

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 a.m. (On-line)

#### **DAILY MASS**

Monday - Friday 7:30 a.m. (On-line)

## OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Sunday
Closed until further
notice

#### **LOCATION**

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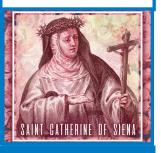
# 3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER

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They set out at once and returned to Jerusalem where they found gathered together the eleven and those with them who were saying, "The Lord has truly been raised and has appeared to Simon!" - Lk 24:33-34

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### ON THE WAY.....



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

Instead of the celebrative moments we usually associate with the Easter season – pascal dinner, egg hunts, Easter bonnets – we find ourselves feeling trapped in a "same old, same old" existence of social distancing and stay at home orders. It reminded me of a meditation written several years ago (for me that means fifty!) by Fr. Karl Rahner, SJ. Rahner was a German Jesuit priest who was one of the great theologians at the Vatican Council. Some (me!) consider him the greatest Catholic thinker of the twentieth century. But he was also a man of deep spirituality who wrote often of his prayer life in a way that is very accessible to people (unlike some of his theological writing.) One such essay was entitled "God of My Daily Routine." Rahner observes that even though we profess to be people of faith that in our "daily routine" God does not play a very large part. Most of our "long days and tedious hours are filled with everything else but God." Our lives are chock-a-block with "countless trivialities, much empty talk and pointless activity, idle curiosity and ludicrous pretensions of important that all roll forward in a never-ending stream."

The reality is that any path to God leads through the very middle of ordinary life and the fact is that even cloistered monks can lose sight of God. However, the reverse is also true: if we can lose God in anything we can also find God in anything. Rahner prays to "see the few precious moments when the grace of God's love has succeeded in stealing into an obscure corner of my life in between the countless bales of second-hand goods that fill up my everyday routine." The challenge before us is to find God in all things, even in the most ordinary of things. Since we are deprived currently of some of the normal avenues we have to God – going to Church, receiving the sacraments, experiencing Christian community, serving the needs of others – we are called to seek God in small things – in cooking supper, in cleaning house, in talking on the phone, in washing our hands (yes, even that!) St. Therese talked about her path to God as "the little way." We all currently have the opportunity to find the presence of God in the small things in our lives. Since God created everything, everything has the potential to reveal God to us. We must learn to see the face of God in plant by our window, in the water flowing from the tap, in the smile of the people we live with.

Rahner concludes his essay in this way: "There is only one thing I can beg for, and that is Your most ordinary and most exalted gift, the grace of Your Love. Touch my heart with this grace, O Lord. When I reach out in joy or in sorrow for the things of this world, grant that through them I may know and love You, their Maker and final home. You who are Love itself, give me the grace of love, give me Yourself, so that all my days may finally empty into the one day of Your eternal Life."

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



#### THIS WEEK AT ST. JAMES



Join us for Mass <u>on-</u> line via Zoom

> Sundays 9:30AM

See calendar for link. Meeting ID: 622 647 147

#### Or you can call in at:

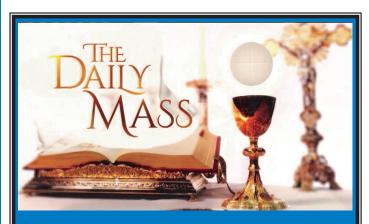
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## Find your local number: https://zoom.us/u/abZJJM2m4



Daily Mass has returned on-line! Please join us at 7:30 a.m.

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#### This Week at St. James



### Here for Each Other

A chance to connect with others, to learn and share practical ways to overcome isolation,
to deal with change,
and to promote health

Wednesdays 1:00PM

Fill out this form if you want to join us on Wednesdays:

https://forms.gle/J5jGyEPvGJP1GxaZ6



We are all suffering by not being able to gather for prayer and worship every Sunday. Unfortunately there is no way of knowing how long those restrictions will be in place to help prevent the spread of the virus. One consequence of this reality is that St. James is facing a dramatic loss of income. Many thanks to those who use Give Central for the parish donations. It provides some help with our bills. But, as all of you can testify, bills keep coming even when the income has diminished. I would ask you to continue to be generous to St. James during this time. If you would like to donate using Give Central you need merely to click on this link:

https://www.givecentral.org/location/41/event/654

Or, if you would prefer, consider mailing your donation directly to the parish. Together we will get through this difficult moment.

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

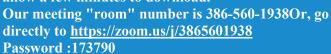
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The Rosary is prayed on-line twice daily at 8:30AM and 6:30PM Go to www.zoom.com. First time users, allow a few minutes to download.



Whether you are present or not you can submit a prayer request. Prayer Requests can be submitted through <a href="https://tinyurl.com/stjamesrosary">https://tinyurl.com/stjamesrosary</a>