THE ANGEL GABRIEL SAID TO MARY, “DO NOT BE AFRAID. MARY, FOR YOU HAVE FOUND FAVOR WITH GOD. BEHOLD, YOU WILL CONCEIVE IN YOUR WOMB AND BEAR A SON, AND YOU SHALL NAME HIM JESUS.”

~ Luke 1:30–31
A Reflection….from Fr. Matt Foley, Pastor

Merry Christmas, St. James!

For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, a stranger and you welcomed me, naked and you clothed me, ill and you cared for me, in prison and you visited me. Then the righteous will answer him and say, ‘Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you drink? When did we see a stranger and welcome you, or naked and clothe you? When did we see you ill or in prison, and visit you?’ And the king will say to them in reply, ‘Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me.’  Matt. 25:35-40

On December 17th and 18th, St. James Annual Mercy Box Charity collected and delivered 460+ boxes to three of our fellow brothers and sisters in parishes on Chicago’s West Side: St. Malachy, St. Agatha, and Assumption—Kolbe House.

As always, thank you, St. James for your incredible generosity.

(A podcast of this week’s reflection is available on the St. James website and mobile website.)
St. James 2017 Christmas and New Year Mass Schedule

December 24th – Christmas Eve
(Carols before each liturgy)

Church: 3:00pm, 5:00pm, 7:00pm
Parish Center: 3:00pm and 5:00pm - (both will be Children’s Masses)
11:00pm Mass

December 25th – Christmas Day
(Carols before each liturgy)

Church: 8:00am & 10:00am
Parish Center: 10:00am & 12:00 Noon

December 30/31 – Feast of the Holy Family

December 30th – Saturday
5:00pm Mass in the Parish Center

December 31st – Sunday
7:00am and 8:30am Masses in the Church
10:00am & 11:30am Masses in the Parish Center
5:00pm Sunday Mass in the Parish Center

January 1st – 2018 – New Year’s Day

Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God
8:00am and 10:00am Masses in the Church

(December 1st is not a Holy Day of Obligation this year, but please join us at Mass to celebrate the new year.)
A Christmas Letter from Cardinal Blase Cupich

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

In 1223, just two years before his death, Saint Francis of Assisi set up a living crèche, a replica of the manger in Bethlehem at the birth of Jesus. He preached and prayed before the scene. His biographer, Thomas of Celano, says that in that moment Francis was “overwhelmed with love and filled with wonderful happiness.” His contemplation of Jesus, the Word made flesh, drew him to experience the depth of God’s love.

We live in a troubled world beset by wars, violence, injustice, broken relationships, and illness. Beyond that, we do believe and are convinced that God loves us and walks with us in Jesus, his Son. As we know, God will heal us and our broken world and bring us into the fullness of life. It is my hope that when you pray before the mystery of the Incarnate Word, as Saint Francis prayed, you will be renewed in hope and confidence and be “overwhelmed with love and filled with wonderful happiness.”

May God bless you with a renewal of faith, hope, and love as we celebrate the birth of the Lord.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Cardinal Blase J. Cupich

ARCHBISHOP OF CHICAGO

Christmas 2017
Cardinal’s letter to the Faithful
Archdiocese of Chicago
Fourth Sunday of Advent ~ Pray Before You Speak

Have you ever been told to "think before you speak"? Nathan seems to have spoken too soon when he told David to do whatever he wanted about building a house for the LORD. He was being respectful to his king, and it sounded like a good idea. But later that night the Lord gave him a message for David: the LORD did not need anyone to build him a house; God would make David's house (in the sense of family or descendants) last forever.

As a prophet Nathan was expected to speak for the LORD. When he finally listened to the LORD, he got the message right. And that can be a lesson to us. Instead of just thinking before we speak, it could be a good idea to pray before we speak.

How many times have we said something in anger--or selfishness, fear, any strong feeling--that we wished we could take back? If we just think before we speak, we might just rationalize what we wanted to say in the first place. But if we take a little more time to bring our feelings to God, ask for guidance and listen for what God would have us say, things might turn out a lot better.

God can also surprise us if given the chance. The kingdom ("house") God was promising was not a political one, but a universal one. Jesus fulfills this promise as the Son of God who came to proclaim the Kingdom of God. Jesus himself prayed to the Father often in his life.

We can do the same. We pray before meals; why not pray before going to work? We can pray before making decisions about our family, getting engaged, taking a new job, buying a new house/car/HD-TV, etc. When a friend or relative needs someone to talk to, we can pray that we listen well and say what God wants our friend to hear. When we are sorry for hurting someone, we can pray for forgiveness and even listen to God to learn what we might do to make it up to them.

If we have enough faith to let God guide our lives, let's take the time in prayer to listen for that guidance.

Thank You!

Thank you to the Thornton Family for generously donating copies of “The Four Signs of a Dynamic Catholic” by Matthew Kelly, which will be passed out after the Christmas Masses this year. (One copy per family, please.)

Celebrating Motherhood

Friday, January 12 ~ 7 p.m. ~ St. James Church
831 N. Arlington Heights Rd.

Join us for the fifth annual “Celebrating Motherhood” event!

This special mass and reception is an awesome night where we gather with other women in our community to give thanks to God and to celebrate being or knowing a mom!

Mass will be celebrated at 7 p.m. by Fr. Matt Foley in the St. James Church, followed by a reception with light refreshments and drinks downstairs in the Laramie Room.

Sponsored by the Moms Plus Ministry and Women’s Club at St. James.
If you have questions about the event, contact Sandra Chaplin at sandramchaplin@gmail.com.

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St. James Divorce Ministry

The St. James Divorce Ministry is offering the Divorce Care program. Divorce Care is a 13-Session journey aimed to provide education, support, and healing. This free video seminar presented over multiple sessions meets on most 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of every month. Attend one or all sessions. Our ministry is geared toward supporting those who are separated / divorced / annulled to provide healing and renewal.

January 9, 2018 - 7pm
Session 9: “Kid Care”
O’Brien Room, St. James Parish Office
820 N. Arlington Heights Road, Arl. Hts.
Contact Deacon Jim Bannon
for more information:
224-345-7200
jamesrbannon@sbcglobal.net

Inviting ALL Adults

to a better understanding of the Catholic faith

Answers* to 2017 Quiz

1. How many sacraments does the Catholic Church recognize? a: 9 b: 8 c: 7
2. Who is the first saint? a: Peter b: Mary
3. Not all Christians are members of the Body of Christ, the Church. a: true b: false
4. The Catholic Church opposes all forms of birth control. a: true b: false
5. The "Immaculate Conception" refers to the conception of: a: Jesus b: Mary

* Based on the Catechism of the Catholic Church

2018 Pop Quiz

1. Name the 9 sacraments recognized by the Catholic Church.
2. Which sacraments celebrated in non-Catholic denominations does the Catholic Church recognize as valid?
3. What’s the difference between “catholic” & “Catholic?”
4. Which spelling, “catholic” or “Catholic” is used in the creeds we profess at Mass?
5. What is the title of the patron saint of the United States?
6. Who is the patron saint of the Americas?

Catholicism 201

No need to pre-register
Where: enter parish office & follow signs
When: Wednesdays 7-9PM starting Jan 10
DVD-talk, dessert & discussion format
It’s free!
ALL adults welcome; no prerequisites

Jan. 10 What is “Church?”
17 Sacraments / Initiation
24 The Eucharist
31 Healing Sacraments
Feb. 7 Vocation Sacraments
21 Mary & the Saints
28 Intro to Christian Morality
Mar. 7 The Thorny Issues

Answers* Will be explained in the first 10 minutes of Catholicism 201

as Wed. evening, Jan. 10th in the school cafeteria.
Other intriguing, interesting and important Catholic teachings
will be covered Wed. evenings Jan. 10-Jan. 31 except
for Feb. 14. Every session is free, includes dessert, a video
talk and an active discussion session. All adults are welcome.
St James and St. Edna’s 
bring you KAIROS 14! 
February 16-19, 2018

A Catholic Retreat for High School Juniors and Seniors
At Inspiration Retreat Center in Walworth, Wisconsin (near Lake Geneva)

Do you find yourself wondering about what life really means? Do you wonder where God is when things are going crazy for you? Do you just want someone to listen to you? If you are asking questions, praying for answers, and wondering what now, then Kairos 14 is for you!

We will spend four days exploring these issues and many more.

The retreat, which is teen led and adult guided, starts Friday afternoon and ends on Monday. You will be staying at a beautiful retreat center, away from your normal routine and surrounded by other young people of our Faith Community. And for 2018, the good news is You will NOT miss a day of school! We will leave on Friday February 16, and return in the early evening of Monday, February 19, which are both non-attendance day for Dist. 214.

The cost of the retreat is $260.00 ($285.00 for non-Parishioners) which includes 3 nights lodging, nine meals, all materials, and transportation. Your place will be reserved as soon as your deposit is received. Full payment is due February 1, 2018.

KAIROS 14 REGISTRATION  (Registration Deadline is January 21st)
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Clip this form and attach your $100 deposit. Drop it off at the St James Parish office or mail it, by January 21st, to: Kairos Retreat, c/o St. James, 820 N. Arlington Heights Rd., Arlington Heights, IL 60004. For additional questions, ask Father Derek.
Preschool & Kindergarten
Parent Information Night

January 18, 2018

7:00pm  Check-in
7:15pm  Presentations in Library
7:45pm  Visit classrooms & tour school

Call 224.345.7145 to rsvp
www.stjamesschoolah.org
A Christmas present for you!

Merry Christmas! The new Saint James app is now available for your smartphone.

The app will provide on-the-go access to parish and school upcoming events, calendars, the bulletin, videos, podcasts, news, “snap & share” photo sharing, social media and the school directory (school families only).

Users also will be able to sign up for alerts. We will continue to add new features over time.

Go to the Apple App Store or Google Play Store and search for Saint James Catholic Community starting Dec. 24th.
Fourth Sunday of Advent

Confiteor

I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do, through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

Psalm Response

Sung Psalm Refrain:

Forever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.

Apostles Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

Advent Gospel Acclamation

Advent/Christmas Gospel Acclamation

David Haas

Holy, Holy

Holy, Holy, Holy

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Order of Worship

Memorial Acclamation

When We Eat This Bread

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again.

Great Amen

Amen

Lamb of God

Lamb of God

To repeat

Last time

GOD’S PROMISE

The lengthy passage from Samuel is a wonderful exposition of God’s promise to the house of David: that his throne would forever be gloriously occupied by his descendants. Hidden in the mystery of the prophecy is the promise of the Savior, the Messiah, Son of God and Son of David. The prophet Nathan, speaking in God’s name, poetically turns around David’s plan to build a house for God, and announces God’s plan to build a “house,” that is, a dynasty for David. From this house of David will come the Messiah, the Christ, not in kingly splendor as David ruled, but as a humble man, destined to rule forever and over all. When God gives a gift, it’s amazing what we are given—so different from what we ever could have imagined.

TODAY’S READINGS

First Reading — I will fix a place for my people. I will plant them so that they may dwell in their place without further disturbance (2 Samuel 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16).

Psalm — For ever I will sing the goodness of the Lord (Psalm 89).

Second Reading — To the only wise God, through Jesus Christ, be glory forever and ever (Romans 16:25-27).

Gospel — Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord. May it be done to me according to your word (Luke 1:26-38).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

During the Night: Is 9:1-6; Ps 96:1-3, 11-13; Ti 2:11-14; Lk 2:1-14
Dawn: Is 62:11-12; Ps 97:1, 6, 11-12; Ti 3:4-7; Lk 2:15-20
Day: Is 52:7-10; Ps 98:1-6; Heb 1:1-6; Jn 1:1-18 [1-5, 9-14]

Tuesday: Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59; Ps 31:3cd-4, 6, 8ab, 16bc, 17; Mt 10:17-22

Wednesday: 1 Jn 1:1-4; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12; Jn 20:1a, 2-8

Thursday: 1 Jn 1:5 — 2:2; Ps 124:2-5, 7cd-8; Mt 2:13-18

Friday: 1 Jn 2:3-11; Ps 96:1-3, 5b-6; Lk 2:22-35

Saturday: 1 Jn 2:12-17; Ps 96:7-10; Lk 2:36-40

Sunday: Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or Gn 15:1-6; 21:1-3; Ps 128:1-5 or Ps 105:1-6, 8-9; Col 3:12-21 [12-17] or Hb 11:8, 11-12, 17-19; Lk 2:22-40 [22, 39-40]
Order of Worship

Gathering Hymn

The King Shall Come When Morning Dawns

1. The King shall come when morning dawns And
light triumphant breaks. When beauty gilds the
eastern hills And life to joy awakes.

2. Not, as of old, a little child, To
suffer and to die, But crowned with glory
like the sun That lights the morning sky.

3. The King shall come when morning dawns And
earth’s dark night is past; O haste the rising
of that morn Whose day shall ever last.

4. And let the endless bliss begin, By
weary saints foretold, When right shall triumph
over wrong, And truth shall be extolled.

5. The King shall come when morning dawns And
light and beauty brings. Hail, Christ, the Lord! Your
people pray: Come quickly, King of kings.

Text: John Brownlie, 1857-1923
Tune: MORNING SONG, CM, John Wyeth, 1776-1858, arr. by Robert J. Estes, b.1942

The Parish Office Staff wishes you and your family a very Merry Christmas, and many blessings in the coming year.
Communion Hymn

Lo, How a Rose E’er Blooming

1. Lo, how a Rose e’er blooming
   From tender stem hath sprung!

2. Isaiah ’twas foretold it,
   The Rose I have in mind,
   With Mary we behold it,
   Dispel in glorious splendor
   Sprung! Of Jesse’s lineage coming
   As seers of mind,
   With Mary we behold it,
   Dispels in glorious splendor
   Old have sung.

3. O Flower, whose fragrance tender
   With sweetness fills the air,
   Dispels in glorious splendor
   The darkness old have sung.

   It came, a blossom bright,
   A Mother kind.
   To show God’s love a right,
   She ev’rywhere;

   True man, yet ver’ y God,
   From mid the cold of winter,
   When half spent was the night.

   bore to us a Savior,
   When half spent was the night.
   sin and death now save us,
   And share our ev’ry load.

Text: Isaiah 11:1; Es ist ein Ros’ entsprungen, Später Gesangbuch, 1599; trans. 1-2 by Theodore Baker, 1851-1934; st. 3, The Hymnal, 1940
Tune: ES IST EIN ROS’ ENSPRUNGEN, 7 6 7 6 7 8; Geistliche Kirchengesang, Cologne, 1599; harm. by Michael Praetorius, 1571-1621
Closing Hymn


Refrain

And holy is your name through all generations! Everlasting is your mercy to the people you have chosen, and holy is your name.

Verses

1. My soul is filled with joy as I sing to God my savior:
you have looked upon your servant, you have visited your people.

2. I am lowly as a child, but I know from this day forward
that my name will be remembered, for all will call me blessed.

3. I proclaim the pow’r of God, you do marvels for your servants;
though you scatter the proud hearted, and destroy the might of princes.

4. To the hungry you give food, send the rich away empty.
In your mercy you are mindful of the people you have chosen.

5. In your love you now fulfill what you promised to your people.
I will praise you Lord, my savior, everlasting is your mercy.

Text: Luke 1:46-55, David Haas
Music: WILD MOUNTAIN THYME, Irregular; Irish traditional; arr. by David Haas
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FAMILY MOVIE & Pizza Night

Friday, January 19, 2018
Doors open: 7:00pm, Movie time: 7:30pm
St. James Parish Center
$1.00 per person

Concessions for sale:
Pizza, Popcorn, Nachos, Candy and Soda

Bring your sleeping bags, dress comfy and get ready for some fun!
Bag chairs will be allowed in designated areas.

For more information please contact mmarcheschi@stjamesah.org or 224-345-7210.
**Community Groups and Events**

**St. James Parish Groups**

**Annulment Support Ministry**
Richard Nagengast 847-732-0970

**Elizabeth Ministry**—A ministry of women reaching out to other women in their childbearing years. We offer prayers and support regarding pregnancy, infertility, miscarriage, child loss, adoption, NFP, and other issues. Visit the Rosebud Display in the Parish Center Gathering Space or connect with us: ElizabethMinistry@stjamesah.org or http://bit.ly/ElizMinStJamesAH

**Grief Support Group**
The St. James Grief Support Group meets on every Wednesday (during session times) from 7pm-8:15pm in Conference Room 1 at the Parish Office. The group offers support through sharing, listening, and learning from each other’s story of grief and loss. You do not need to commit to all of the sessions, but may attend as many as you find helpful. Next session: Oct 18, 25, Nov. 1, 8, 15; (No Nov. 22 mtg.), and finish on 11/29. For information, call Mary Jo at 224-345-7200, ext. 8512 and leave a message.

**St. Vincent de Paul** - is an emergency source for food and short-term financial help for parishioners and those living within the parish boundaries. Please call 224-345-7200, ext. 8517. Requests will be handled with care and confidentiality.

**Wheels to Worship**
If you need a ride to Mass or wish to be a volunteer driver, please call Carol at 847-253-4680. carolserranianderson@yahoo.com

**Stepping Stones**
Everyone deserves to be in a safe, healthy relationship. If you or someone you know may be in an abusive relationship, a path to safety exists. Get help. Call the National Domestic Violence Hotline at 800-799-SAFE, or locally, contact WINGS 24-hour Hotline at 847-221-5680.

**Lunches by Catholic Charities**
Luncheons are served M-Fri for seniors 60 and older at Arlington Heights Senior Center, 1801 W. Central. Suggested donation of $4.00 on a reservation basis only. Call 847-797-5354 for more info & reservations.

**Senior Health Insurance Program**
Volunteers trained by the Illinois Department of Insurance offer a free counseling service to help you compare alternative Medicare, Medicare Supplement, Medicare Drug, HMO or Long Term Care Insurance Plans and to assist in processing billing or appealing denied claims for these plans. Call 847-253-5532 for information.

**Mended Hearts** - a national non-profit support group for cardiac patients and families meets monthly at Alexian Bros. Hospital in Elk Grove Village on the first Tuesday of each month in 2015. Call Jack Hanahan at 847-398-0791 for the schedule, information and support.

**AA (Alcoholics Anonymous) - AFTER DECEMBER 18, 2017, NO MEETINGS WILL BE HELD in the old St. James School Basement, 821 N. Arlington Heights Rd. AA is a self-help group for people with a drinking problem.**

**Escorted Transportation for Seniors**
Escorted Transportation Services Northwest (ETS/NW) - is a service available to those 60 and over in our community who are in need of rides to medical and dental appointments. It is a multi-denominational outreach to the elderly. If you are in need of such assistance, or if you would like to volunteer to serve seniors in our community as a part of this outreach team, please call Gia at 847-222-9227 or gias@etsnw.org

**Cancer Research Network**
The American Cancer Society has Cancer Information Specialists available 24 hours a day, seven days a week - call 1-800-227-2345. Information is available on the Internet at www.cancer.org

**For Post-Abortion Counseling Help:**

**Community Resources**
Alcoholics Anon. 312-346-1475
Alanon/Alateen 847-358-0338
Narcotics Anon. 708-848-4884
Families Anon. 847-795-8320

A self-help program for family and friends of those with substance abuse and/or behavioral problems. Meets regularly at 7:30pm on Wednesday evenings at Our Savior Lutheran Church in Arl. Hts.

**NAMI**—National Alliance on Mental Illness—847-899-0195

**Office for Protection of Children and Youth** www.archchicago.org 312-534-5254
Please pray for our sick…
Amalia Palacios, Evelyn McKeown, Michael Bowers, Charlene Drew, Tom Drew, Donald Vick

In Loving Memory
Raymond J. Boelke, Jr.—husband of Mary A. Schwarz Boelke; father of Gregory (Barbara) Boelke, Lisa (Bill) Unger, Gary (Darlene) Boelke, and Krista (Barry) Grego; grandfather of six; great-grandfather of three; brother of Marilyn Boelke Milewski (Ron) and Robert (Janita) Boelke

James Eggert...husband of Margaret (“Peg”); father of Jason (Alicia) Eggert; grandfather of Jason James Eggert; brother of Arthur (Ysabel) Eggert, Jr., Thomas (Mary) Eggert, Leanne (Scott) Carlson, Richard (Kathryn) Eggert, Charles (Pam) Eggert, and Robert (Lisa) Eggert; also survived by his many nieces and nephews

Adam Kessler...father of Anna (Joel) Smith and the late Frank Kessler

Baptisms
Lillian Faith Kromrey, child of David & Loryn (King) Kromrey

Layla Kate Tollaksen, child of Steve & Danielle (Filipp) Tollaksen

Wedding Banns
December 31, 2017
Justin Zeeb & Elena Coughlin

Rose for Life
This week's Rose for Life is donated by Peg and Jack Hanahan in loving memory of Jack’s brother, Andrew Hanahan.

Weekly Intentions

Stewardship
December 17, 2017
Weekend Masses — 557 Envelopes $33,781.64
GiveCentral — 15 Online Donations $830.00
December 17th Total Collection $34,611.64

Please note: As the parish transitions from Give Central to Faith Direct, there will only be two weeks per month that will have online giving.

Remembrances

Saturday Evening/Sunday Morning, December 24
Dr. & Mrs. Walter Powers, Dana Mangi, John Bowman, Andrew Firnbach Family, John Hie, Dion Terres, Steve, Bernice, Terry & John McBride, Cecelia Olson, Greg Boyes, Gerald Boyes, Tom Bolger, Helen Hertvik, Joseph Hertvik, Carmela Krogstad, Joan Kristy, Louis Metzger (7th Anniv.), Joanne Heinz (11th Anniv.)

Monday, December 25
Raymond J. Bieniasz, Meggan McDermott, Dana Mangi, Nancy Miller (1st Anniv.), Frank & Victoria Bosco, Virginia T. Bruski, Richard & Catherine Lyons, Gary Tatje, William Destiche, Vincent Mangi, Joanne Mangi, Joanne Destiche, Daniel Lyons, Phyllis Annand, Robert Buckley, Alexander Wrobel, Stephen Thomas Patterson, Stephen W. Patterson, Donald Seiler, Sharon Lynn Seiler Scanlan

Tuesday, December 26
Stephen Cripe, Christina Mahoney

Wednesday, December 27
Marguerite Ewald (1st Anniv.), Anna Burzynski, Beverly Wrobel, Robert C. Buckley

Thursday, December 28
James J. Daly (1st Anniv.), Thomas Durand (1st Anniv.), Phyllis Shields, Mary Bannon, Dana Mangi, Faye Hammett, Jeff Helmsinski (15th Anniv.), James J. Flynn

Friday, December 29
Candace Duggan, Francis Bertolasi, Estelle McMahon, R. Raymond Becker, Steven Metz

Saturday, December 30
George Mulcahy, Edward & Bernadette Madden, Dana Mangi, Vito Quaranta (7th Anniv.), Ewa Luczynska, Maria & Teofil Krzanowski, Zofia & Kazimierz Pomian

Saturday Evening/Sunday Morning, December 31
Edward A. Dillon (10th Anniv.), Joan Brauweiler, Edward J. McQuillan

Tax Saving Idea

Anyone who must still make Minimum Required Distributions (MRDs) in 2017 should consider making some or all of them Qualified Charitable Distributions (QCDs) (payable to St. James, of course). This will lower their Adjusted Gross Income and that may lower their Medicare Premiums, raise their exemptions, lower the deduction exclusion and possibly other means related tax items. You even may do this retroactively for up to 30 days. Check with your tax advisor.
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THE TIME IS NOW TO SIGN UP FOR
Saint James Men’s Retreat
Experience a two-day spiritual retreat that is powerful, positive and fulfilling.

CHRIST RENEWS HIS PARISH
CRHP

WEEKEND RETREAT
Start: Saturday, February 10, 2018 • 7:30 am
End: Sunday, February 11, 2018 • 2:00 pm

FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO SIGN-UP, CONTACT

John Lifka
jlifka@kinziegroup.com
(847) 777-9608

Mike Smigiel
mike_smigiel@msn.com
(309) 472-5546
Over 50 Social Club Christmas Luncheon

The St. James Over 50 Social Club gathered this past week at Chandlers Restaurant in Schaumburg, IL. Entertainment was provided by the Rolling Meadows High School “Madrigal Singers”.

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St. James Peace & Justice

Good and gracious God,
we thank you for the gift of families.
We are grateful for all of the joy and love
that they bring into our lives,
and we ask that you provide
special protection for all families,
particularly those who face hardships
as they move in search of a better life.
Show mercy to those who travel in danger,
and lend them to a place of safety and peace.
Comfort those who are alone and afraid because
their families have been torn apart by violence
and injustice.

As we reflect upon the difficult journey
that the Holy Family faced as refugees in Egypt,
help us to remember the suffering of all migrant families.
Through the intercession of Mary our Mother,
and St. Joseph the Worker, her spouse,
we pray that all migrants may be reunited with their
loved ones
and find the meaningful work they seek.
Open our hearts so that we may provide hospitality
for all who come in search of refuge.
Give us the courage to welcome every stranger
as Christ in our midst.

We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God forever and ever. Amen.

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Weekend Masses
Saturday Evening 5:00pm Parish Center (Cantor)
Sunday Morning 7:00am Church (Cantor)
Sunday Morning 8:30am Church (Traditional Choir)
Sunday Morning 10:00am Parish Center Contemporary Choir & Children’s Liturgy of the Word)
Sunday Morning 11:30am Parish Center (Contemporary Choir)
Sunday Evening 5:00pm Parish Center (Teen Ensemble)

Weekday Masses (Church) 831 N. Arlington Hts. Road
Monday – Friday . . . . . . . . . . . . . 7:30am Mass
Saturday . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 8:30am Mass

Holy Day Liturgy
Please refer to publicized special schedules for Holy Days.

Sacramental Celebrations
Baptism
Parishioners must notify the Parish Office of preferred Baptismal date at least one month in advance.

Marriages
Congratulations on your engagement! At least six months prior to your wedding date, we warmly welcome you to contact the Parish Office. Our Office Manager will explain the process of preparing for a Christian marriage and assist you in selecting a date for your wedding liturgy.

Reconciliation
Saturdays . . . . . . . . . . 3:30—4:30pm
In the Chapel—820 N. Arlington Hts. Road, or you may call for an appointment anytime at 224-345-7200.

Parish Office Hours
Monday-Thursday 9:00am—8:00pm
Friday 9:00am—6:00pm
Saturdays 9:00am—1:00pm
Sundays 9:00am—1:00pm

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