

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*



Nativity of
SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST

They made signs, asking his father what he wished him to be called. He asked for a tablet and wrote, "John is his name," and all were amazed. - Lk 1:62-63

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

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JUNE 24, 2018 THE NATIVITY OF ST. JOHN BAPTIST

ON THE WAY....



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

Since each Sunday serves as a reminder of the triumph of Jesus over sin and death at Easter the Church seldom lets a saint day supersede the Sunday liturgy. Today is one of the exceptions – the solemnity of the Nativity of St. John the Baptist. That tells you what a major figure The Baptist is in the thinking of the Church. He was, of course, the great prophet and herald of Jesus as the Messiah. As such he operates at the hinge between the Old and New Testaments. This ancient feast goes back to the beginnings of the Church and this date (June 24) was decided upon once the date of Christmas was settled. The Angel Gabriel told Mary that Elizabeth “was in her sixth month” of pregnancy; hence, a June birthday for St. John the Baptist six months before the birth of Jesus in December.

The other noteworthy element of this feast day is that it commemorates The Baptist's birth. Almost always saints are remembered on their day of death, the day when they enter into the great Communion of Saints in heaven. There is such a memorial of the death of John the Baptist (called the Passion of St. John the Baptist) on August 29. The only other births which are remembered in the liturgical year are those of Jesus and Mary – elevated company for John to be in!



It is an ancient custom in some countries to celebrate the feast of St. John with a great bonfire – in particular Ireland, Norway and Brazil. The significance of the bonfire was taken from Zachary's canticle, where he sang out in praise of John that he would "enlighten them that sat in darkness." A cook-out is inevitable with a bonfire; and although it's hard to think of any use for grasshoppers on the menu (which is too bad when they are so plentiful), a comb of honey would be fitting. There is an interesting connection between the bonfire and St. John as the last of the prophets of the Old Law. To celebrate the end of the Old Law, people used to burn in the bonfires all the things they had been trying to get rid of (carted off to the dump) all year.

Another beautiful tradition was to decorate the door of one's home with "birch leaves, St. John's wort, and white lilies" on the eve of this feast. If you are not acquainted with St. John's wort by name, you must be by sight — having ignored it as a weed (with small yellow blossoms) all these years.

John the Baptist is the patron, among others, of Puerto Rico. The celebration begins on the night of June 23, when people jump backwards into the ocean at the stroke of midnight. Just as St. John the Baptist cleansed people's sins in baptism, the Noche de San Juan ritual of water purges evil spirits and sinful acts. On June 23, people count down the seconds while standing in the ocean, then throw themselves into the water backwards. The beaches are full of people celebrating with music, fireworks, dancing and food.

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

AT ST. JAMES....

JAZZIN' TO FEED 2018

Interim Financial Report

Appeal	\$17,050.00
Loaves and Fishes	\$8,150.00
Raffle	\$20,363.00
Admission	\$3,990.00
VIP	\$3,372.00
Silent Auction	\$11,300.00
Sponsorship	\$13,894.50
Ad Book	\$3,050.00
Flowers	\$270.00
Gross Total	\$81,589.50

FOUR WINDS[®]



St. James Court #129

Ladies of Peter Claver

Invite you to join us for a trip to the

Four Winds Casino

and

Light House Mall

Saturday July 14, 2018

Receive \$10.00 food credit

\$15.00 play credit

Donation - \$45.00 Bus loads at 8:30 a.m.

Leaves at 9:00 a.m Sharp from

**St. James Catholic Church Rectory parking lot
2942 S. Wabash – Chicago, IL 60616**

**Leave Casino (Shoppers Only) at 2:15 – arrive at Mall 2:30 p.m.
Leave Mall at 5:15 p.m. to pick up guest at the Casino. Returning at
approximately 7:00 p.m. Chicago Time to 2942 S. Wabash**

**Deadline for payment will be June 26, 2018 (If space is available).
Be sure to bring your current drivers license or state ID.**


**Just a
reminder...**



**Remember that St. James
Day is July 22nd. Please
find out how you can help
make that day awesome!**

TREASURE, TIME, & TALENT

Ladies of Peter Claver, St. James Court 129, are selling Raffle tickets to raise money for a scholarship for the Junior Ladies to go to their yearly Convention. See any Lady to buy tickets or if you have any questions.


Knights of Peter Claver & Ladies Auxiliary
"2018 SCHOLARSHIP RAFFLE"


13 Chances to Win!!!
 1st Prize: \$5,000 CASH • 2nd Prize: \$2,000 CASH
 3rd Prize: \$1,000 CASH • 10- 4th Prizes: \$300 CASH EACH

DRAWING - Tuesday • August 7, 2018
Anaheim, CA - Hyatt Regency Hotel

Donation: \$1.00 Winner need not be present

No. 42352

SUNDAY COLLECTION REPORT

JANUARY 1— JUNE 10

SUNDAY	2018	2017	CHANGE
ENVELOPES	\$36,142.00	\$37,303.41	(\$1,161.41)
LOOSE CHECKS	\$9,984.25	\$9,990.00	(\$5.75)
LOOSE CASH	\$5,989.62	\$5,762.22	\$227.40
ON-LINE	\$27,110.00	\$23,332.00	\$3,778.00
TOTAL SUNDAY	\$79,225.87	\$76,387.63	\$2,838.24
BUILDING MAINTENANCE	\$1,374.80	\$1,156.00	\$218.80
SHARING DONATIONS	\$3,152.54	\$2,148.57	\$218.80
TOLTON CANONIZATION	\$755.93	\$818.34	(\$ 62.41)
TOTAL OTHER	\$5,283.27	\$4,122.91	\$1,160.36
TOTAL GIVING	\$84,509.14	\$80,510.54	\$3,998.60



Our Home Bound:

Judy Archer
Margie Bass
Barbara Bassett
Altee Clark
Edwina Cook
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
Joan Noble
Barbara Radizwon
Sandra Reynolds
Kimberly Starr
Sarah & Clanton Whitlow

Mass Attendance

June 10, 2018: 68(9:30 a.m.)/123(11:30 a.m.)
June 17, 2018: 112(9:30 a.m.)/47(11:30 a.m.)

NEXT WEEK AT ST. JAMES....

Sun 06/24	The Nativity of St. John The Baptist	
	8:30 a.m.	Choir Rehearsal
	9:30 a.m.	Mass <i>Jim Hogan- requested by Dot Nachel</i>
	9:40 a.m.	Children's Liturgy of the World
	11:30 a.m.	Mass
Mon 06/25	7:30 a.m.	Mass (Tolton Chapel — Rectory) <i>Ruth Hainstock - requested by Elaine Gockel</i>
Tue 06/26	7:30 a.m.	Mass (Tolton Chapel — Rectory)
	9:00 a.m.	SNAP Assistance (Food Pantry)
Wed 06/27	7:30 a.m.	Mass (Tolton Chapel — Rectory)
Thur 06/28	7:30 a.m.	Mass (Tolton Chapel — Rectory) <i>L'Vernon Gaiter - requested by Shelia Gaiter</i>
Fri 06/29	7:30 a.m.	Mass (Tolton Chapel — Rectory) <i>L'Vernon Gaiter - requested by Shelia Gaiter</i>
Sun 07/01	13th Sunday In Ordinary Time Second Collection Peter's Pence	
	8:30 a.m.	Choir Rehearsal
	9:30 a.m.	Mass
	9:40 a.m.	Children's Liturgy of the World
	11:30 a.m.	Mass

Theology on Tap Kick Off Event

Breakthrough: The Inspiring Story of Australia's X Factor Priest Fr. Rob Galea

Join us for the Theology on Tap 2018 kickoff event at The Fremont Chicago on the evening of Monday, June 25!

Father Tom Rosica, CEO of Salt and Light Catholic Media Foundation, will interview Father Rob Galea, musician, author, and founder of FRG Ministry about his inspiring journey from troubled teen to Catholic priest and Australian idol. Father Rob will also perform some of his music that made him an internet sensation in 2015 thanks to his audition for Australia's *X Factor*.

To register for this free event, please visit www.totchicago.org.



Monday, June 25
The Fremont
15 West Illinois Street
Chicago, IL 60654
Doors open at 6:30 p.m.



Eucharistic Adoration

**1st Fridays of Each Month, Next Adoration is on
July 6, 2018 7 p.m. to 10 p.m.
Confession From 7:30— 8:30 p.m.**



Pauline Book Fair

Daughters of St. Paul (Sisters) from Pauline Books & Media Center in downtown Chicago will be at our Parish with a display during our First Friday Eucharistic Adoration (7-10 PM) on July 6, 2018. Everyone is invited to come and browse the great selection of Bibles and religious books, music CDs and DVD movies for all ages. It is the Sister's Mission in the Church to Evangelize through all forms of Media. Check out www.pauline.org, or call 312-346-4228.