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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. 1:00 p.m. Española/Spanish (Church & On-line)

DAILY MASS

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

OFFICE HOURS

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

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EUCHARISTIC ADORATION Saturdays

3 p.m.– 4:30 p.m. (St. House 3347 S Michigan) First Friday of the Month 7:30 a.m. & 6:00 p.m. (Chapel)

HEALER OF THE SORROWS OF EVE, CHANGE MY DAY OF ANGUISH INTO A FEAST OF GLADNESS. ST. GREGORY OF NAREK

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SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

LED THEN UP A HIGH MOUNTAIN.

FEBURARY 25, 2024

ON THE WAY....



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

Bringing people into the Church is one of the most solemn and important tasks. The entire process is called the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA). For many months those who are seeking have been learning and praying about what it means to be Catholic. For the next several weeks we as a Church will be taking the next steps with those approaching the Easter Sacraments. These prayers are called "the scrutinies."

The Scrutinies are celebrated for the Elect (unbaptized) on the 3RD, 4TH, and 5TH Sundays of Lent. These Rites are celebrated to help deliver the Elect from the power of sin and Satan, to protect them against temptation, and to give them strength in Christ, who is the Way, the Truth, and the Life (RCIA 141). The Scrutinies uncover what is weak and sinful and strengthen what is good and upright in the elect. Through them, "the Elect are instructed gradually about the mystery of sin, from which the whole world and every person longs to be delivered..." (RCIA 143). The things that keep the elect from saying "yes!" are the things that must be scrutinized and exorcized, for in a few short weeks, they must respond "ves, I believe" as they stand at the edge of death at the font. The readings are always taken from Lectionary Year A readings each year. Year A Gospel Readings: The Gospel story of the Samaritan woman at the well for the 1st Scrutiny (John 4:5-42). The Gospel story of the healing of the man born blind for the 2nd Scrutiny (John 9:1-41), The Gospel story of the raising of Lazarus for the 3rd Scrutiny (John 11:1-45) Just as the Scrutinies themselves are meant to be a series of rites spanning over an extended period of time, so too are these three Gospel readings meant to be "digested" little by little with time in between each set of readings. This is because the readings in their assigned sequence reflect the very purpose of the Scrutiny Rites.

The celebrations of the Scrutinies also remind the whole parish community of the need to reflect on their own sins and the need for God's help. The universal Church hears the stories of the Samaritan woman, the man born blind, and the raising of Lazarus. These readings were chosen to be the driving force of prayerful introspection, surrender, and conversion. They offer powerful images of surrender, sin, conversion, faith, and healing. In our faith journey with those seeking Baptism, we must stir our souls, as if they were dying campfires, to expose any parts of ourselves that have not been purified by the burning love of the Holy Spirit. We are challenged with the Samaritan woman at the well when we thirst for the Lord, who knows what we need and provides it; we beg, with the man born blind, to see Jesus, who is the light and gives us sight; and finally we lie with Lazarus within the tomb of oblivion and death, built with the stones of our own sins, until Jesus reaches out his hand and pulls us from the pit. Take this gift of the Church and use this group of readings as Lenten reflections.

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

	9:30 a.m. † 1:00 p.m.	Mass (Presentation Hall & On-line) https://zoom.us/j/622647147 Passcode: SJSUNDAY (57935957) Margie Eaton by Sister Bernadette Eaton, CSJ Mass - Española/Spanish (Presentation Hall)
4on 2/26	7:30 a.m.	Mass (Chapel & On-line)
`ues 2/27	7:30 a.m. † 6:30 p.m.	Mass (Chapel & On-line) Jerry and Eileen McDonough by Sister Bernadette Eaton, CSJ Just Action (On-line)
Ved 2/28	7:30 a.m.	Mass (Chapel & On-line)
hurs 2/29	7:30 a.m.	Mass (Chapel & On-line)
ri 3/01	7:30 a.m. 8:30 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m.	Mass (Chapel & On-line) Eucharistic Adoration (Chapel) Eucharistic Adoration (Chapel) Stations Of The Cross (Church)
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2nd Sunday Of Lent



1:00 p.m. Mass - Española/Spanish

For the people of St. James

Eucharistic Adoration Friday February 2nd 8:30 am & 6:00 pm (Chapel) Confessions available upon request

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AFRICAN-AMERICAN HERITAGE CELEBRATION - THANK YOU!



A belated thank you to the many people who shared their time, talent and treasure to make our 2024 African Amercan Heritage Celebration a wonderful event for all. Special thanks to Jackie, Renee, Mary Ann and the Fellowship committee for their work in organizing the day.

Congratulations to our catechumens who were sent to the cathedral this weekend:

Dahlia Saint Knives, Jewel Hall and Sarah Stahly





A Lenten evening of song and reflection in the Taize tradition

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St. James on Wabash 21 East 29th Street www.stjameswabash.org Wednesday, March 13 7:00 p.m. Free and open to all

STATIONS OF THE CROSS



FRIDAYS AT 6:30PM 2/23 - ZOOM 3/1 - CHURCH 3/8 - ZOOM 3/15 - CHURCH 3/22 - ZOOM

See "Zoom links for Events and Ministries"



BIBLE STUDY: PRAYER IN THE BIBLE

Mondays March 11 - March 25 7:00-8:30PM Zoom

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