGAIL SEARLES
JAMES PANEK
EMILY BARNETT
SHERLY LANDE
JOE WEGLARZ
GRACIE WISCHMEYER
XAVIER (XAVY) JOHN
KATIE MCCUTCHEON
AKASH RAINA
BRONSON MINTUN
ZACHARY BONSON
EMILY BARNETT

SYDNEY ROBERTSON

Erin Monforti Mminika Effiong Diana Velasquez

ELDER VISITS

Erin Monforti Joe Weglarz

TUTORS

Oluwasanmi Adeodu Archi Dsouza Christabel Rebello Juan Serrano Erin Monforti Alex Meyer Pilar Salazar Lozano Erin Myong

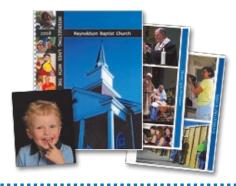
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TREASURE

SUNDAY COLLECTION REPORT				
JANUARY 1—APRIL 9				
<u>SUNDAY</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	CHANGE	
ENVELOPES	\$23,309.00	\$22,042.00	\$1,267.00	
LOOSE CHECKS	\$7,031.00	\$8,617.00	(\$1,586.00)	
LOOSE CASH	\$3,872.40	\$3,094.31	\$778.09	
ON-LINE	\$14,117.00	\$12,605.00	\$1,512.00	
TOTAL SUNDAY	\$48,329.40	<u>\$46,358.31</u>	\$1,971.09	
BUILDING				
MAINTENANCE	\$606.00	\$697.00	(\$91.00)	
SAINT AGATHA	\$1,339.25	\$1,840.17	(\$500.92)	
TOLTON				
CANONIZATION	\$652.34	\$640.60	\$11.74	
TOTAL OTHER	\$2,597.52	<u>\$3,177.77</u>	<u>(\$580.18)</u>	
TOTAL GIVING	\$50,926.99	\$49,536.08	\$1,390.91	

Parish Directory

Thank you to all of you who already took your picture for the Parish Directory. If you missed your chance there will be a make up date for pictures. It will be Sunday April 30 starting at 11:00 am. Please make your appointment in the back of the church. Thanks!



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.

Mass Attendance

April 9th, 2017: 164(9:30 a.m.)/89(11:30 a.m.) April 16th, 2017: 144(9:30 a.m.)/69(11:30 a.m.)

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

For Sunday

April 30, 2017

Lectors

9:30 a.m. TBA **11:30 a.m.** TBA

Communion Ministers

9:30 a.m. Julia Hodges, Barbara Sutton, Deborah Cooper, Cynthia Cooper, & Reshma Sekhar

11:30 a.m. Deacon Alfred Coleman & Mary Ellen Levine

Greeters

9:30 a.m. Eileen Coffey **11:30 a.m.** James Fonder

Altar Servers

9:30 a.m. Maya, Anna, & Dante

Knights of Peter Claver Ladies Auxiliary will dress in unity (turn-out in white unity garb) for the 11:30am Mass on Low Sunday, April 23rd and again on Mother Day, Sunday, May 14th at the 9:30am Mass. These dates April 23rd and May 14th are two of the five "turn-out" days required by the by-laws of this105 year old, Lay-Catholic service organization. The Knights of Peter Claver Ladies Auxiliary invite all to join us.

May, 2017 it is again time to fill the vacancies on the St. James Parish Council. We invite parishioners to consider joining and sharing their time and talents. Candidacy forms will be available to all at our Masses, upon requests via mail and email, just let us know. The deadline is May 3, 2017



PLEASE PRAY FOR...



Our Home Bound:

Judy Archer Margie Bass Barbara Bassett Altee Clark Edwina Cook James Fonder Paul & Jane
Freeman
Juanita James
James Kennard
Sr. Barbara
Rastatter
Norman Rouse
Geraldine Scudder
Barbara Southhall

Bette Strickland Dina Williams Our Sick: James Martin Carol Mullikin Sandra Reynolds Philip Ricks Ben Tchou

LOOKING AHEAD

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Sun 4/23		Second Sunday of Easter	
	8:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m. †		
	11:30 a.m.	Children's Liturgy of the World Mass Chinese Bible Study (Hall Basement)	
Mon 4/24	7:30 a.m. †	Mass (Tolton Chapel — Rectory) For the Intention of Fr. John Edmonds - requested by Josie Bertucci	
Tue 4/25	7:30 a.m. 9am - 11:30am †	1	
Wed 4/26	7:30 a.m. †	Mass (Tolton Chapel — Rectory) Anthos DiCola - requested by Ron Zivkovic	
Thur 4/27	7:30 a.m.	Mass (Tolton Chapel — Rectory)	
Fri 4/28	7:30 a.m. †	Mass (Tolton Chapel — Rectory) Pat Gaggiano - requested by Bob Gaggiano	
Sat 4/29	7:00 p.m.	Jazzin' To Feed (De La Salle Institute)	
Sun 4/30	Third Sunday of Easter Second Collection Tolton Canonization Fund		
	8:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m. †	Choir Rehearsal Mass Joseph Rekar- requested by Ron Zivkovic	
	9:40 a.m. 11:30 a.m. 12:30 a.m.	Mass	

Jazzin' To Feed April 29th 2017

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NEWS YOU CAN USE

Congratulations and Blessings to our Graduates. Peace, Love, and God be with you! Irewole Akande Allan Babu Helene Mennesson James Panek Gerard Simon Prosper Nashwin Thomas Jacob Jain Kallukalam

Matthew Jacobs Bethany Rosenthal Raul Norbert Pinto





Tom Frayne, beloved former pastor, died unexpectedly in New York while he was staying with close friends.

Patrick Canavan, a former of St. James parishioner, contacted us to let us know that Tom had attended a beautiful Holy Thursday liturgy with Pat's family; apparently, in the course of the evening, he mentioned several times that

Holy Thursday was his favorite time in the liturgical year. He went to bed and died in his sleep.



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