

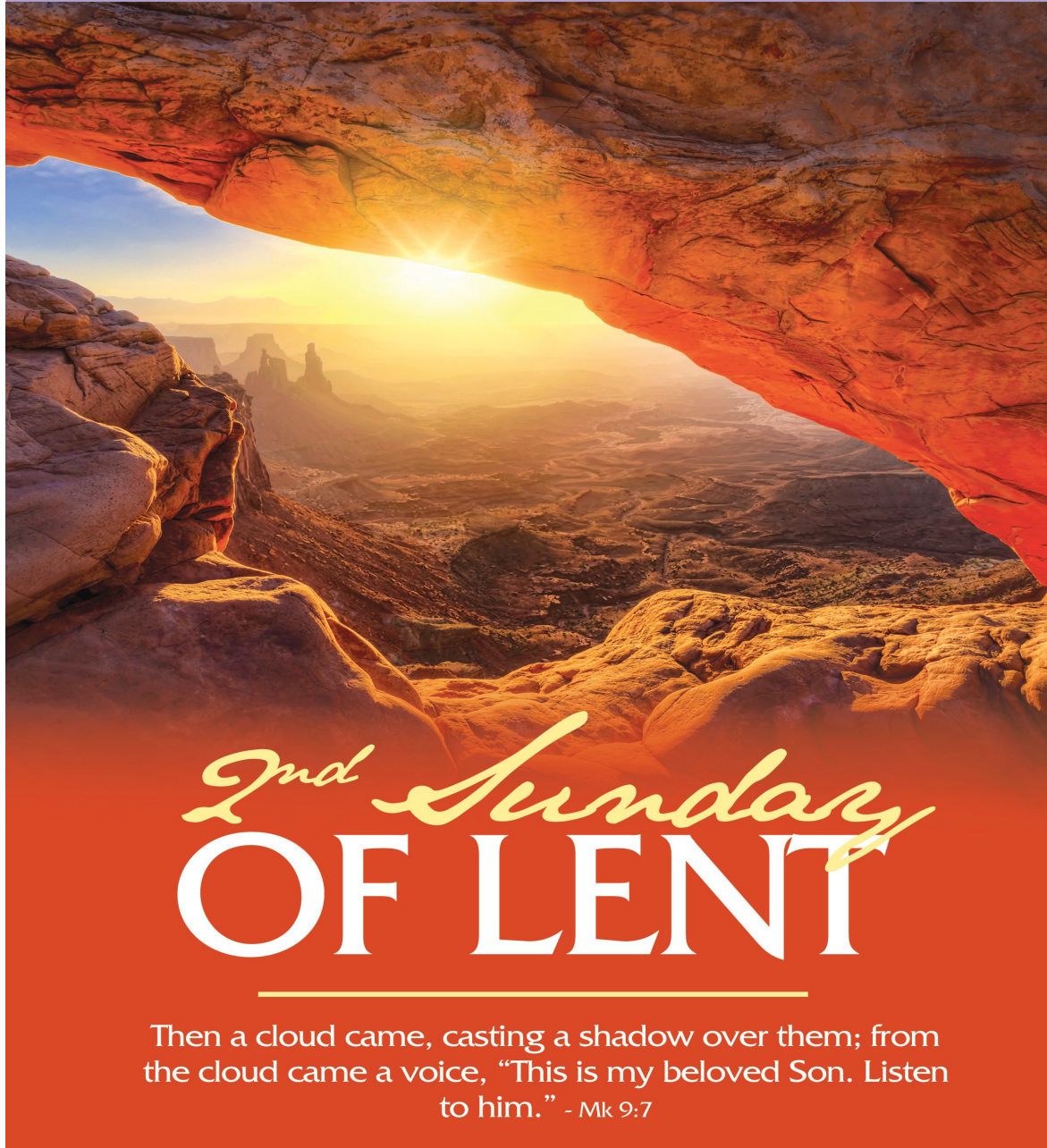


SAINT JAMES CATHOLIC CHURCH

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



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



2nd Sunday OF LENT

Then a cloud came, casting a shadow over them; from
the cloud came a voice, "This is my beloved Son. Listen
to him." - Mk 9:7

SUNDAY MASS

9:30 and 11:30 a.m.
Presentation 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,
7:30pm- 8:30pm,
or by appointment

OFFICE HOURS

Monday -Thursday
8:00am-4:00pm

Friday

9:00am-12:00pm
By appointment only

Saturday & Sunday
Closed

LOCATION

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Chicago, IL 60616

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 25, 2018

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| Sunday: | Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Ps 116:10, 15, 16-17, 18-19 [9]/Rom 8:31b-34/Mk 9:2-10 | Thursday: | Mt 20:17-28 |
| Monday: | Dn 9:4b-10/Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13 [cf. 103:10a] Lk 6:36-38 | | Jer 17:5-10/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 [40:5a] Lk 16:19-31 |
| Tuesday: | Is 1:10, 16-20/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23 [23b]/Mt 23:1-12 | Friday: | Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/Ps 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21 [5a]/Mt 21:33-43, 45-46 |
| Wednesday: | Jer 18:18-20/Ps 31:5-6, 14, 15-16 [17b] | Saturday: | Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12 [8a]/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32 |

FEBRUARY 25, 2018 2ND SUNDAY OF LENT

ON THE WAY....



May the grace and peace of the Holy Spirit be with us forever.

During the Sunday liturgies of the Lenten Season we will be celebrating the Rites of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA). These Rites are designed to incorporate the new members of our parish, ThiThi and Genevieve, into the life of the community. But more than that, the RCIA encourages the entire parish to slow down and examine ourselves in the light of the Pascal Mystery. As we invite the new members to conform their lives to the call of Christ, each of us are reminded that we fall short of fully living our lives as gospel people. While the RCIA is spiritual preparation for the "elect" (that is, those entering the Church) it reminds us that all of us have a call to conversion. Both the elect and the parish come together in prayer and reflection so that our hearts and minds can be renewed.

If you remember, during Advent the parish held a Rite of Acceptance for the elect. We blessed the elect and urged them to continue on their journey of faith. Last Sunday here at St. James we took the second step in the RCIA by celebrating the Rite of Sending. The parish sent the elect to Holy Name Cathedral. At the Cathedral the Rite of Election were celebrated, where all those adults in the Archdiocese who are to be baptized at the Easter Vigil will enroll in the Book of the Elect. In addition, those already baptized who are accepting full reception in the Church celebrated the Rite of the Call to Continuing Conversion. At the Rite of Election, the bishop announced what God has already done in the life of the elect and called them to the Easter Sacraments.

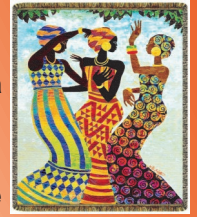
The RCIA describes Lent as the Period of Purification and Enlightenment. This period is given to the elect and to the whole Church as a time to cultivate our relationship with the living God. This period serves as a reminder that the most important aspect of being a Catholic is not memorizing the catechism or engaging in formal instruction. Rather, the parish joins with the elect in learning the art of prayer, of interior reflection as a member of the Body of Christ.

The primary rituals during the Lenten season to prepare the Elect for the Easter Sacraments are the three Scrutinies. Each scrutiny is designed to uncover and heal "all that is weak, defective, sinful ... and to bring out, then strengthen all this upright, strong, and good" (RCIA #141). Celebrated on the third, fourth, and fifth Sundays of Lent, these rites have their own special prayers and are assigned special readings from the Lectionary. These readings, from St. John's Gospel, highlight the process of conversion. As the elect experience the Scrutinies, the parish should also consider what needs healing in our midst. We are inviting ThiThi and Genevieve to join us knowing that we are not yet a perfect parish but counting on them to walk with us on our way toward becoming the new creation Christ calls us to be.

In the Most Holy Trinity,
Fr. John Edmunds, S.T

AT ST. JAMES....

I would like to thank everyone for all their hard work helping to make our African American Heritage celebration a success. I would like to especially thank the young adults who performed and the entertainment committee, the food committee, Amy for her assistance and support, Fr. John and Dan for the fantastic mass and all the volunteers that pitched in to bring it all together. It is truly appreciated.



Thanks
Jackie



The Lenten day of Service is coming up on Saturday March 10th. Please come and help the Food Pantry distribute food to those in

need. You will help give out fresh produce to over 200 of our clients. If you are interested please email Megan Clarke at volunteer@stjameswabash.org

TREASURE, TIME, & TALENT



Bible Study "The Gospel of John" Mondays, 1-2:30pm or 7-8:30pm, Feb. 26 – Mar. 12, 2018

St. James Rectory, 2942 S. Wabash Ave.
Fr. John Edmunds, S.T., is offering a FREE Bible Study course on the Gospel of John. The sessions are on Mondays in the rectory. Choose the time that works best for you... and bring a snack! All are welcome!!

SUNDAY COLLECTION REPORT

JANUARY 1— FEBRUARY 4

| SUNDAY | 2018 | 2017 | CHANGE |
|---------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| ENVELOPES | \$8,994.00 | \$7,116.00 | \$1,878.00 |
| LOOSE CHECKS | \$2,414.00 | \$2,152.00 | \$262.00 |
| LOOSE CASH | \$1,062.41 | \$1,185.10 | (\$122.69) |
| ON-LINE | \$5,885.00 | \$5,786.00 | \$99.00 |
| TOTAL SUNDAY | \$18,355.41 | \$16,239.10 | \$2,116.31 |
| BUILDING | | | |
| MAINTENANCE | \$213.00 | \$167.00 | \$46.00 |
| SHARING | | | |
| DONATIONS | \$973.84 | \$296.93 | \$676.91 |
| TOLTON | | | |
| CANONIZATION | \$349.93 | \$326.00 | \$23.93 |
| TOTAL OTHER | \$1,536.77 | \$789.93 | \$746.84 |
| TOTAL GIVING | \$19,892.18 | \$17,029.03 | \$2,863.15 |

In Our Prayers



Our Home Bound:

Judy Archer
Margie Bass
Barbara Bassett
Altee Clark
Edwina Cook
Margaret Frazier
Paul & Jane
Freeman
Juanita James

James Kennard

Sr. Barbara
Rastatter
Norman Rouse
Geraldine Scudder
Barbara Southhall
Bette Strickland
Dina Williams
Our Sick
Aayliah Cooper

Sandra Davis

Louie Lee
Joan Noble
Barbara Radizwon
Sandra Reynolds
Philip Ricks
Kimberly Starr
Sarah & Clanton
Whitlow

Mass Attendance

February 11, 2018: 194(10:30 a.m.)

February 18, 2018: 120(9:30 a.m.)/70(11:30 a.m.)

NEXT WEEK AT ST. JAMES....

| Sun 02/25 | Second Sunday of Lent | |
|---------------|--|--|
| | 8:30 a.m. | Choir Rehearsal |
| | 9:30 a.m. | Mass † <i>Finis Abernathy - requested by Audrey Winfrey</i> |
| | 9:40 a.m. | Children's Liturgy of the World |
| | 10:45 a.m. | Sunday School |
| | 11:30 a.m. | Mass |
| Mon 02/26 | 7:30 a.m. | Mass (Tolton Chapel — Rectory) |
| | 1:00 p.m. | Bible Study (Rectory) |
| | 7:00 p.m. | Bible Study (Rectory) |
| Tue 02/27 | 7:30 a.m. | Mass (Tolton Chapel — Rectory) |
| | 9:00 a.m. | SNAP Assistance (Food Pantry) |
| Wed 02/28 | 7:30 a.m. | Mass (Tolton Chapel — Rectory) |
| Thur 03/01 | 7:30 a.m. | Mass (Tolton Chapel — Rectory) |
| Fri 03/02 | 7:30 a.m. | Mass (Tolton Chapel — Rectory) |
| | 7:00 p.m. | Eucharistic Adoration (Presentation Hall) |
| Sat 03/03 | 10:00 a.m. | Sunday School Retreat (Presentation Hall) |
| Sun 03/04 | Third Sunday of Lent Second Collection Aid for the Church in Central & Eastern Europe | |
| | 8:30 a.m. | Choir Rehearsal |
| | 9:30 a.m. | Mass |
| | 9:40 a.m. | Children's Liturgy of the World |
| | 10:45 a.m. | Sunday School |
| | 11:30 a.m. | Mass |
| | 1:00 p.m. | One Earth Film Festival (Presentation Hall) |



COMING SOON
Sunday, March 4
1 - 3 pm

St. James Church
2907 S. Wabash Avenue, Chicago

Ensure your seat! Reserve tickets at
oneearthfilmfest.org



SEA OF LIFE

ST. JAMES • CHICAGO



*Be a part of
our church
photo
directory*

On Monday, March 5 from 2pm to 9pm the photographer will be here to update our parish directory. Anyone who missed having their picture taken last year should mark that date. Please sign up at the back of the church.

There will be a Deanery wide Penance Service to be held here at St. James on March 14



Eucharistic Adoration
1st Fridays of Each
Month Next
Adoration is on
March 2, 2018
7 p.m. to 10 p.m.
Confession From
7:30— 8:30 p.m.

*St. James Catholic Church,
2912 S. Wabash Avenue
Presentation Hall
(Behind the School)*