



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*



PALM SUNDAY

Those preceding him as well as those
following kept crying out:
"Hosanna!

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!"
- Mk 11:9

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SUNDAY MASS

9:30 a.m.
(Church w/Sign
Up & On-line)

DAILY MASS

Monday - Friday
7:30 a.m.
(Church w/Sign
Up & On-line)

OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Sunday
Closed until further
notice

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ON THE WAY.....



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

Holy Week. Last year all of the liturgies of Holy Week were via Zoom. It was very strange not to gather as a Christian Community to celebrate the Sacred Mysteries at the heart of our faith. No palms to distribute, no feet to wash, no bread broken and cup shared, no cross to kiss, no candles to hold, no baptisms to perform. The virtual ceremonies gave us just a dim approximation of how Holy Week is to be commemorated – being with Jesus as he goes through his humiliation, suffering and ultimate death.

This year, because of social distancing and the need to keep things sanitary, we will still not be able to participate in many of the rituals which provide special meaning to these days. Since we won't have those symbolic, communal actions to guide our prayer we are challenged to do some personal reflection on the significance of the events we remember this week.

Palm Sunday. The shift from “Hosanna” during the Triumphal Entry of Jesus into Jerusalem to “Crucify him” proclaimed this year in the Passion Narrative by St. Mark is so dramatic a contrast that it causes spiritual whiplash. The gospel suggests that it was “the crowds,” the same people who were waving palms on Sunday that were waving fists on Friday. Our prayer might be how we too can quickly shift from our sincere intention for following Jesus to actions which drain away whatever virtue we have managed to acquire. We need some spiritual equilibrium.

Holy Thursday. While we cannot gather around the table with our friends as Jesus did we can imitate his action of humble service. For example, we can give up some of our “me time” and call someone who might need a word of comfort. We can't physically wash each other's feet but we can reach out in compassion to those who are hurting all around us. What is the need that you are seeing that you might be able to address in some way?

Good Friday. Embracing the cross as the liturgy calls for will look different this year. Instead of a physical encounter with “the wood” we have the opportunity to heed the word of the Lord and “pick up your cross each day” (Luke 9:23). Can we experience our crosses not as burdens but as blessings?

Holy Saturday. All is stillness on Holy Saturday. There is no liturgy to break the silence of the tomb. What a perfect day to spend time in the quiet, in the stillness. Instead of busying ourselves we can take a step back and simply wait on what the Lord might want to reveal to us.

Perhaps we enter the portal into a deeper experience of Holy Week by understanding that Jesus, the suffering servant, “did not come to be served but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for the many” (Mark 10:45). Holy Week is our invitation to join with the Lord in loving service.

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



THIS WEEK AT ST. JAMES

Sun 03/28	Palm Sunday	
	9:30 a.m.	Mass (On-line & Church w/Sign Up) https://zoom.us/j/622647147 Passcode: SJSUNDAY (57935957) † <i>Robert Czarny - requested by Jaqueline Dybas and Family</i>
Mon 03/29	7:30 a.m.	Mass (On-line & Rectory w/ Sign Up) Meeting ID: 844 260 686 Passcode: SJDAILY
Tues 03/30	7:30 a.m.	Mass (On-line & Rectory w/ Sign Up) Meeting ID: 844 260 686 Passcode: SJDAILY
	7:00 p.m.	Bible Study - (On-line)
Wed 03/31	7:30 a.m.	Mass (On-line & Rectory w/ Sign Up) Meeting ID: 844 260 686 Passcode: SJDAILY
Thur 04/01	7:30 a.m.	Mass (On-line & Rectory w/ Sign Up) Meeting ID: 844 260 686 Passcode: SJDAILY
	6:30 p.m.	The Lord's Supper Mass (On-line & Church w/Sign Up) https://zoom.us/j/622647147
Fri 04/02	9:30 a.m.	Mass (On-line & Rectory w/ Sign Up) Meeting ID: 844 260 686 Passcode: SJDAILY
	3:00 p.m.	Stations of the Cross (On-line)
	6:30 p.m.	The Passion Of The Lord Mass (On-line & Church w/Sign Up) https://zoom.us/j/622647147
Sat 04/03	8:00 p.m.	Easer Vigil Mass (On-line & Church w/Sign Up) https://zoom.us/j/622647147
Sun 04/04	Easter Sunday Resurrection Of Our Lord	
	9:30 a.m.	Mass (On-line & Church w/Sign Up) https://zoom.us/j/622647147 Passcode: SJSUNDAY (57935957) † <i>Ralph Garafolo - requested by Mena Marano</i>

Seeing Race: Racism & Homelessness

Sunday
April 11, 2021
12:30PM

w/Deacon Alfred Coleman

See calendar or "Zoom links" for Zoom link.



Easter Week Services

April 1 - April 3

Holy Thursday

6:30 p.m. Mass of the Lord's Supper

Good Friday

3:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross
(Zoom Only)

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

Sign up on-line for in person or join us
on Zoom.



Socially Distant Egg Hunt and Games

Join us with your children for an outdoor socially distant egg hunt and games at the St James Playlot. Each child will have their own zone to find as many eggs as they can. Smaller children can have a guardian assist.

Each session will have a limited number of spots available to ensure there's enough space for everyone. Sign up online. Please bring your own basket.



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 March 29 2021

St. James Catholic Church Attn: Easter Flower Donation
2907 South Wabash Avenue Chicago, IL 60616

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

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This week we learned of the death of the brother of Mirelle Kotoklo, Mr. Rene Clement Kotoklo, who died on March 16, 2021, after a short

illness Mr. Rene Kotoklo lived on the Ivory Coast, West Africa. Body Lifting at St. Joseph Parish of the Riviera Bonoumin following by Requiem Mass and burial at Williamsville cemetery Sunday, March 28, 2021. Thanksgiving Mass at the St. Joseph Parish of the Riviera Bonoumin.

Condolences may be sent to
Lady Mirelle Kotoklo, 400 East 33rd Street
Apt 1914 Chicago, IL 60616.



Coming to Church

Advance sign up for all masses and events is required.

You can access all sign-ups for masses and events, including Eucharistic Adoration through [Sign Up Genius](#) or on the Sign Up Genius tab on our website. If you do not have access to the internet you may call Amy at 872-703-4337.

Participants must follow ALL safety guidelines.



<p>St. James has a google form for submitting prayer requests:</p> <p>https://forms.gle/ZgbVkgarRRgDmJR6A</p> 			
<p>Our Home Bound:</p> <p>Judy Archer Margie Bass Altee Clark Paul Freeman Juanita James Barbara Southhall Dina Williams</p>	<p>Our Sick:</p> <p>Victoria Allen Aayliah Cooper Patsy Cunningham Marvelean Doss Nancy McCarthy Barbara Radizwon Sandra Reynolds Donald Rogers Kimberly Starr</p>		