

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 a.m.
(Church &
On-line)

DAILY MASS

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

OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday
9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

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5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

“I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes
to the Father except through me. If you know me, then
you will also know my Father.” - Jn 14:6-7

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MAY 7, 2023

**YOUR
MERCY
TOWERS
TO THE
HEAVENS.**

ON THE WAY.....



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

Campus Ministry at St. James. My guess is that one of the reasons that St. James remains a stand-alone parish despite our small size after the Renew My Church process is the variety of ways that we serve our local community. We are, of course, a parish but one which strives to be more than a place that people come for one hour on a Sunday morning. We seek to create relationships with God and neighbor that ripple through life and to work to make our city and our world a more just and peaceful place. We partner with the St. James Farm in feeding the community. And, of course, we sponsor a very active and busy Food Pantry that serves somewhere around 2000 people every month. What might not be as apparent to the person in the pew (metaphorical pew in our case) is that St. James is also the site of a campus ministry.

Our neighbors to the south are the Illinois Institute of Technology (IIT), the Illinois College of Optometry and the VanderCook College of Music, the only college in the United States solely specializing in the training of music educators. With the three schools counting both graduate and undergraduate, there are something like 9,000 students. One campus ministry, Amy Pelletiere, is responsible for keeping the students aware of the possibility of engaging in the faith. (This is in addition to all that she does in the parish.) St. James has taken on and supports campus ministry with our own resources. Several parishioners and the occasional theological intern help Amy to accompany the students throughout the year.

The primary way we connect with the college students is inviting them to participate in the regular parish liturgy at St. James. The young people who attend the schools are from many different countries and cultures. The parish is blessed by their presence on Sunday and invites those who are interested to participate in the liturgical ministries. Frequently the students will come to the rectory after Sunday Mass to cook and eat breakfast together. In addition, once a month a mass is held in the Carr Chapel (affectionately known as the God Box for its austere style) on the IIT campus. Here the students get to worship with their peers. After that Mass the students share a meal. Once a week, a prayer service is held at the Missionary Servant house on Michigan Avenue. The format for this meeting changes according to the season and interests of those attending. A simple meal is provided. (Do you catch a certain theme arising?) At various holidays (Halloween, Thanksgiving, etc.) during the year the Campus Ministry does some special activity, particularly geared toward those who aren't able to go home. Every semester the students are invited to participate in an overnight retreat to deepen their spiritual lives.

One of the realities of campus ministry is that the students graduate and leave after a few years. The hope is that their time with us has given them a firm foundation to continue to live the faith. As we bless those who are graduating we at St. James are not just sending the graduates forth but also committing ourselves to continue this important part of our mission as a parish.

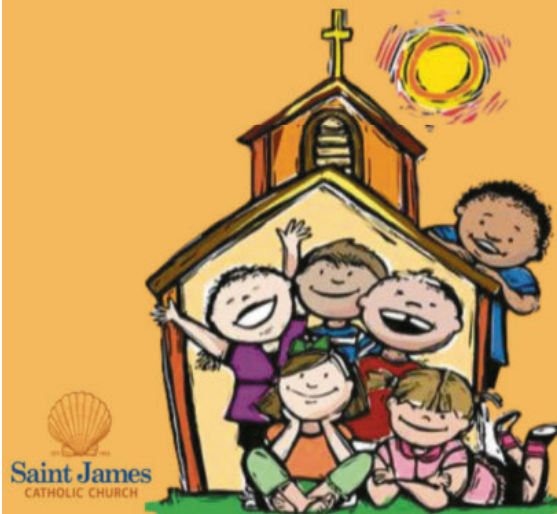
In the Most Holy Trinity,
Fr. John Edmunds, S.T

Sun 05/07	5th Sunday of Easter	
	9:30 a.m.	Mass (Presentation Hall & On-line) https://zoom.us/j/622647147 Passcode: SJSUNDAY (57935957) † <i>Anna Belle O'Shea by Joseph OShea</i>
Mon 05/08	7:30 a.m. †	Mass (Chapel & On-line) <i>Sisters of St. Joseph Carondelet by Sister Bernadette</i>
	7:00 p.m.	Bible Study (On-line)
Tues 05/09	7:30 a.m. †	Mass (Chapel & On-line) <i>Joseph Eaton by Sister Bernadette</i>
Wed 05/10	7:30 a.m. †	Mass (Chapel & On-line) <i>Anna Marano by Mena Marano</i>
Thurs 05/11	7:30 a.m.	Mass (Chapel & On-line)
Fri 05/12	7:30 a.m. †	Mass (Chapel & On-line) <i>Hermina Eaton by Sister Bernadette</i>
Sun 05/14	6th Sunday of Easter	
	9:30 a.m.	Mass (Presentation Hall & On-line) https://zoom.us/j/622647147 Passcode: SJSUNDAY (57935957) † <i>Debra and Shirley Barker by Phyllis Barker</i>

KIDS/FAMILY MASS

MAY 14TH, 9:30AM

CELEBRATE OUR YOUTH AS THEY SERVE IN OUR LITURGY.




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Sunday's Readings

First Reading:

So the Twelve called together the community of the disciples and said,
"It is not right for us to neglect the word of God to serve at table.

Brothers, select from among you seven reputable men, filled with the Spirit and wisdom, whom we shall appoint to this task, whereas we shall devote ourselves to prayer and to the ministry of the word." (Acts 6:2-4)

Psalm:

Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you. (Ps 33)

Or Alleluia.

Second Reading:

You are "a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people of his own, so that you may announce the praises" of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light. (1 Pt 2:9)

Gospel:

Jesus said to him,
"I am the way and the truth and the life.
No one comes to the Father except through me.
If you know me, then you will also know my Father."
(Jn 14:6-7)

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Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

To those who persist in faith, the truth is a living stone, strong enough to support the weight of real joy. To those who despair of faith, it is a stumbling block. The truth will always be in their way.

Observances for the week of May 7, 2023

- Sunday:** 5th Sunday of Easter
Wednesday: St. John of Avila, Priest and Doctor of the Church; St. Damien de Veuster, Priest
Friday: Sts. Nereus and Achilleus, Martyrs; St. Pancras, Martyr
Saturday: Our Lady of Fatima
Next Sunday: 6th Sunday of Easter; Mother's Day



Saint of the week

Blessed Miriam Teresa Demjanovich made it her short life's mission in early 1900s New Jersey, to educate everyone about humanity's universal call to holiness. Her writings can be found in a book called *The Greater Perfection*. She lived a life of contemplation and charity.

Prayer

Official Prayer for the Canonization of Blessed Miriam Teresa Demjanovich

Most Holy and Blessed Trinity, whom Blessed Miriam Teresa loved so ardently, grant that we like her may become ever more conscious of Your Divine Presence within our souls. We implore You to continue to show signs that Your humble servant enjoys glory with You in Heaven, and to hasten the day when we may render her a lasting tribute of our veneration and love. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end.

Amen.

(Prayer Source: <https://www.scnj.org/blessed-miriam-teresa>)



St. James has a google form for submitting prayer requests:

<https://forms.gle/ZgbVkgarRRgDmJR6A>



In Our Prayers



Our Home Bound:

Judy Archer
Margie Bass
Paul Freeman
Juanita James
Barbara Southhall
Dina Williams

Our Sick:

Victoria Allen
Aayliah Cooper

Joe Cunningham
Patsy Cunningham
Marvelean Doss
Claude Fisher
Paul Kanzer

Linda Griffin Kennard
Nancy McCarthy
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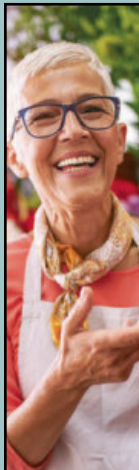
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