BEHOLD, THE STAR THAT THEY HAD SEEN AT ITS RISING PRECEDED THEM, UNTIL IT CAME AND STOPPED OVER THE PLACE WHERE THE CHILD WAS.

Matthew 2:9

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD
A Reflection…
from Fr. Matt Foley, Pastor

January 4, 2014

Epiphany of the Lord

“In every way I have shown you that by hard work of that sort we must help the weak, and keep in mind the words of the Lord Jesus who himself said, ‘It is more blessed to give than receive.’”

St. Paul’s words from Acts 20:35 speak to us all in this season of Christmas sharing. We are so very blessed to celebrate our Lord’s birth in freedom and grace. In the midst of countless blessings we are moved by the Holy Spirit to share our gifts. As your Pastor and Servant I want to thank you or your generous sharing of time, talents and treasures.

In the spirit of sharing St. James has a Stewardship Committee made up of members from our Parish Council. As you know our Jubilation proceeds will now be used to offer financial grants to local and international charities. The criteria for funding these grants will be emphasizing the following priorities:

- Our parish Catholic mission and vision
- Current and future adult and youth volunteer opportunities for transforming and evangelizing our parish community

Our St. James Stewardship Committee will be using a needs assessment form that will help determine the distribution of funds donated by parishioners. At the January 12th Parish Council meeting, the Stewardship Committee will present the entire process for approval.

Your Servant,
Padre Matt

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

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

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

Weekly Bible Study
(Lectio Divina)
ALL ARE WELCOME.
Every Thursday, 7pm—O’Brien Rm.
Come on any Thursday, even though Bible Study has started.
Questions: Fr. Joji at 224-345-7201.

Ministry of Praise
The Ministry of Praise is a spiritual ministry in which members offer their prayers to God to help others in need. This ministry was developed for the sick and homebound so they might experience a closer relationship with the parish. There are no dues or meetings. If you or a loved one is interested in participating in this ministry, please contact Marilyn Neuman at 224-345-7200, or MinistryofPraise@stjamesah.org

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.

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Eucharistic Adoration

Thank you St James Parishioners!
Did you know that St. James just celebrated 10 years of Eucharistic Adoration this past September?

We are an important part of the SAINT JOHN PAUL II EUCHARISTIC ADORATION ASSOCIATION OF THE ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO Offering St. James parishioners and those nearby an opportunity to spend time with Jesus Christ in the Most Blessed Sacrament

Are you being called to be an hourly captain? Please contact Jo Jozwiak at (847)259-2433 or Zina O’Callaghan at (847)975-9425 to learn more.

"When you look at the crucifix, you understand how much Jesus loved you then. When you look at the Sacred Host, you understand how much Jesus loves you now."
~Blessed Mother Teresa

The Blessed Sacrament is exposed for Adoration in the Church at St. James every Thursday following the 7:30 am Mass until 4:00 pm. Starting at 3:00 pm, we recite the Chaplet of Divine Mercy, the Rosary, and end with Benediction.
SUNDAY, JANUARY 4, 2015
SOLEMNITY OF THE EPHPHANY OF THE LORD
The mystery in the middle
Time can seem an endless ocean behind and ahead of us, with horizons revealing nothing but more of the same. Yet history has a center, theologically speaking: the resurrection of Jesus, which redeems and restores all that went before or lies ahead. The traditional Proclamation of the Date of Easter chanted on the feast of Epiphany honors this understanding. Every great church feast finds its place in relationship to the day of Easter. Your life, too, no matter your present circumstances, has Easter joy and hope at the heart of it.

Today’s readings: Isaiah 60:1-6; Ephesians 5:2-5, 8-10; Matthew 2:13-12 (20). “Arise! Shine, for your light has come; the glory of the Lord has descended upon you.”

MONDAY, JANUARY 5
FEAST OF JOHN NEUMANN, BISHOP
Saddle up!
John Neumann wanted to be ordained so badly that he came to America from his native Bohemia in 1836 with nothing more than the clothes on his back and one dollar. Thanks to his diligent studies before arriving, he was ordained three weeks later. Assigned to a rural locale, he got around by horseback though he was so short his feet did not reach the stirrups. Though folks initially made fun of their small priest, in no time they saw how large was his heart, his mind, his vision, and his energy. Don’t let your limitations hold you back—let God transform them into your greatest strengths.


TUESDAY, JANUARY 6
CHRISTMAS WEEKDAY
Heartfelt love
There’s nothing more precious than a gift given from the heart. These gifts are so special because they capture the essence of true relationship by pointing to a love more valuable than any material good. Out of love, God gave his Son, the ultimate gift. Jesus lived and loved with his whole heart. He was God and he was real. He rejoiced, he pined, laughed, and cried. Receiving the gift of Christ requires loving from the heart in that same way. It means being in relationship and loving freely, without judgment or boundaries. What greater gift is there than that?

Today’s readings: 1 John 4:7-16; Mark 6:34-44 (218). “Give them some food yourselves.”

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 7
FEAST OF RAYMOND OF PENAFORT, PRIEST
Advance by serving
Competition in the workplace trains us to push for the most prestigious position, title, salary, office. But there are other paths. Raymond was a gifted canon lawyer in medieval Spain who, after a career of service to the church, shunned the high offices given to him. Appointed archbishop but disliking the pomp of the position, he resigned in two years. Elected as Saint Dominic’s successor to head the worldwide order of Dominicans, he held the post long enough to amend the order’s constitution to allow him to resign, which he promptly did. Servant of the Lord was the only title he needed. How about you?

Today’s readings: 1 John 4:11-18; Mark 6:45-52 (214). “He went off to the mountain to pray.”

THURSDAY, JANUARY 8
CHRISTMAS WEEKDAY
Reaching resolutions
The practice of making resolutions at the beginning of a new year predates Christianity. It’s natural to try to make a fresh start when the calendar rolls over. The most common New Year’s resolutions usually involve physical improvement: lose weight, exercise more, quit unhealthy habits. Those are certainly important goals, but what about also resolving to improve the physical world around you as Jesus did, bringing glad tidings to the poor, liberty to captives, and sight to the blind? Why not balance the deprivation of a diet with the gratification of helping others?


FRIDAY, JANUARY 9
CHRISTMAS WEEKDAY
Sign on to God’s presence
The experience of illness can often be one of isolation. Being ill can lead to a sense of separation from family, friends, and co-workers. It is a time of great vulnerability. In the midst of these feelings, it can be challenging to remain open to relationships, even with God. Yet in such circumstances, God is present, perhaps more profoundly than ever. The Catechism of the Catholic Church (1503) reminds us that Christ’s compassion toward the sick and his many healings are a resplendent sign that “God has visited his people.” In what ways can you be a resplendent sign of God’s presence today?

Today’s readings: 1 John 5:1-12; Luke 5:12-16 (216). “‘Lord, if you wish, you can make me clean.’ Jesus stretched out his hand, touched him.”

SATURDAY, JANUARY 10
CHRISTMAS WEEKDAY
A divine mix
As the Christmas season ends, our attention shifts from the Incarnation (the en-fleshing of God) toward the grace of Baptism by which our flesh, our humanity, is divinized. A prayer at every Mass makes it clear as a few drops of water are added to the chalice of wine: “By the mystery of this water and wine, may we come to share in the divinity of Christ, who humbled himself to share in our humanity”—a share in Christ’s godliness. Amazing! And yet it is so. As a drop of water mingled with wine can never be separated again, because of your Baptism, here and now and for eternity you participate in God’s life.

Today’s readings: 1 John 5:14-21; John 5:22-28 (217). “No one can receive anything except what has been given from heaven.”
January Events:
4: Confirmation Class- in Classrooms or Home Groups, 6:15 p.m.-8 p.m
5: Makeup Class: 4 p.m – 5 p.m School Chapel
6: Lee Roesler & Band 6:30- 8 pm Parish Center
7: Lee Roesler & Band 4:30- 6 pm Parish Center
11: Confirmation Class- Life Night 6:15 – 8 pm
17: Northwest families March for Life 1 pm- 3 pm.
St. Theresa Church 455 N. Benton Palatine.
31: Confirmation Retreat 9 a.m – 3 pm in the Parish Center

Making Gingerbread!

THANK YOU!!
We received a stack of Thank you cards from the students at St. Malachy’s school!
Here is just one of many Thank you’s we received! Thank you for your generosity!

Dear Friends,
Thank you for everything. Merry Christmas from
Crystal Woods
First Grade
Visit us stjamesschoolah.org

Please join us during our

All School OPEN HOUSE!

January 25, 2015
12:30pm-2:00pm

St. James School offers
PK3-8th grade

Call the school office at
224.345.7145
for more information.

820 N. Arlington Heights Rd.,
Arlington Heights, IL 60004
Blessed Christmas

The excitement was palpable in the Parish Center as the audience anticipated the start of the Saint James School Christmas Concert! Parents exchanged holiday pleasantries, band members fine-tuned their instruments, and the Bulldog Chorus rehearsed hitting those high notes one last time. After the final microphone check, Fr. Matt shared a prayer reminding us to “be thankful” for our gifts this Advent and to “be safe” in our upcoming Christmas celebrations. Mrs. Pappas graciously thanked parents, staff and students for giving “true meaning” to the spirit of Christmas and shared that her real gift this Christmas is the Saint James School community.

The spotlight then focused on music teacher, Mrs. Karen Luehr, and band director, Mrs. Mary McDermott as they took their positions on stage. They were soon joined by the Kindergarten and 1st grade who sang, “I Saw Three Ships” an English carol. The 2nd and 3rd grade graced us with the beautiful “O Come, All Ye Faithful,” followed by the 4th and 5th grade singing to the sweet beat of “A Hot Cup of Cocoa.” The concert wrapped up with the 6th-8th grade performing “Angels we have Heard on High.” Things took a different twist when these students gave their best rendition of “Santa Claus is Comin’ to Town,” donning sunglasses and dancing to this arrangement by Bruce Springsteen! These students certainly put the “Merry” in Christmas.

After a Gospel reading, the concert finale consisted of the 2nd and 8th Grade “Prayer Buddies” singing hand-in-hand to the serene “Silent Night.” What a wonderful opportunity for the younger students to spend quality time with their older, role model buddies.

Just when you thought it was over, the entertainment continued with a one time only performance by Fr. Matt, Fr. Joji, and Fr. Gilbert! Let’s put it this way; these were not the Three Wise Men. Thank goodness Sr. Faustina kept the group on point! Kidding aside, how could the spirit of Christmas not be in everyone’s heart at the close of this concert? From the clergy, to the administration, to the teachers, to the students, to the band, to the chorus… all put in an extraordinary amount of effort into the ultimate success of the Saint James School Christmas Program! We are truly blessed and so very fortunate to be part of this wonderful community. Best Wishes for a Happy and Healthy 2015!
VICARIATE I CONFIRMATION FOR ADULTS

Preparation Sessions begin
Monday February 9, 2015

WHERE: St. Edna Church – Doherty Center
2525 N. Arlington Heights Rd., Arlington Hts., 60004

WHO MAY ATTEND: A candidate must:
- be 18 years old AND out of high school
- have already received the sacraments of
  Baptism, First Communion, and Reconciliation

PLEASE BRING: 1) A copy of baptismal certificate
2) Registration form below, signed by a priest or
   staff member from the candidate’s home parish
3) Registration fee of $45.00
   (Please make checks payable to St. Edna Parish.)

PREPARATION SESSIONS: Mondays at 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM,
February 9, 16, 23, March 2, 9, 16, 23, 30

REHEARSAL (required)
& RECONCILIATION: Wednesday April 8th, 7:00 PM,
at Church of the Holy Spirit,
1453 W. Bode Rd., Schaumburg, 60194

CONFIRMATION MASS: Wednesday April 15th, 7:00 PM,
at Church of the Holy Spirit,
1453 W. Bode Rd., Schaumburg, 60194

For additional information, please e-mail Lorie Crepeau at lcrepeau@stedna.org.

REGISTRATION FORM - 2015 ADULT CONFIRMATION
Please Print

Name____________________________________________________________________
Address__________________________________________________________________
City__________________________________________Zip__________________
Phone_________________________E-mail____________________________________
Parish Name/Town________________________________________________________
Date of Birth__________________________________________Age____________

*Priest/Staff Signature from your home parish______________________________

Please bring registration form and a copy of your baptismal certificate on the first night.

Epiphany Sunday: Gifts of great wealth offered!

Small Christian Community groups offer a setting for a “vigorou
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: What “gifts of myself” am I offering to others?
National Migration Week 2015 will take place January 4 – 10 with the theme, "We are One Family Under God," which brings to mind the importance of family in our daily lives. This reminder is particularly important when dealing with the migration phenomenon, as family members are too often separated from one another.

Archbishop Blase J. Cupich in Response to President Obama’s Announcement of Relief for Immigrant Families
November 26, 2014

In concert with my brother bishops throughout the United States, I want to extend my gratitude and support of the President’s recent announcement of administrative relief for immigrant families, affecting as many as 4.5 million of the current 12 million immigrant men, women and children who are now living among us.

Since 2001, the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops and local Catholic groups have worked tirelessly in support of the immediate needs of immigrants, in support of families separated by deportation...we must continue to support these efforts nationally and locally until Comprehensive Compassionate Immigration Reform is achieved for all.

I ask every Catholic in the Archdiocese of Chicago to continue to pray for our immigrant brothers and sisters. God’s dream for them is to live free of fear, free to offer their gifts and talents to their families, their communities and to the common good. We pray for all who are imprisoned and stripped of their dignity by the structures of sin in our society.

For more information, please visit the Archdiocesan Office for Immigrant Affairs and Immigration Education www.catholicsandimmigrants.org.

The mission of the Church, herself a pilgrim in the world and the Mother of all, is thus to love Jesus Christ, to adore and love him, particularly in the poorest and most abandoned; among these are certainly migrants and refugees, who are trying to escape difficult living conditions and dangers of every kind. For this reason, the theme for this year’s World Day of Migrants and Refugees is: Church without frontiers, Mother to all.

Today this takes on a particular significance. In fact, in an age of such vast movements of migration, large numbers of people are leaving their homelands, with a suitcase full of fears and desires, to undertake a hopeful and dangerous trip in search of more humane living conditions. Often, however, such migration gives rise to suspicion and hostility, even in ecclesial communities, prior to any knowledge of the migrants’ lives or their stories of persecution and destitution. In such cases, suspicion and prejudice conflict with the biblical commandment of welcoming with respect and solidarity the stranger in need.

Dear migrants and refugees! You have a special place in the heart of the Church, and you help her to enlarge her heart and to manifest her motherhood towards the entire human family.

from MESSAGE OF HIS HOLINESS POPE FRANCIS FOR THE 101st WORLD DAY OF MIGRANTS AND REFUGEES (2015)

Interested in joining this committee? Email peaceandjustice@stjamesah.org
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.

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.

St. James Women’s Club Scholarship

The St. James Women’s Club is pleased to sponsor two educational scholarships to be awarded to Women’s Club members and their eligible children and/or grandchildren, under the age of 25 and are members of St. James Parish. In order for you, your children, or your grandchildren to be eligible to apply for a scholarship, you must be a dues paying Women’s Club member for two years. Grandchildren must be members of the St. James Parish. Each child and/or grandchild of guild members is eligible to receive a maximum of two scholarships, one in high school and one in post-high school, during total guild membership.

Two scholarships will be given this year to either high school students attending a Catholic High School and/or those enrolled in a college degree program. The recipients will be the two most qualified as determined by the scores achieved. The winner (s) will be announced at the Women’s Club Spring Brunch on Saturday, May 9, 2015. The following scholarship applications are available:

Children/Grandchildren of St. James Women’s Club Members

- $1,000 to be applied towards educational expenses at a Catholic High School.
  (Freshman/Sophomore application and a Junior/Senior application.)
- $1,000 to be applied towards expenses of full-time enrollment at a two or four year college or accredited vocational/technical school.

To request an electronic application, email Barbara McNown at bjmcnown@yahoo.com or call Barbara at 847-259-3771 (for a paper copy) and specify which application you would like emailed (or mailed) to you.

(Freshman/Sophomore, Junior/Senior, or post High School.)

All completed applications are to be placed in a sealed manila envelope addressed to the attention of:

St. James Parish—Attn: Women’s Club Scholarship Application
820 N. Arlington Heights Road
Arlington Heights, IL 60004

and mailed or delivered to the Parish Office by 8pm on Monday, April 13, 2015.

If you have any questions, please contact Bernie Tolzien at wbtolz@yahoo.com or call 847-253-5396.
Many thanks to the teens and adults who helped to pack the truck with Mercy Boxes to deliver to Mercy Hospital for their Christmas Box program! Teens from Hersey, Prospect, St. Viator, Rolling Meadows, and Lake Zurich High Schools, and St. James, and Thomas Schools were on hand to assist, and we appreciate their time and effort. Thanks to the following:

Tucker Fenwick
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Teddy Fotos
Nick Gosle
Mark Gunther
Jeff Beifuss
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Cori Korab
Dominic Lamick
Cara McCarthy
Thomas McCarthy
Arthur Gasey
Sara Gasey
Anna Gorman
Hailey Hellgeth
Sydney Hoelter
Bridget McCarthy
Luke Reinhardt
Kelly McCarthy
Grant Gaylord
Ryan Crowley
Scott Pogatetz
Brad Baenke
Greta Zimmerman
Elena Goolsby
Colin Moore
Aaron Cudak
Brendan Moore
Joey Morrison
Patrick Walsh
Abby Cullen

Danny Gritt
Claire Gritt
Tim Schade
Sarah McGrath
Katie McGrath
Danielle Eriksson
Mick Santry
Andrew Heidorn
Zach Heidorn
Michael Purk
Tim Allaire
Jimmy Rodriguez
Camille Carso
A.J. Mikkelson
Gail and Al Madden
Lainey Winter
Sophie Winter
Nick Winter
Erin Mercker
Chris Clarizic
Joey Desmond
Josh Korn

Thank you for your generous Donations to help fund the Christmas décor in the Church and Parish Center.
ST. JAMES PARISH PRESENTS

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JAN. 6TH 6:30-8PM
JAN. 7TH 4:30-6PM
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ST. JAMES PARISH CENTER 820 N. ARLINGTON HEIGHTS RD.
ARLINGTON HEIGHTS, IL

COME FOR THE MUSIC. TAKE IN THE MESSAGE.
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.

SAVE THE DATE!

Pope Francis calls us to a

FESTIVAL OF FORGIVENESS

February 27th & 28th, 2015

Pope Francis has described his vision of the Church as a field hospital in the middle of a terribly wounded world. The Church herself is populated by wounded and sinful members, but by God’s grace, she still serves as an instrument of healing and forgiving mercy. During Lent, 2015, the Church in the Archdiocese of Chicago wants to bring the medicine of mercy not only to the Catholic faithful, but to anyone who stands in need of healing and forgiveness.

Across two days (Friday, Feb. 27th & Sat. Feb. 28th) the Church in Chicago will offer special opportunities for the Sacrament of Penance and for prayers and healing. The Catholic faithful, especially those who have been away from the sacraments, are urgently invited to come and share God’s mercy.

Everyone is invited. In the Archdiocese of Chicago, we will join our Holy Father and local churches throughout the world in their observance of this graced opportunity. Please watch for upcoming information.

Welcome To All St. James Visitors!

If you would like to register at St. James Parish or know more about the parish, fill in this form and place it in the collection basket. A St. James Ambassador will contact you.

I would like to know more about or register at St. James Parish.

Name_______________________________________

Address_____________________________________

Phone_____________________________________ Email_____________________________________


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.
The Epiphany of the Lord

Little Drummer Boy

Did you know that the only reason we say that there were three wise men is that they brought three gifts? The Bible never says their number or their names. The gifts tell us about the givers. And these special gifts—gold, frankincense, and myrrh—tell us much.

When one king visited or sent an ambassador to another, he would give a gift of gold to show that he acknowledged the kingship of the other. So the first gift of the wise men tells us they recognized Jesus as King. The second gift is a type of incense, which was used in Jesus’ time to worship God. So this gift shows the wise men paying homage to Jesus’ divinity. The gift of myrrh is oil used to anoint the dying. It reminds us of Jesus’ suffering and death on the cross.

So what gifts do we have for Jesus? Maybe we can take a hint from the wise men. If we acknowledge Jesus as king, maybe a better gift than gold would be to pledge our obedience to him. Each day we can promise to live our vocation as best we can, to love those around us, and forgive those who hurt us.

A better way than burning incense to pay homage to Jesus’ divinity is to take time to pray throughout the day. Some people are able to attend daily Mass, others spend time in adoration before the Eucharist, or even a few minutes of their lunch break to say the rosary.

As for the gift of myrrh, we can give Jesus the crosses we bear each day. When we accept suffering in our lives, especially that caused by our sins, we give ourselves to Jesus as he gave himself for us on the cross.

The song “Little Drummer Boy” reminds us that the best gift is not necessarily the most expensive. Instead, it is the simple gift that only we can give. Let Epiphany remind us to offer our lives to Jesus each day.

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THANK YOU!

Thank you for supporting MANNA!

MANNA was a GREAT success this Advent/Christmas Season ~ THANK YOU to all who supported this EASY fundraiser!!

Please consider using MANNA gift cards for your everyday needs throughout the year! Remember, a $50 gift card costs you $50, and St. James gets a profit of each sale.

Manna tables are available after all masses EXCEPT the 5pm Sunday mass.

For questions or volunteer opportunities (please!!) – call 224.345.7211
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
Luncheons 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 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, Arlington 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 Marzit, 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.

For the Care of Seniors in Need of Transportation or Respite Care, please contact: Gero Solutions at 847-824-6900 x208.

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.
**Stewardship**

December 21, 2014

- **Weekend Masses — 653 Envelopes** $33,827.15
- **GiveCentral — 67 Online Donations** $6,320.00
- **December 21st Total Collection** $40,147.15

**Please pray for our sick...**
Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I., Janet Lee

**In Loving Memory**

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**OUR CHARITY**

We thank you for your generous donations to our Charity during this month of January—the Church in Latin America.

Monies donated fund catechesis, marriage and family life programs, and seminarian formation in Latin America and the Caribbean, and the support received will provide opportunities for years to come.

Please keep the Church in Latin America in your prayers for support in sharing the faith with future generations.

**Weekly Intentions**

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**Rose for Life**

This week’s Rose for Life is donated by **Marilee Cripe** in thanksgiving for her daughter, **Susan**.
Liturgical Ministers for the Weekend of January 11, 2015

Presiders
Saturday evening:
5:00 pm Fr. Matt Foley
Sunday:
7:00 am Fr. Matt Foley
8:30 am Fr. Joji Thanugundla
10:00 am Fr. Joji Thanugundla
11:30 am Fr. Joji Thanugundla
5:00 pm Fr. Matt Foley

Eucharistic Ministers
(B Team)
Saturday evening: Parish Center
5:00 pm S.Garlick, T.Johnston, M.Meissner,
N.Nordin, M.Opon, S.Resch, G.Stec,
S.Stec, L.Trzesniewski, C Williams,
B.Jaffe
Coordinators: S.Bobowski, R.Cruz,
J.Garlick

Altar Servers
Saturday evening:
5:00 pm T.Jansen, C.Jones, A.Luczak
Sunday:
7:00 am G.Werling, R.O’Grady, N.Spiess
8:30 am M.McGrath, E.Martin, M.Martin
10:00 am K.Bixby, M.Whelan, M.Stack
11:30 am M.Kamp, C.Kamp, M.Johnson
5:00 pm A.Chavez, C.Coleman, E.Saquin,Jr.

Eucharistic Ministers
Sunday: Church
7:00 am M.Cripe, G.Roller,
J.Shrader, J.Shrader
Coordinator: M.Walsh,Jr.
8:30 am E.Cahill, P. Cahill, L.Holland, T.Holland,
M.Kennedy, V.McQueeney, K.Newgard,
K.Parus, M.Philips, B.Scullion,
T.Stengren, M.Vanderwiel, L.P. Martin,
L.Miossi,
Coordinators: J.Socher, D.Turney

Sunday: Parish Center
10:00 am T.Baldoni, D.Barrett, M.Bayer,
M.Belter, K.Brunner, D.Burke, C.Coleman,
C.Colleran, S.Crosby, L.Fonsino,
M.Lombardi, W.Liszka, M.Ruane,
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S.Gaske, S.Hussey, J.Lippert,
J.McDermott, R.McDermott,
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(2 EMs for choir)
Coordinators: D.Burke, B.Minaglia
11:30 am J.Gedmin, M.Goolsby, J.Zitkus,
N.Paulson, M.J. DeShon, E.O.Martin,
Coordinators: C.Zitkus, C.Zitkus

Sunday: Church
5:00 pm E.Krause, L.Matz, D.Milligan, H.Thornton,
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Lectors
Saturday evening:
5:00 pm J.Staley, M.Robbins
Sunday:
7:00 am J.Bruett, J.Schager
8:30 am C.Jarosz, S.Nowakowski
10:00 am J.Torres, S.Torres
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5:00 pm J.Lee, D. Greising

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Scripture Readings
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Monday: 1 Jn 3:22 — 4:6; Ps 2:7bc-8, 10-12a;
Mt 4:12-17, 23-25
Tuesday: 1 Jn 4:7-10; Ps 72:1-4, 7-8; Mk 6:34-44
Wednesday: 1 Jn 4:11-18; Ps 72:1-2, 10, 12-13;
Mk 6:45-52
Thursday: 1 Jn 4:19 — 5:4; Ps 72: 1-2, 14, 15bc, 17;
Lk 4:14-22a
Friday: 1 Jn 5:5-13; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20; Lk 5:12-16
Saturday: 1 Jn 5:14-21; Ps 149:1-6a, 9b; Jn 3:22-30
Sunday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Is 55:1-11; Ps 29:1-4, 3, 9-10
or Is 12:2-3, 4bcd-6; Acts 10:34-38 or
1 Jn 5:1-9; Mk 1:7-11
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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 Masses (except Sun. 5pm)
4) Manna order envelopes (yellow border) are also available in your monthly envelope packet.

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

Weekday Masses (Church) 831 N. Arlington Hts. Road
Monday – Friday  7:30 am Mass
Saturday  8:30 am 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—4:30 pm
In the Chapel—820 N. Arlington Hts. Road, or you may call for an appointment anytime at 224-345-7200.

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