



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*

SUNDAY MASS

9:30 and 11:30 a.m.
Presentation Hall

DAILY MASS

Monday - Friday
7:30 a.m.
Tolton Chapel
(Rectory, 2942 S. Wabash)

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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8th Sunday IN ORDINARY TIME

“How can you say to your brother, ‘Brother, let me remove that splinter in your eye,’ when you do not even notice the wooden beam in your own eye?” - Lk 6:42a

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MARCH 3, 2019 8TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

ON THE WAY.....



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

Lent begins this week. The season can be looked upon as the Church's annual retreat. It is a time for us to prepare ourselves through prayer, fasting, and almsgiving for the great celebration of Easter. As we delve deeper into the Pascal Mystery, the mystery of the Passion, Death and Resurrection of Jesus, we take the time to look at our own lives and uncover all that keeps us from a closer relationship with Christ and with the Church.

Easter is the time when we are most ourselves as Christians, a time when we live out the mystery that love is stronger than death. Baptism is the Christian initiation into this mystery. Thus it is most fitting that the Lenten season focuses on the sacraments of initiation – Baptism, Confirmation and the Holy Eucharist. During the Easter Vigil is it the ancient custom of the Church to celebrate these sacraments.

During the Lenten Season here at St. James we would like to give a special emphasis to the Holy Eucharist. Receiving Holy Communion is our personal connection with the Real Presence of Christ in our midst. Jesus shares divine life with us in a very intimate way. In addition to our individual encounter with the Lord, the Eucharist is also constitutive of who we are as Church. It is no accident that we use the same term, "the Body of Christ," to refer both to the Sacrament and to the People of God who are the Church. It is the Eucharist that makes us to be Church, to be the body of Christ. As the great African bishop, St. Augustine, put it while holding up the host: "Behold who you are. Become who you receive."

The Liturgy Committee has decided one way of celebrating our identity as the Body of Christ is to receive Holy Communion as one body, not merely as individuals. To emphasize the communal nature of the Sacrament we are proposing that the congregation as a whole will stand during the entire Communion Rite. The liturgical action will look like this:

1. The ministers will come forward and after their own reception will take their assigned places.
2. The choir will sing the communion song and the entire congregation will join in.
3. The congregation will approach the ministers of communion in procession as they ordinarily do and receive the sacrament.
4. After receiving Holy Communion everyone will return to their place and continue to stand, singing the Communion Song. Time for personal devotion will take place later.
5. When everyone has received the Deacon (or in his absence the priest) will return the ciborium to the tabernacle. The cup ministers will return the vessels to the credence table.
6. The entire congregation will then sit as the one Body of Christ.
7. A more substantial time for personal prayer will be provided before beginning the concluding rites.

Receiving communion in this way will re-inforce who we are and whose we are – as the song goes "one bread, one body, one Lord of all." After the Lenten Season we will evaluate if this has been an effective way of living out our Eucharistic Devotion.

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



AT ST. JAMES....



Fat Tuesday Feast
March 5th
6:30 pm - 8:30 pm
@ Rectory
Please bring a snack or
a sweet treat to share.

Ash Wednesday Schedule



March 6th:
7:30 am – Rectory
12:50 pm -
God Box
6:30 pm-
Presentation Hall

Soups & Stations

March 15, 2019
April 12, 2019

St. James Church
21 East 29th Street

6PM-7:15PM– Simple meal – lower level
7:15PM – Stations of the Cross in Church



St. James Lenten Retreat

Personalizing Prayer: From Parable to Pictures—
Exploring Ways to Deepen Our Prayer Life

Saturday, March 23, 2019
10AM—3PM (lunch included)
St. James Church Cost: Free will donation

Tom Cook, from Catholic Theological Union, will lead us in an exploration of one of the pillars of Lent, Prayer. Using parables as a starting point we will explore the theme of "lost" and "found". Have you lost something that you'd like to find again? Do you need to lose something in order to find something better? We will introduce various forms of prayer that will help us discover how God is calling us into a closer relationship with God, our self and each other.

TREASURE, TIME, & TALENT

First Annual Easter Egg Hunt for Dearborn Homes

The Peace and Social Committee is looking for donations of plastic eggs, decorations, and financial contributions/gift cards (checks can be made out to the St. James Peace and Justice Committee) for our first ever Easter Egg Hunt at the Dearborn Homes.

Donations should be dropped off in the collection box at church by April 14. Please contact Cheryl Bynum and Janet Mryan with questions. Thank you for helping to make this event a success!



SUNDAY COLLECTION REPORT

JANUARY 1— FEBRUARY 24

SUNDAY	2019	2018	CHANGE
ENVELOPES	\$12,399.75	\$11,618.00	\$721.75
LOOSE CHECKS	\$4,563.00	\$3,179.00	\$1,384.00
LOOSE CASH	\$2,816.00	\$1,747.97	\$1,068.03
ON-LINE	\$11,510.00	\$9,275.00	\$2,235.00
TOTAL SUNDAY	\$31,228.75	\$25,819.97	\$5,408.78
BUILDING MAINTENANCE	\$514.00	\$398.00	\$116.00
SHARING DONATIONS	\$1,297.02	\$1,103.84	\$193.18
TOLTON CANONIZATION	\$315.30	\$369.93	(\$54.63)
TOTAL OTHER	\$2,126.32	\$1,871.77	\$254.55
TOTAL GIVING	\$33,355.07	\$27,691.74	\$5,663.33

In Our Prayers



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
Dina Williams

Our Sick

Victoria Allen
Aayiah Cooper
Patsy Cunningham
Marvelean Doss
Nancy McCarthy
Barbara Radizwon
Sandra Reynolds
Donald Rogers
Kimberly Starr

Mass Attendance

February 17, 2019: 132(9:30 a.m.)/93(11:30 a.m.)

February 24, 2019: 116(9:30 a.m.)/48(11:30 a.m.)

NEXT WEEK AT ST. JAMES....

Sun 03/03	8th Sunday In Ordinary Time Second Collection Zacchaeus House	
	9:00 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
	1:30 p.m.	One Earth Fill Festival (Hall Basement)
Mon 03/04	7:30 a.m. †	Mass (Rectory-Tolton Chapel) <i>For the Intentions of Adam Karp requested by Alice Karp</i>
Tue 03/05	7:30 a.m.	Mass (Rectory-Tolton Chapel)
	9:30 a.m.	Staff Meeting (Rectory)
	5:30 p.m.	Fat Tuesday (Rectory)
Wed 03/06	7:30 a.m.	Mass (Rectory-Tolton Chapel)
	12:50 p.m.	Ash Wednesday Mass (God Box)
	6:30 p.m.	Ash Wednesday Mass (Hall)
Thur 03/07	7:30 a.m.	Mass (Rectory-Tolton Chapel)
Fri 03/08	7:30 a.m.	Mass (Rectory-Tolton Chapel)
Sat 03/09	8:00 a.m.	Mobile Produce Pantry (Hall Parking Lot)
Sun 03/10	1st Sunday of Lent Daylight Savings Time	
	9:00 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

A Note from the Parish Council:

Your St. James Parish Council met on February 6th to elect its Officers, create Committee selection and set 2019 goals. We are discussing a book by Father Mallon "Divine Renovation" to guide us through our Renew My Church Transformation and growth. We invite you to share your thoughts with any of the Parish council members. WE look to continue the faithful work of all past Parish Council members and we ask for your participation in the journey to offer more faith sharing opportunities and take our Parish culture to those outside the church.

We are an Advisory council to the Pastor and currently consist of 11 voting members, Pastor, Deacon and Building/Safety Advisor. We meet once a month. Our Group Blessing will be on February 17, at the 11:30 Mass. More to come. .

God Bless us all,
Mary Ellen Levine

Social Care Board Update

SNAP Program – Sister Gerri Finan has volunteered to help process those who wish to apply for food stamp benefits from the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP). SNAP food benefits for seniors provide resources seniors can use to buy nutritious food items at grocery stores and other retailers that sell food. Please call the Parish Office to set up an appointment.

Our new volunteer coordinator, Moe Hannon is here and ready to serve.

During the month of January 1624 individuals were served at the food pantry, 370 lunches given to homeless, 115 home deliveries, 11 attending nutrition classes, and 475 served by the mobile food pantry on the second Saturday.

Discussion ensued regarding “Jazzin’ to Feed”. Be sure to check out jazzintofeed.com, our new web site. Postcards about the event will be mailed to Chicago and surrounding areas. Volunteers to help at the event, sponsorships in the program book, ticket sales and silent auction items are all needed.

Questions or thoughts see a St. James committee member – Josie Berticci, Liz Bowman, Fr. John Edmunds, Bob Gaggiano, Cathy Moore, Barbara Sutton, Phillip Sutton, Laurie Vacco, Peter Wawire

