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Jesus was transfigured before them, and his clothes became dazzling white.
Mark 9:2-3
March 1, 2015

A Lenten Message

Lent is a good time to reconnect and refocus. The Eucharist is at the center of our Church, and one of the most essential parts of our Catholic faith is keeping holy the Lord’s Day. The holy discipline of worshipping God will strengthen us so that we don’t drift into worshipping false idols like selfish ambition, ego, or material possessions. If we drift from weekly participation in Mass, our faith will weaken and the powerful secular currents in our world will supplant God’s central place in our lives. Practicing our faith at all levels will keep our parish strong and strengthen the Catholic identity.

I know there can be many challenges. Sunday morning sports, some push back from children, life struggles, work, and spiritual lethargy can impact our practice of the faith. Lent is a good time to refocus and renew our relationship with God and come back to Mass if you have drifted away, or your practice has become irregular. When God is at the center of our lives, and we are practicing our faith to the best of our ability, life is better and more fulfilling. The Lord gives us so much through the Eucharist, and it’s God’s desire to nourish our souls and keep us strong and growing in the faith. We offer many weekend Mass times.

As your pastor, I share this challenge with you because I care about you, your children. Jesus always desires a deeper friendship with each one of us, and Lent is a good time to deepen that union with him and his Church. If I can be of assistance in any way, please feel free to contact me.

Your Servant in Christ,

Fr. Matt

Readings at the 10am Sunday Mass will be Cycle A, for the RCIA 1st Scrutiny.

(Cycle A)
28: Ex 17:3-7
Ps 95:1-2, 6-9
Rom 5:1-2, 5-8
Jn 5:1-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42

(A podcast of this week’s reflection is available on the St. James website and mobile website.)
**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**  
Adoration takes place from 8:15am to 4pm every Thursday in the Church.  
Contact: Jo Jozwiak 847-259-2433

**Fr. Matt's Monday Family Prayer**  
2nd Monday of each month, at 4pm in the Church, with the Rosary and Adoration. The next Monday Prayer will be Monday, March 9th.

**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 are interested in participating in this ministry, please contact Marilyn Neuman at 224-345-7200, or MinistryofPraise@stjamesah.org

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**Scout Mass**  
Members of our Scout Troops will attend the **5:00pm Saturday evening Mass** in the Parish Center on March 7th. Scouts will participate in this Mass by acting as Lectors, assisting as Greeters, Ushers, reading the Prayers of the Faithful, bringing up the gifts, serving the Mass, and other liturgical roles. Seating will be reserved for the Scouts at this Mass.

**Lenten Spiritual Opportunities:**  
- 7:30am daily Mass in the Church  
- 12:00Noon Mass in the Church (Mon.-Friday)  
- Saturday Morning Mass—8:30am in the Church  
- Youth Ministry Soup Suppers —6pm, Laramie Rm.  
- Stations of the Cross—Fridays, 7pm, Church  
- Eucharistic Adoration—Thursdays, 8:15-4 Church  
- Confessions—Saturdays, after 8:30am Mass in the Church, and from 3:30-4:30pm in the Chapel  
- Tri-Parish Lenten Reconciliation—March 23 (Our Lady of the Wayside, March 24 (St. Edna) and March 25 (at St. James, in the Church) Services start at 7:30pm each evening.  
- Fr. Matt’s Monday Family Prayer—March 9, 4pm in the Church  
- Men’s Stations of the Cross at Mundelein (see info on website)  
- Sunday Masses in Church and Parish Center (see schedule on back of bulletin or on website)

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**THE IMPORTANCE OF EUCHARISTIC ADORATION AND PRAYER**  
The worship given to the Trinity of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, must fill our churches also outside the timetable of Masses. This worship must be a prominent in all our encounters with the Blessed Sacrament. Adoration of Christ in this sacrament of love must also find expression in the various forms of Eucharistic devotion: personal prayer before the Blessed Sacrament, hours of adoration, periods of exposition – short, prolonged, and annual (Forty Hours) – Eucharistic benediction. Eucharistic processions, Eucharistic Congresses... Let us be generous with our time in going to meet him in adoration and in contemplation that is full of faith and ready to make reparation for the great faults and crimes of the world. May our adoration never cease.”  
—Pope John Paul II

**WHAT IS EUCHARISTIC ADORATION?**  
It has been the consistent belief of the Catholic Church from the very beginning that the bread and wine consecrated at Mass truly become the Body and Blood of Christ; and that, furthermore, as the Catholic catechism states, this “Eucharistic presence of Christ (which) begins at the moment of the consecration...endures as long as the Eucharistic species subsist” (CCC 1377). In other words, the Eucharistic Christ then continues to be present in our midst beyond the Eucharistic liturgy when the consecrated host is either reposed in a tabernacle or exposed on the altar.

The Blessed Sacrament is exposed for Adoration in the Church at St. James every Thursday following the 7:30am Mass until 4:00 pm. Starting at 3:00 pm, we recite the Chaplet of Divine Mercy, the Rosary, and end with Benediction.
We’ve Rescheduled Due to the Snow Day!

You Love the Mass More Than You Thought!

As we move into Lent in this Year of the Sacraments, come join Fr. Doug Martis, Professor of Sacramental Theology and Liturgical Studies at the University of St. Mary of the Lake, as we journey into the beautiful mystery of the Mass. Step more deeply into the Biblical foundations of this central celebration of our faith. Let the Spirit grab you!

When: Monday, March 16, 7-9pm
Where: School Resource Room

We Welcome Our 2015 RCIA Catechumens and Candidates.....

Hello, my name is Chris Arnold. I am from Palatine, Illinois and have lived there all my life. I went to Palatine High School and now I work there in the math department. I am currently engaged to be married on June 6th; I came to the Catholic faith through my wife. We are doing a Catholic ceremony after doing a civil ceremony last summer. I grew up Lutheran and went through my Christian education at Prince of Peace Lutheran Church in Palatine, Illinois. I was pretty involved in my church growing up through the choir, and I played guitar in a youth group band. My family has always had a pretty strong faith background, and religion was pretty important growing up. I had a lot of Catholic friends; so I have been familiar with the Catholic faith. I attended First Communions for my friends and occasionally went to Mass in support of other friends of the family. I decided to join the Catholic faith after attending Mass several times at St. Anne’s in Barrington with my wife. I really liked the accepting environment and felt at home pretty quickly. Since I coach high school gymnastics nearby, we came to the RCIA program here and really like it. My wife’s Confirmation was at St. James. I have grown to love attending Mass with my wife; and, I am excited to find out more and more as time goes on about what it truly means to be a Catholic.

My name is Stacie Davis. I was baptized catholic and raised with catholic beliefs even though my family had never gone to church. When my fiancé Sean, also my sponsor and I got engaged we began our journey of wedding planning! Sean had attended Catholic school a majority of his life and his family had strong beliefs. I on the other hand had always wanted more with religion but never knew how to take the steps to getting there. My grandparents were married at St. James so we began attending mass to check out the church. We fell in love with the community at this parish and decided this is where we wanted to celebrate the sacrament of marriage. After meeting with Father Matt about our wedding he also told me about the RCIA program. I finally had my excuse to finish my journey with Catholicism! I enrolled in the RCIA program and finally felt like I was right where I was meant to be. With Sean as my sponsor, it has been a great experience to have as a couple as well as for myself spiritually.
Rite of Sending to the Bishop

The ten members of our 2015 St. James RCIA group, their sponsors, and the RCIA team participated in the Rite of Sending to the Bishop on Sunday, February 15th, at Holy Name Cathedral. Please keep these “Elect” in your prayers as we journey together during this Lenten season.

Row 1: Kirk Allen, Carolina Saiz, Anthony Aiello
Row 2: Stacie Davis, Brent Bell, Allison Guttman, Gina Aiello
Row 3: Chris Arnold, Gary Hammelmann, Jessica Braun

Adult Faith Formation Opportunities During Lent

Bible Study
Presented by JoAnne Mullen-Muhr

Adult Bible Study
Book of Revelation

Mondays—through March 16
2:45-3:30pm

Tuesdays—through March 17
6:30-7:45pm

Wednesdays—through March 18
4:30-5:45pm

School Resource Room

Bible Study
Lectio Divina

Thursdays, 7:00pm
Boardroom—Parish Office

Led by Fr. Joji Thanugundla and Bob Nielsen

(Lecitionary-based)

Men’s Spiritual Fitness Exercises

March 13th, 7:30pm

Stations of the Cross around the Lake at St. Mary of the Lake Seminary in Mundelein

Deacon Matthew Hahn
847-222-1944

Fr. Doug Martis Presentation
Monday, March 16th
See top of page 4 in this bulletin.
Accepting Applications
for the 2015-2016 School Year!

Download an application from our website stjamesschoolah.org or contact the school office for more information 224.345.7145

St. James School offers PK3-8th grade.

820 N. Arlington Heights Rd., Arlington Heights, IL 60004
St. James Youth Ministry Presents...

When: March 8th, 2015
6:30 pm-8 pm

Where: Parish Center

Who: 9th - 12th Grade

Why: To see some AMAZING
JUGGLING FEATS, to laugh and
learn more about Jesus!

Cost: Free will offering!

APEX Ministries (aka Gene and Brad) is an internationally
known comedy duo based out of Baltimore, MD and
Casper, WY. Since 1996 they have traveled North America
using a style they define as Christian
Vaudeville. This includes death
defying juggling, sketch comedy,
and personal testimony. In other
words, they are evangelists, they
throw things at each other, and
they are funny. Gene hopes one day
to compete in the Olympics as a
solo synchronized swimmer. Brad is
very strong!
Lenten Food Collection for Catholic Charities

As part of the St. James Lenten mission, the St. James Conference of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul will be conducting a food drive to help stock the Catholic Charities Food Pantry. Their pantry, which serves the disadvantaged throughout the Northwest Suburbs, is located at 1717 Rand Road in Des Plaines.

Due to continued economic difficulties, food donations to the CC pantry continue to be a challenge, and Catholic Charities has reached out to us for help. After Mass on February 28th and March 1st, members of our SVdP Society will be handing out cardboard boxes, which will contain the following list of needed items. We ask that you please stick to this list as this is the standard list of items that the CC pantry hands out to their clients and these items will fit into the box:

- 1 Medium box of cold cereal – 11.5 oz.
- 1 Box of instant oatmeal packets – 14 oz. to 15.1 oz.
- 2 10.5oz. Can of Soup - Variety
- 1 19.0 oz. Can of Soup
- 3 15 oz. cans of Fruit – Variety
- 4 15 oz. cans of Vegetables - Variety
- 2 5.5 oz. Boxes of Macaroni and Cheese
- 1 2 lb. Bag of Rice
- 4 5.0 oz. Cans of Tuna
- 2 5.0 oz. Can of Chicken Breast meat
- 1 64 oz Bottle of Juice – Apple, Cranberry, Etc.
- 2 1 lb. Boxes of Dry Pasta
- 2 24 oz. Jars /Cans of Pasta Sauce
- 2 15 oz. Cans of Vegetarian Beans – Black, Navy – NO Pork and Beans please
- 2 1 Lb. bags of Dry Beans – Black, Navy, Etc.

The return date for the boxes will be the weekend of March 14th and 15th. Similar to the Mercy Box drop off, you will need to drop these boxes off behind the old school either before or after Mass on Saturday night from 4:15 to 6:30 PM or on Sunday from 6:30 AM to 1:00 PM. Someone will be there to tape and assist you with your box. There will be no drop off before or after the 5:00 PM Mass on Sunday. Please, if you do take a box, return it on these dates. We also ask that you only bring food (Items on the list above), however any cash collected will be donated to Catholic Charities as well.

The members of SVdP would like to thank the St. James community for their continued support of our mission through your generous donations of food and treasure. This has enabled us to serve the disadvantaged within our parish community.

If you would like to volunteer for this event please contact Mike McNulty at mmcnulty2782@gmail.com or (847) 812-2280. We especially need youth volunteers to help with the dropoff and delivery of the goods on the weekend of March 14th and 15th.

If you would like to become a member of the St. James Conference of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, call (224) 345-7200 X-8517 and leave a message.
SAVE THE DATE
For the
SPRING BLOOD DRIVE

GIVE NEW LIFE!
Give up to three people a new life by donating blood on Sunday, March 15th, at the St James Spring Blood Drive. LifeSource Blood Services will be in the cafeteria of the Parish Center/School from 8:00 am to 1:30 pm. You can be a volunteer donor as long as you are at least 17 years old (16 with written parental permission), weigh at least 110 pounds and are in good health. If you want more detailed information on donating or want to make an appointment, you can call our LifeSource Representative at (877) 543-3768. COME GIVE THE GIFT OF LIFE!

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.

New Location!
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 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.

Catholic Relief Services
Rice Bowl
CRS Rice Bowl is the faith-in-action Lenten program of Catholic Relief Services, the official international development and humanitarian relief agency of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops. CRS is celebrating 40 years of helping communities live out Lent in solidarity with our poorest brothers and sisters around the world.

2nd Sunday of Lent
Hungering for a Bountiful Earth
This week, CRS Rice Bowl takes us to the coffee highlands of Nicaragua, where we’re called to protect both the goodness of creation and the livelihoods of struggling families. How will this week’s fast remind us of the sacredness of God’s creation and our duty to protect it?

You will find prayer, educational, and family resources available online at: crsricebowl.org and on the CRS Rice Bowl app

Parish Life
Attention, Golfers!
For over 50 years, the St. James Twilight Golf League has provided camaraderie, competition and conviviality for two generations of St. James men. Regardless of skill level (there are 5 classes of handicaps), if you love golf, you will love our League. We play on Tuesday evenings (3:30 - 5PM tee times) at Buffalo Grove Golf Course, starting April 7, 2015. If you aren’t able to be a full-time player, we welcome substitute players (and they don’t have to pay a membership fee)! To sign up or if you have any questions, please call Jim Weinberg, 847-514-6967, or Deacon Pierce Sheehan, 847-259-1743.

JOB OPENING: DIRECTOR OF MUSIC MINISTRY
St. James, a large, active parish seeks a full-time Director of Music for a well-developed program. Responsibilities: active member of Pastoral Staff, Liturgy Team; direct one or more of five choirs; oversee direction of remaining choirs; plan music/musicians for all liturgies; develop worship aids. Qualifications: credentials in music and liturgy, advanced degree preferred, with focus on choral music; 3-5 yrs. experience in parish ministry; thorough understanding of Roman Catholic liturgy; proficiency in piano and/or organ, directing; highly organized, detail oriented and creative. Salary is commensurate with educational background/experience in accordance with Archdiocesan guidelines. Additional information on request.
Please email resume to: dbolash@stjamesah.org.
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<td>The Office for Immigrant Affairs, Archdiocese of Chicago, invites everyone — individuals, classrooms and parishes — to utilize this calendar during the Lenten season to nourish a deeper compassion and a lived spirituality of following Christ. Let us be challenged to see the face of Christ in all those we call stranger, to see the suffering of Christ in the immigrant, and to work toward immigration reform.</td>
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<td><strong>19 Today’s Reading:</strong> If a man gives life and death... Choose life... Dt 30:19 Pray for those immigrants who face challenges in choosing a better life.</td>
<td><strong>20 Vigil at Rosary at Broadview 7:15am:</strong> Pray for those who have moved to this country.** Learn ways to assist refugees. <a href="http://www.archchicago.org">www.archchicago.org</a></td>
<td><strong>21 Today’s Gospel: Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful. Lk 6:36 Pray that the virtue of mercy may guide our politicians in their decisions regarding immigration.</strong></td>
<td><strong>24 Jesus taught his disciples the Lord’s Prayer, (Mt 6:7) Create a prayer that addresses your needs, including your concern for immigrants.</strong></td>
<td><strong>27 Vigil at Rosary at Broadview 7:15am:</strong> Pray the sorrowful mysteries, remember the children crossing our border. <a href="http://www.catholicsoflatinamerica.org">www.catholicsoflatinamerica.org</a></td>
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Cheers!
ST. JAMES SOC PRESENTS
BLARNEY BASH
SAT • MARCH 14, 2015
7:00-11:00 p.m.
Rolling Green Country Club
2525 E. Rand Rd. Arlington Heights IL
$35 per person ($40 at the door)
Irish Feast and Sweets  Traditional Irish Dancers
Craft Beer Tasting  Best Legs in a Kilt Competition
50/50 Raffle & Fabulous  Kiss the Blarney Stone
Irish Raffle Baskets  and Meet St Patrick!
CASH BAR
THIS IS A 21 & OVER EVENT!

PURCHASE YOUR TICKETS ON THE ST. JAMES WEBSITE!
Visit http://www.stjamesah.org and click on “BLARNEY BASH” (after March 10, tickets cannot be purchased online).
You can also submit payment and form below to Parish office, Attn: SOC. Checks can be made out to St. James.
Questions...please call the SOC Hotline, (224) 345-7200 x 8516.

Name: ____________________________________________
Phone: ____________________________ email: ____________________________

Number of tickets for BLARNEY BASH ($35 each): ________
____ I would like an email confirming receipt of payment
____ I would like my tickets sent to me through school mail

Child’s name: ____________________________ SJS Homeroom number: ________________
St. James Over 50 Group

*present*...Our 5th Annual St. Joseph’s Celebration

Musical/Dinner, in honor of our 5th Anniversary, featuring LEGENDS

Sunday, March 22nd, Parish Center
Doors open at 3pm; show begins at 3:30pm

Dinner at 5:30pm, catered by Toscana’s.
Price: $28.00 per person
(BYOB and Pop)
RSVP to Marcy by 3/18
847-577-2556

(Make checks payable to St. James Over 50 Group. Take checks to Parish Office.)

**Entrance only by paid RSVP!**

www.MarkandGretch.com

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**ST. JAMES THEATRE MINISTRY 45 TH YEAR**

**WE PROUDLY PRESENT OUR 2015 SHOW**

**PETER PAN**
A Musical Based on the Play by SHJ M. BARRIE

Lyrics By CAROLYN LEIGH MORRIS
Additional Lyrics By BETTY COMDEN and ADOLPH GREEN
Music By (MOOSE) CHARLAP
Additional Music By JULE STYNE
Originally directed, choreographed and adapted by JEROME ROBBINS

AUDITION WORKSHOP APRIL 18TH, AUDITIONS APRIL 21ST & 24TH
FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION PLEASE VISIT OUR WEBSITE AT STJAMESTHEATRE.ORG
Announcing the 21st Jubilation at James
On Saturday, November 7, 2015

Introducing the Chaircouples...
Jim & Lisa Chu and Mark & Beth Zimmerman

Benefiting...
St. James Tuition Aid for All
Educational Programs for Children

St. Vincent de Paul & PADS

And our St. James Charities Program which will provide funds for various human concern ministries.

Coming Soon...watch your mail or the website on how you can participate!

Questions? Call Linda Chalk at 224-345-7208 - lchalk@stjamesah.org
Or Mary Lynn Massa at 224-345-7209 – mmassa@stjamesah.org
**Ladies Night Out**

**March 6th**

**At the St. James Parish Center**

6:30 PM to 11:30 PM

Win fabulous raffle baskets and trivia prizes

Trivia starts at 8 PM

Cash bar

Bring snacks or dinner to share with your table

For more information email: lnostjames@gmail.com

This is a 21+ Over event

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**Friday Lenten Fish Fries**

Knights of Columbus Hall

15 N. Hickory Ave.

Arlington Heights, IL

Dates: February 20th, March 6th, 13th, and 27th, 2015

Time: 5:30pm – 8:00pm

**All You Can Eat Fish Dinner**

Adults: $10.00

Children under age 12: $5.00

Children 5 and under: Free

Fish Dinner includes: cod fish, tater tots, coleslaw, macaroni and cheese and corn bread.

Plus a dessert table presented by the Ladies’ Auxiliary.

Help support parish the youth ministries of St. Colette, St. Edna, St. James, & Our Lady of the Wayside
Exodus Trekkers

Love Advances After Jesuit Retreat for Married Couples

Care to “listen in” on what goes on at a three-day marriage retreat that has a spiritual dimension as well as practical advice for wanting to improve your marriage? You can, by tuning in to the special Exodus Trekker blog article on March 1.

You’ll read all about those “five languages of love” and comments shared by 16 married couples at the Bellarmine Retreat Center in Barrington. You’ll hear “wit and wisdom” of acclaimed retreat masters Fr. Michael Sparough and Mrs. Mary McKeon.

This article will be longer than any other TREKKER article, but that’s because there’ll be a lot of new things to reflect about with all marriages.

You can read this entire article beginning March 1 on the EXODUS TREKKER blog http://www.exodustrekkers.blogspot.com or go to the St. James website and click on “blogs” then “media.”

Married 46 years, St. James parishioners John and Eileen Brown baby-sit with grandson Randy.

Fr. Michael Sparough, retreat master at the Bellarmine Retreat Center, in conversation with a married couple.

Easter Remembrance

For the Easter Season the Environment & Art Ministry invites St. James parishioners to assist in creating a tangible remembrance of their family members and/or friends by helping to fund the Easter Season décor in the Church and Parish Center.

A donation of $25 per remembrance is suggested. The names of those being remembered will be published in the Easter Sunday Bulletin. To participate, please fill out the form below and mail it with your check (made payable to St. James Church) to St. James Parish Office, 820 N. Arlington Heights Road, Arlington Heights, IL 60004. Donations may also be deposited in the Sunday Collection in an envelope marked “Easter Remembrance.” Please note that your remembrance must be received in the Parish Office by March 23.

Thank you.
Environment & Art Ministry

Easter 2015 Remembrance

In Memory of:
(Please print)

Remembered by:
(Please print)
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 Arlington Heights.

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

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.

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 morning meetings start at 8:30pm. Enter through Door A5. AA is a self-help group for people with a drinking problem.

Cancer Research Network
The American Cancer Society has Cancer Information Specialists available 24 hours a day, seven days a week - call 1-800-227-2345. These specialists can provide: Information about your cancer, tools to help with your treatment, help finding lodging and transportation, help with financial and insurance questions, answer prescription questions, provide clinical trials matching service, assist in finding support groups, identify online community for cancer patients and their families, and offer cancer education classes. Information is available on the Internet at www.cancer.org You may also call Ron Marwitz, the ACS parish contact, at 847-870-1862.

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

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

Spain, France and Portugal October 5-15, 2015
Our upcoming pilgrimage to Spain, France and Portugal is filling up quickly and the anticipation is mounting, as well. Come join us for our 2nd informational meeting at St. Edna on Tuesday, April 7th at 7:00pm in the Hurley Center, Rooms C and D. The St. Edna is located at 2525 N. Arlington Hts. Road. Some of the places we will visit are: Montserrat/Barcelona/The Basilica of La Sagrada Familia—Antoni Gaudi’s unfinished masterpiece/Lourdes/Fatima/Lisbon/Braga/Santiago de Campostela and more. Travel agent will be present, to explain itinerary. Brochures are available at St. Edna. Fr. Rich Yanos, Pastor 847-398-3362.

Save the Date!
Easter Egg Hunt & Carnival
St. Viator High School invites All Toddlers to 3rd Graders
Sunday, March 22nd 1pm—3pm
Viator Gymnasium—enter front doors
• Cost $5.00 per child
• Bring your own basket
• Unlimited Games, Prizes & Crafts
• Egg Hunt—Separate age groups!
• Easter Bunny Visit
• Rain or Shine!
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Easter Egg Hunt & Carnival
St. Viator High School invites All Toddlers to 3rd Graders
Sunday, March 22nd 1pm—3pm
Viator Gymnasium—enter front doors
• Cost $5.00 per child
• Bring your own basket
• Unlimited Games, Prizes & Crafts
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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.
Weekly Intentions

Please pray for our sick...
Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I., Donald Barrett, Daniel Ursitti

In Loving Memory...
Margaret Petrusonis...mother of Jackie (James) Green, Michael (Jennifer) Petrusonis, Nicole (Taurris) Baskerville, and Anthony (Tracy) Petrusonis; grandmother of Catherine and Elizabeth Riggle, Paige Petrusonis, Kenneth & Robert Green, Bryce Baskerville, and Joseph and Anthony Petrusonis

Baptisms
Kylie Ann Lorenz...daughter of Todd & Katelyn (Kearns) Lorenz

Emma August Corona...daughter of Matthew & Kathryn (August) Corona

Ryleigh Grace Hoffman...daughter of Daniel & Megan (Kuebler) Hoffman

Wedding Banns
March 7, 2015
Sean McDonnell & Anita Zgoda

March 21, 2015
Charles Piszczek & Julie Mahnich

Stewardship
February 15, 2015
Weekend Masses — 570 Envelopes $26,650.64
GiveCentral —  54 Online Donations $4,398.00
February 15th Total Collection $31,048.64

Stewardship
February 22, 2015
Weekend Masses — 675 Envelopes $32,520.19
GiveCentral —  55 Online Donations $3,769.25
February 22nd Total Collection $36,289.44

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: _________________________________

Rose for Life
This week’s Rose for Life is donated by Diane Dillon in gratitude for Lucy Kathleen Roselle on her third birthday, March 11, 2015.

Remembrances
Saturday Evening/Sunday Morning, March 1
Salvatore Ippolito, Margaret Coyle, Thomas Novasic, William Rood

Monday, March 2
Stephen Kirk (1st Anniv.), Helen Kowalski

Tuesday, March 3
Bettye Splittorff (1st Anniv.), Joseph Mariano, Dana Mangi, John Macko

Wednesday, March 4
Mae Gallagher (1st Anniv.), Steve Van Deren (1st Anniv.)

Thursday, March 5
Hannah McPartlan

Friday, March 6
Elsie Leader

Saturday, March 7
Norberto & Florencia Peñas, Richard Huber, Martin P. Wendell, Sr.

Saturday Evening/Sunday Morning, March 8
Dana Mangi, Clarence Trampf, Dave Bergman
Presiders
Saturday evening:
5:00 pm  Fr. Matt Foley
Sunday:
7:00 am  Fr. Joji Thanugundla
8:30 am  Fr. Gilbert Mashurano
10:00 am Fr. Joji Thanugundla
11:30 am Fr. Gilbert Mashurano
5:00 pm  Fr. Matt Foley

Scripture Readings
READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 1, 2015
Monday: Dn 9:4b-10; Ps 79:8, 9, 11, 13; Lk 6:36-38
Tuesday: Is 1:10, 16-20; Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23;
        Mt 23:1-12
Wednesday: Jer 18:18-20; Ps 31:5-6, 14-16; Mt 20:17-28
Thursday: Jer 17:5-10; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 16:19-31
Friday: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a; Ps 105:16-21;
        Mt 21:33-43, 45-46
Saturday: Mt 7:14-15, 18-20; Ps 103:1-4, 9-12;
         Lk 15:1-3, 11-32
Sunday: Ex 20:1-17 [1-3, 7-8, 12-17]; Ps 19:8-11;
        1 Cor 1:22-25; Jn 2:13-25
        Alternate readings (Year A): Ex 17:3-7;
        Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Rom 5:1-2, 5-8;
        Jn 4:5-42 [5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42]

How Are We Praying?
Your Liturgy Board is interested in hearing about your
experience of prayer and worship at St. James.
We welcome your evaluation of Mass in the Church and
Parish Center and your ideas about things we are doing well
or ways we can improve our experience of praying together.
E-mail us at: stjamesliturgyboard@yahoo.com
SUNDAY, MARCH 1, 2015  SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT
Along for the ride
When you choose to follow God, amazing things can happen. The journey, though, takes faith. It requires listening and surrender; it means recognizing you’re not in charge. You follow in the footsteps of a God who leads. Moments of transfiguration give guidance, while sacrifice challenges and fosters trust along the way. Life isn’t a journey straight to the top. You can find yourself led to the highest of heights by the most unusual of paths. Being able to honestly declare, “Here I am, Lord,” you give God the liberty to take you higher than you ever imagined possible.
TODAY’S READINGS: Genesis 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18; Romans 8:31b-34; Mark 9:2-10 (20). “He was transfigured before them, and his clothes became dazzling white.”

MONDAY, MARCH 2  LENTEN WEEKDAY
Gift that keeps on giving
Jesus said: “In everything do to others as you would have them do to you; for this is the law and the prophets.” A version of this Golden Rule exists in all the major world religions—Judaism, Islam, Hinduism, Buddhism—and the ethical idea dates back to antiquity in Babylon, Greece, China, Egypt, India. In psychology, it is the healthy ability to empathize, necessary to experience compassion—a truly universal rule that each person is required to universally apply. And the more it’s practiced by you, the more it might be practiced toward you.
TODAY’S READINGS: Daniel 9:4b-10; Luke 6:36-38 (230). “For the measure with which you measure will in return be measured out to you.”

TUESDAY, MARCH 3  FEAST OF KATHERINE DREXEL, VIRGIN, RELIGIOUS FOUNDER; LENTEN WEEKDAY
The leader of the pack
Her family called her Kate. In girlhood she felt a vocation to the church but balked at obedience. She just couldn’t take orders from a superior who might be “stupid,” she told her spiritual director frankly. Also, life would be dreary if the community consisted of a bunch of “old maidish dispositions.” Kate concluded religious life wasn’t for her: “I hate never to be alone.” The solution was simple. Katharine started her own vigorously active order with a rich contemplative lifestyle, hand-selecting the women who would lead. Follow wise leaders—or become one yourself.
TODAY’S READINGS: Isaiah 1:10, 16-20; Matthew 23:1-12 (231). “Do not be called ‘Master,’ you have one master, the Messiah.”

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4  LENTEN WEEKDAY
Let an exam of conscience be your guide
Today is the first day of a novena in honor of Saint Francis Xavier, co-founder of the Jesuits. The novena is modeled on the Spiritual Exercises, and each day includes a focus on your relationship with God as it is really lived. For example, on Day 6, you are encouraged to make an examination of conscience, asking which thoughts, words, and actions that day you are most proud of and which you regret. Each day, an important tradition is stressed, but always focusing on the life and healing power of Francis Xavier. You can do this without a novena, but this devotion might jump start a deeper life of faith.
TODAY’S READINGS: Jeremiah 18:18-20; Matthew 20:17-28 (222). “Can you drink the chalice that I am going to drink?”

THURSDAY, MARCH 5  LENTEN WEEKDAY
Growing tips for faith
Trees figure prominently in the Bible and often serve as symbols of our faith. Those who first heard the words of scripture—being people living on the edge of the desert—were quite aware of the special care trees require to grow strong and bear fruit: droughts and floods, weeds and critters, and even the occasional curse from an angry messiah can kill a tree in short order. Care for your faith as you would a sapling. Weed and water and protect it against the elements. And be mindful of the seeds of faith you plant in others.
TODAY’S READINGS: Jeremiah 17:5-10; Luke 16:19-31 (223). “He is like a tree planted beside the waters that stretches out its roots to the stream.”

FRIDAY, MARCH 6  LENTEN WEEKDAY
DAY OF ABSTINENCE
Let us pray
Today’s World Day of Prayer is an ecumenical movement begun in the 19th century by Christian women so that they may “meet and pray with each other and [be] reminded to live a reconciling and forgiving life with others. . . . Anyone who wishes to join this movement makes a commitment to spend time in prayer whenever she has a strained relationship with another person and to uphold in prayer others who are victims of jealousy, hatred, violence, and injustice.” This offers a focused and practical way of holding yourself to faith “in deed and not only in word.” Find out more at www.wdc.org/world-day-of-prayer/history-prayer/.
TODAY’S READINGS: Genesis 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-25a; Matthew 21:33-43, 45-46 (224). “The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone.”

SATURDAY, MARCH 7  FEAST OF PERPETUA AND FELICITY, MARTYRS
A diary dear to all believers
In the third century, Felicity and Perpetua were imprisoned in Carthage because of their faith. While there, Perpetua kept a diary. It is one of only a few extant works written by martyrs in the early church who were women. The account conveys Perpetua’s deep trust that the Spirit had not abandoned her and Felicity, but offered strength in the face of hardship and death. The story is part of the long Christian narrative about our God—always present, with us in all circumstances. Pray today with Felicity and Perpetua, reflecting on God’s faithfulness in your life.
TODAY’S READINGS: Micah 5:1-4, 15-20; Luke 15:1-3, 11-32 (225). “You will show faithfulness to Jacob, and grace to Abraham, as you have sworn to our fathers from days of old.”
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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
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