

# 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

### LOCATION

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Chicago, IL 60616

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## 3<sup>rd</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men.”  
- Mt 4:19





## ON THE WAY.....



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

One of the exciting developments after Vatican Council II was the ecumenical movement. The common faith that all Christians share was seen as more important than the things that divide us. Commissions and committees were established on the national and international level to discover points of commonality. Agreements were reached which help to clarify doctrinal differences. On the local level pastoral associations were formed so that Churches in a particular area could speak with one voice about issues they shared. The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity was promoted to create an awareness on the part of the people in the pew of the need to work to overcome separation.

Much of that early enthusiasm about ecumenism has waned. It is not so much that the old hostilities between denominations has crept up again. It is more that each Church is dealing with its own issues so that internal problems seem more pressing than external relations. There is something wrong-headed in thinking this way since many of the problems we face as Catholics – for example, the fact that many young people are no longer attending Church – are shared by other faiths as well. We will be the richer by having relations with other Christians Churches.

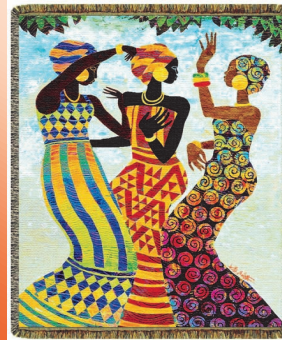
These thoughts arise because yesterday completed this year's Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. The theme of the week was: "They Showed Us Unusual Kindness" (cf. Acts 28:2). The theme finds its origins in the Acts of the Apostles (Acts 27:18 – 28:10) where St. Paul reported on his experience in Malta after his shipwreck. This theme reflects the fact that gathering annually throughout the world to pray for the unity of Christians reminds us of the need for "unusual kindness" in the dialogue that leads to growth in unity. We do this in a world where separation and division hinder the quest for Christian Unity. In 2020, we are being called to show unusual kindness towards one another.

The key to ecumenism is dialogue. Dialogue first entered the Church's vocabulary as the method of approaching the modern world Pope Saint Paul VI promoted. This illustrates the spirit of the Second Vatican Council which challenged the Church's relations with other Christian bodies and religious communities. Thus, the Church committed itself irrevocably to building fruitful relationships with others: fostering bonds of friendship, mutual understanding, and constructive collaboration. Pope Francis puts it this way: "Dialogue is our method, not as a shrewd strategy but out of fidelity to the One who never wearies of visiting the marketplace, even at the eleventh hour, to propose his offer of love (Mt 20:1-16). The path ahead, then, is dialogue among yourselves, dialogue in your presbyterates, dialogue with lay persons, dialogue with families, dialogue with society. I cannot ever tire of encouraging you to dialogue fearlessly."

Certainly in the months ahead St. James will be in dialogue with some of our neighboring Catholic parishes as part of the Renew My Church process. This will be important and challenging to us. But given the fact that many of our relatives, friends, and neighbors are not Catholic we must find ways to dialogue with them as well.

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

## AT ST. JAMES....



Jackie Drake is organizing the African American Heritage celebration for Sunday, February 23, 2020. There will be one Mass at 10:30 a.m. followed by a luncheon. Please see Jackie if you would like to help.



### Bible Study

Mary

Mondays

Feb. 3, 10 and 17

1-2:30pm and 7-8:30pm

St. James Rectory  
2942 S. Wabash

The Church reveres Mary, the Blessed Mother, as an exemplar of faith and a spiritual companion. The next Bible class will focus on Mary in the Bible, in Church teaching and in Catholic devotion. Please sign up in the East Vestibule.

### CCM Spring Student Retreat



### Getting to Know You

Fri., 1/31 - Sat. 2/1/2020  
Yorkville, IL

Space limited. Must register by 1/27.

Email Amy  
apellettiere@stjameswabash.org

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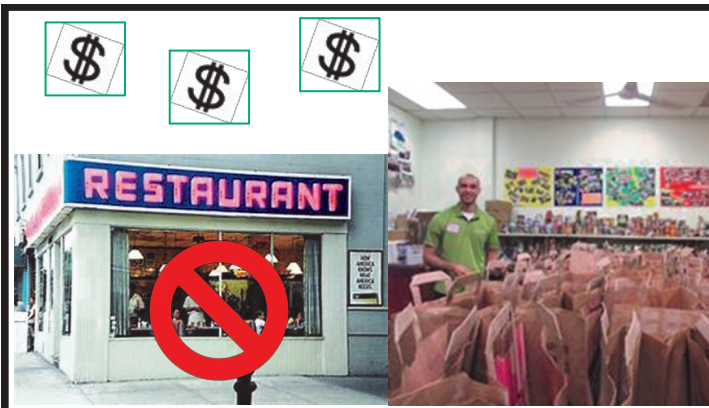


COME, FOLLOW ME...  
and heal our world

2020 Annual Catholic Appeal



## TREASURE, TIME, & TALENT



**During Lent, give up going out for dinner and give the amount of the dinner to St. James Food Pantry, so others may eat.**  
**Drop the envelope in the collection box when you have finished. Envelopes available at the entrances.**

### SUNDAY COLLECTION REPORT

JANUARY 1— JANUARY 12

SUNDAY	2020	2019	CHANGE
ENVELOPES	\$2,216.00	\$1,686.00	\$530.00
CHECKS	\$805.00	\$635.00	\$170.00
CASH	\$619.00	\$485.32	\$133.68
ON-LINE	\$1,950.00	\$4,435.00	(\$2,485.00)
<b>TOTAL SUNDAY</b>	<b>\$5,590.00</b>	<b>\$7,241.32</b>	<b>(\$1,651.32)</b>
MAINTENANCE	\$240.00	\$85.00	\$155.00
SHARING	\$528.00	\$573.00	(\$45.00)
TOLTON			
CANONIZATION	\$20.00	\$35.00	(\$15.00)
<b>TOTAL OTHER</b>	<b>\$788.00</b>	<b>\$693.00</b>	<b>\$95.00</b>
<b>TOTAL GIVING</b>	<b>\$6,378.00</b>	<b>\$7,934.32</b>	<b>(\$1,556.32)</b>



#### Our Home Bound:

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

Sr. Barbara Rastatter  
 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

January 12, 2020: 129(9:30 a.m.)/53(11:30 a.m.)  
 January 19, 2020: 97(9:30 a.m.)/54(11:30 a.m.)

## NEXT WEEK AT ST. JAMES....

Sun 01/26	3rd Sunday In Ordinary Time Second Collection Church in Latin America	
	9:00 a.m.	Choir Rehearsal
	9:30 a.m.	Mass † <i>Sr. Barbara Rastatter - requested by Eileen Coffey</i>
	9:30 a.m.	Kid's Word (Church Lower Level)
	10:40 a.m.	Sunday School (Church Lower Level)
	11:30 a.m.	Mass † <i>Daniel Gockel - requested by Elaine Gockel</i>
	5:00 p.m.	Student Mass & Meal (Godbox IIT)
Mon 01/27	7:30 a.m.	Mass (Rectory-Tolton Chapel) † <i>Alfred Federighi- requested by Sr. Tess</i>
Tue 01/28	7:30 a.m.	Mass (Rectory-Tolton Chapel) † <i>Beatrice Goldsmith- requested by Eileen Coffey</i>
Wed 01/29	7:30 a.m.	Mass (Rectory-Tolton Chapel) † <i>Frank Patrick Adcock- requested by Joe and Donna McMullin</i>
Thur 01/30	7:30 a.m.	Mass (Rectory-Tolton Chapel) † <i>Baudilio Lopez - requested by Carolyn Lopez</i>
Fri 01/31	7:30 a.m.	Mass (Rectory-Tolton Chapel)
Sat 02/01	9:00 a.m.	Bereavement Ministry Training (Church Lower Level)
Sun 02/02	The Presentation Of the Lord Second Collection Zacchaeus House Blessing of Throats	
	9:00 a.m.	Choir Rehearsal
	9:30 a.m.	Mass
	9:30 a.m.	Kid's Word (Church Lower Level)
	10:40 a.m.	Sunday School (Church Lower Level)
	11:30 a.m.	Mass † <i>Debra &amp; Shirley Barker - requested by Phyllis Barker</i>



Join us in the lower level after 9:30 mass during African American History month to hear stories of How We Became Who We Are - stories from our own parishioners about their experiences living as African Americans, the

changes they've seen, their hopes for the future, and how their faith has sustained them. Over the next three weeks we'll hear from Frances, Marian and Augustine (who will also demonstrate how to create head wraps for our African American Heritage celebration!

## LENTEN OPPORTUNITY



**Do you want to address racism in your community, but you don't know where to begin? Do you long for a space to ask hard questions about race and privilege? Do you want to learn how to advocate for racial equity within your family, church and community?**

The St. James Evangelization Committee is offering the JustFaith Ministries' "Faith and Racial Equity: Exploring Power and Privilege" program during Lent. This is an eight-week module in their Just Matters series that awakens individuals and groups to racial injustices within our political and economic systems that empower some and oppress others. It

includes grounding in Scripture, conversation on specific issues related to power and privilege, wisdom from community advocates, and tools to discern action steps to combat racism.

Beginning with an all-day retreat on February 22, the program will continue on Tuesday evenings from March 3 through April 21. Sessions will be held in the rectory from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Registration will be limited to 15 participants, and a commitment to as much of the program as possible is required. There is a \$25 registration fee (financial assistance is available) to help cover retreat and program costs.

**You can register on forms available at the church information desk, or by contacting Amy Pelletiere ([apelletiere@stjameswabash.org](mailto:apelletiere@stjameswabash.org)) or Jim Boyd ([jfboyd@hotmail.com](mailto:jfboyd@hotmail.com)).**