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MARCH 30, 2014

Fourth Sunday of LENT

Jesus said, “I came into this world for judgment, so that those who do not see might see, and those who do see might become blind.”

John 9:39

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A Reflection…

from Marianne Dilsner, Pastoral Associate

March 30, 2014

Today we celebrate the 4th Sunday of Lent. The journey of fasting, prayer and alms-giving continues. Do you find yourself more focused on these dimensions of this season? Are you more aware that this time is ‘different’ in our church year? We began with ashes on our forehead – a public display that indeed, we are entering a special time. There are many opportunities that the parish provides for prayer, study, reconciliation, giving to Operation Rice Bowl, Soup Suppers etc.; I hope you can partake in some of those opportunities. However, as this journey moves closer to our celebration of Easter – what are you hoping for with regard to your personal, spiritual conversion?

Today’s Gospel, of the man born blind can be a story of hope and healing and new awareness.

Jesus encounters the blind man and the disciples question the cause… was it the sin of the man or his parents? Neither. Jesus moves on and puts clay mud on the man’s eyes, then tells him to wash in the pool of Siloam. He washes in the pool and his blindness is gone – he is able to see! Neighbors are amazed, the Pharisees question Jesus authority to heal on the Sabbath, the parents are cautious, but affirm that he is their son and tell the Pharisees to speak directly to the man. Twice the man explains to the Pharisees how Jesus healed him and they are incredulous at his answers and gratitude toward Jesus. The Pharisees ‘throw the man out’. Jesus then looks for the man and finds him. The man confirms his belief in the Son of God; he becomes a disciple! This healing miracle brought the man to faith in Jesus. He was brought from darkness to the light… both physically and spiritually!

This reality brings forth questions for all of us as we strive to move ever more toward the light of Jesus…

What things blind me and hold me back from full participation in my faith life, as a Catholic Christian, as a parishioner of the St James community? Are my blind spots filled with such certainty that I cannot see another point of view or extend myself generously to the stranger? Am I open to the compassion of God to heal me of my blindness? I will ponder these questions during these next weeks of Lent… I will pray for the turmoil in the world, I will pray for family and friends and I will strive to move from darkness to light. I will live out this Lenten journey with integrity and generosity and will look deeply at my blind spots. For Jesus says that He is “the Light of the World” – we all need that light and we can all be expressions of that light to others, once we consider our own blindness and can then move forth to shine on for one another… this is living out our call to discipleship… this is living with new sight and new vision, just like the blind man…

Blessings to all, as we continue this Lenten Journey…

Marianne

Next Sunday’s Scripture

34: Ez 37:12-14
Ps 130:1-8
Rom 8:8-11
Jn 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33B-45

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

Collection March 16...(660 env.) . . . $36,320.70
This week last year. .......................... $33,210.87
Our Goal .......................... $37,500.00
Collection Year-to-Date.* .......................... $1,344,847.14
Collection previous Year-to-Date. .......................... $1,266,772.00

(This includes gifts using GiveCentral.)

Collection March 23.....(612 env.) . . . $26,656.10
This week last year. .......................... $31,621.00
Our Goal .......................... $37,500.00
Collection Year-to-Date.* .......................... $1,371,509.74
Collection previous Year-to-Date. .......................... $1,333,707.41

(This includes gifts using GiveCentral.)

OUR LENTEN OUTREACH
Catholic Relief Services Rice Bowl

Reflection: Malawi

This week, CRS Rice Bowl invites us to enter into solidarity with the people of Malawi. We are encouraged to reflect on the Catholic social teaching principle, Dignity of Work and Rights of Workers, and reminded that, just as He labored to create the universe, God sanctifies and calls us to work. Let us pray this week for our brothers and sisters in Malawi and all around the world, that we work with joy for God’s greater glory.

OUR CHARITY OF THE MONTH

Thank you for your generous contributions to our charity this Month, the Church in Central and Eastern Europe.

Your gift is an expression of solidarity with the suffering people of this region. Through joining in the work of this charity, you are helping to restore the Church and build the future.

Please visit www.usccb.org (search Church in Central and Eastern Europe) to learn more about what your generosity has accomplished.

Catholic Charities Lenten Food Collection

This is a reminder that the food bags which were picked up for the St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Charities Food Drive are due back the weekend of March 29th and 30th. Drop off will be in the back of the old school, and volunteers will be present to receive your bag.

Drop off times are Saturday, March 29th—4:15 to 6:30pm and Sunday, March 30th—6:30am to 1:30pm.

St. Vincent de Paul thanks you for your participation in this drive and for your generous contributions.

The blind man was willing to let Jesus minister to him and willingly did all that Jesus asked of him. The Pharisees were more resistant to His message, spending their time and energy to disprove the miracle. Which am I more like, the man born blind or the Pharisees?
Rosary Group
Join the Rosary Group in prayer after daily Mass:
Monday: Human Life
Tuesday: Military
Wednesday: Marriage
Thursday: Priests and Religious
Friday: Sick
Saturday: Souls of the Faithful departed

Family Prayer
Please join Fr. Matt Foley for Family Prayer
Monday, April 14th
4:00-4:40pm in the Church
All ages invited!

Eucharistic Adoration
Adoration takes place from 8am to 5pm every Thursday in the Church.
Contact: Jo Jozwiak at 847-259-2433.

Stations of the Cross during Lent
Friday evenings
7:30pm in the Church.

Upcoming Stations:
April 4th—Youth Ministry focus
April 11th—Respect Life focus

Daily Mass at Noon during Lent
St. James offers a 12:00 Noon weekday Mass (Mon.-Fri.) in the Church during Lent.

Missionary Image of Our Lady of Guadalupe
St. James invites you to join us on Thursday, April 3rd, for 12:00 Noon Mass in the Church (our daily Noon Mass during Lent), followed by time with Jesus Christ truly present in the Blessed Sacrament during Eucharistic Adoration, with a special visit by the Missionary Image of Our Lady of Guadalupe—in the Church, until 5:00pm.

Come and spend some time with our Lord and his most Blessed Mother!

Mass for children with special needs and their families...

Sunday, April 27, 2014 1:30pm
St. James Parish Center

Please join us for a Mass for children with special needs and their families. Fr. Matt Foley will celebrate this Mass, and Dr. Brian Chicoine will join us for a gathering after the Mass. Refreshments will be offered.

Please RSVP by April 21st to Judy Tomasiewicz at the Parish Office—224-345-7206, with the number in your family who will attend.

Brian Chicoine, MD, is the Medical Director of the Advocate Medical Group Adult Down Syndrome Center at Advocate Lutheran General Hospital in Park Ridge, IL. The Center has served the medical and psychosocial needs of over 5500 adolescents and adults with Down Syndrome since it opened in 1992.
Reconciliation during Lent
Confession during Lent will be offered each Saturday morning after the 8:30am Mass in the Church, and also on Saturday afternoon from 3:30-4:30 in the Chapel. We will also offer Confessions on Monday, April 14th (the Monday in Holy Week), at 7:00pm in the Church. The priests will remain until all have received the Sacrament.

Tri-Parish Lenten Reconciliation
Three of the Catholic parishes in Arlington Heights will offer the Sacrament of Reconciliation on three consecutive days during the month of April. Each service contains the same components, and you may attend at any of the three parishes.

7:30pm each evening
Monday, April 7th
Our Lady of the Wayside

Tuesday, April 8th
St. Edna

Wednesday, April 9th
St. James (CHURCH)
831 N. Arlington Hts. Road

St. James Parish
Holy Week and Easter Schedule

(There is no 7:30am morning Mass on Holy Thursday. A service of Morning Prayer will take place in the Church at 9:00am on Good Friday and Holy Saturday.)

Holy Thursday ~ April 17th
Mass of the Lord’s Supper
7:30pm in the Parish Center

(Following the service, Adoration will take place in the Church, until midnight.)

Good Friday ~ April 18th
Morning Prayer—9:00am—Church
12:00 Noon—Traditional Stations—Church
12:00 Noon and 2:00pm—Living Stations—Parish Center
3:00pm—Taizé Prayer Around the Cross—Church

Liturgy of the Lord’s Passion
7:30pm in the Church

Holy Saturday ~ April 19th
Morning Prayer—9:00am—Church
12:00 Noon—Blessing of Easter Baskets and Food for the Easter Celebration—Church

Easter Vigil
(First Mass of Easter)
7:30pm in the Parish Center

Easter Sunday ~ April 20th
Church: 8:00am and 10:00am
Parish Center: 8:00am, 10:00am, and 12:00 Noon

(No 5:00pm Mass on Easter Sunday)
Palm Collection

If you wish to bring in your palms from last year, there will be baskets set up in the gathering space at the Parish Center and in the vestibule of Church for that purpose all during the season of Lent. (Please don’t bring your palms to the Parish Office.) The collected palms will be used for kindling in the Easter Vigil fire, so we ask you to please remove any rubber bands, wire, plastic bags, or containers before you drop the palms into the basket. Those things just don’t burn very well. Thank you very much.

And, if you haven’t experienced an Easter Vigil fire or the Service of Light, come to the Vigil on April 19 starting at 7:30 p.m. at the Parish Center.

Environment & Art Ministry

St. James Teen Ensemble

Come join the song!

Every Sunday at 3:30 p.m.
in the Laramie room
8th grade through high school
We sing each Sunday for the 5 p.m. mass
with rehearsal beforehand
(In addition to Christmas, Confirmation and SJS Graduation)
FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT:
John Towner, director
jtowner@stjamesah.org 224-558-1674

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, your remembrance must be received in the Parish Office by April 6. (Donations will be accepted after that date but we cannot list the name in the Easter bulletin.)

Please fill out the form below and return it with your donation to the Parish Office. Please make your check payable to St. James Church. Donations may also be deposited in the Sunday collection marked “Easter Remembrance” or mailed to the Parish Office, 820 N. Arlington Heights Road, Arlington Heights, IL 60004.

Thank you.
Environment & Art Ministry

Easter 2014 Remembrance

In Memory of:
(Please print)

Remembered by:
(Please print)
We Welcome Our Catechumens and Candidates

My name is Marilyn Schuld. I grew up in Chicago, Illinois. I attended Mt. Calgary Lutheran Church growing up, where I was baptized and confirmed at age 13. Most of my friends were Lutheran at this time.

I met Tom, who was Catholic, when I was 18 and he was 19. I became very close to his family as my mother had recently passed away. His mom and I became best friends. Tom and I were married at St. Timothy’s Catholic Church when he was 21. For some reason, and I don’t know why, I never converted to the Catholic religion. It was hard for me to see the difference between the two religions, when I felt we all believed in the same God. In my heart, I really wanted to be Catholic, but I never officially changed, even though I went to church every Sunday with Tom.

We were married 62 years and had 6 children. We were members of St. James for 55 years. When Tom got sick and I was caring for him, I knew I needed something more in my life, and I felt that I was ready to make the commitment to convert. My only regret is that I didn’t do it sooner. I guess I’m a slow learner.

My name is Michael Scott. I grew up in Bolingbrook, Illinois and went to college at the University of South Florida. My religious background includes being baptized in the Catholic Church on the Fort Hood Military Base in Fort Hood, Texas and attending mass at the community parish in the areas where I have resided. My family and I have been parishioners of St. James Church since moving to Arlington Heights in 2007. My wife and I were part of SOC (The Parish Social Committee) for three years and enjoyed working with the other church members as well as donating our time to inspire fellowship within the community. My youngest daughter will be making her communion this May and I felt this was the right time to continue with my chosen faith in order for the entire family to share in the full experience of mass. I have enjoyed my RCIA experience at St. James in part due to the passion and tireless commitment of the RCIA Team led by Jim Hamman.

My name is Melinda Snyder and I am a RCIA candidate of 2014. I grew up in Chicago and currently reside in Wheeling. I was baptized Catholic but never received the Sacraments of Eucharist or Confirmation. This opportunity was presented to me by my grandma (also my sponsor) and I couldn’t be happier! Looking forward to many Catholic years to come!

My name is Justin Ukleja and I was raised Lutheran. Katie and I attended Pre-Cana and were wed shortly after on Nov. 5, 2011 at Saint Bartholomew in Chicago. It was a beautiful experience and surely one I will never forget. At this point I did not understand the sacrament of marriage. Nor did I understand the importance of accepting God, Jesus and the Holy Spirit into my life, despite the fact I was raised Lutheran and had already been baptized and confirmed. Truthfully, while growing up religion was more of a formality than a faith for me.

Things are different now. I want to be a part of something bigger than me. I want to help others. I want to believe. I want to inspire and to be inspired. I want to be a better person. I have never felt this before. That is why I am here.

Also, the new Pope is awesome.
Bible Study at St. James

In preparation for Holy Week:
As part of our Bible Study, we will watch a DVD (50 min.) on The Execution of Jesus and learn what happened in detail during the last days of Jesus’ earthly life.

April 10, 7pm
O’Brien Room

This is a meaningful way to enter into Holy Week and celebrate the Triduum. All are welcome to attend.

Questions?
Fr. Joji at 224-345-7201

Our Bible Study, The Foot Prints of God has been completed. The above DVDs will be in our parish Library.

Please feel free to take them home to watch and learn many beautiful things about the Bible and our Faith. I sincerely thank all those who attended these sessions. We are continuing a few different topics as part of our Bible study. Please see the bulletin for more details or call Fr. Joji @ 224-345-7201.

St. James Parish Resource Center

For inspiration during Lent, books are waiting for you in the Resource Center:

Gifts and Giving
(Lucy Fuchs)
Doers of the Word
(Timothy Dolan)
Feathers on the Wind
(Edward Hays)
God Hunger
(John Kirvan)

Look for these and many others, displayed in the Resource Center.

ON THE JOURNEY TOGETHER

Calling parents, grandparents, uncles and aunts...

The saying goes: “It takes a village to raise a child.” It takes a parish to raise good Catholics and keep them growing in the faith. This series of three talks is addressed to all adult parishioners. As members of the parish family, we have to do our part to nurture the faith life of our young members even as we strengthen our own Catholic identity.

Join for a series of three talks by Fr. Britto Bertolommei, Pastor of St. Paul of the Cross in Park Ridge, IL, during Lent to be enriched and enlivened during the Lenten Season. Fr. Britto is a charismatic and energetic speaker who will engage you and your spirituality in an easy to understand format. Presented in cooperation with the Year of the Young Catholic Parish Team.

Session 1 – March 17, 2014, 7:30 PM, O’Brien Room
 Called to be Constant Gardeners – Christian Parenting and the parish
 Christian parenting is very much like gardening. Parent, just like gardeners, can only protect the garden as well as provide the conditions for flourishing. It is the Lord who gives the growth. The entire parish community gets involved in this task as all of us tend our own garden and offer support to parents of young children.

Session 2 – March 24, 2014, 7:30 PM, O’Brien Room
 First Time and Every Time – Nourishment and Forgiveness in the Christian Life
 The second step of initiation is the child’s walk towards the altar to receive the Bread of Life. How do we model our own need for forgiveness and nourishment as we help our children to prepare themselves for their First Reconciliation and First Communion? How do we, as adults, celebrate over and over again our first time every time we approach these two great sacraments?

Session 3 – March 31, 2014, 7:30 PM, O’Brien Room
 With the God of Exodus – Rising to the Challenges of Teenage Faith
 Teenage years often remind us of the forty years that the People of Israel spent wandering in the desert. Just like the Israelites who forgot the mighty works of the Lord, our teens may appear to grumble and complain. How do we as parents and other adults accompany them on their journey toward the sacrament of confirmation? What attitudes and behaviors do we need to embrace to make our mentoring effective and fruitful for them and for us?
St. James...In MISSION........

On March 9th the initial meeting regarding future mission trips was held and well attended. There were presentations made by Mr. Chuck Allworth of NPH / (Nuestros Pequenos Hermanos), Ms. Sue Neu regarding her trip to India with FCN / (Foundation for Children in Need) and Ms. Kathy McGourty of our Peace + Justice Committee, who is spearheading our relationship with coffee growers in Haiti and planning a trip there in 2015.

To get a clearer picture of possibilities for the future, please check out the following web-sites that will be helpful as you explore options for opportunities in the future:
Nuestros Pequenos Hermanos       www.nphusa.org
Foundation for Children in Need   www.fcn-usa.org
Haiti Immersion Trip              peaceandjustice@stjamesah.org

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NPH
At the present time, NPH has a scheduled trip to Guatemala with several parishes from the Northwest Suburbs... July 28 – August 4, 2014. This is a Youth focused trip, that of course, is open to parents as well. The final date for a deposit and trip registration is April 14th. The cost for adults is $1250.00 and $1400.00 for minors. If interested, please contact the NPH/USA office as soon as possible at 312-386-7499 with any questions. You can also register on-line at www.nphusa.org/guatemalamission-R

Save the Date! A trip for St. James parishioners will be scheduled for 2015 in late July / early August... which location will depend on the availability of the NPH homes (Guatemala, Mexico, Nicaragua). We will be staying on the NPH campus and all bedrooms are separated by gender. Both the 2014 and planned 2015 trips would include airfare. The schedule includes some work projects, activities and meals with the children, side trips and time for reflection and discussion.

FCN
Generally speaking, Dr. Geetha and Tom Chitta schedule donor trips to India in January. At present, they are in India, but will return at the end of the month. At that time, Fr. Matt and I will meet with them to discuss the next upcoming trip and present it here in the bulletin.

HAITI TRIP

As Kathy McGourty explained at the Sunday meeting, a trip to Haiti is scheduled for January, 2015. Please contact Kathy through the St. James Peace and Justice web-site noted above.

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*Other possibilities being explored...
*A trip to NPH Dominican Republic is also being pursued. (Possibly Oct 2014). Details soon. This trip would be for adults 21+ would include working with building projects, special needs children, teaching English, working in the clinic (medical staff) and home repair.

*A trip to the Arizona / Mexico border to assist with immigration issues and be educated about all sides of this reality is also being formulated.

Please contact Marianne Dilsner, Pastoral Associate, at MDilsner@stjamesah.org with any questions.
Youth Ministry News/Events

Confirmation Mass:
Saturday, April 26th
Parish Center
10:00 and 2:00

Lenten Soup Suppers
St. James Mission Team will host Lenten Soup Suppers in the Laramie Room from 6:30 to 7:30.
Please join us: April 4 and 11

Join us April 4th for the Stations of the Cross presented by our mission team.

Living Stations of the Cross.
Junior High students will practice on Tuesdays and Wednesdays
3:30 to 4:30 in the O’Brien Room

Dress Rehearsal in the Parish Center
April 15 @ 7:00

GOOD FRIDAY IS APRIL 18th

SUMMER MISSION TRIP JULY, 2014 NEXT MEETING
Sunday, May 4 at 1:00 in the Parish Center Library.

Large Group Confirmation Students:
Last remaining confirmation classes is:
April 13th
7:15 to 9:00 Parish Center
Great Catholic Families Make Mistakes

As Catholics, we believe that we are created in the image and likeness of God … but this doesn’t mean that we are gods. The older we get, the more we realize how human we all are. We let each other down. We fail. We sin. And yet, to thrive as individuals and as a family, we have learned that there is a fine line between making a mistake and believing that you are a mistake. God does not make mistakes. We are each created with dignity, and we are all special in God’s eyes. Great Catholic families know that shame is hard to undo once it’s done. Even the biggest mistakes require a healthy dose of patience and love in order to ensure that they don’t become weak spots in an otherwise strong family.

Does your family keep alive old wounds? Take some time together to bury old mistakes and genuinely move on from them.

Building Futures with Faith

A Blue Ribbon School of Excellence

Visit www.stjamesschoolah.org for further information and to begin the application process for your child.

St. James School offers PreK-3 through 8th grade.

We are currently accepting applications!

Saint James School
820 N. Arlington Heights Road
Arlington Heights, IL 60004-5699
Ph: 224.345.7145
St. James Peace and Justice Committee

Hope Out of Darkness: Lent 2104
“I was a stranger and you welcomed me…”(Matthew 25:35)

Pope Francis teaches “…we Christians are called to confront the poverty of our brothers and sisters…to make it our own and to take practical steps to alleviate it.” (Lenten Message 2104) Many immigrants today experience the poverty of living in the shadows of society. During this season of Lent, let us take practical steps to accompany immigrants living in these shadows. Let us pray and act to alleviate the fear of family separation through detention and deportation.

**ACTION:** Send a postcard to your Representative by accessing the USCCB Justice for Immigrants website at www.justiceforimmigrants.org. Learn practical ways to accompany immigrants by downloading the Office for Immigrant Affairs’ 2014 Lenten Calendar, at www.archchicago.org/immigration/

Office for Immigrant Affairs and Immigration Education
3525 S. Lake Park Ave, Chicago, IL 60653
Elena Segura (312) 534-5333, esegura@archchicago.org

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Action Alert: **End Immigrant Detention Quotas!**

The President’s federal budget proposal includes funding for an immigrant detention “bed quota.” The quota requires Immigration and Customs Enforcement to have at least 30,539 immigrants in detention at any given time, denying immigrants their liberty while lining the pockets of private prisons to meet a quota that is immoral. *This policy is unprecedented — no other law enforcement agency operates on a quota system.*

♦ See https://www.immigrantjustice.org/eliminate-detention-bed-quota

- Call the Capitol Switchboard: 202-224-3121 and ask for your Senators and Representative http://www.house.gov/representatives/find/
- Call the House Members on the Committee on Appropriations – see http://www.archchicago.org/immigration/pdf/immigration/House%20Appropriations%20Members.pdf

**Sample Script:** My name is _______ calling from [city, state]. As a person of faith, I urge Congress member [name] to oppose the wasteful and inhumane immigration detention bed quota in any appropriations bill.
Exodus Trekkers
A Wounded Prayer Warrior Keeps Trekking

Peter Ruddy is that tall and slim lector of ours with a voice that resonates with a fine British accent when he reads from the Old Testament and Psalms. Peter, born on an Irish island not much larger than Arlington Heights and Mt. Prospect combined, has not taken any comforting shortcuts in his faith walk. He counts Muslims, Jews and Hindus among his friends. One of his opinions: “The closer you come to the Lord, the more angry the devil becomes, and then he brings in his best team.” He has quite a story to tell about his multiple sclerosis and past depression….

To read that full story of Peter Ruddy, go to your computer’s address bar and type: “http://exodustrekkers.blogspot.com/” or go to the parish webpage at “stjamesah.org” and type “Exodus Trekkers” in the “search” window. Clicking on that will take you to “Blogs”. Click on that and you’ll be on the launch page for Exodus Trekkers.

St James Community Theatre in Arlington Hts is holding an Audition Workshop on Saturday, April 12th, from 3-6pm in the Old School Basement, 820 N Arlington Hts Rd, Arlington Hts.

Auditions will be held April 22 and 25 from 7-9 pm Orchestra auditions will be held Thurs April 24 7-9 pm

Please visit http://www.stjamestheatre.org for more information

Men’s Night Out

TEXAS HOLD ’EM
FINAL FOUR VIEWING & SQUARES PRIZES

SATURDAY, APRIL 5TH
6:00PM TO 11:00PM
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS HALL – 15 N. HICKORY, ARLINGTON HTS.
$20/PERSON ENTRY – $40 BUY-IN FOR POKER RESERVE YOUR SEAT TODAY!

FOR MORE INFORMATION EMAIL STJAMESMENSIGHTOUT@GMAIL.COM OR STJAMESCHOOLHARG
CALLING ALL EASTER BAKERS!

Every year the Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) hosts the Easter Vigil Reception for our new RCIA candidates and their families. We are reaching out to our parish community for donations of baked goods and snacks. (Cookies, brownies, small fruit trays, and salty snacks.)

Drop Off: Sat. April 19th between 3pm and 4:30pm in the Parish Center.

Please email AJBEAUDETTE@comcast.net and let him know if you are able to bring a delicious treat for this wonderful event. The PPC is grateful for your baking creations, and as always, thank you for all you do for St. James.

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Boy and Girl Scout Mass - March 8, 2014

St James Parish welcomed over 150 Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts to the All Scout Mass on Saturday, March 8th. Scouting Troops and Packs from Patton, Olive, Thomas, St Viator and St James School and their families joined fellow parishioners in a mass led by Father Gilbert. Second grade Cub Scouts received the Light of Crist medals and third and fourth grade Cub Scouts received the Parvuli Dei award. The All Scouts mass is an opportunity for the Scouts to celebrate their faith and show their appreciation for the support they receive from the St James Community.
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 Northwest Community Hospital on the first Monday. 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. Suggested donation of $4.00 on a reservation basis. Call 847-797-5354 for reservations.

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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 Heights, invites you to join us for: Anamcharas: on the Friendship of Woman On April 2, Rosanne Coury will offer a women’s Lenten evening of reflection. Using the lens of the Celtic anamchara or “soul friend”, Rosanne will help women explore how women have helped each other grow spiritually through their relationships. Through scripture, tradition, stories and experience, participants will explore the special benefits and challenges of female friendship. 7:00pm—8:30pm at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 15. N. Hickory, Arlington Heights, IL. Please bring a friend. Admission is canned food or a free will donation for the food pantries. Questions? P. Sordyl ssrvs1@aol.com

Mike Small Basketball Camps at St. James and St. Alphonsus
Mike Small will conduct his popular Basketball Camps at St. James and St. Alphonsus. The dates and times are listed below. The emphasis will be on fundamentals with game experience and various contests. All students will be separated according to age and ability.

St. James Fundamental Camp
Monday, June 9-Friday June 13
Boys/Girls Grades 3-7 12:00-2:00pm
Boys/Girls Grades K-2 2:00-4:00pm

St. Alphonsus Fundamental Camp
Monday Aug. 4-Friday Aug. 8
Boys/Girls Grades 4-7 12:30-2:30pm
Boys/Girls Grads K-3 2:30-4:30pm

For information, contact Mike or Tina Small at 847-635-8437 or www.mike-small.com, or info@mike-small.com

Exploring Priesthood Weekend
April 4-6, 2014
The retreat is designed to help men who are college age and older discern God’s call to priesthood. Throughout a weekend of prayer, discussion and group interaction, men begin to understand God’s movement in their lives. EPW will take place at Mundelein Seminary, 1000 E. Maple, Mundelein. Contact Fr. Francis Bitterman at 312-534-8298 or fbitterman@archchicago.org
Please pray for our sick...
Kay Liskey, Xavier Sigelko, Bob Rogers, Bob McDermott, Stanley Jachec, Julia Jachec, Jaxon Fortman, William Coyne, Mary Jo Souders

In Loving Memory
Rose Mary Stone
mother of Rita (Lester) Bruzik, Vincent J. Stone, Jr., Victoria (Richard) Baron, Ginger (Thomas) Burns, Margaret (Alan) Hamilton, Rose (Randy) Farina, and Mary Fujise; grandmother of 14; great-grandmother of 1.

Anna Mache...
fund of Justyna Frank

Carol Rados...
wife of Gene; mother of Mary (Bob) Belter, Amy (Doug) Neely, Nancy (Dave) Sutor, Eileen (Ed) Wellschlaeger, and Gene (Lynn) Rados, Jr.; grandmother of Matt (Sally), Cassie, and Tim Belter, and 10 additional grandchildren; great-grandmother of two.

Joseph Bielat.....husband of Patricia

Mary McGrath...
sister of Peter (Norma) Mc Grath, Sarah (Robert) Schnell, and Kathy (Joseph) McDermott; aunt of Margaret (Rick) Curry, Nancy Schnell, Julie (Pat) Mulchrone, Susan Schnell, Matthew (Judy) Schnell, Kelly (Rob) Goldstein, Patrick (Katie) McDermott, and Erin McDermott

Sylvia Coates...mother of Patty (Gary) Colabuono, Jane Ryan and Tom Coates; grandmother of Mandy and Kevin Colabuono, Jessica Heinze, Kristen Agostinho, Shelly and Paul Coates; great-grandmother of Michael Heinze

Edward Marnier

Baptisms
Matthew Samuel...son of Paul & Katherine (Utz) Sheldon
Evan Thomas...son of Tyler & Amanda (Dalal) Loch
Grayson Kenneth...son of Anthony & Cassandra (Fairbanks) Santos
Lucas James...son of Steven & Amanda (Kuffel) Andrews
Eleanor Joy...daughter of Thomas & Sarah (Stolarski) Galli
Marissa Rose...daughter of Brian & Roseanne (Abbinante) Falla

Rose for Life
This week’s Rose for Life is donated in loving memory of Bud Beedy on the anniversary of his death.

Remembrances
Saturday Evening/Sunday Morning, March 30
Dana Mangi, Austin Callahan (1st Anniv.), Helen Lord, Kate Loretta Meechan

Monday, March 31
Kathleen Hogan, Michael Flanders, Judy Flaa

Tuesday, April 1
Elizabeth Klosowski, Czeslaw Blazejowski

Wednesday, April 2
Walter “Doc” Powers, Jane Towshee

Thursday, April 3
Edward L. Gehrke, Czeslaw Blazejowski

Friday, April 4
Alfred E. Bolger (14th Anniv.), Marcella Wallin (1st Anniv.), Alvin F. Acosta, Marie Sullivan, Kay Keiner, William Geas, Margaret Trampf, Dana Mangi, Allen Kuebelbeck

Saturday, April 5
Sharon Scanlan, Norberto & Florencia Peñas, Jack Hogan, Jim Dobbin, Mary Ellen Best, Mr. & Mrs. Andrew Sopko, Mr. Phalen, Henry Kotynk

Saturday Evening/Sunday Morning, April 6
Henry Kotynk, Thomas Schuld (1st Anniv.), Phyllis Mamsch, William Gorman, Sam Varchetto

Weekly Intentions

PARISH SUPPORT GROUPS

Grief Support Group
The St. James Grief Support Group meets from 7-8:15pm in the Conference Room at the Parish Office.

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

Alzheimer’s Support Group
Meetings are held on the first Tuesday of every month:
1pm-2:30pm at St. James 820 N Arlington Hts. Rd.
Conference Room 1 (Parish Office)

Next Meeting: April 1st
For additional information, please call Kathie at 847-202-1294.

SHARE
Job & Networking Ministry
Wednesdays: 7-9pm (Hurley Center)
St. Edna’s Parish
2525 N. Arlington Hts. Rd.

For information about upcoming meeting dates, please contact:
Tom Mannard, tmannard@aol.com or leave a message at 847-398-3362.
Liturgical Ministers for the Weekend of April 6

Presiders
Saturday evening:
5:00 pm Fr. Joji Thanugundla

Sunday:
7:00 am Fr. Matt Foley
8:30 am Fr. Matt Foley
10:00 am Fr. Joji Thanugundla
11:45 am Fr. Gilbert Mashurano
5:00 pm Fr. Gilbert Mashurano

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
Coordinators: S.Bobowski, R.Cruz, J.Garlick

Altar Servers
Saturday evening:
5:00 pm L.Hahn, A. Hahn, M.McGrath

Sunday:
7:00 am J.Kern, M.Smith, E.Madden
8:30 am J.Mullan, K. & M. McManaman
10:00 am M.Purk, M.Stack, M.Stack
11:45 am M.Balcerak, T. Toczynski, A.Stenzel
5:00 pm C;Coleman, K.Thorton, M.Wilder

Eucharistic Ministers
Sunday: Church
7:00 am M.Cripe, G.Roller, R. Schumacher,
J.Shrader,J.Shrader
Coordinator: M.Walsh,Jr.

8:30 am E.Cahill, P. Cahill, L.Holland, T.Holland,
M.Kennedy, V.McQueeny, K.Newgard,
K.Parus, M.Philips, B.Sculion,
M.Vanderwel, L.P. Martin
Coordinators: T. Stengren

Altar Servers
Sunday: Parish Center
10:00 am T.Baldoni, D.Barrett, M.Bayer, R. Becker,
M.Belter, K.Brunner, D.Burke, C.Coleman,
C.Colleran, S.Crosby, V.Curtis, L.Fonsino,
S.Gaske, S.Hussey, J.Lippert, M.Lombardi,
W.Liszka, J.McDermott, R.McDermott,
M.Ruane, MB.Rutkowski, M.Schade
C.Marqui M. Massa (Choir)
Coordinators: D.Burke, B.Minaglia

11:45 am D.Desmond, J.Gedmin, M.Goolsby,
N.Paulson, R.Rabe
Coordinators: C.Zitkus, C.Zitkus

Lectors
Saturday evening:
5:00 pm B.Charland, J.Todesco

Sunday:
7:00 am D.Hacek, B.Kragh
8:30 am R.Cerabona, E.O.Martin
10:00 am C.Colleran, K.Konopasek
11:45 am R.Klicki, S.Sykes
5:00 pm L.Matz, D.Starr

Eucharistic Ministers
Sunday: Church
5:00 pm E.Krause, J.Madden, L.Matz, D.Milligan,
H.Thornton, J. Coleman
Coordinator: G. Christophe, J. Christophe

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Your Liturgy Board is interested in hearing
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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

Scripture Readings
READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF March 30th

Monday: Is 65:17-21; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13b; Jn 4:43-54
Tuesday: Ez 47:1-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9; Jn 5:1-16
Wednesday: Is 49:8-15; Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18; Jn 5:17-30
Thursday: Ex 32:7-14; Ps 106:19-23; Jn 5:31-47
Friday: Wis 2:1a, 12-22; Ps 34:17-21, 23; Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30
Saturday: Jer 11:18-20; Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-12; Jn 7:40-53
Sunday: Ez 37:12-14; Ps 130:1-8; Rom 8:8-11;
MANNA at St. James

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Saturday Evening  5:00pm   Parish Center
Sunday Morning    7am & 8:30am   Church
Sunday Morning  10am & 11:45am Parish Center
Sunday Evening  5:00pm   Church

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831 N. Arlington Heights Road
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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!
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Parish Office Hours
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