St. James Stewardship in Action!

St. James volunteers delivered Christmas Mercy Boxes to three Chicago-area parishes!
A Reflection from Fr. Derek Ho, Associate Pastor

January 1, 2017

Reflecting on New Year’s Resolutions this time of year, we usually come up with a list that resembles the following:

- Eat less. Exercise more.
- Watch TV less. Read more.
- Pay off debts. Save money.

Though these are all good things, may I suggest a spiritual resolution that we can all do as a parish family? **BECOMING A DYNAMIC CATHOLIC.**

There are a number of ways to do this but I think Matthew Kelly’s book, *The Four Signs of a Dynamic Catholic*, offers a great road map:

1. **Pray.**
   While all Catholics pray, dynamic Catholics have a daily commitment to prayer, a routine. Some pray the rosary, some attend Mass, some have a favorite devotional but they all commit themselves to having a time to pray, a place to pray, and a structure to their prayer. The daily habit of prayer is the result of real spiritual work.

2. **Study.**
   Dynamic Catholics are continuous learners. Jesus doesn’t just want followers. He wants disciples and to be a disciple, one must sit at the feet of Christ to learn. Whose feet do you sit at? A talk show host, a politician, a musician, an actor? None of these can be substitutes for Jesus. Dynamic Catholics read Catholic books, listen to Catholic CDs, watch Catholic DVDs, and go on retreats more often than most Catholics. They are hungry to learn more about their faith.

3. **Generosity.**
   Dynamic Catholics are filled with a spirit of generous service. Not just with money and time, but with their love, appreciation, praise, and encouragement. They are generous lovers, generous parents, generous colleagues and generous with complete strangers. Generosity is not a religious requirement for Dynamic Catholics, it’s a way of life.

4. **Evangelization.**
   Dynamic Catholics invite others to grow spiritually by sharing the love of God with them. They yearn to help people find answers to the questions they have about their faith and they want others to experience the joy that comes from having a vibrant relationship with God.

Wherever you are on this journey, you may say that you don’t have time for this. No need to do all of it at one time. Just as no one loses all their excess weight immediately or pays off their whole debt or reads a whole book in one sitting, growing in discipleship is a series of small steps. May Mary, our Mother, accompany us on this spiritual journey.

Happy New Year!

Father Derek

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

**Holy Hour**
- All are invited to the 7pm Thursday Holy Hour in the Church with Deacon Matthew Hahn. This 7pm Holy Hour includes Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Evening Prayer, Rosary, and Benediction.

**How Are We Praying?**
- Your Liturgy Team is interested in hearing about your experience of prayer and worship at St. James.
- We welcome your evaluation of our liturgical celebrations in the Church and Parish Center, during this Christmas Season.
- Your feedback will assist the team in future preparations.
- Please email: stjamesliturgyboard@yahoo.com

**Thursday Eucharistic Adoration in the Church**
- We are seeking additional adorers.
- Hours available: 9am-3pm
- Email Sue or Jim at 847-506-1618 or jsmcpherrin@yahoo.com
- Be a part of the Adoration Team!

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**Pray the Rosary**

The Children's Rosary Group will meet WEEKLY, each Monday, at 3:45pm in the Church.
- All are welcome to attend!

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*Mary kept all these things, reflecting on them in her heart.*  
— Luke 2:19

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*World Day Of Prayer For Peace*  
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St. James School Alumni News

90th Anniversary Planning Meeting: January 18, 2017
Would you like to participate in the planning of the 90th anniversary party? We are looking for assistance with decorations, food and beverage, music, invitations, publicity and more. If you'd like to help in any way, we'll be having a kick-off meeting to brainstorm ideas and take a tour of the old school building on January 18th at 10am. If you can't make the meeting, but would like to help, let us know. Call or email Mary Lederer at 224-345-7203 | mlederer@stjamesah.org.

St. James School All-Class Reunion and 90th Anniversary Celebration: June 10, 2017
Save the date and make sure we have your current contact information. Go to: stjamesschoolah.org/saint-james-school-alumni-program and complete the form to receive information and updates on the anniversary celebration and other alumni news.

Alumni Spotlight
Do you know of an alum with an interesting life experience or accomplishment to share? We'd like to start a series of "Alumni Spotlight" stories and need your input. Email your suggestion to: alum@stjamesschoolah.org. and let us know of SJS alumni who are making their mark in the world.

Open Our Hearts in Welcome: Campaign Results (As of 12/31/16)
Total Raised: $7,669,688
Number of Families: 869

Happy New Year!

A friendly reminder:

All pledge processing for the Open Our Hearts in Welcome campaign is handled by the Archdiocese of Chicago. If you made a pledge, you will be receiving an acknowledgment letter from the Archdiocese. Additionally, they will send pledge reminder statements depending on the frequency you selected to make your pledge payments.

Please be assured, 100% of your contributions to the Open Our Hearts in Welcome campaign are credited to St. James Parish.

May you and your family have a happy and healthy new year!
How Current & Accurate is your understanding of what the Church actually teaches and believes?

Catholicism 201 is a "refresher course" that explains Catholic uniqueness with clarity, accuracy and in modern-day language similar to what adults receive who are preparing to be baptized and enter the Catholic Church. It explains those things most Catholics either haven't heard, don't remember or can't explain to others in 21st century terms.

Each Wednesday evening starts at 7PM with a 60-70 minute video-talk and is followed by light refreshments and lively discussion of the night's topic. The evening concludes at 9PM. Location is in the school cafeteria (enter the building through the Parish Office). There is no charge for the sessions. A limited number of course booklets are available for $10 each.

If you were one of the 100+ people at the Spring 2016 Catholicism 201 Sampler, you'll want to see these 3 last talks. If you haven't been to a Catholicism 201 session, you're in for a real treat -- prior participation is NOT required. You only need to be an adult to come to the last 2 sessions. The Jan 25 session is a continuation of the Jan 18 presentation.

- Cost: free
- Where: school cafeteria
- Who: any adult
- When: 7:00PM
- Format: DVD-talk/Dessert & Discussion
- What: Mary & the Saints: Jan 11
  Intro to Christian Morality: Jan 18
  The Thorny Issues: Jan 25

Welcome to St. James New Parishioners

David & Kristin Arndt Family
Tykhailo & Katarzyna Bogdanov Family
Maria Elena Castaneda Family
John Cody Family
William & Dawn Donovan Family
Stacey Duncan Family
Jane Fiore Family
John & Kimberly Forrester Family
John & Erica Fuja Family
Christopher & Molly Geli Family
George & Mary Grawe Family
Jason & Katherine Grubba Family
Frederic & Tamara Hoffman IV Family
Kenneth & Julie Hommowun Family
Adrian Kruse Family
Jeffrey & Kimberly Kusiciel Family
Tony & Lauren Marino Family
Lito & Katherine Medalle Family

Robert & Lucy Morris Family
Sam & Kayo Nakagome Family
Robert & Mary-Beth Nolan Family
Pedro & Liznel Ortiz-Toral Family
David & Tracie Platt Family
Michael & Kelly Schneider Family
Paula Schneller Family
Ricky & Autumn Valencia Family
Thomas & Kelly Widawski Family
Adam Wilson & Ourlee Ourun Family
Tom & Cecylia Yakulis Family
Valerie & Mark Zanchettin Family
JOIN US January 14.... For a Journaling Prayer Workshop
With the SACRED INTERCESSION PRAYER JOURNAL

This interactive workshop is designed to encourage and inspire a renewed commitment to prayer. Together we will experience quiet prayer, journaling prayer and healing prayer.

Everyone receives a Sacred Intercession Prayer Journal and we will put it to use during the workshop!

LOCATION: St. James Parish – School Resource Center
Saturday, Jan 14 @ 8:00-Noon

FEE: $40 per person
Includes one SACRED INTERCESSION PRAYER JOURNAL, use of journaling supplies and food/beverage during the event.

REGISTER Online by Jan 9:
www.givecentral.org/location/270/9522

For more information or questions email:
tina@haisman.net

EVENT SPEAKER:
I'm Julie Rudnick – creator of the Sacred Intercession Prayer Journal. I have a passion for prayer and the desire to encourage others in their journey of faith. Be sure to join me for a fun and inspirational morning on PRAYER!

Save the Date!

LIVING THE CATHOLIC LIFE

FULLNESS OF PURPOSE

with Ken Yasinski

February 26-28, 2017 - 7:30pm

at St. Edna Catholic Church
2525 North Arlington Heights Road
Arlington Heights, IL 60004

Could there be more to your faith experience, than what you have experienced? Dynamic speaker and author Ken Yasinski will be leading a three-day parish mission, designed to help answer life's most meaningful questions: 1) Why have I been created? 2) Where is Joy found? 3) Does my Catholic faith matter? This mission is Catholicism in everyday simple language that will make relevant the timeless truths of our faith. Come be inspired to live your full potential in life.

Sponsored by St. Edna, St. James (Arlington Heights), and Our Lady of the Wayside parishes
Catholic Formation Commission

Info Night for PreSchool and Kindergarten!

PreSchool & Kindergarten
Parent Information Night

January 12, 2017
7:00pm Check-in
7:15pm Presentations in Library
7:45pm Visit classrooms & tour school

Call 224.345.7145 to rsvp
www.stjamesschoolah.org
Save These Dates!

Join us for ADORE!

ADORÉ is an opportunity to pray during Adoration through Praise & Worship.

Our very own, Tam Conseur, will lead us in prayer & song

January 29th, 2017

6:15PM in the Church

Celebrating Motherhood

Friday, January 27 ~ 7 p.m. ~ St. James Church
831 N. Arlington Heights Rd.

Join us for the third 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!

It is also a rare opportunity for many moms to enjoy a peaceful adult-only mass with their friends and family.

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

All adult women are welcome... and you don’t have to be a mom to attend!

Sponsored by the Women’s Club and Moms Plus Ministry at St. James. If you have questions about the event, contact Sue Kovols at skovols@gmail.com.
St. James Divorce Ministry Offers

**Divorce Care**

St. James Divorce Ministry will offer the Divorce Care program beginning in January. Divorce Care is a ten-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.

The next meeting will be:

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 3, 2017**

Session 1—7pm

“What’s Happening to Me?”

**Meeting Location:**

O’Brien Room—St. James Parish Office
820 N. Arlington Heights Road, Arlington Hts.
Contact: Deacon Jim Bannon—847-577-6328

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**SAVE THE DATE!**

**Elizabeth Minister Training**

Saturday, March 11, 2017
12:30 - 5 p.m. ~ St. James Parish Center

Elizabeth Ministry is an international movement designed to offer hope and healing on issues related to childbearing, sexuality and relationships.

The founder of Elizabeth Ministry International, Jeannie Hannemann, M.A., is coming to St. James to offer education on these sometimes difficult issues and training on how we can support each other.

All who are interested in learning more about the Elizabeth Ministry and/or want to be more involved with the Elizabeth Ministry should attend this event!

If you are interested in attending or have questions, email ElizabethMinistry@stjamesah.org.

To learn more about Elizabeth Ministry at St. James, visit http://bit.ly/ElizMinStJamesAH
Order of Worship

Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God                             January 1, 2017

Gloria (Refrain)

A JOYFUL CHRISTMAS GLORIA

Based on GLORIA

French traditional

Arr. Jeanne Cotter

and Tony Alonso

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 of 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 again 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.

Psalm Response

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Responsorial Psalm: 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8
R. May God bless us in his mercy.

Gospel Acclamation

Gospel Acclamation

Holy, Holy

RESPONSE

VENEZ, DIVIN MESSIE
French carol, 16th cent.
Arr. by Paul M. French

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Today’s readings include another account of the story of Jesus’ birth. Numbers reminds us that we are blessed. We are looked upon with kindness and grace. The psalm and Galatians remind us of the blessings given through God’s Son. Luke tells of our ultimate blessing, that Mary, a human being like us, gave birth to a child who is God’s Son. Mary, a young mother, watches all that is happening around the birth of her son. She listens as the shepherds bring messages from angels, a message she also received from an angel, about her son. Yet Mary remains silent. She keeps all this news about her son to herself. She reflects on all these experiences. The only thing she shares is the name of her son, Jesus, a name given him before he was even conceived. Her silence leaves us wondering if this is how one responds to such a great blessing.

BLESSED NEWS

Both Numbers and the psalm describe being blessed, like the experience of our father’s face lighting up as he sees us. Blessings are received with gestures and expressions of kindness and grace. In Galatians we are reminded that we too are children of God. As children, our Father’s blessing is sought and cherished. The shepherds arrive and repeat the message of the angels. They bring news from angels that this child is both Son of God and son of Mary. This small, helpless, impoverished infant is the Savior, the Lord and King for whom all have been waiting. He is the blessing that lights the sky and the face of all who see him. This Son, this Lord and King, rests in his mother’s arms as she reflects on all these things.

ANSWER TO OUR PRAYER

There is lots of news from various sources in these readings. Moses, Paul, angels, shepherds, all have some news about this child. But there is no news from Mary. Mary is silent and reflective. The shepherds’ message is amazing, but she had heard this message before and her response then was to say yes. Yes to the uncertainty, the unknown, the blessing. Her response now is to reflect, keeping all these things in her heart. She said yes and now that yes is real in her infant son. She holds the fulfillment of that earlier promise in her arms and she is powerfully aware of how small and vulnerable that promise is. She knows that her son, God’s Son, is the answer to the prayers of so many for so long, and she knows how fragile that answer is. Her son needs to be loved and nurtured. As Mary knows and we will learn, the answer to a prayer is only the beginning.

Today’s Readings: Nm 6:22–27; Ps 67:2–3, 5, 6, 8; Gal 4:4–7; Lk 2:16–21
Order of Worship

Opening Song

Sing of Mary, Meek and Lowly

1. Sing of Mary meek and lowly, Virgin-mother pure and mild,
   Jesus’ gar-dian, Guid-ing him since in-fan-cy,
   Love endur-ing un-to death, Con-stant was the
   Word made flesh, our very broth-er,

2. Sing of Je-sus, son of Mary, In the home at
   God the Son; Glo-ry be to God the Spir-it;
   Whom God chose as Mary’s spouse; Chosen, too, as
   Forth to preach, and heal, and suf-fer,

3. Sing of Joseph, strong and gentle, Nobly born of
   David’s house; Just and up-right man of la-bor,
   Who be-came her lit-tle child, Fair-est child of
   Bless-ed Mary, From all saints the song as-cends,

4. Glo-ry be to God the Fa-ther; Glo-ry be to
   God of the Three in One. From the heart of
   Fair-est moth-er, God the Lord who came to earth,
   Takes our na-ture by his birth.

*For the Feast of the Holy Family, otherwise may be omitted.

Tune: PLEADING SAVIOR, 8 7 8 7 D; Christian Lyre, 1830; harm. by Richard Proctor, b.1937
**Communion Song**

**Child of Mercy**

*Refrain*

Child of mercy, child of peace, Jesus, Bread of life,

food to fill our longing. Child of justice, child of light,

Jesus, saving cup, Emmanuel, God with us.

*Verses*

1. All who walk in darkness have seen a great light, to
2. A child is born to us, a son is given us, upon
3. We name him: “Wonder, counsellor, hero, mighty God,” The
4. We proclaim good news to you, great tidings of joy: To

those who dwell in fear, a light has shone!
on his shoulder glory rests!
Holy One for ever: Prince of peace!
you is born a savior: Christ the Lord!

Text: Isaiah 9:1, 5; David Haas, b.1957
Tune: David Haas, b.1957
Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

1. Hark! the herald angels sing, “Glory to the
2. Christ, by highest heaven adored, Christ the e-ver-
3. Hail the heav’n-born Prince of Peace! Hail the Sun of

new-born King; Peace on earth, and mercy mild
last-ing Lord: Late in time be-hold him come,
Right-eous-ness! Light and life to all he brings,

God and sin-ners re-con-ciled!” Joy-ful, all you
Off-spring of the Vir-gin’s womb. Veiled in flesh the
Ris’n with heal-ing in his wings. Mild he lays his

na-tions, rise, Join the tri-umph of the skies;
God-head see: Hail the in-car-nate De-i-ty.
glo-ry by, Born that we no more may die,

With the an-gel-ic host pro-claim, “Christ is born in Beth-le-hem!”
Pleased as man with us to dwell, Jesus, our Em-man-u-el.
Born to raise us from the earth, Born to give us sec-ond birth.

Hark! the her-ald an-gels sing, “Glory to the new-born King!”

Text: Charles Wesley, 1707-1788, alt.
Tune: MENDELSSOHN, 77 77 D with refrain; Felix Mendelssohn, 1809-1847
The life of 54-year-old John Andrew Miller, whom you have seen at the St. James altar during Mass, can only be defined by love. It is the love of a family who said "no" to doctors who advised that John be institutionalized. This would have deprived John and his family of much of this love during their son's early years.

John was born with Down syndrome. Scientists say this is caused by being born with extra genetic material (chromosomes). John's family and friends, however, say it was and has been a blessing from God's unfathomable grace. They will tell you of their unconditional love relationship with John; and John himself, by his behavior and a face often wearing heart-felt smiles, adds testimony to this blessing.

John's story begins this Sunday, Jan. 1, on EXODUS TREKKERS at www.exodustrekkers.blogspot.com; or at the St. James web site (Once there, click on "resources" then "blogs".)

Exodus Trekkers is researched and written by a St. James parish member. On this blog, you will find read many inspiring interviews with St. James members and trekkers here and there.
Community Groups and Events

St. James Parish Groups

Annulment Support Ministry
Richard Nagengast 847-732-0970

Elizabeth Ministry—We are a ministry of women reaching out to other women who are in their childbearing years. We offer support and resources regarding pregnancy, infertility, miscarriage, child loss, adoption, NFP, and other issues. To connect with us, reach out to Melissa Bertram or Sandra Chaplin at ElizabethMinistry@stjamesah.org or http://bit.ly/ElizMinStJamesAH

Grief Support Group
The St. James Grief Support Group meets on every Tuesday (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. (The dates for the next session will be Nov. 22-Dec 13th.) For information, call MaryJo 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
Need a ride to Mass? Call Carol at 847-253-4680. carolserrianianderson@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) - 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.

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. Contact Carol at 847-253-5532 for information.

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

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 Vicki at 847-222-9227.

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

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. You may also call Ron Marwitz, the ACS parish contact, at 847-870-1862.

For Post-Abortion Counseling Help:

SPECIAL EVENTS

Save the Date!
St. Edna’s presents Trivia Night Saturday, January 21st, 2017
7pm in the Doherty Center at St. Edna Doors open at 5:30pm; Join us for Trivia Night—bring your friends, form a team and compete to be the 2017 Trivia Night champions. For information, visit our website at: www.stedna.org/TriviaNight

St. Viator Entrance Exam
Class of 2021 Entrance Exam
January 14, 2017 at 8am
Please bring two #2 pencils and a $25 check (made payable to St. Viator), or cash and a completed information form from: www.saintviator.com/entranceexam
No calculators allowed.

Bible Study
Don’t miss the first women’s Bible study of the New Year with Fr. Charlie Bolser January 17th. 2:00pm at Viatorian Province Center
For information: Sue French at 847-259-5282 or Maureen Ruane at 847-398-3907.

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Elizabeth Ministry@stjamesah.org
at Melissa Bertram or Sandra Chaplin issues. To connect with us, reach out to child loss, adoption, NFP, and other offering pregnancy, infertility, miscarriage, offering support and resources regarding women reaching out to other women who are in their childbearing years. We of women reaching out to other women who are in their childbearing years. We offer support and resources regarding pregnancy, infertility, miscarriage, child loss, adoption, NFP, and other issues. To connect with us, reach out to Melissa Bertram or Sandra Chaplin at ElizabethMinistry@stjamesah.org or http://bit.ly/ElizMinStJamesAH.
Please pray for our sick...

Gary Tatje, Ann Caselton

In Loving Memory

Gloria Erickson...mother of Bob, Jeff, and Tina; grandmother of four; step-grandmother of two

Nicholas E. Papanicholas, Sr. ...husband of Nancy; father of Nick Jr. (Katie), Joe (Abbie), Tony, & Gina (Nick) Bertolini; grandfather of Maggie, Joey, Nicky, Sammy, Gus, Luke, George, Rocky, and Baby Bertolini

Rose for Life

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

Remembrances

Saturday Evening/Sunday Morning, January 1
Edward L. Gehrke, Albert Herda (1st Anniv.)
Tom Schuld

Monday, January 2
John Miller (1st Anniv.), Stephen Stefanik, Patrick Kett

Tuesday, January 2
Simone Castellano

Wednesday, January 4
Rose Mary Huber (1st Anniv.)

Thursday, January 5
Mildred M. Cierniak (1st Anniv.), Virginia Bruski, James (Jim) Coy, Mary Lyman (21st Anniv.)

Friday, January 6
Louis Lysak (1st Anniv.), Darlene C. Raupp (1st Anniv.), Donald J. Weiss, Maria & Teofil Krzanowski, Eva Luczynski

Saturday, January 7
Stanley Rogers (1st Anniv.), Peter J. Byrne, Charles Kett, Catherine McDonald (12th Anniv.), Marianne Krug,

Saturday Evening/Sunday Morning, January 8
Stanley Rogers (1st Anniv.), Tom Maloney, Walter A. Ratajik, James Mallon

OUR CHARITY

Thank you for your continued generosity to our weekly collection, which supports our parish, and also allows us to assist various local and international ministries that require help.

Your support is very much appreciated!

THANK YOU!

Frs. Matt, Gilbert, and Derek wish to thank you for the many cards, Christmas greetings, gifts, and delicious baked goods they received during this Christmas season.

May the year ahead bring the blessings and peace of the Christ Child to you and your families.
### Liturgical Ministers and Scripture Readings

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK of January 1, 2017**

- **Monday**: 1 Jn 2:22-28; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 1:19-28
- **Tuesday**: 1 Jn 2:29 — 3:6; Ps 98:1, 3cd-6; Jn 1:29 - 34
- **Wednesday**: 1 Jn 3:7-10; Ps 98:1, 7-9; Jn 1:35-42
- **Thursday**: 1 Jn 3:11-21; Ps 100:1b-5; Lk 4:14-22a
- **Friday**: 1 Jn 5:5-13; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20; Mk 1:7-11 or Lk 3:23-28 [23, 31-34, 36, 38]
- **Saturday**: 1 Jn 5:14-21; Sal 149:1-6a, 9b; Jn 2:1-11
- **Sunday**: Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-13; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12

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“Octave” comes from the Latin word for “eight,” and since eight is one step beyond seven, the number of days in a week, it has long been seen as a symbol of perfection, completion, and new beginnings. Early Christians called Sunday the “eighth day,” since it was the day after the Sabbath and a day of resurrected life, the Lord’s Day. By the seventh century, people regarded the eight days after Easter Sunday as one great day, an octave, one glorious feast when people were forbidden to fast or kneel. In the seventh century, Pentecost acquired an Octave, too. Christmas didn’t claim the honor of a continuous feast, but it did get an Octave Day. January 1 is the oldest Marian feast, the Octave of Christmas. It was originally a feast of the motherhood of Mary, although for centuries until 1969 it was called the Feast of the Circumcision. Our reformed calendar follows the earlier tradition of celebrating Mary as Mother of God.

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