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the Most Holy Trinity*



SUNDAY MASS

9:30 a.m.
11:30 a.m.
*1:00 p.m.
*Español/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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**EUCCHARISTIC
ADORATION**

First Friday of the Month
8:30 a.m. & 6:00 p.m.
(Chapel)
Every Saturday
And Confessions
@ Missionary Servant House
3347 S. Michigan
3:30 to 5:00 pm

2ND SUNDAY OF LENT

“This is my chosen Son; listen to him.” - Lk 9:35

2º DOMINGO DE LA CUARESMA

“Este es mi Hijo, mi escogido; escúchenlo”. - Lc 9, 35



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ON THE WAY....



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

Over the years you might have heard the term RCIA – the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. This describes the process the Church uses in bringing adults into the Catholic Church. Last year the US Bishops (following the norms of the Holy See) started using the term OCIA – the Order of Christian Initiation of Adults since there are several rites which are part of the process. Today at St. James we will celebrate one of those rites: the Rite of Sending Catechumens for Election. The highlight of the rite is the signing of the Book of the Elect. (The term, “catechumen,” refers to those who have never been baptized and have been preparing themselves for the reception of the Sacraments.) Evelyn, who has been part of the OCIA community for the past year will be recognized as in the final stages of formation as she prepares for Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Communion at the Easter Vigil. Later today another of the rites will be celebrated at Holy Name Cathedral: the Rite of Election of Catechumens. Evelyn will join with those from other parishes around the Archdiocese for a public reception by the bishop of their candidacy for incorporation into the Church through baptism. During the rest of the Sundays of Lent other rites – called the scrutinies – will be celebrated as prayerful preparation for the Easter Sacraments.

Some background: the restoration of the catechumenate was one of the happiest of the liturgical reforms prompted by Vatican Council II. The Council Fathers realized that the mission of the Church was not limited to non-Christian lands but included the entire world. The Order of Christian Initiation of Adults was designed not only to prepare individuals for the reception of the sacraments but also to help Christian communities in their evangelizing task. As the document states the purpose of the process is so that “adults who, upon hearing the proclamation of the mystery of Christ as the Holy Spirit opens their hearts, consciously and freely seek the living God and undertake the journey of faith and conversion. By God’s power and in their own preparation, they will be strengthened with spiritual help and at the proper time will fruitfully receive these sacraments.”

“[The elect], having been incorporated into Christ through Baptism, are formed into the People of God, and, having received the remission of all their sins and been rescued from the power of darkness, they are brought to the status of adopted sons and daughters, being made a new creation by water and the Holy Spirit. Hence they are called, and indeed they are, children of God. Sealed with the gift of the same Spirit in Confirmation, they are more perfectly configured to the Lord and filled with the Holy Spirit... Finally, participating in the Eucharistic assembly they eat the Flesh and drink the blood of the Son of Man, so that they may receive eternal life and show forth the unity of God’s people... Thus, the three Sacraments of Christian Initiation so work together that they bring to full stature the Christian faithful, who exercise in the Church and in the world the mission of the entire Christian people.”

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

Sun 3/16	2nd Sunday Of Lent	
	9:30 a.m.	Mass (Presentation Hall & On-line) https://zoom.us/j/622647147 Passcode: SJSUNDAY (57935957) † Sarah and Bridget Gaggiano by Cathy Moore
	11:30 a.m.	Mass SPRED Español/Spanish (Presentation Hall)
	1:00 p.m.	Mass - Español/Spanish (Presentation Hall)
	5:00 p.m.	Mass (Presentation Hall)
Mon 3/17	7:30 a.m.	Mass (Chapel & On-line) † <i>Dina Williams by the Williams Family</i>
	7:00 p.m.	Bible Study (On-line)
Tue 3/18	7:30 a.m.	Mass (Chapel & On-line) † <i>Bernard Brogan by Sister Bernadette Eaton, CSJ</i>
Wed 3/19	7:30 a.m.	Mass (Chapel & On-line) † <i>Sisters of St. Joseph by Sister Bernadette Easton, CSJ</i>
	7:00 p.m.	Taize Prayer Service (Church)
Thurs 3/20	7:30 a.m.	Mass (Chapel & On-line) † <i>Margie Eaton by Sister Bernadette Easton, CSJ</i>
	6:00 p.m.	Social Care Board (On-line)
Fri 3/21	7:30 a.m.	Mass (Chapel & On-line)
	6:30 p.m.	Stations Of The Cross (On-line)
Sun 3/23	3rd Sunday Of Lent	
	9:30 a.m.	Mass (Presentation Hall & On-line) https://zoom.us/j/622647147 Passcode: SJSUNDAY (57935957) † <i>Van Bensett by Amy Pelletiere</i>
	11:00 p.m.	LGBTQIA+ Ministry (Rectory)
	11:30 a.m.	Mass (Presentation Hall)
	1:00 p.m.	Mass - Español/Spanish (Presentation Hall)



**Ministry for
LGBTQIA+ persons,
family & friends**

Next meeting

**March 23rd
11:00 am**

**St. James Rectory
2942 S. Wabash**

Join us for a Lenten evening of song and reflection in the Taize tradition

Taize Prayer



Take heart, the world is troubled but I am with you.

St. James on Wabash
21 East 29th Street
www.stjameswabash.org

Wednesday, March 19
7pm
Free and open to all



A special thank you to those who supported the Bereavement Committee Fish Dinner Sale. Thank you those who donated time, talent and funds.



The Bereavement Committee:
Avis Coleman
Cynthia Cooper
Monique Germain
Darien Haley
Joseph O'Shea
Mary Worden
Avis Coleman

St. James Lenten Day of Reflection: *Listening like Mary, Responding with Community*



Saturday, April 5th
9:30AM - 3PM
St. James Church

By taking a moment to listen deeply to ourselves - our mind, body, and spirit - we not only nurture our own well-being but also open ourselves to the ways we are called to serve others. Mary's "yes" to God was not only an internal, personal acceptance but also a powerful outward expression of grace, joy, and service to others. Her willingness to listen

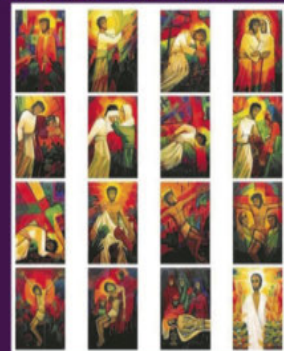
deeply to the message given to her and her courageous response teaches us how we, too, can listen attentively to the whispers of our mind, body, and spirit, and allow those whispers to guide our actions toward others.

Using the Annunciation and the Magnificat as our guides we will reflect on how we are each listening/responding to God's call for us, and will hear how some of our own community members live out Mary's message of hope. The day will include a light breakfast and lunch. Free will offering (suggested donation \$20).

Register at <https://bit.ly/SJLENT2025> or using the registration forms in the vestibules at church.

For more information please contact one of our retreat organizers: Maura, Madison, Sr. Jessi, Debbie, or Amy.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS



FRIDAYS AT 6:30PM

3/7 - ZOOM

3/14 - CHURCH (SOUP/SALAD)

3/21 - ZOOM

3/28 - CHURCH (SOUP/SALAD)

4/4 - ZOOM

4/11 - CHURCH (SOUP/SALAD)

Soup & Salad served from 5:30-6:30PM on designated dates. See "Links for Events and Ministries" on our website to participate via Zoom.



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

<https://forms.gle/ZgbVkgarRRgDmJR6A>



In Our Prayers



Our Home Bound:

Margie Bass
Paul Freeman
Orean Perry
Juanita James
Barbara Southhall

Our Sick:
Aayliah Cooper
Patsy Cunningham

Marvelean Doss
Claude Fisher
Paul Kanzer
Linda Griffin Kennard
Nancy McCarthy
Samuel Akuo Opong Duah
Sandra Reynolds
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