



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*



OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

The rulers sneered at Jesus and said, "He saved
others, let him save himself if he is the chosen
one, the Christ of God." - Lk 23:35

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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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NOVEMBER 24, 2019 OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

ON THE WAY.....



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

“Count your blessings.” The wisdom of the grandmothers is particularly appropriate during this season when we as a nation give thanks. There are many personal blessings to give thanks for: my family and friends, good health, my vocation. Some of the more public blessings should also be counted.

I give thanks for the people of St. James. Being at St. James makes me feel like Br'er Rabbit in the Uncle Remus story who ended up in the briar patch – the place where he belonged despite how daunting the place looked. Being with all of you has been a blessing as we work together to create a deeply spiritual worship, to cultivate an atmosphere of welcome and hospitality, to serve the community and in particular the most needy. I give thanks for you.

Related to that, I give thanks that for most of my priesthood I have been privileged to work with and among African-American Catholics. There is a spirit that Black Catholics possess that continues to inspire me. Despite being neglected, rejected, suspected you continue to insist on your proper place at the table. Black Catholic spirituality, worship, dedication, service, forgiveness have so much to teach the rest of the Catholic Church. I am blessed to have been part of that.

How blessed I feel that St. James has such a dedicated staff and so many generous volunteers. It is, of course, the people that make this such a special place. But experience teaches us that people need leadership to get done what needs to be done. We have such leaders here so that peoples' individual efforts all work toward the proper end. What a gift that we have here in the proximity of Illinois Institute of Technology to the parish. Having young people share in our life and worship keeps us focused on the future. We are challenged by the new since the next generation of Catholics are right next door. I am grateful for the welcome we offer the students and for the participation of the students in the life of the parish.

I am also grateful for my religious community, the Missionary Servants of the Most Holy Trinity, who assigned me to this work. Since our focus is “to develop a missionary spirit in the laity with the goal that every Catholic become an apostle” St. James has proven to be a fertile ground for living out the charism which brought me here. Having a clear mission in the right environment is a particular blessing.

Without getting too cosmic I give thanks that Pope Francis is serving the Church at this time. His vision of an inclusive and engaged Church that goes out instead of hunkering down seems to be to be exactly what is needed at this time. The providence of God sent us exactly the kind of pope that we need for the difficult choices that lie ahead for us. During these days count up your own blessings and give glory to God. Have a Happy Thanksgiving.

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

AT ST. JAMES....



Dear St. James Parishioners,

Over 1700 families who are food insecure received help from your St. James Food Pantry last month. Thank you for your donations. Please continue to help our neighborhood families with toiletry donations this November. The Holidays are fast approaching. Please help St. James Food Pantry provide food for families during this holiday season. St. James Food Pantry is also low on all hygiene items in both travel size and family size. Families cannot purchase toiletries with their food assistance cards. The need is great! All toiletry items will be appreciated. Also other donation items that would be appreciated for the holiday season are:

**Stuffing Mix, Mac & Cheese, Pasta,
Cranberry Sauce and Dry Milk.**

Bring your donations back to the pantry anytime we are open before **November 27, 2019**. Thank you in advance for blessing those who need services at St. James Food Pantry.

Thanks so much!! -Cathy

TREASURE, TIME, & TALENT

The Giving Tree will be put up on the first Sunday of Advent, Dec 1st. Take a name off the tree to share with those in our neighborhood. Gifts must be returned by Dec 17.

We always need volunteers and drivers for the delivery of the presents. If you can please drive contact Erin Makowski 312-842-1919 x206



SUNDAY COLLECTION REPORT

JANUARY 1— NOVEMBER 10

SUNDAY	2019	2018	CHANGE
ENVELOPES	\$67,156.50	\$67,178.00	(\$21.50)
CHECKS	\$21,625.00	\$18,242.25	\$3,382.75
CASH	\$11,830.33	\$10,927.34	\$902.99
ON-LINE	\$58,420.00	\$53,790.00	\$4,630.00
TOTAL SUNDAY	\$159,031.83	\$150,137.59	\$8,894.24
MAINTENANCE	\$2,856.00	\$3,045.21	(\$189.21)
SHARING	\$6,566.82	\$6,085.02	\$481.80
TOLTON			
CANONIZATION	\$1,405.25	\$1,596.34	(\$191.09)
TOTAL OTHER	\$10,828.07	\$10,726.57	\$101.50
TOTAL GIVING	\$169,859.90	\$160,864.16	\$8,995.74



Our Home Bound:

Judy Archer
Margie Bass
Altee Clark
Edwina Cook
Paul Freeman
Juanita James
James Kennard

Sr. Barbara Rastatter
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

November 10, 2019: 131(9:30 a.m.)/69(11:30 a.m.)
November 17, 2019: 94(9:30 a.m.)/110(11:30 a.m.)

NEXT WEEK AT ST. JAMES....

Sun 11/24	Our Lord Jesus Christ, King Of The Universe Second Collection Campaign for Human Development	
	9:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m.	Choir Rehearsal Mass † <i>Kevin Lynch - requested by Marvelean Doss</i>
	10:40 a.m. 11:30 a.m. 12:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m.	Sunday School (Church Basement) Mass Senior Thanksgiving Dinner(IIT Ballroom) Student Mass (God Box)
Mon 11/25	7:30 a.m. † 1:00 p. m. 7:00 p.m.	Mass (Rectorry-Tolton Chapel) <i>Mary Ellen & Vern Genzlinger - requested by Elaine Gockel</i> Bible Study Rectorry) Bible Study Rectorry)
Tue 11/26	7:30 a.m. †	Mass (Rectorry-Tolton Chapel) <i>Mary Ellen & Vern Genzlinger - requested by Elaine Gockel</i>
Wed 11/27	7:30 a.m.	Mass (Rectorry-Tolton Chapel)
Thur 11/28	7:30 a.m.	Mass (Rectorry-Tolton Chapel)
Fri 11/29	7:30 a.m. †	Mass (Rectorry-Tolton Chapel) <i>Mr. Phillip Seitz - requested by Ron Zivkovic</i>
Sun 12/01	1st Sunday of Advent Second Collection Zacchaeus House	
	9:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. † 10:40 a.m. 11:30 a.m. † 4:00 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal Mass <i>Mr & Mrs. William Sinkenber - requested by Ron Zivkovic</i> Sunday School (Church Basement) Mass <i>Shirley & Debra Barker - requested by Phyllis Barker</i> Student Thanksgiving Dinner (Rectorry)

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

Student Thanksgiving Dinner
December 1st
4:00 pm

Thanksgiving Day Mass
November 27th 9:30 a.m.

St. James Newsletter

Don't miss out on important news and events at St. James! Our monthly St. James Newsletter is filled with information about upcoming events in our parish and Archdiocese. If you do not currently receive it, please send your email address to Amy at apellettiere@stjameswabash.org.



Printed copies and monthly calendars are also available in both vestibules.



**St. James Annual Tree Trimming Party
and
Cookie Contest**

**December 7th
6 - 9PM
St. James Rectory**

Bring an appetizer or dessert to share and
enter your favorite cookie into our cookie contest!



*La Historia de las Rosas:
Our Lady of Guadalupe*

**Sunday
December 15, 2019
after 9:30AM mass**

Join us for a presentation on Our Lady of Guadalupe,
performed by youth in our parish,
accompanied by folkloric dance.