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December 6, 2015  Second Sunday of Advent
A Reflection…
from Fr. Gilbert Mashurano, Associate Pastor

December 6, 2015

The Holy Year of Mercy “Here, then, is the reason for the Jubilee: because this is the time for mercy. It is the favorable time to heal wounds, a time not to be weary of meeting all those who are waiting to see and touch with their hands the signs of closeness of God, a time to offer everyone the way of forgiveness and reconciliation” Pope Francis April 11, 2015

Pope Francis through the Bull of Indiction of the Extraordinary, announced the Holy Year of Mercy, in Latin Misericordiae Vultus. On December 8th, 2015, the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception, Pope Francis will mark the opening of Jubilee of Mercy. Traditionally, a Jubilee Year in the Catholic Church takes place every twenty five years. The Pope is inviting all of us to meditate and contemplate on the mystery of mercy. The mystery of mercy can only be seen in Christ Jesus, whom Pope Francis called “the face of the father’s mercy”.

The Pope explains clearly that mercy will always be greater than any sin, and no one can place limits on the love of God who is ever ready to forgive. The door of mercy of God is open to anyone who wants to enter and experience the love of God. After the sin of Adam and Eve, God did not wish to leave humanity alone in the throes of evil. God choose Mary to be the Mother of man’s Redeemer, Mary Mother of God, Mary mother of the Church, Mary our Mother. December 8th, 2015, the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception means a lot in our salvation history and the Pope wants to honor Mary on that day by opening the Holy Year of Mercy.

The Holy Year of Mercy will be a time of special graces from God. The holy doors will be opened starting with St. Peter Basilica, then the holy doors of the major Basilicas in Rome, followed by cathedrals, co-cathedrals and particular local churches throughout the world.

It will be a year of reconciliation between adversaries, conversion and a time to receive the sacrament of reconciliation. It will be a time for solidarity, hope, justice, and commitment to serve God with joy and in peace with our sisters and brothers in the image of Jesus Christ. It will be a year of Christ, who brings life and grace to humanity.

Finally, the Pope asked that we reflect on the corporal and spiritual works of mercy, like feed the hungry, give drink to the thirsty, clothe the naked, shelter the homeless, comfort the prisoners, visit the sick, bury the dead, teach the ignorant, pray for the living and dead, and console the sorrowful.

We at St. James Parish are going to celebrate this Holy Year of Mercy during Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on every Thursday at 3PM and 7PM in the Church. Also there is a daily rosary in the Church before and after morning mass Monday to Friday.

- Fr. Gilbert

(A podcast of this week’s reflection is available on the St. James website and mobile website.)
Advent, 2015

The land echoes God’s “homecoming...” the heights are made low, the valleys filled in to make way for the Lord.

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

Eucharistic Adoration

Eucharistic Adoration takes place from 8:00am-3:00pm every Thursday in the Church. We will pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet at 3pm.

Adoration Contacts:
Jo Jozwiak: 847-259-2433
Sue McPherrin—847-506-1618

Immaculate Conception

Tuesday, December 8th is the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception, and a holy day of obligation.

Masses are as follows:

- 6:30am
- 7:30am
- 9:00am (St. James School)
- 12:00 Noon
- 4:30pm (Children’s Mass)
- 6:30pm (Children’s Mass)

All Masses are in the Church.

Children’s Rosary Group

The Children’s Rosary Group will meet in the Church at 4:00pm on Monday, December 14th.

Advent Weekday Mass at Noon

During Advent, we will offer a Mass in the Church at 12:00 Noon each weekday. (Mon.-Friday)

Advent Tri-Parish Reconciliation Services

Three Catholic parishes in Arlington Heights will offer the Sacrament of Reconciliation on three consecutive days during December. Each service will contain the same components and you may attend at any of the three parishes.

All services are at 7:30pm.

- Monday, December 14th - At Our Lady of the Wayside
- Tuesday, December 15th - At St. Edna
- Wednesday, December 16th - At St. James (in the Church

Ministry of Praise

The Ministry of Praise is a spiritual ministry in which members offer their prayers to God to help others in need. There are no dues or meetings. If you or a loved one is interested in participating in this ministry, please contact parishioner Marilyn Neuman at 224-345-7200 or MinistryofPraise@stjamesah.org

St. James Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

A reminder: sign-up books for Christmas and New Year liturgies will be in the sacristies each weekend. Please sign up for Christmas and New Year Masses as soon as possible. You may also contact Peter Lippert, EM Coordinator, to sign up.
St. James Parish Christmas Mass Schedule ~ 2015

We warmly invite you to join us in prayer this Christmas!

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

Church:
3:00pm—Mass
5:00pm—Mass
7:00pm—Mass

Parish Center:
3:00pm—Children’s Mass
5:00pm—Children’s Mass
11:00pm—Mass

December 25th—Christmas Day (Carols before each liturgy.)

Church:
8:00am—Mass
10:00am—Mass

Parish Center:
10:00am—Mass
12:00 Noon—Mass

December 31st—New Year’s Eve
Church: 5:00pm—Mass

January 1st, 2016—New Year’s Day (Holy Day of Obligation)
Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God
8:00am and 10:00am Masses in the Church

Mercy Boxes

Our Annual Mercy Box program has been revived, with a new twist. Fr. Matt was able to identify several inner-city parishes with families living at or below the poverty line. This year, St. James will send “Mercy Boxes” to needy families in St. Malachy, St. Agatha, and St. Agnes Parishes in Chicago. This new approach will stretch far and wide and will benefit the youngest and oldest of our fellow brothers and sisters in Christ.

HOW CAN YOU PARTICIPATE? Mercy Boxes will be distributed after all Masses on the weekend of December 5th & 6th. The boxes will come unassembled, with a food list of items needed. It will not be necessary to wrap the box. Filled boxes are due back to St. James on the weekend of December 19th & 20th. Boxes are to be returned to the Old Grade School parking lot on the east side of the street, and will be loaded directly on a truck for transport to Chicago on Monday, Dec. 21st. Boxes will be delivered directly to the offices of the city parishes. Those pastors will then deliver the boxes to needy families in their parishes.

We will need volunteers in order for this program to be a success. A signupgenius has been created to assist parishioners (teens & adults) to participate in numerous ways. http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0B45ABA82FA7F49-mercy . Extending the true spirit of Christmas to our inner-city friends and families is at the heart of our St. James Parish Mission as we walk in faith, live in hope, and act in love.
Jubilee Year of Mercy
December 6, 2015  Second Sunday of Advent

This Tuesday, the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception, Pope Francis will open the “Holy Door” in Saint Peter’s Basilica, symbolically opening the Jubilee Year of Mercy. In today’s scriptures, Baruch confidently anticipates God’s healing of the brokenness of humanity, and Paul sees God bringing our discernment, knowledge, and love to fulfillment. Our experience of life and of ourselves can make such prophecies seem wildly optimistic, even hopelessly naïve. Pope Francis challenges us to live this Jubilee Year as a graced time, when God’s mercy reawakens our enthusiasm to live our baptismal call as gospel people, our hope renewed and ourselves recommitted to selfless charity. Notice that in Luke’s Gospel today, God bypasses the religious elite and politically powerful to speak to a humble believer in the barren desert the saving word that will transform history. So God’s mercy continues to accomplish humanity’s salvation in and through ordinary, flawed, and least likely instruments—even us.

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St. James offers

Thursday Eucharistic Adoration in
The Year of Mercy

Eucharistic Adoration is offered every Thursday in St. James Church from 8 am - 3 pm. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament immediately follows 7:30 am Mass. Rosary recitation at 8:15 am, with 6 hours of silent adoration beginning at 9 am. Closing prayers and Benediction at 3 pm.

In honor of the Holy Year of Mercy, we will conclude with recitation of the Chaplet of Divine Mercy at 3 pm. Join us to pray for mercy and healing in our families and our world.

"I am convinced that the whole Church will find in this JUBILEE the joy needed to rediscover and make fruitful the mercy of God, with which we are all called to give consolation to every man and woman of our time.”

(Pope Francis)

The Jubilee, also called a Holy Year, will open this year on Dec. 8 — the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception — and will close Nov. 20, 2016 with the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe.

Become a committed adorer and join the St. James Parish Adoration team!
Contact: Sue McPherrin (847) 506-1618 or Jo Jozwiak (847) 259-2433
Preschool & Kindergarten
Parent Information Night

January 14, 2016

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

Call 224.345.7145 to rsvp
www.stjamesschoolah.org
Inviting ALL 1st through 5th Graders to be a part of the Christmas Eve Children’s Masses

Thursday December 24th
3:00 PM & 5:00 PM Mass

1st through 5th graders are invited to have a special role in our children’s masses. We will be asking parents to provide simple costumes for the children. Girls/Angels - white dress or white fabric. Boys/Shepherds - bathrobes or dark color fabric. **We will provide the angel wings.**

There will be one rehearsal for each mass. Attendance at the rehearsal of the mass you plan to attend is required. Both rehearsals will take place in the Parish Center. Plan to attend the entire rehearsal with your child.

**5PM Christmas Eve Mass will rehearse on Sunday December 20th 12:30 – 1:15 PM**

**3PM Christmas Eve Mass will rehearse on Sunday, December 20th 1:30 – 2:15 PM**

If your child would like to participate in this St. James’ tradition, complete the online form **no later than Monday, December 14, 2015.** The form can be found on the St. James Religious Education page on the St. James website.

Please understand the number of children we need to work with and the short amount of preparation time and help us by following these guidelines. Family participation will be essential for the Mass to be well organized! Your gift of time is greatly appreciated!

Carrie Conley & Rebecca Linscott
Religious Education Co-Coordinators

[stjamesRE@stjamesah.org](mailto:stjamesRE@stjamesah.org)
St. James Youth Ministry 2015-2016

I request that St James Youth Ministry allow my child

to participate in the Sharing Tree Project at the St. Malachy Catholic School in Chicago.

Date & Time of Departure: Thursday, December 17th, 10:00am.
Date & Anticipated Time of Return: Thursday, December 17th, 4:00pm.

Method of Transportation: Adult Drivers (15 years or older) Volunteering Vehicles
Participant Cost: None
Supervisor (s) of Activity: Director, Assistant and Adult Volunteers

I understand that the activity will take place away from the parish premises and that my child will be under supervision. I further consent to the conditions stated above on participation in this event, including method of transportation.

I hereby release and indemnify St. James Parish, its staff and its volunteers, and the Catholic Bishop of Chicago, a corporation sole, from any and all liability arising from claims of any kind or nature whatsoever from my child’s participation in this event.

In the event that the undersigned, or my authorized physician, cannot be reached, and in the judgment of the designated supervisor of the activity or other responsible person accompanying the group, there is necessity for immediate examination and/ or treatment of my child, I hereby authorize any of the aforesaid personnel to obtain for my child such medical services as are deemed necessary.

EMERGENCY CONTACT IF PARENTS ARE UNAVAILABLE:
Name: ____________________ Phone: ____________________

Parent Signature ______________ Date ______________

Please return this form by December 11th.
Save the date...

SAINT JAMES MEN'S RETREAT

CrHp

Christ renews His parish

Rendezvous:
Start: Saturday, February 20 (0730 Hours)
End: Sunday, February 21 (1300 Hours)
You are invited to hivouac at St. James.

2016 CrHp Troops:
Tom Sommers  Bill Kushner  Art Gasey  Peter McLeod  Pierre Herard  Jerry Canada  Steve Torres  Deacon Paul
Mark Paoli  Bob Beck  Mike Hatte  Greg Carso  Ron Cimo  Mark Curran  Steve Sharer  Al Underlys  Kevin Walsh...

To enlist or questions, contact Mike Smigiel at
mike_smigiel@msn.com or at 309-472-5546

Christmas Remembrance

As the Christmas Season approaches the Environment & Art Ministry invites St. James parishioners to create a tangible remembrance of their departed family members and/or friends by helping to fund the Christmas décor in the Church and Parish Center. In addition to the abundant flowers and candles and lights, the names of those being remembered will also be published in the Christmas weekend Bulletin.

To create a Remembrance, please fill out the form below and return it by December 14th to the Parish Office. A donation of $25 per Remembrance is suggested. Checks should be made payable to St. James Church and either mailed to the Parish Office, 820 N. Arlington Heights Rd., Arlington Heights, IL 60004; or deposited in the weekend collection in an envelope marked “Christmas Remembrance.”

We thank you for your thoughtfulness and wish you a blessed Christmas,
The Environment & Art Ministry

Christmas 2015 Remembrance

In Memory of:
(Please print)

Remembered by:
(Please print)
St. James in MISSION...

St. James parishioners George Ostendorf, Chuck Swanson, Janice Gedmin, Bob Gedmin, Kris Walsh, Mike Walsh, Katherine Harig, and Dr. John Cavers joined 5 others from the Chicago area in a successful St. James Mission Trip October 25- Nov 1st. A group of four dental specialists (including Dr. Cavers) saw 150 patients from the surrounding area of Consuelo, Dominican Republic. All 150 patients received cleanings and about 120 extractions were made along with some minor oral surgery. 10% of those seen were children. The majority of those treated had never seen a dentist before in their lives. They waited patiently for hours to have their procedures done. A medical doctor in our group performed physicals on every patient as well. A very special thank you to Dr. Mike Nolan, Geri Kelly, Patti Cherney, Kathy Leck and Dr. Sharon Harig for being part of this tremendous experience in the Dominican Republic.

During the course of the week the rest of the group constructed a cement block home with two bedrooms and a bathroom for the family of one of the caregivers from the NPH home for children. The original foundation was on the site on the first day of arrival. The group mixed cement by hand, lifted block and added the composition that was needed to secure the block in place in order to complete the structure up to the roof line in 5 days time. Along with all of the hard work the group met the community in which the house is located. They learned about the local traditions, culture as well as enjoyed a typical Dominican lunch, along with fresh coconut milk from the tree in the yard, that was provided for the group by the sister of the caregiver.

The group stayed at the NPH home for orphaned and abandoned children. They were able to meet so many wonderful children of all ages, celebrate the October birthdays with a day at a swimming pool, celebrate Mass with 225 children and interact with the Special Needs children on site. The St. James community donated 10 duffel bags filled with everything the Special Needs house requested along with additional items that will be distributed to the community that lives and works in the sugar cane fields where the Mission trip group worked for the week.

Thank you to everyone for sharing their lives, their time and their treasures with NPH and their surrounding community members in the Dominican Republic.
Our prayer in St. Joan of Arc Chapel on the campus of Marquette University before heading out to dinner at La Fuente Mexican restaurant.
“Families are so complex,” says our Director of Faith Formation, JoAnne Mullen-Muhr. “They do not give up on us despite our shortcomings, where forgiveness heals, and where joy and laughter create memories that bind,” she adds.

You can read more about families—their joys and struggles, from the mouths of parents—in our December bulletin. And there’ll be a narrative about a parish member’s trek to Door County, Wisconsin, where he and his wife encountered a woman with six adopted children who came from “abuse and trauma” and a church pastor saddened by all the broken families he’s seen. The narrative ends with some inspiring facts about our family roots.

Go to HTTP://WWW.EXODUSTREKKERS.BLOGSPOT.COM or to the St. James web site and click on “BLOGS”, then “MEDIA.” There you’ll also find many other inspiring face-to-face interviews with our parish family members.

THE WORD OF GOD ALIVE AND ON FIRE Series...presented by The Sisters of the Living Word
The Sisters of the Living Word invite you to attend the second of four events sponsored for the public in honor of their 40th Anniversary as a religious community. Please join us to hear and share together about our call to follow Jesus in our times. The events are free. Please share this news with a friend. We look forward to these promising presentations and sharing with you at our Living Word Center.

Address: Living Word Center, 800 N. Fernandez Ave., Arlington Heights No fee—please bring a friend! For information and to register: 847-577-5972 or email: kvorenkamp@slw.org

Sunday: December 6th—2-3:30pm Oscar Romero: How God’s Word Transformed His Life—His Legacy for Our Times.

Oplatki Christmas Wafers Available at the Parish Office

The Tradition: Begun millenniums ago in Poland, Slovakia, and Lithuania, this Christmas Eve ritual continues wherever the blessed Oplatek, the Christmas wafer, is shared. Oplatki are offered for sale at the Parish Office this year for $4 a package.

Save the Date!

On Thursday, January 7th, St. James will host an ICON of the HOLY FAMILY.
This traveling Icon will be made available to us by the Knights of Columbus, Holy Rosary Council, # 4483. The ICON will be available for viewing in the CHURCH on January 7th, during daily Thursday Adoration, the Chaplet of Divine Mercy at 3pm, and during Thursday evening Holy Hour, from 7-8pm, with the Rosary, Exposition, and Benediction.

Retired Men’s Group
I am pleased to announce that for our next meeting which will held on Dec. 9th, we will have none other than (drum roll please) our own Fr. Matt Foley. He will be speaking about his adventures in Mexico and how they prepared themselves for Christmas. It should be a fascinating presentation and one I am sure you will not want to miss.

If there is anyone who can not make our meetings because of transportation, we have a possible solution for you. At our last meeting we had speakers from Wheeling Township, and Escorted Transportation Service would pick you up and take you back home for a small fee. Call me for further details.

Deacon Pierce—847 259-1743
The Knights of Columbus Holy Rosary Council invite you to Breakfast with Santa

This may be your last chance to meet Santa before Christmas! Enjoy breakfast, holiday crafts and Christmas cheer.

Where and When:
KC Hall, 15 N. Hickory, Arlington Heights, IL 60004
December 12th & 19th
8:30am—11:00am (Breakfast served starting at 9:00am)
$5.00 per person
RSVP: holyrosarykofc@gmail.com or 773-909-0102

The St. James Over 50 Social Group cordially invites you to our CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON AND SHOW.

Date: Wednesday, Dec. 9th  Time: 11:30 am
Location: Chandler's Chophouse  401 N. Roselle Rd., Schaumburg, IL 60194

RSVP: Must reply to Marcy 847 577-2556 by Dec. 7th. Take your check to the Parish Office marked: "St. James Over 50 Christmas Luncheon" in the left hand corner. We will carpool from the Church parking lot and meet at 10:45am to leave at 11:00am or you may drive direct.
Have a blessed Christmas!

Parents of St. James College Students:
Our Pastor, Fr. Matt Foley, would like to send a note to your college student at school. If you would like your son or daughter to receive this message, please provide his/her campus address (not email, but actual postal address) to:

Fr. Matt Foley—frmatt@stjamesah.org

Presence Holy Family Medical Center in Des Plaines is proud to partner with A Silver Lining Foundation to bring FREE mammograms to uninsured or underinsured residents of the greater Des Plaines area. Gain access and education to cancer services available at Presence Holy Family through this partnership. Call (312) 345-1322 for more information or to schedule an appointment.

St. James Staff
College Road Trip!

St. James Staff members would like to visit your college student in school—for “PIZZA & PRAYER”—on Thursday evenings.

Please organize a time with your student, and any additional students/parents at their university who might be interested. (Visits will be to schools within a reasonable driving distance from Arlington Heights.)

Two parents are needed to accompany staff members on each of these visits. Please contact FR. MATT FOLEY at the Parish Office - 224-345-7222, or frmatt@stjamesah.org if you would like to arrange a trip!
Congratulations to our Financial Peace University (FPU) graduates!

St James conducted our first FPU class from September 9th-November 11th.

We had a total of 32 participants learning God’s ways of handling money. We learned how to give, save and spend wisely. We learned how to effectively communicate with our spouse in the area of money and much more.

In just 9 weeks, the average family paid off over $2000 in debt and saved $1500 towards an emergency fund. That’s a $3500 turnaround!
We all need a plan for our money. Financial Peace University is that plan!

Through video teaching, class discussions and interactive small group activities, FPU presents biblical, practical steps to get from where you are to where you’ve dreamed you could be. This plan will show you how to get rid of debt, manage your money, spend and save wisely, and much more!

Read what others had to say about it:
- FPU is fun! This isn't some stuffy economics class! You'll laugh as you learn money skills from Dave and participate in entertaining class activities.
- It’s easy to understand! You don’t have to be a rocket scientist to learn how money works. Each lesson is broken down into simple Baby Steps.
- It’s going to change your life! In just nine lessons, you'll learn to take control of your money, invest for the future, and give like never before. Don't worry! You won't be asked to share any personal financial information during the class.

St James plans on having another FPU class in the first quarter of 2016. More information to come.

- Tony Redel

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**MERRY CHRISTMAS FROM MANNA!**

There is a Manna card for EVERYONE on your list!

**PLEASE NOTE**

**NO ORDERS** are processed the weeks of Christmas OR New Year’s, so place your Christmas Manna order early!!!

Orders received after Dec. 13th will not be available until Jan. 9/10.

There will be a limited supply of cards available to purchase at all the masses (EXCEPT Sunday 5pm) EVERY weekend.

If you ever have questions about how the Manna program works, please ask any Manna volunteer after mass, or call 224-345-7211 or 7212.
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 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.

**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 Art. Hts.

**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, Arl. Hts. 847-899-0195**

**Escorted Transportation**
Escorted Transportation Services Northwest (ETS/NW) - is a service available for older adults in our community who are in need of rides to medical or dental appointments. It is a non-denominational outreach service to seniors. If you are in need of such assistance, please call Kelly at 847-222-9227. To volunteer to drive and be a part of this outreach team call Kelly at 847-222-9227.

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

**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 Marwit, 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.

**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.
Our Lady of the Wayside 434 W. Park St., Arlington Hts.
For information about upcoming meeting dates, please contact: Jim Pekarek at 847-767-7859, or Beth Ann Finis at 312-813-9162

**Grief Support Group**
The St. James Grief Support Group meets every Tuesday from 7-8:15 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.

**Part-Time Help Needed:**
Bellarmine Jesuit Retreat House in Barrington, IL is seeking part-time dining room servers and kitchen staff. Bellarmine is a wonderful, flexible and prayerful place to work. To apply, please call 847-381-1261.

**Help Offered:**
Seniors: Do you have minor home repairs or maintenance work which you cannot do yourself? (This service is free of charge.) Call John Hughes at 847-392-3333 to see if he can help.

Our Charity
Thank you for your generous donations to our charity during this month of December—the **Appeal for the Retired Religious**.

Next weekend, we will hear Sisters Barbara Mass and Joanne Grib, Sisters of the Living Word, speak to us regarding the needs of the retired religious, and how much your generosity assists them. Thank you for your support of this appeal.
Please pray for our sick...
Julia Jachec, Raymond Sutter, Nick Dever,
Pat Sheehan, Marilyn Jeske, Stanley Rogers

Baptisms
November 22
Caroline Tessa Nelson...daughter of Tom Nelson & Jenny Hill
Mateo Joseph Santa Maria...son of Darrick & Carina
(Homann) Santa Maria
Amelia Hope Strok...daughter of Timothy & Magdalena
(Jachym) Strok
Jillian Mae Schuman...daughter of Kevin & Kristina
(Ballardini) Schuman
Elka Yvonne Andejeski-Hildebrand...daughter of Cory
Hildebrand & Sarah Jean Andejeski

November 29
Isabella Grace Tady Noascono...daughter of William &
Amanda (Tady) Noascono
Elizabeth Cassidy Iacch...daughter of Daniel & Dorothy
(Robak) Iacch
Norah Ann Robertson...daughter of Cole & Meghan (Hardey)
Robertson
Alexis Mary Odarczenko....of Patrick & Rosemary (Scott)
Odarczenko

Wedding Banns
December 12, 2015
Brian Guerre & Kim Radzak

December 19, 2015
Sam Sweeney & Kellirose Minoque
John DeWyze & Lydia Hawkins

Congratulations!
Richard & Jane Simmerman
61st Wedding Anniversary
Celebrated on November 27th, 2015

In Loving Memory
Kelly Ann Conway....daughter of Joseph Conway and the
late Patricia McGowen Conway; step-daughter of Nan Rich-
ter; sister of JP Conway and Kaitlin (Eric Conway

Bernice Brune.....mother of Jeff (Nadine) Brune,
Sue Stogsdill, Tom Brune, Joyce (Tom) Gack, Beth (David)
Wright, and Paul Brune; grandmother of twelve; great-
grandmother of sixteen

Rose for Life
This week’s Rose for Life is donated by Marilee Cripe
in thanksgiving for her daughter, Sara.

Remembrances
Saturday Evening/Sunday Morning, December 6
Virginia Robinett, Dana Mangi, Dorothy Firnbach,
Harold Langdon, Roy Louis Piazza (1st Anniv.),
Anne Owens, Art O’Grady, Edward Stewart,
Vincent Millman

Monday, December 7
Madalyn Bablo (1st Anniv.), Robert McDermott,
Russ & Marie Fitton, Robert F. Moynihan, Sr.

Tuesday, December 8
Dana Mangi, Meggan McDermott,
Jack D. Kurtenbach-Brandt

Wednesday, December 9
Clarene Cheloni (1st Anniv.), Bunny Matus,
Frances Grochowski

Thursday, December 10
Mary Hansen, Paul Padlo (1st Anniv.),
Jerome E. Stemper (1st Anniv.), Lucy McGrath,
Joseph S. Koleczek, Estelle Wolski

Friday, December 11
Jean Alterini-Schmidt, Dr. Michael Serio

Saturday, December 12
Meggan McDermott, Gertrude (Trudy) Pietrolonardo,
Janet Marie Goscinski (7th Anniv.)

Saturday Evening/Sunday Morning, Dec. 13
Susan Comfort, Janet Marie Goscinski (7th Anniv.),
Angelo Antongiovanni, Thomas Rybka, Carol Cusak
Angelo Pettenuzzo, Alfio Pettenuzzo, Laura Zanetti

Weekly Intentions
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# MANNA at St. James

1) Submit Order Form to MANNA Rep at table or place in the collection basket.
2) Make checks payable to "Manna @ St. James."
3) Orders rec'vd Sunday will be ready the following week before and after most Masses**
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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)  

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-Friday  9:00am—8:00pm  
Saturdays  9:00am—1:00pm  
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