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CATHOLIC CHURCH

St. James Roman Catholic Church,
a diverse community rooted in vibrant
Eucharistic Liturgy, serves those in need
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*Saint James Church is
staffed by the priests
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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

EASTER SUNDAY

The women who had come from Galilee with Jesus took the spices they had prepared and went to the tomb. They found the stone rolled away from the tomb; but when they entered, they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus.

- Lk 24:1b-3

DOMINGO DE PASCUA

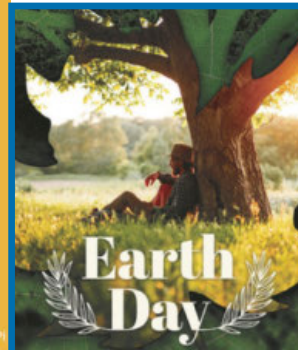
Llegaron las mujeres al sepulcro, llevando los perfumes que habían preparado. Encontraron que la piedra ya había sido retirada del sepulcro y entraron, pero no hallaron el cuerpo del Señor Jesús.

- Lc 24, 1-3

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ON THE WAY....



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

Catholics are accustomed to thinking of the season of Lent. The forty days from Ash Wednesday to Holy Saturday are marked by some spiritual practice to prepare us for the feast of Easter. To a lesser extent we notice the season of Advent – the four weeks preceding Christmas. Unfortunately, while we acknowledge the season liturgically the flurry of preparations for Christmas make it difficult in our culture to honor Advent. We are less used to thinking of the fifty days of the Easter season, the seven weeks between Easter and Pentecost. For us, Easter is more of a one off, celebrate the day, eat the chocolate ears of the Easter bunny and move on. The Church instead offers us the Easter season as the occasion to let the true meaning of Christ's resurrection sink deep into our being and impact our life of faith. In fact, the Church treats the octave of Easter, the eight days from Easter to the following Sunday, as one continuing celebration.

For Christians, Easter is a season of blessing and celebration, the time to reflect on the new reality of post-Easter existence. We live in a new age because of the Risen Jesus. Easter teaches us to trust that Christ is with us always as our Risen Lord. No matter what we are going through, we can rely on the grace and power of the resurrection. As St. Paul puts it, "If we have died with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with him" (Romans 6:8). Since that is so, we are called to witness to the "good news" of the resurrection to all the people who are woven into our lives.

However, witnessing is not something that we do naturally as Catholics. In fact, in the face of all the suffering and trouble we see in the world, proclaiming the triumph of Christ over sin and death which is the meaning of the Resurrection can seem a stretch. Even we as believers are tempted to ask where God is in the midst of all of suffering. If Jesus is truly alive and triumphant over the forces of darkness why is there so much turmoil in the world? We are given these fifty days to stop and reflect on the signs of the presence of the Risen Christ in our lives no matter what is going on around us. Yes, faith can be shaken (witness Doubting Thomas!) but Easter provides the blessed assurance that God isn't finished yet, that Christ with us means that all will be well. We place our hope in the Risen Lord.

Those who have been preparing for baptism over the past year in OCIA move in the fifty days of Easter into what is called "mystagogy," the interpretation of the meaning of the pascal events. We can all join with them as we pray over and study the Scriptural texts which are offered during this season. Maybe we can make an Easter resolution, not so much to give up chocolate, but to share our experience of the Christian life as followers of Jesus whom we embrace as the source of life and love.

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

Sun 4/20	Easter Sunday	
	9:30 a.m.	Mass (Presentation Hall & On-line) https://zoom.us/j/622647147 Passcode: SJSUNDAY (57935957) † Anna, Louis, Peter Marano and Ralph Garofalo by Mena Marano
	10:30 a.m.	Easter Egg Hunt
	11:30 a.m.	SPRED Mass—Español/Spanish (Presentation Hall)
	1:00 p.m.	Mass - Español/Spanish (Presentation Hall)
Mon 4/21	7:30 a.m.	Mass (Chapel & On-line) † Hermine Eaton by Sister Bernadette Eaton, CSJ
Tue 4/22	7:30 a.m. 5:30 p.m.	Mass (Chapel & On-line) Build A Community (Presentation Hall)
Wed 4/23	7:30 a.m.	Mass (Chapel & On-line) † Carmen Bertucci by Josie Bertucci
Thurs 4/24	7:30 a.m.	Mass (Chapel & On-line)
Fri 4/25	7:30 a.m.	Mass (Chapel & On-line)
Sun 4/27	2nd Sunday Of Easter	
	9:30 a.m.	Mass (Presentation Hall & On-line) https://zoom.us/j/622647147 Passcode: SJSUNDAY (57935957) † for the people of St. James
	11:30 a.m.	Mass (Presentation Hall)
	1:00 p.m.	Mass - Español/Spanish (Presentation Hall)



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Grief Support

April 26th
10 - 11:30AM

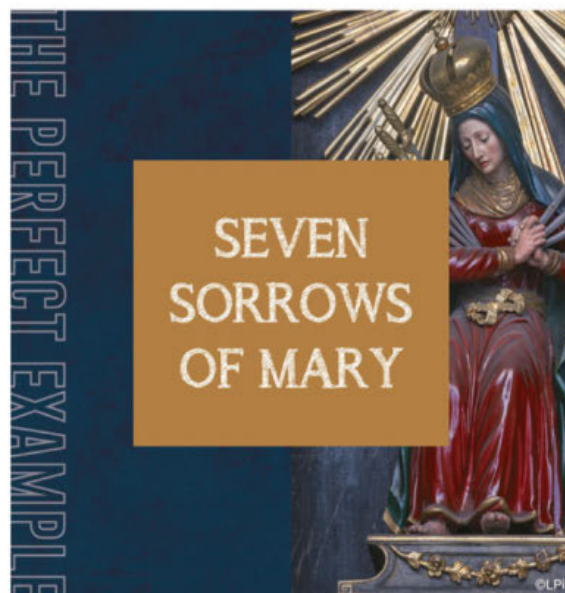
St. James Lower Level

We offer a safe space for you to share how your grief is affecting you and/or those with whom you interact; how the loss has prompted change for you. You are invited to share your story of your loved one. We are not problem solving. We are not counseling. We are a sharing group. Confidentiality is important to us. Come when you're ready. Leave when you please.



Next Sunday, April 27, a group will be at the Church selling articles from the Holy Land to Support the people suffering there.

Also, there will be a follow-up meeting to help Build a Community of Love and Resistance on Tuesday, April 22 at 5:30pm in the Church hall.



Devotions, *Explained!*

The Seven Sorrows of Mary helps us to unite our own sufferings with those of Jesus, following Mary's perfect example, as we meditate upon the great sufferings endured by Our Lord and his Blessed Mother.

Prayer for Easter

Blessed be God who has triumphed over the grave!
Our Lord is victorious!
Alleluia, alleluia!
May the joy of Easter fill every part of our lives!
Amen.



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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