

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

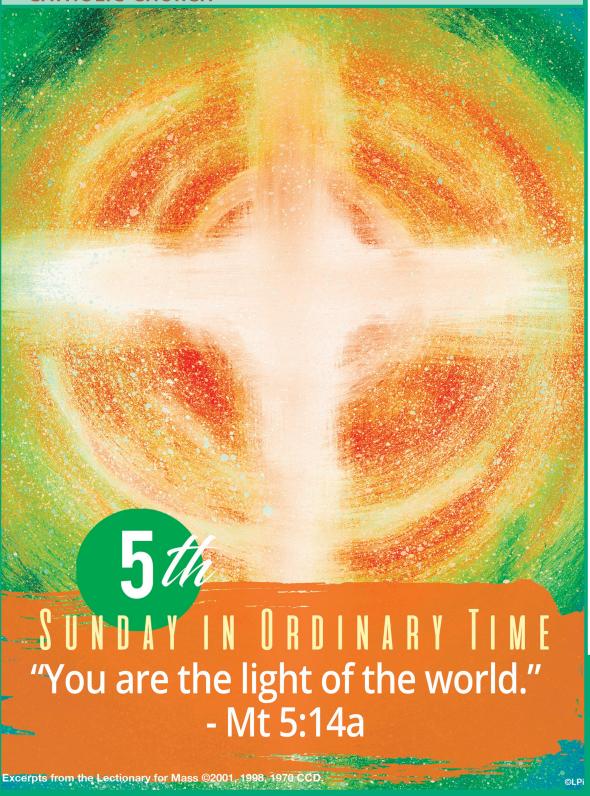
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COME, FOLLOW ME... and heal our world

2020 Annual Catholic Appeal



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

Every year the Archdiocese of Chicago holds the Annual Catholic Appeal (ACA) to raise funds to support the missionary outreach of the local Church. You can see in the bulletin insert a report on how monies raised by the ACA are used. In 2018 \$4.7 million went to support hurting parishes and schools, \$2.2 million was used to develop evangelization initiatives and liturgy enhancements, \$849,000 supported youth and young adult ministries as well as staff formation in the parishes. \$.5 million assisted the poor and vulnerable overseas through Catholic Relief Services, \$423,000 promoted respect for life, prison ministry, immigration services and Peace and justice initiatives and \$313,000 went for priest education. The monies raised are targeted, therefore, not in the normal operations of the Archdiocese but in expanding its mission. The Cardinal has provided the assurance that no money donated to the ACA has been, or will be, used to defray expenses related to misconduct issues.

Unlike other collections taken up during the year, the ACA is a pledge campaign where you can make a gift payable in installments. If you have supported the ACA in the past you received a pledge form in the mail. Please complete the form and mail it back or bring it to Mass next weekend. For those who did not receive a mailing or have had not had time to respond, we will conduct an in-pew pledge process at the Masses next weekend.

The ACA theme for 2020 is "Come, follow me ... and heal our world," This theme reminds us to continue to answer Jesus' call to follow him. Each one of us stands in need of healing and so does our wounded Church and world. Even as we embrace our individual healing we are invited to be Christ's healing presence in our broken, fragmented, and sometimes violent world. One of the ways that we do so is by providing the necessary contribution to fund ministries and services to share God's love with many others in our archdiocese. St. James has a goal of 7% of our annual income and any monies received over that goal will be rebated back to the parish. Your pledge makes a difference.

Of course, any donations we make to the ACA are part of the larger pattern of stewardship that characterizes our lives as Christians. What identifies a steward? Safeguarding material and human resources and using them responsibly are one answer; so is generous giving of time, talent, and treasure. But being a Christian steward means more. As Christian stewards, we receive God's gifts gratefully, cultivate them responsibly, share them lovingly in justice with others, and return them with increase to the Lord. Christian stewards recognize God as the origin of life, giver of freedom, and source of all things. We are grateful for the gifts we have received and are eager to use them to show our love for God and for one another.

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.

MINISTRIES

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

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 Pellettiere (apellettiere@stjameswabash.org) or Jim Boyd (jfboyd@hotmail.com).

2020 Annual Catholic Appeal

Please spend some time this week reflecting on the Annual Catholic Appeal brochure that you received with your bulletin. The Annual Catholic Appeal is much different than a one-time special collection. It is a pledged campaign commitment where you can make a gift payable in installments.

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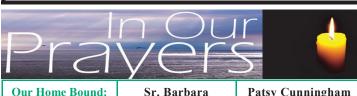
TREASURE, TIME, & TALENT



Our Jazzing to Feed fundraiser is approaching. Although it is four months away, May 30, 2020, the time quickly flies. In

the past we made over \$11,500 on the silent auction. We need over 100 items in order to do this. Popular items for the silent auction are gift cards - restaurant gift cards, grocery store gift cards, and department store gift cards. Theater tickets - live and movie are also popular. Also art work, gift baskets, new small household appliances, sports items and tickets, especially White Sox and are very popular. Bring items to church or drop them off at the Parish Office, 2907 Wabash. It would be great if they could be brought in sooner rather than later so we can begin processing them.

SUNDAY COLLECTION REPORT				
JANUARY 1— JANUARY 19				
SUNDAY	2020	2019	CHANGE	
ENVELOPES	\$4,378.00	\$5,130.00	(\$752.00)	
CHECKS	\$2,065.00	\$1,270.00	\$795.00	
CASH	\$965.22	\$931.49	\$33.73	
ON-LINE	\$5,005.00	\$6,245.00	(\$1,240.00)	
TOTAL SUNDAY	\$12,413.22	<u>\$13,576.49</u>	<u>(\$1,163.27)</u>	
SHARING	\$583.00	\$678.00	(\$95.00)	
MAINTENANCE	\$454.00	\$218.00	\$236.00	
TOLTON				
CANONIZATION	\$327.00	\$90.00	\$237.00	
TOTAL OTHER	\$1,364.00	\$986.00	\$378.00	
TOTAL GIVING	\$13,777.22	\$14,562.49	(\$785.27)	



Judy Archer Margie Bass Altee Clark **Edwina Cook** Paul Freeman

James Kennard

Rastatter **Barbara Southhall Dina Williams** Our Sick Victoria Allen Juanita James Aayliah Cooper

Patsy Cunningham Marvelean Doss Nancy McCarthy Barbara Radizwon Sandra Reynolds **Donald Rogers Kimberly Starr**

Mass Attendance

January 26, 2020: 111(9:30 a.m.)/63(11:30 a.m.) February 2, 2020: 125(9:30 a.m.)/61(11:30 a.m.)

NEXT WEEK AT ST. JAMES....

Sun 02/09	5th Sunday In Ordinary Time Second Collection Food & Toiletries for Food Pantry		
	9:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 10:40 a.m. 11:30 a.m.	Choir Rehearsal Mass Kid's Word (Church Lower Level) Sunday School (Church Lower Level) Mass Daniel Gockel - requested by Elaine Gockel	
Mon 02/10	7:30 a.m. † 1:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Mass (Rectory-Tolton Chapel) For the Intentions of Sr. Barabara Rastatter - requested by Judy Schwarts Bible Study (Rectory) Bible Study (Rectory)	
Tue 02/11	7:30 a.m. † 6:00 p.m.	Mass (Rectory-Tolton Chapel) Daniel Gockel - requested by Eileen Coffey Peace & Justice Committee (Rectory)	
Wed 02/12	7:30 a.m. †	Mass (Rectory-Tolton Chapel) Dan Luchins - requested by Cathy Luchins	
Thur 02/13	7:30 a.m. †	Mass (Rectory-Tolton Chapel) Daniel Gockel - requested by Elaine Gockel	
Fri 02/14	7:30 a.m.	Mass (Rectory-Tolton Chapel) Daniel Gockel - requested by Elaine Gockel	
Sun 02/16	6th Sunday In Ordinary Time Second Collection Annual Catholic Appeal		
	9:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 10:40 a.m. 11:30 a.m.	Choir Rehearsal Mass Kid's Word (Church Lower Level) Sharing Parish Delivery (Pantry) Sunday School (Church Lower Level) Mass	



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!



Your St James Parish Council held its first meeting of the year on January 8, 2020, at 7pm. This years council consists of 7 returning Members and 2 newly seated Candidates Gisela Quinones and Rachel Carlson. Returning members are Augustana Atangana, Phyllis Barker, Dave Bowman (On site architect/building Manager) Mary Ann Feliciano (Co Chair) Darren Haley, Ruelyn Howard, and Rene Rouse (secretary). We are so grateful for the time and ideas shared by outgoing members Camille Hamlet/Amegah, Leona Martin and Sherri Seyfried.

News to share Ask a council member about the "Just Roots" project which may use our open land to grow and provide vegetables for the Community and pantry. Some Parish Council members met with Old St Mary Parish Council to see how we and our committees might work in tandem to best serve our elderly, homeless and unchurched communities. I am so proud to report that our small Parish continues to carry out the Mission of serving our community thru Social Justice, On going Faith sharing meetings, Our IIT Students, Bereavement committee, and open discussions on immigration and security discussions. Please search out a Parish council member and share your ideas or thoughts. We have much to accomplish and we can do anything when we work together. Eager to serve, Mary Ellen Levine (Chair)