

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

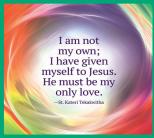
Saturday & Sunday Closed

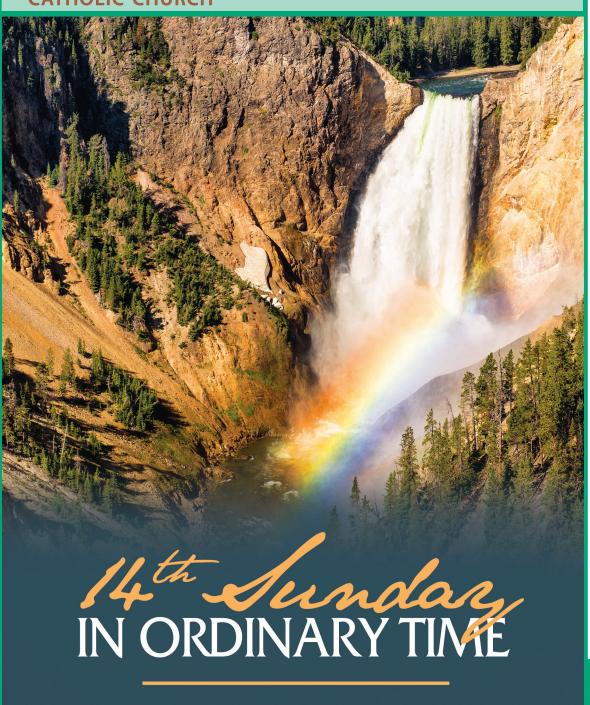
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Jesus said to them, "A prophet is not without honor except in his native place and among his own kin and in his own house." - Mk 6:4

JULY 8, 2018 14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

ON THE WAY....



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

I recently co-led a retreat with some of my confreres, the Missionary Servants of the Most Holy Trinity, in Holy Trinity, Alabama, our birthplace as a community. We chose as the theme a reflection on the latest apostolic exhortation from Pope Francis entitled, Gaudete et Exultate, "let us rejoice and be glad." The Holy Father wrote the letter "to re-propose the call to holiness in a practical way for our time with all its risks, challenges and opportunities" #2. In doing so, Pope Francis unpacks one of the themes of Vatican II, "the universal call to holiness" (Lumen Gentium, #39). "All the Church ... are called to holiness, according to the apostle's saying: This is the will of God, your sanctification" (1 Thessalonians 4:3). As the Holy Father puts it, God wants us to be saints.

Most of us don't have sanctity as a goal! We try as best we can to be decent people, to follow the gospel as best we can. But since we know our faults and failings all too well, becoming a saint seems beyond our grasp. Pope Francis disagrees. When he looks at the lives of the saints he sees men and women who "may not always have been perfect, yet even amid their faults and failings they kept moving forward" (#3). That is how he understands our call to become saints. He sees sanctity in parents raising their children with immense love, those working hard to support their families, in the sick and elderly who never lose their smile. "In their daily perseverance I see the holiness of the Church." Holiness is not some esoteric quality limited to a spiritual elite. It is available to every Christian through baptism.

Obviously this implies that the path to holiness looks different for each one of us. "The important thing is that each believer discern his or her own path, that they bring out the very best of themselves ... rather than hopelessly trying to imitate something not meant for them" #11. The Holy Father says that holiness grows "through small gestures" like a mother sitting and listening to her children after a tiring day at work (#16). We become saints by doing ordinary things in an extraordinary way.

Pope Francis notes that we tend to associate becoming holy with prayer, the sacraments, fasting, silence, etc. However, he insists that most people will become saints "integrated into the life of this world." Everything we do has "evangelical meaning" and our spirituality must fill "both our solitude and our service.... Every minute of our lives can be a step along the path to growth in holiness" #31.

The exhortation includes an extended reflection on the beatitudes. They are the hallmarks of the saints. "Listen once more to Jesus and ... allow his

words to unsettle us, to challenge us, and to demand a real change in the way we live. Otherwise, holiness will remain no more than an empty word" #66. We can use the parable of the Sheep and the Goats (Matthew 25:31-46) as "the great criterion" for measuring holiness. "Whatsoever you do to the least, you do unto me."

A google search "Gaudete et Exultate" will take you to the Vatican website where you can download this document. I highly recommend it.

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

POPE FRANCS GAUDETE ET EXSULTATE





AT ST. JAMES....

VOLUNTEER NEEDED

The Food Pantry is looking for one individual to help bring boxes to the Recycle Center. Shifts are Tuesday and Thursday for 45-60 minutes. (2 hours a week.)

Start time would be between 11:15 am and 11:45 am. Individual would drive a van full of boxes and unload them into the Recycle Center on 17th and Clark. Please contact Peter with your interest! pwawire@stjameswabash.org



WE NEED SOME GOOD VOLUNTEERS!



St. James Day is just around the corner,

July 22nd!!!

Please sign up to help.
Help is needed with food,
setup, clean up and
many other things. Sign
up at the back of the
church or you can also
contact Arcelia
Rodriguez, Danielle
Ayodele, or
Ademola Ayodele.

Start inviting friends and neighbors too!



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.



SUNDAY COLLECTION REPORT

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|---|----------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|--|--|
| JANUARY 1— JUNE 28 | | | | | |
| SUNDAY | <u>2018</u> | <u>2017</u> | <u>CHANGE</u> | | |
| ENVELOPES | \$38,969.00 | \$39,667.41 | (\$698.41) | | |
| LOOSE CHECKS | \$10,781.25 | \$10,490.00 | \$291.25 | | |
| LOOSE CASH | \$6,427.69 | \$6,067.11 | \$360.58 | | |
| ON-LINE | \$28,615.00 | \$25,037.00 | \$3,578.00 | | |
| TOTAL SUNDAY | \$84,792.94 | \$81,261.52 | \$3,531.42 | | |
| BUILDING MAINTENANCE SHARING DONATIONS | \$1,547.80 \$3,542.86 | \$1,234.00 \$2,178.57 | \$313.80 \$1,364.29 | | |
| TOLTON CANONIZATION | \$795.93 | \$818.34 | (\$ 22.41) | | |
| TOTAL OTHER TOTAL GIVING | <u>\$5,886.59</u> \$90.679.53 | \$4,230.91 \$85.492.43 | \$1,655.68 \$5.187.10 | | |





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 Marvelean Doss Joan Noble Barbara Radizwon Sandra Reynolds Kimberly Starr Sarah & Clanton Whitlow

Mass Attendance

June 17, 2018: 112(9:30 a.m.)/47(11:30 a.m.) June 24, 2018: 88(9:30 a.m.)/46(11:30 a.m.)

NEXT WEEK AT ST. JAMES....

| Sun 07/08 | 14th Sunday In Ordinary Time Second Collection Zacchaeus House & Food & Toiletries for Food Pantry | | |
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| | 8:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m. † 9:40 a.m. 11:30 a.m. | Choir Rehearsal Mass John Lamont - requested by Ron Zivkovic Children's Liturgy of the World Mass | |
| Mon 07/09 | 7:30 a.m. † | Mass (Tolton Chapel — Rectory) For the Intentions of Don & Eileen Kellen - requested by Jerry & Pat Kellen | |
| Tue 07/10 | 7:30 a.m. 9:00 a.m. † | Mass (Tolton Chapel — Rectory) SNAP Assistance (Food Pantry) Edna Paprocki - requested by Joan Mask | |
| Wed 07/11 | 7:30 a.m. † | Mass (Tolton Chapel — Rectory) Mr. Lawrence Knudtzon- requested by Ron Zivkovic | |
| Thur 07/12 | 7:30 a.m. † | Mass (Tolton Chapel — Rectory) Frank Yonker, Jr requested by John & Christine Ragauski | |
| Fri 07/13 | 7:30 a.m. † | Mass (Tolton Chapel — Rectory) Verda & Finis Abernathy- requested by Audrey Winfrey | |
| Sat 07/14 | 8:00 a.m. | Mobile Produce Pantry (Hall Parking Lot) | |
| Sun 07/15 | 15th Sunday In Ordinary Time | | |
| | 8:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m. † 11:00 a.m. 9:40 a.m. 11:30 a.m. | Choir Rehearsal Mass Patrick Scanlond M.D requested by Gary Furin Sharing Parishes Food Delivery (Food Pantry) Children's Liturgy of the World Mass | |







St. James Court #129

Ladies of Peter Claver
Invite you to join us for a trip to the

Four Winds Casino

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

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

Discipleship Beyond My Block

THEOLOGY ON TAP

Wednesday, July 11, 2018 | 6:30 pm drinks, 7 pm talk Finding Common Ground: Building Bridges of Faith in a Diverse World Steven P. Millies, Bernardin Center Director Tack Room | 1807 S. Allport St., Chicago, IL 60608

Wednesday, July 18, 2018 | 6:30 pm drinks, 7 pm talk St. Benedict the African | 340 W. 66th St., Chicago, IL 60621

Discipleship and Borders to Be Crossed Fernando Rayas, Parish Peace Project Director Catholic Theological Union | 5416 S. Cornell Ave., Chicago, IL 60615

Wednesday, July 25, 2018 | 6:30 pm drinks, 7 pm talk

Some Assembly Required

Rev. John Edmunds, ST, Pastor of St. James Parish

Motor Row Brewing, 2nd Floor Tap Room | 2337 S. Michigan Ave., Chicago, IL 6

Saturday, August 4, 2018 | 1:30 pm drinks, 2 pm panel

Church, Politics, & The Black Community in Chicago Jacqueline Collins, State Sen., La Shawn Ford, State Rep., and Mack Julion, President of NALC Br. 11 Moderated by Adrienne Alexander.

