

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

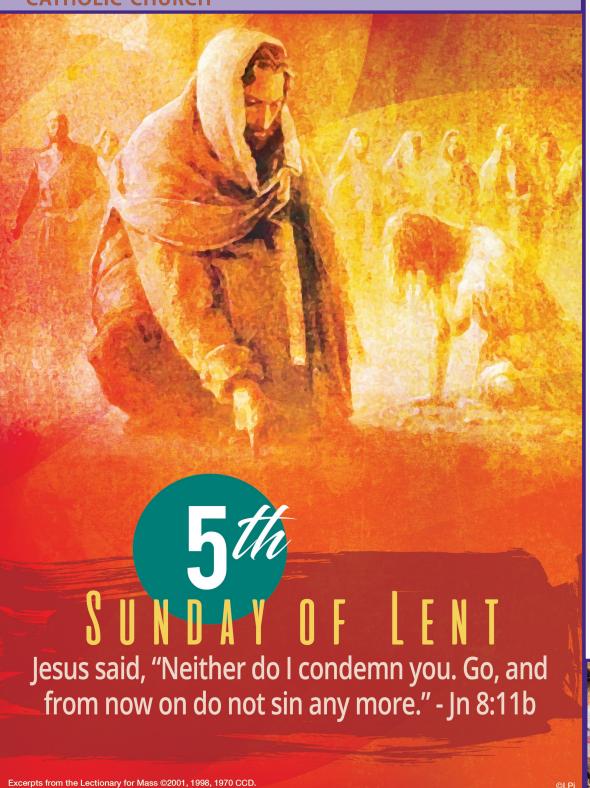
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ON THE WAY.....



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

As we begin the last days of Lent the prayers of the Church focus more and more deeply onto the Pascal Mystery, the passion, death and resurrection of Jesus. In particular, the prayers ask that Christ's passage will be ours. For example, "Grant us so to pass from former ways to newness of life, that we may be made ready for the glory of the heavenly kingdom." All which should remind us to remain faithful to our Lenten resolutions. If you are anything like me the sacrifices of the season that began so rigorously a month ago are starting to slip. Hold yourself accountable – and ask a spiritual companion to challenge you to remain faithful to the season.

The Fifth Sunday of Lent can be seen as a turning point in the Lenten journey. Long time Catholics will remember that on this Sunday we would cover the statues and crosses with purple to highlight what was known as "passiontide." While that custom is still observed in some churches the emphasis on Holy Week and the Triduum in particular have lessened this liturgical practice. But that visual clue did serve as a reminder that the season was ramping up in intensity. After the joyful break of Laetare Sunday, the somber tone of Lent is reasserted in the lead up to the celebration of the Lord's Passion. On this Friday we at St. James will celebrate "Soup and Stations." This gives us the opportunity

to gather for a simple meal as a community and then walk together in the footsteps of Jesus.



The official title for the following week is "Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord." The liturgy begins with a procession of palms, with the triumphant expression of praise and excitement at the coming of Jesus. However, only a few minutes after that we gather in the Church to hear the story of the Passion of the Lord, this year from the Gospel of Luke. You can feel whipsawed in moving



Luke. You can feel whipsawed in moving so quickly from "Hosanna, to the Son of David" to "Crucify him." The crowd changed their hearts because Jesus did not live up to their expectations. They were looking for a political liberation from Roman oppression and Jesus was bringing a spiritual revolution over sin and death.

Of course we don't tell those old, old stories in order to go tsk-tsk to those people back then. We tell them because those old stories are current events. They are our stories. We too tend to want God to meet our needs and are confused and even angry when that doesn't happen. How come I am sick?! Why is my family in turmoil? In these final two weeks of Lent we are being asked to shift the focus off of ourselves and what we are going through. Instead, let us attend to the plan and action of God we see in the final days of Jesus, a plan where loss becomes gain, where fear becomes hope, where death becomes life, where disaster becomes love.

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

AT ST. JAMES....



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



Easter is almost here if you would like to donate to our Easter Flower Fund please fill out the form below.

Thanks so much for your support.

I love Saint James and want it to be lovely at Easter!				
\$10 donation in memory of				
\$20 donation in memory of				
\$30 donation in memory of				
\$50 donation in memory of all in my family!				
Please return this form with payment by Monday, April 15, 2019.				
St. James Catholic Church Attn: Easter Flower Donation 2907 South Wabash Avenue Chicago, IL 60616				
Name				
Address				
City State Zip				
Telephone				

Easter Week Services

April 18 - April 21 Holy Thursday 6:30 p.m. Mass of the Lord's Supper

Good Friday 3:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross 6:30 p.m. The Passion of the Lord

Holy Saturday 8:00 p.m. Easter Vigil

Easter Sunday 9:30 a.m. Resurrection of the Lord 10:30 a.m. Easter Egg Hunt 11:30 a.m. Resurrection of the Lord

TREASURE, TIME, & TALENT

First Annual Easter Egg Hunt for Dearborn Homes

The Peace and Justice Committee is looking for financial contributions and donations of coloring books, crayons, and story books for African American children ages 3-10 years 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! Please make checks out to St. James Peace and Justice. If interested please contact:

Cheryl Bynum: cherylbynum@sbcglobal.net Janet Mryan: mbak.janet@gmail.com

SUNDAY COLLECTION REPORT

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	JANUARY 1— M	ARCH 24		
SUNDAY	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>CHANGE</u>	
ENVELOPES	\$17,809.75	\$18,933.00	(\$1,123.25)	
LOOSE CHECKS	\$5,863.00	\$4,758.00	\$1,105.00	
LOOSE CASH	\$3,818.39	\$2,929.31	\$889.08	
ON-LINE	\$17,250.00	\$14,415.00	\$2,835.00	
TOTAL SUNDAY	\$44,741.14	\$41,035.31	\$3,705.83	
BUILDING MAINTENANCE SHARING	\$750.00	\$900.00	(\$150.00)	
DONATIONS	\$1,649.62	\$1,839.53	(\$189.91)	
TOLTON CANONIZATION	\$315.30	\$409.93	(\$94.63)	
TOTAL OTHER	\$2,714.92	\$3,149.46	<u>(\$434.54)</u>	
TOTAL GIVING	\$47,456,06	\$44 184 77	\$3 271 29	





Our	Home	Bound

Judy Archer Margie Bass Barbara Bassett Altee Clark Edwina Cook Paul Freeman Juanita James James Kennard Sr. Barbara Rastatter Norman Rouse Geraldine Scudder Barbara Southhall Dina Williams Our Sick
Victoria Allen
Aayliah Cooper
Patsy Cunningham
Marvelean Doss
Nancy McCarthy
Barbara Radizwon
Sandra Reynolds
Donald Rogers
Kimberly Starr

Mass Attendance

March 24, 2019: 119(9:30 a.m.)/55(11:30 a.m.) March 31, 2019: 126(9:30 a.m.)/49(11:30 a.m.)

NEXT WEEK AT ST. JAMES....

Sun 04/07	5th Sunday of Lent Second Collection Zacchaeus House Children's Liturgy			
	9:00 a.: 9:30 a.: 10:45 a.: 11:30 a.:	m. Mass - Children's Liturgy Jim Sherman - requested by Barbara Sherman Sunday School		
Mon 04/08	7:30 a.: 1:00 p.: 7:00 p.:	m. Bible Study (Rectory)		
Tue 04/09	7:30 a.i 6:00 p.	* /		
Wed 04/10	7:30 a.: 7:00 p.:			
Thur 04/11	7:30 a.i 6:30 p.i			
Fri 04/12	7:30 a.i 6:30 p.i			
Sun 04/14	Palm Sunday Second Collection Food & Toiletries for Food Pantry			
	9:00 a.: 9:30 a.: 9:40 a.: 10:45 a.: 11:30 a.:	m. Mass - Children's Liturgy **Tom Frayne - requested by Eileen Coffey m. Children's Liturgy of the World Sunday School		

Evangelization Committee News

At our last meeting on March 14, the Evangelization Committee agreed to introduce Alpha in our St. James community and begin by offering a modified pilot of this program. As Fr. John explained in last Sunday's bulletin, Alpha is a world-wide movement in parishes and faith groups to gather in "radical hospitality" to share a meal and conversation around our Christian faith and beliefs. It provides an opportunity to explore what it means to be a disciple in the context of our daily life experiences. It is typically run over eleven weekly sessions, but we will be doing a six-session program on select Sundays in May and June from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. Specific dates and topics will

be announced soon. To learn more about Alpha, you can take a look at their website (www.alphausa.org) or speak to a member of the Evangelization Committee.



