

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. 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

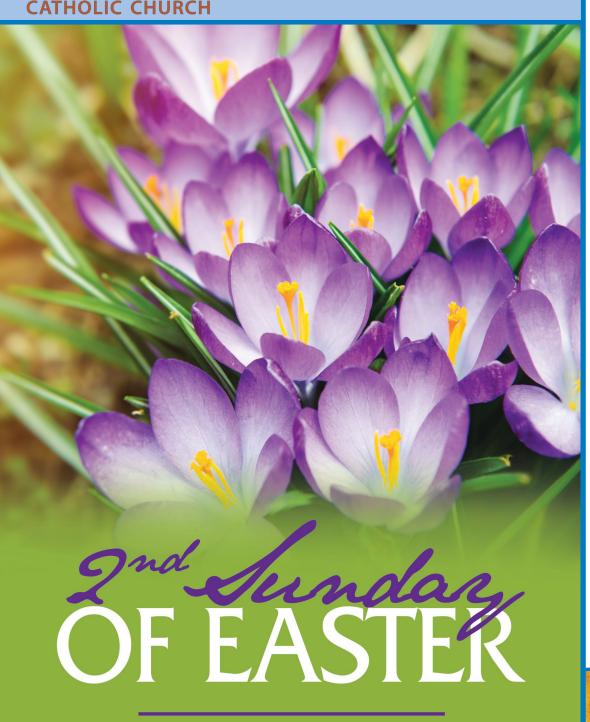
# **LOCATION**

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"Have you come to believe because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed." - Jn 20:29BC

APRIL 8, 2018 2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER

# ON THE WAY....

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

Most Catholics are accustomed to thinking about the "forty days of Lent." An important aspect of liturgical spirituality is the "fifty days of Easter." The season between Easter Sunday and Pentecost (the fiftieth day) has a particular resonance in one's prayer. Witnessing Baptism, Confirmation and first Eucharist at the Easter Vigil calls the entire Christian community into a reflection on our life as the people of God.

Those who have been involved in the Rite of Christian Initiation (RCIA) that led up to Baptism and reception into the Church continue their spiritual formation in a period called "mystagogia," a deepening of an understandings in the mysteries of our faith. All of us can share in this "metanoia" period or period of ongoing conversion which should exemplify our lives as something radically transformed through Christ Jesus. For we veteran believers this period provides a time for shaking-up and reaffirming our life in the Holy Spirit. While all of us can always benefit from a renewal of our spirituality, the liturgy during this period after Easter provides the opportunity to make a specific effort to deepen our faith.

The early Church understood that post Easter many of the mysteries of faith that had been entrusted to the newly initiated needed time to "sink-in" and mature. Mystagogia is the seeping in period, in which all believers are able to take time and more deeply contemplate the Church's life and sacraments, which we so joyously celebrated in the past weeks. This period is similar to a retreat, a time in which we can take a break and understand the events that have happened in our liturgical celebrations. It is also a great time to renew our spiritual goals that frequently take a back seat to our other domestic activities.

Perhaps the most significant activity in which to shake up our faith is to actively participate in the Eucharist. Of course, that is always the first thing that people want to do to get the faith moving. In Eucharist, we participate in the mysteries of Jesus' Paschal Mystery. The Eucharistic sacrament links most closely with a developed understanding of the Word of God. In the post-Easter period, Scriptures are alive with the activities of the Holy Spirit in the lives of the Apostles and the entire Church. The Acts of the Apostles are prominently featured. Listening to the inspired Word of God allows us to cultivate a dynamic appreciation of the Living Word, which speaks to all of us. The Scriptures present all of us with the opportunity to deeply hear and understand our roles in the life of the Church. Primary among these roles is that of evangelizers. Each one of us is charged with bringing the good news of Jesus into the daily providence of our lives. The mystagogia period requires us as believers to not only reflect on the Paschal Mystery, but to actively incorporate this mystery into our homes, our workplaces, our schools. At the end of the period of mystagogia the neophytes and the veterans should all have a renewed appreciation of Word. Sacrament and evangelization.

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

# AT ST. JAMES....



Congratulations to Adam and Colleen at the baptism of Rose! Rose will be baptized at the 9:30 mass.



Congratulations to Thithi, Bachkhoa and Thienan on their baptisms,
Genevieve and Thithi for being confirmed and receiving their First
Communion, and Thithi and Tham on the blessing of their marriage! Thank





Congradulations to Diana, Maya, & Anna on their upcoming Confiramtion. Our thoughts and prayers will be with you all on April 12th!

# TREASURE, TIME, & TALENT

# Bible Study The Psalms

Mondays, 1-2:30 pm or 7-8:30 pm, April 23 — May 7, 2018 @ St. James Rectory

Join Fr. John Edmunds, S.T. for a FREE Bible Study course on the Psalms. Choose the time that works best for you... and bring a snack! All are welcome!!

SUNDAY COLLECTION REPORT				
JANUARY 1— MARCH 25				
<u>SUNDAY</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>CHANGE</u>	
ENVELOPES	\$20,320.00	\$17,957.00	\$2,363.00	
LOOSE CHECKS	\$5,167.00	\$5,871.00	(\$704.00)	
LOOSE CASH	\$3,234.88	\$2,988.48	\$246.40	
ON-LINE	\$14,415.00	\$12,017.00	\$2,398.00	
TOTAL SUNDAY	<u>\$43,136.88</u>	\$38,833.4 <u>8</u>	<u>\$4,303.40</u>	
BUILDING MAINTENANCE SHARING DONATIONS	\$912.80 \$1,839.53	\$561.00 \$959.18	\$351.80 \$880.35	
TOLTON CANONIZATION	\$409.93	\$507.34	(\$97.41)	
TOTAL OTHER	\$3,162.46	\$2,027.52	\$1,134.74	
TOTAL GIVING	\$46,299.14	\$40,861.00	\$5,438.14	





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
Herbert Cobbs

Aayliah Cooper Patsy Cunningham Sandra Davis Joan Noble Barbara Radizwon Sandra Reynolds Philip Ricks Kimberly Starr Sarah & Clanton Whitlow

# **Mass Attendance**

March 25, 2018: 132(9:30 a.m.)/70(11:30 a.m.) April 1, 2018: 143(9:30 a.m.)/81(11:30 a.m.)

# **NEXT WEEK AT ST. JAMES....**

Sun 04/08	Second Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy) Second Collection Food & Toiletries for Food Pantry			
	8:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m. † 9:40 a.m. 11:30 a.m.	Mass  Mr. Philip Seita - requested by Ron  Zivkovic  Children's Liturgy of the World		
Mon 04/09	7:30 a.m.	Mass (Tolton Chapel — Rectory)		
Tue 04/10	7:30 a.m. 9:00 a.m.	Mass (Tolton Chapel — Rectory) SNAP Assistance (Food Pantry)		
Wed 04/11	7:30 a.m. †	Mass (Tolton Chapel — Rectory)  For the Health of Barbara Radziwon - requested by Ron Zivkovic		
Thur 04/12	7:30 a.m.	Mass (Tolton Chapel — Rectory)		
Fri 04/13	7:30 a.m. †	Mass (Tolton Chapel — Rectory)  Fr. Tom Frayne - requested by Eileen  Coffey		
Sat 04/14	8:00 a.m.	Mobile Produce Pantry (Hall Parking Lot)		
Sun 04/15		Third Sunday of Easter		
	8:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 9:40 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 11:30 a.m.	Mass Children's Liturgy of the World Sharing Parishes Food Delivery		

Next week is our monthly collection for the pantry. We are in desperate need of toiletries at the Food Pantry, especially razors, deodorant, and soap.

Also we could use more diapers size 3 & 4. Thank you in advance for all that you do for the community.







# Verda Abernathy has moved, her new address is:

Brookdale Olympia Fields 3633 Breakers Drive Olympia Fields, III 60461 Unit #169 Telephone 708-283-4253



# JAZZIN FEED

The Jazzin' to Feed planning committee is looking for media contacts. If you know any one who works in radio or television please speak to Cynthia Cooper.