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SIMEON SAID, "NOW, MASTER, YOU MAY LET YOUR SERVANT GO IN PEACE, ACCORDING TO YOUR WORD, FOR MY EYES HAVE SEEN YOUR SALVATION."


THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY, AND JOSEPH

December 28 2014

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A Farewell Reflection…
from Marianne Dilsner, Pastoral Associate

December 28, 2014
Dear Family of St James:

I write this letter with a heart filled with gratitude to all of you, for being like family to me in so many ways during the past 13 years. It was an honor and a privilege to work here and serve as Pastoral Associate. That position afforded me the opportunity to work with many ministries, meet wonderful individuals and see ‘Faith in Action’ in its best sense. Throughout these years I have loved worshipping and praying with you; I have enjoyed sharing social events, reaching out to help those in need, visiting the sick, meeting your family and so much more! The people of St. James have been most kind and generous to me on so many levels, you have opened up your homes to me, shared your stories with me and encouraged me along the way… additionally, you have been supportive of various collections for my visits to the NPH Orphanages through the years and other endeavors where we reached out to help others beyond the limits of Arlington Heights, (as in, New Orleans after Hurricane Katrina, the earthquake in Haiti, the tsunami in Asia…) As well, you have been here for our local neighbors and parishioners, (through the St. Vincent de Paul Society, Faith Community Homes, or simply preparing a meal for a sick neighbor or baby-sitting for someone at the last minute…etc…) There is a wonderful spirit here at St James and I am so happy that I could be a part of it!

In the next few weeks there will be lots of ‘new’ things going on for me… moving to Orlando, Florida, starting a new job with the Diocese of Orlando, living near my parents, sister and her family and trying to adjust to a ‘new climate’, living just over an hour from the beach and as I suspect, having LOTS of company! I look forward to it all with open arms and thank God how everything came together.

I wish you all the best of the best. I will miss you most sincerely. I am grateful beyond words.

Thank you for teaching me, supporting me, sharing with me, laughing with me and being with me. You have made my stay here extraordinary… filled with grace and friendship and mostly, filled with love…

Marianne
Mass for those with Special Needs

Feast of the Holy Family,  
December 28th, 2014

We welcome those with Special Needs and their families to the **10:00 am Mass on Sunday, December 28th** in the Parish Center.

Please join us as we worship together during this Christmas season.

**Eucharistic Adoration**
Adoration takes place from 8am to 4pm every Thursday in the Church.  
Contact: Jo Joziwak at 847-259-2433.

(There is no Adoration in the Church on New Year's Day.)

**Mass Schedule**

**Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God**  
(a holy day of obligation)

**December 31st**  
(“New Year’s Eve”)  
5:00pm—Mass—Church

**January 1st, 2015**  
(“New Year’s Day”)  
8:00am Mass—Church  
10:00am Mass—Church

**Our Mission Statement**

The St. James family is a welcoming Catholic community sent forth from our celebration of the Eucharist to walk in faith, live in hope, and act in love.

As disciples of Jesus Christ, we are committed to justice and peace through Prayer, Education, Evangelization, and Stewardship.

*We Remember, We Celebrate, We Believe*

**Rosary Group**

Pray the Rosary both before and after daily Mass:
Monday: Human Life  
Tuesday: Military  
Wednesday: Marriage  
Thursday: Priests and Religious  
Friday: Sick  
Saturday: Souls of the faithful departed

**Baptism Time Change**

Effective January 1, 2015, Sunday Baptisms will take place at 12:00 Noon in the Church.

**Reminder: Mass Time Change**

Our 11:45am Sunday Mass in the Parish Center has changed to **11:30am**.

**Fr. Matt’s Monday Family Prayer**

2nd Monday of each month, at 4pm in the Church, with the Rosary and Adoration.  
Next Monday Prayer will be January 12th.

**Weekly Bible Study**  
*Lectio Divina* ALL ARE WELCOME.  
Every Thursday, 7pm—O’Brien Rm.  
*Come on any Thursday*, even though Bible Study has started. **No classes on Christmas Day or New Year’s Day.**  
Questions: Fr. Jaji at 224-345-7201.
During this holiday season, you will have heard one or more of our St. James Choirs sing at various Masses. We would love to add your voice to one of our choirs, whether it is the Children’s Choir, the Teen Ensemble, or any of our adult choirs. Please consider joining us!

A list of our current Choirs is available in the box to the right. The Children’s Choir and Teen Ensemble Directors information is included, and you may contact them. If you would like to be part of any of our adult choirs, please call the Parish Office at 224-345-7200, leave your name and a contact number, and one of our adult Directors will call you as soon as possible.

A Reflection from….Sr. Faustina Ferko, Director of Youth Ministry

December 28, 2014

Is Christmas really over??? For some people it is over. It is just about a day and then the lights, tree and decorations all come down. One of the most beautiful gifts of being Catholic is that we take time to really celebrate the Christmas Season; it does not just last one day but goes until the Baptism of the Lord which falls on January 11th for us this year. Christmas is so special to Catholic Christians that if you were to attend daily mass after this Sunday’s mass you would experience the 8 days of the Christmas mass being said everyday! We truly know how to celebrate the Christmas season! I would say in college is when I realized that Christmas wasn’t just a celebration of one day but that we keep celebrating the Birth of the Lord! This has become more and more a part of my life as I became a Religious Sister. Catholic’s really know how to celebrate—we don’t celebrate for just one day but a whole season!

Today is also the Feast of the Holy Family and this is a very special day for my Religious community and myself. As Sisters of the Holy Family of Nazareth we pray for families daily and seek ministries that serve the family in this day and age. Your family is being lifted up in prayer every day by our Sisters and if you ever need extra prayers don’t hesitate to send me an email and I could ask the sisters to pray for something specific. We also strive to model our lives after those in the Holy Family, Jesus, Mary and Joseph, who lived their lives with great love. This feast day speaks of how we are all called to holiness in everyday life. The Holy Family lived an ordinary life with extraordinary love and thinking always of the other person. During this Holy season of Christmas, let us follow the example of Jesus, Mary and Joseph to bring about the kingdom of God here on earth in our every day actions with great love! Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Sister Faustina
KINDERGARTEN

Educating the Whole Child

Your child is away from you many hours each day. You want a school that embraces the values you instill in your child at home and enriches them academically, spiritually, and emotionally. You want a school that embraces and encourages a partnership with parents. With our faith based approach, academic standards, and welcoming parental involvement, Saint James is the right school.

Come and Visit Us!
January 15, 2015 at 7:00pm: PreK and K Parent Information Night
January 25, 2015 from 12:30pm-2:00pm: Open House
February 6, 2015 from 9:00am-10:30am: Kindergarten for a Day

WE CATER TO OUR FAMILIES’ NEEDS

We offer class options to fit our families’ busy lifestyles. We also offer before and after school care.

Half-day Morning Program: Monday-Friday 8:45am-11:30am

Half-day Morning with Afternoon Extension: Monday-Friday 8:45am-11:30am and M/W/F option to stay until 3:35pm. Flexible per month.

Full-day Program: Monday-Friday 8:45am-3:35pm

Before School Care: For a fee, children may participate in before school care beginning at 7:00am, which is monitored by a teacher.

After School Care: For a fee, children may participate in after school care from dismissal until 6:00pm.

Call for more information: 224.345.7145
www.stjamesschoolah.org
St. James Youth Ministry

STEWARDSHIP IN ACTION!

St. James students, Staff, and helpers delivered Christmas gifts to the students at St. Malachy School in Chicago on December 16th. It was a wonderful visit, and the school children at St. Malachy say “Thank You”, and wish St. James Parish a very Merry Christmas! Thanks to all who donated a gift!
Holy Family Sunday: The Spirit purifies who we are and as a community!

Small Christian Community groups offer a setting for a “vigorous discussion on Catholic spirituality, theology and faith for all adults seeking to enrich their lives.”

Coming January 17 & 18, 2015
– the opportunity to join a Small Christian Community at St. James.

Until then: Am I allowing “the Spirit to purify my heart and mind?”

A Special Presentation

ST. JAMES PARISH PRESENTS
LEE ROESSLER & BAND

JAN. 6TH
6:30-8PM
JAN. 7TH
4:30-6PM
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ARLINGTON HEIGHTS, IL

COME FOR THE MUSIC. TAKE IN THE MESSAGE.
**Upcoming Marriage Retreat**

**Christ Alive in our Marriage Retreat**

Saturday, January 10, 2015
Old St. Patrick’s Church, Chicago, IL

This retreat, designed especially for couples in their first five years of marriage, is open to all young adult couples, and offers an opportunity for young couples to reflect on your vocation of marriage and how you are being invited to live out your faith. How is Christ in alive in one another, your journey as a couple, and in the world through your vocation? Spend the day hearing the lived experiences of other young couples, talking with your spouse and other couples, as well as praying and reflecting as a couple. Visit [www.charisministries.org](http://www.charisministries.org) for more information and to register!

Charis Ministries is a Jesuit ministry to those in their 20’s and 30’s. A ministry of the Chicago/Detroit Provinces of the Society of Jesus, Charis offers retreats, service, leadership and speaker opportunities that bring the gifts of Ignatian Spirituality to the lives of young adults.

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**St. James Over 50 Social Group**

The Over 50 Group announces an exciting new activity for the coming year! GENTLE CHAIR YOGA for all seniors—Ladies and Gentlemen.

- Gentle Chair Yoga for seniors improves concentration, balance, stretching, lowers blood pressure, calms the mind, and relieves stress.

- Judy Kazanow has been teaching it at the Arlington Heights Senior Center for 10 years and will be our instructor.

It will take place in the old school basement, convenient for parking. We start on Monday, January 5th at 9:45am to 10:30am. The cost is $5.00 per class—pay as you come. Doors open at 9:30am. Wear comfortable clothing, no jeans. This is a great New Year’s resolution!

RSVP to Marci at 847-577-2556

**Exodus Trekkers**

**Despite Daily Combat with Immune Deficiency, this 20-Year Old’s Life Inspires Everyone**

Note: To read more about this courageous young member of St. James Parish, go to your computer’s address bar and type “http://exodustrekkers.blogspot.com/” or to our parish webpage at “stjamesah.org” and type “Exodus Trekkers” in the search window. This interview will be posted December 28th for the entire month of January.

Meggie Kania is a sophomore at St. Louis University and is aiming for a doctorate in physical therapy. Since birth, she has been afflicted with a serious immune deficiency; many of the antibodies which people have to fight off infections are either missing or not working in Meggie’s body. (What causes this is not yet fully understood by doctors.) Meggie requires daily and very expensive medication and must cope with many chronic infections. Every three weeks she undergoes an intravenous infusion of the drug Gamunex. Her family has battled long with the insurance company and hopes it will continue the drug benefit.

“The emotions are of feeling great one day and not so great the next and getting sick a lot and always having to catch up at school,” she says. “It’s hard to work ahead because you’re stressing yourself out more than you have to. But I’ve learned from a young age to work a lot because I know I’m going to get sick again. You just have to keep pushing.”

Yet, Meggie has remained an inspiration for everyone, especially her family.
FAMILY MOVIE & Pizza Night

Friday, January 16, 2015
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.

KIDS, YOU GET TO VOTE FOR THE MOVIE!
Tear off this portion and check which movie you would like to see on the big screen.
Write your name on your ballot to automatically enter a special raffle.

NAME: ________________________________

The Lego Movie  Home Alone  How to Train Your Dragon 2

Drop your vote in the box marked Family Movie Night located at the rear of the church and Parish Center.
You may also give your form to your SJS or RE teacher. The last day to vote is Friday, January 9, 2015.
In Remembrance...

We thank all who contributed to our Environment & Art Ministry with a donation made in memory of a deceased family member or friend. With these contributions, we have been able to enhance our worship spaces with a variety of flowers and plants during this Christmas season.

Dr. Bernard C. Reinwald  
by Laverne Reinwald & Family

Georgia Czajkowski &  
Doris Conley  
by Steve & Liz Czajkowski

“Mom”  
by Ronald Urick

Raymond J. Bieniasz

The Schulget and Bieniasz Families  
by Joan and Ray Bieniasz

Lorraine King, Madeleine King,  
Kathleen McCoy, Edward McCoy  
by Brian and Rita King

Dan and Tim Kennedy  
by Marge and Tom Kennedy

Jerry Maas  
by Peggy Maas & Family

Wil Schwantz  
by Dottie Schwantz and Family

Nicholas and Mary Merrill and  
Karl and Helga Palzer  
by the Tom Palzer Family

John and Marie Smith

Frances Moeller

Eleanor Krueger

Towilla Krueger

Cathleen Krueger

Allen Krueger

Ronald Northcraft  
by the Krueger Family

Arlene Lasco  
by the Lasco Family

Hoffner--Liszka Families  
by Walter and Lis Liszka

Frank & Pota Martorelli

Dominique Martorelli

Irene Kopielski  
by the Martorelli Family &  
Jules Kopielski

Bud Beedy  
by Rita, Maureen, & Sheila

Dixie & Ken Anderson  
by Carol & Mark Anderson

John De Hoff, Sr.  
by Patti De Hoff

Brigid Donohue  
by Tim and Mary and  
grandchildren—Patrick, Eileen,  
and Kevin Donohue

Robert Dompke

Ronald Dompke

Donald Dompke  
by Barbara Dompke

James Strack  
by Donna Strack & Family

Glenn & Randy Farquhar  
by the Farquhar Family

David Curtis

Curtis and Lange Family  
by Virginia Curtis

Laurie Family & Varchetto Family  
by Dorothy Varchetto

Jeffrey M. Hoyne

Helen & Richard Michels

Rose & Ben Hoyne

Dan Kennedy

Nick Montesano

Jim Burda  
by Jeff & Suzanne Hoyne

Stanisława Emelia Serbinski  
by the Sipe Family

Lucille T. Sipe  
by the Sipe Family

Catherine M. Seick  
by her sister, Mary Woods

George J. Woods  
by his family

Scott J. Krause  
by his parents, Patty &  
Perry Raupp

Frank & Joanne Kieca  
by the Kieca/Sauter Family

Walt Flick & Lynn Bevington  
by Kathy Flick & Fred Bevington

Andrew Szott

Catherine Sabay  
by Stan & Teresa Szott

Thomas J. Samuels  
by David and Joanne Samuels

Eileen W. Perille  
by David and Joanne Samuels

Joseph L. Indovina  
by the Indovina Family

William & Mary McDermott

John & Julia Brady  
by Steve and Jeanne McDermott

Dorothy Gleason  
by the Gleason Family

Christopher Tartik  
by Valerie Seachorn

John Szczepaniak  
by Catherine and Ernest Kosciuk

Mieczysław Kosciuk  
by Catherine and Ernest Kosciuk

Isabella Kosciuk  
by Catherine and Ernest Kosciuk

Mr. & Mrs. H. Meyer

Mrs. T. Hudson  
by Mary D. Meyer

Richard & Mary Landgraf  
by Arleen Roberts

Barbara A. Hanner

Mr. & Mrs. J. Hanner  
by Emil J. Hanner

Judith Ann Perry  
by Duke Perry, Karen (James)  
Meyer, Kathryn (Todd) Younger, &  
Robert H. Perry (Maureen)

Nicholas Dinielli  
by Ria Dinielli

Janet Marie Goscinski  
by Goscinski, Gleason, Fredette  
Families
William G. Farrington
by The Farrington Bruce Family

Anne H. Farrington
by The Farrington Bruce Family

Eric Nelson
by Margaret & Charles McNamara,
Mary Anne Nelson & Bob McNamara
Family

Carmela Krogstad

Joseph & Helen Hertvik
by Joe, Kirsten, Mark, Lisa &
Steven Hertvik

William & Mary Cole
by the Harnett Family

Louis, Grace & John Valentine

Gene, Julia, & Tom Kraft

Mary Anderson

Betty, Phyllis, May, Bethene,
Marsh, and Charles Candee

John & Norma Pruitt
by Marcia & Richard Fung

Jim McDonald
by his wife, Lolly McDonald

Jim Trausch
by The Trausch Family

Roy & Virginia Hoener

Sister Kathryn Hoener, SSND

William & Rosemary Bauer
by Bill & Mary Bauer, & Eileen,
Bob & Claire Tusche!

Matthew Passalaqua
by Grandma & Grandpa
Squillaciotti

Richard Hathaway

Nancy Fisher Kubkowski
by George & Dolores Hathaway

To All We Have Loved
by Bill & Beverly Glass

Dr. Mary Shorey
by The Akiyoshi Family

Maria & Michael Faciana

Julia & Stanley Luczak
by Tom and Sharon Faciana

Bill Figliuolo

Figliuolo and Walsh Families
by Mary Figliuolo

Sylvia Coates
by Gary & Patty Colabuono

Alfred and Blanche Miossi

Clarence and Helen Sturm
by Susan and Fred Miossi

Chester S. Malocha
by Evelyn A. Malocha

Robert Laatz
by Sandra Laatz

John Faerber
by Carol Faerber

Tom Schuld
by Marilyn Schuld

Jerry and Jim Rusch
by The Rusch Family

George F. and Regina C. Bieber
by Daughter Cathy & Family

Diana Steinl
by The Gerlach Family

Edward and Dorothy Walsh

Don and Sara “Sandy” Graff
by John and Barbara Boehm

Joanne E. Pinski
by Robert L. Pinski

Michael Vincenzo
by Barbara Vincenzo & Family

Anne Lewis, mother of Cheryl Bayer
by The Bayer Family

(Mike, Cheryl, Lauren and Jenny)

Richard Fox
by The Fox Family

Ed Hopper
by Judy Hopper & Family

Bart Vanderah
by Tom & Nancy Vanderah

Edward L. “Ed” Gehrke
by The Gehrke Family

Mrs. & Mrs. H. Meyer

Therese M. Hudson
by Mary D. Meyer

Edward J. Sowa
by Gladys & Kathy Sowa

Jo F. Schatterman
by husband Tom Schatterman

Donald Weiss
by Joy and Kim Weiss and
Sharlene Landis

Donald Lett

Dennis Lett
by Patrick & Patricia Shaw

George Bethel
by the Bethels and Curcios

Jeff Helmski
by the Helmski Family

Walter J. Monco

Arlene Jensen Lagershausen

M. Claire Caveny
by Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Villinski

Susan & Nello Antongiovanni

Catherine & Carl DeLio

Pat & Ronald DeLio

Angelo Antongiovanni
by Carl & Judy DeLio

Steve, Terry and John McBride
by Bernice McBride and Family
Kay & Ed Klamm
Jay & Stella Kelly
Kathy Cheatham
   by Chris & Jim Kelly
Elizabeth Keyes
   by Sharon & Chuck Kosturik
Verna Haman
   by Haman Family
Joseph & Elizabeth Holzer
   by Their Daughters
Clara and Herb Kahl
Celeste and Harold Clemens
   by Judith and Daniel Clemens
David Lindemann
   by The D. Lindemann Family
Dana Elizabeth Mangi
Ray Becker
   by June Becker
Rudy & Florence Steber & Family
Edward & Marge Rossdeutcher & Family
   by Jeanne Rossdeutcher & Family
Bob & Kevin Rossdeutcher
   by Your Loving Family
John G. McLoraine
   by The McLoraine Family
Maureen C. McLoraine
   by The McLoraine Family
Will Newgard
Maggie & Bill Armstrong
   by Kaki Newgard
Stanley Walter Jacheck
   by The Jacheck Family
Martin P. Wendell, Sr.
MaryJean Wendell
Martin P. Wendell, Jr.
   by The Kern Family, The Pettermazzo Family, and The Wendell Family
Josephine Kern
   by The Kern Family
Jay Burger
   by Joan, Kurt, & Renee Burger
Chick Simpson
   by Helen & Family
Eugene and Elena Griffin
   by Gene, Natalie, Molly, Meghan and Tim Griffin
Danny O’Neill
   by Maureen & Gene O’Neill
William Thompson
Lillian Thompson
Twyla Holstein
Rudolph Preschler
Paula Preschler
   by Dean and Eva Thompson
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Anne McMurray Lyons
   by the Dave McMurray Family
R. Douglas Heitzman
   by Barbara Heitzman & Family
Connie Botts (Heitzman)
   by Barbara Heitzman & Family
Maria Matyjewicz
   By Lucy Boratyn
Diane Hagan
   by Rachael & David Hagan
Catherine Sabay
Andrew Szott
Mildred and Walter Kragh
   by The Kragh Family
Archie and Carmel Loch
   by the Loch Family
Michael J. Parilla
   by Patricia A. Parilla
Ruth Smisko
   (mother of) Kate Cahill
Stanley & Adela Slupik
Robert C. Slika
   by Rich & Sue Slupik
Jim Roller
Bill Roller
Lisa Roller
   by Irma Roller
Ignacia Sumalpong
Tinong Tiwanac
   by Dadie Crittenden
George & Aina Dutro
   by Debbie, Tom, and Lisa Prendergast
Stec/Wojcik/Potonet Families
   by Stan and Gerry Stec

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St. James Respect Life Ministry
“Before I formed you in the womb, I knew you” ~Jeremiah 1:5

NorthWest Families
March for Life

Be a witness for LIFE.

Saturday, January 17, 2015

1:00 pm: Gather at St. Theresa Church for song, prayer, & inspirational speakers. (455 N. Benton, Palatine)
One-half mile Procession will travel down the sidewalk of Northwest Hwy. to the plaza @ Hicks & NW Hwy. with Life-affirming signs to share the love of LIFE!

2:15 pm: Rally at the plaza with Joe Scheidler of Pro-Life Action League. Closing prayer by Pastor Mike Gates from Living Hope Church in Elk Grove Village.

FREE Hot Refreshments and Fellowship to follow back at St. Theresa.
Provided by the K of C and the Ladies Auxiliary.

All Faiths Welcome!

For more information: Laura Vanderca, 847-631-4877, nwff526@gmail.com or see www.NorthWestFamiliesforLife.weebly.com
Sponsored by NorthWest Families for Life, St. Theresa / St. Thomas Villanova Respect Life, local churches and pro-life organizations.

Please Join the Respect Life Daily Herald Ad Project

The Catholic Parishes in Vicariate I are sponsoring a pro-life ad in the Daily Herald to mourn the 42nd anniversary of the Roe vs. Wade Supreme Court decision legalizing abortion through all nine months of pregnancy. Since the Roe vs. Wade decision in 1973, the lives of 66 million innocent babies have been lost.

Please consider contributing $5.00 (minimum) toward the cost of the ad. Sponsors have the option of listing their names in the ad, or remaining anonymous. The ad will run on Sunday, January 18, and Thursday, January 22, 2015, full color, in the first section of the newspaper. The Daily Herald distribution area includes: Cook, DuPage, Kane and Lake Counties.

Respect Life Representatives will be available to accept your donations after Mass, next weekend, January 3rd-4th or you can complete the form below and bring it to the Parish Office or place it in the collection basket.

-Attention Respect Life Ad. If there are any questions, please call Jeanne Hamilton 847-609-9194.

Thank you for your support!

- I/we wish to contribute $__________________($5.00 minimum) for the Respect Life ad.

- I/we wish my/our name to appear in the Daily Herald as a supporter.

- I/we DO NOT wish my/our name to appear in the Daily Herald.

Name:________________________
**Grab those work gloves and put on your painting gear!**

Join St. James Young Adult Ministry (SJYAM) and post-college young adults as we join Windy City Habitat for Humanity on Saturday Jan. 3, 2015 to build ‘affordable housing’ for residents in the West Pullman neighborhood of Chicago. **Interested??** Please email JoAnne Mullen-Muhr at: jmullenmuhr@stjamesah.org to reserve your spot. We are limited to 15 participants. Cost is $20. Two required forms can be obtained on the website under adult faith formation. Forms are due in the parish office by December 27th.

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**Funeral Luncheon Ministry**

Did you know that St. James offers funeral luncheons following the Mass or burial? This gives an opportunity to celebrate your deceased loved one and share refreshments with relatives and friends. For information contact your funeral director or the parish office.

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** SHARE **  
**Job & Networking Ministry**

Are you in transition or looking for a better job? At each meeting, we have a speaker on various topics, followed by networking.

*Wednesdays 7-9pm (Hurley Center)*
*St. Edna’s Parish 2525 N. Arlington Hts. Rd.*

For information about upcoming events, please contact Tom Mannard at: tmannard@aol.com, or leave a message at 847-398-3362.

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**Grief Support Group**

The St. James Grief Support Group meets from 7-8 pm 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.

For information, call MaryJo at 224-345-7200, ext. 8512 and leave a message.

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**Stewardship in Action!**

Thanks to a generous donation by **Kirk Cahill** of Revere Electric Supply Co., the Church is now fully equipped with LED light bulbs.

Thank you Kirk!!

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Due to the hard work of **Jane Jones, Ellen Jensen, Gina Christophe, and Karen Kelly**, along with a cast of many, many other volunteers, the 34th annual Craft Bazaar netted $14,110.00! We will add this to our future operations as we start to address those needing special assistance to enter our worship spaces. A huge thank you goes out to all who volunteered or supported this event!
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 28, 2014  
FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY, AND JOSEPH  
Family bonds
Immediately after the excitement of a new baby's arrival begins the hard work of being a family. After Jesus' arrival in the most humble of circumstances, his family had to flee to Egypt for his protection. They did what was expected of them as parents, presenting their infant in the temple, but they made mistakes, too—such as leaving their adolescent son behind on return from a trip to Jerusalem. While you do your best as a family, and fall short, it's the working together for one another that counts.

TODAY'S READINGS: Sufside 5:2-6, 12-14 or Genesis 15:1-6; 21:1-3; Colossians 3:12-17 or Hebrews 11:8; 11-12, 17-19; Luke 2:22-40 or 2:22, 39-40 (I). "Put on, as God's chosen ones, heartfelt compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience . . . ."

MONDAY, DECEMBER 29  
FEAST OF THOMAS BECKET, BISHOP, MARTYR  
The last temptation of Thomas
Thomas Becket, archbishop of Canterbury, was murdered in his cathedral on this day in 1170. Becket was appointed by King Henry II, who then wanted Thomas to turn control of the church over to him. Thomas almost gave Henry what he wanted but ultimately resisted, leading to his death. In T.S. Eliot's Murder in the Cathedral, Becket faces a final temptation to seek martyrdom for earthly glory and revenge. Thomas at one point in the play says, "The last temptation is the greatest reason: To do the right deed for the wrong reason." The next time you find yourself thinking, "I'll show you . . . ." pause to consider if you are about to do the right thing for the wrong reason.

TODAY'S READINGS: 1 John 2:3-11; Luke 22:23-35 (2015). "Lord, now let your servant go in peace; your word has been fulfilled."

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 30  
SIXTH DAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD  
A priceless gift
Earthly wisdom says that everything you need is just a purchase away—beauty, peace, and even happiness. The truth, though, is that God's Word is the only thing that lasts forever. No purchase can fill the space created in you for and by God, a space laid claim to by the Word of God made human in Jesus Christ. Just as Jesus lived unconditioned love through union with others, so you're called to live. The return for such self-giving? A gift without price: a life rooted in God, filled with beauty, peace, and, ultimately, happiness.


WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 31  
FEAST OF SYLVESTER I, POPE  
The strong, silent type
Great leaders are often thought of as forceful and authoritarian, with big personalities and egos to match—someone such as Emperor Constantine, for example, whose qualities enabled him to achieve stupendous things. But there are other kinds of leaders, too—one who has the quiet wisdom to shepherd dynamic people and times. Such a leader was Pope Sylvester I, who presided over the church during the momentous events of Constantine's reign, including the Council of Nicaea and the building of Rome's most famous basilicas. Very little is known about Sylvester, except that he is an example of how to foster change with humility.

TODAY'S READINGS: 1 John 2:18-21; John 1:1-18 (2014). "A man named John was sent from God. He came for testimony, to testify to the Light, so that all might believe through him."

THURSDAY, JANUARY 1, 2015  
OCTAVE DAY OF THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD  
SOLENITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD  
Ring in the news
The birth of a much-awaited child is a joyous occasion. Such was the case when the shepherds found that Mary had given birth to a baby; one who was to change the world! The shepherds were the bearers of the exciting news, sharing it with people far and wide. Meanwhile for Mary, the birth was another step in a very personal journey with God. She was the bearer of God's Word, entrusted with nurturing the new life in the world. As we move into the New Year, how will we, like the shepherds and Mary, be bearers of the Good News in our world?


FRIDAY, JANUARY 2  
FEAST OF BASSI, THE GREAT, BISHOP, DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH  
No good deed goes unpunished
When Athanasius died in the year 375, the mantle of defender of the faith at a time of division and heresy fell upon Basil. He strove to unite his fellow Catholics, and for his troubles he was misunderstood, misrepresented, and accused of heresy and ambition. "For my sins," he once wrote, "I seem to be unsuccessful in everything." Some 72 years after his death, however, the Council of Chalcedon described him as "the great Basil, minister of grace who has expounded the truth to the whole earth." Stay the course with your own efforts to do good, even in the face of opposition—history will be the final judge.

TODAY'S READINGS: 1 John 2:22-28; John 1:19-28 (2015). "I am the voice of one crying out in the desert, 'Make straight the way of the Lord.'"

SATURDAY, JANUARY 3  
FEAST OF THE MOST HOLY NAME OF JESUS  
Power of names
Jesus has many titles, and at Christmas time, we’re reminded that Jesus is called by yet another name: Emmanuel, which means “God with us.” Eight days after his birth, he was circumcision and named Jesus, which means “God saves” and was the name an angel told Mary and Joseph to give him. This name itself, heavenly selected, is an object of Catholic devotion, a name to be venerated throughout the year.

TODAY'S READINGS: 1 John 2:29-3:6; John 1:29-34 (2016). "Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world."
Community Groups and Events

**Respite Care—Gero Solutions**
Gero Solutions has trained volunteers who are available to provide up to 3 hours of respite care per week for family members caring for an older adult in their home. This free service is available by calling the Gero Solutions Office at 847-705-2123.

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

**Mended Hearts** - a national non-profit support group for cardiac patients and families meets monthly at the Arlington Senior Center on the first Monday at 6:00pm Call Jack Hanahan at 847-398-0791 for the schedule, information and support.

**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 an appointment.

**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 Arlington Heights. Call 847-705-2123.

**NAMI—National Alliance on Mental Illness**—Family support group, meets at 7:00pm, the third Wednesday of the month at Alexian Brothers Center for Mental Health, 3436 N. Kennicott, Arlington Hts. 847-899-0195

**AA (Alcoholics Anonymous)** - meets in the old St. James School Basement, 821 N. Arlington Heights Rd. (east side of Arlington Hts. Rd.) every Monday and Wednesday evening. (Monday is a Men’s Meeting.) Both the Monday and Wednesday meetings start at 8:30pm. Enter through Door A5. AA is a self-help group for people with a drinking problem.

**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. These specialists can provide: Information about your cancer, tools to help with your treatment, help finding lodging and transportation, help with financial and insurance questions, answer prescription questions, provide clinical trials matching service, assist in finding support groups, identify online community for cancer patients and their families, and offer cancer education classes. Information is available on the internet at www.cancer.org. You may also call Ron Marwitz, the ACS parish contact, at 847-870-1862.

**For Post-Abortion Counseling Help:**
Project Rachel - Catholic Charities: 312-337-1962
http://www.hopeafterabortion.com

**Office for Protection of Children and Youth**
www.archchicago.org 312-534-5254

**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.

**LOSS**
Loving Outreach to Survivors of Suicide is a free, non-denominational program offered by Catholic Charities to support individuals grieving the loss of a loved one to suicide. 312-655-7283 or www.catholiccharities.net/loss for info.

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**St. Viator High School Entrance Exam**
Saturday, January 10, 2015
8am-11:30am

Please bring two #2 pencils, $25 cash or check (made out to SVHS) and a completed Class of 2019 Information Sheet from: www.saintviator.com
No calculators allowed
Questions? Mr. Jason Kuffel at 847-392-4050 x 256.

**Catholic Charities Northwest Senior Services**
A Monthly Support Group for Caregivers
A time to share with others who face the same challenges with caregiving.
When: Third Wednesday of each month
Where: Catholic Charities Northwest Senior Services, 1801 West Central Road, Arlington Heights, 60005
Time: 7:00pm to 8:30pm
For information, please call Donna Newbold at Catholic Charities Northwest Senior Services 847-253-5500, ext. 383.

**Willows Academy High School Placement Exam**
Saturday, January 10, 2015
9am
Students please bring sharpened #2 or mechanical pencils.
Calculators are not allowed. A water bottle and snacks will be provided. Contact: Stephanie Culica at culica@willowsacademy.org or 847-824-6900 x 208.
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Please pray for our sick...

Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I., Becky Sweeney, Julia Jachec, David Sutter, Jerry Walsh, Bill Glass, Roberta Dolos

In Loving Memory

Roy Louis Piazza...husband of Barbara; father of Denise (Charles) Venegoni, Michael (Becky) Piazza, Karen (Peter) Phagan, Diane (Marc) Czapla, and Lori (Craig) Twaddle; grandfather of 12

Clarene Cheloni...wife of John; mother of Dawn (Arthur) Checchin, Vicki (the late Robert) Johnson, and John (Jean) Cheloni; grandmother of 5

Paul Mark Padlo...father of Angelika; son of Mariusz and Bozena; brother of David Padlo

Mary Jo Souders...mother of Brian D. (Therese) Souders and Janelle M. Souders; grandmother of Henry and Jane Souders; sister of Donna (Fred) Chaseley, Fr. Jerome Herff, Ron Herff, and Lawrence Herff

**Baptisms**

Aurora Christine Sharer...daughter of David & Nicole (Dominguez) Sharer

Blake Alexander Grotjan ...son of Wes & Becky (Wilson) Grotjan

Cecelia Ann Daluga...daughter of James & Dana (Cici) Daluga

James Joseph Leiman ...son of Andrew & Kelly (Schoen) Leiman

Chidiebele Isabella Oguejiofor...daughter of Chinedu and Ada (Oku) Oguejiofor

Thank You!

Dear Fr. Matt,

We are grateful for your support of Sarah's Circle. On behalf of our board, staff and the women served by Sarah’s Circle, I would like to thank you for your recent gift of $250. Your generosity sustains our organization, allowing us to empower women who are homeless to rebuild their lives. Your gift will make it possible for us to work toward our mission in many ways.

This gift, specifically, and the overall support of organizations like yours, are what make it possible for Sarah’s Circle to expand and enrich the services we provide.

Sincerely, Katherine Ragnar, Executive Director

**Weekly Intentions**

Please pray for our sick...

José Maria Guzmán, Wil Schwantz (7th Anniv.), Andrew Firnbach Family, Jeffrey Helminski, Sophia Bell, Phyllis Shields, Rita Bedner, Nancy Garich, William Yopchick

Monday, December 29

Janice A. Murphy, James E. Murphy, Jim O’Brien, Candace Duggan, R. Ray Becker

Tuesday, December 30

Dana Mangi, George Mulcahy, Vito Quaranta (4th Anniv.)

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Thursday, January 1

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Alphonso Pietrolonardo

Saturday Evening/Sunday Morning, January 4

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**Rose for Life**

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

**Remembrances**

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**Liturgical Ministers** for the Weekend of January 4, 2015

### Presiders

**Saturday evening:**
- 5:00 pm  Fr. Matt Foley

**Sunday:**
- 7:00 am  Fr. Joji Thanugundla
- 8:30 am  Fr. Matt Foley
- 10:00 am Fr. Matt Foley
- 11:30 am Fr. Joji Thanugundla
- 5:00 pm  Fr. Joji Thanugundla

### Altar Servers

**Saturday evening:**
- 5:00 pm  A. & G. Zimmerman, C. McMahon

**Sunday:**
- 7:00 am  M. Smith, I. Kennedy, J. Krause
- 8:30 am  C. Swanson, M. Leno, M. Fahey
- 10:00 am K. & M. McManaman, M. Cassady
- 11:30 am J. Lifka, M. Dzupin, K. Donohue
- 5:00 pm  E. Bleasdale, T. Woolsey, W. Waltz

### Lectors

**Saturday evening:**
- 5:00 pm  B. Charland, D. Pagnotta

**Sunday:**
- 7:00 am  T. Arens, B. Kragh
- 8:30 am  K. Sowa, R. Cerabona
- 10:00 am C. Colleran, K. Konopasek
- 11:30 am R. Klicki, S. Sykes
- 5:00 pm  L. Matz, D. Starr

### Scripture Readings

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 28**

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

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

**Wednesday:**
- 1 Jn 2:18-21; Ps 96:1-2, 11-13; Jn 1:1-18

**Thursday:**
- Nm 6:22-27; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21

**Friday:**
- 1 Jn 2:22-28; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 1:19-28

**Saturday:**
- 1 Jn 2:29 — 3:6; Ps 98:1, 3cd-6; Jn 1:29-34

**Sunday:**
- Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-13; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12

### Eucharistic Ministers

(A Team)

**Saturday: Parish Center**
- 5:00 pm  G. Sherva, M. Dolan, E. Duque, C. Williams
- 5:00 pm  M. Nugent, C. Stansbury
- 5:00 pm  S. Szott, T. Szott
- Coordinators: D. Duque, T. Gallagher

**Sunday: Church**
- 7:00 am  J. Van Eck, C. Jensen, D. O’Grady
- Coordinator: M. Walsh, Jr.

**Sunday: Church**
- 8:30 am  C. Burke, J. Burke, E. Crittenden, MJ. Jarosz, L. Poelking, F. Miossi
- K. Rayburn, I. Roller, T. Talbot, E. Turney
- D. Turney, D. Varchetto
- Coordinator: T. Stengren

**Sunday: Parish Center**
- 10:00 am K. Imhoff, K. Kelly, S. Lindemann, J. Lippert, P. Lippert, T. McDonnell, B. Nielsen, B. Nielsen, M. Purcell, S. Reiss, D. Vlazny, S. Moynkens, J. Anderson, M. Rutkowski
- M. Massa, R. Becker, V. Curtis, S. Gaske, S. Hussey, J. Lippert, J. McDermott, R. McDermott, (2 EMs for choir)
- Coordinators: D. Adam, T. Adam

**Sunday: Parish Center**
- 11:30 am M. Byrne, B. Gedmin, S. Sharer, A. Vandenberg, C. Van Den Avont, S. Van Den Avont, M. Van Den Avont
- Coordinators: G. & J. Christophe

**Sunday: Church**
- 5:00 pm  G. Farrell, P. Farrell, P. Farrell, E. Jarosz
- Coordinator: P. Farrell

How Are We Praying?

Your Liturgy Board is interested in hearing about your experience of prayer and worship at St. James. We welcome your evaluation of Mass in the Church and Parish Center and your ideas about things we are doing well or ways we can improve our experience of praying together.

E-mail us at: stjamesliturgyboard@yahoo.com
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Weekend Masses
Saturday Evening    5:00pm   Parish Center (Cantor)
Sunday Morning    7am  Church (Cantor)
Sunday Morning    8:30am  Church (Traditional Choir)
Sunday Morning     10am  Parish Center (Contemporary Choir and Children’s Liturgy of the Word)
Sunday Morning     11:30am  Parish Center (Contemporary Choir)
Sunday Evening      5:00pm    Church (Teen Ensemble)

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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.

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Monday-Friday  9:00am—8:00pm
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