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

Fourth Sunday of Lent

Whoever is in Christ is a new creation: the old things have passed away; behold, new things have come.

2 Corinthians 5:17
A Reflection…
from Fr. Joji Thanugundla, Associate Pastor

March 6, 2016

As we enter into the middle of lent preparing to follow Christ more closely, we think of acts of mercy and kindness. I want to share a few pictures of my brother’s work (Fr. Jerome) in Warangal, India. I always take my brother as a great example in the pastoral ministry. He is always interested in the people and their well being. He lives in one of the poorest areas and helps mostly very desperate families. He reaches out to special needs children and families to give them hope, strength and courage. He is also my role model and encourages me in many ways. I am so proud of his ministry and the way he brings Jesus to one and all. I am thankful to our great community here who are so supportive of this wonderful work. Your generosity will always be remembered with gratitude and prayers.

(A podcast of this week’s reflection is available on the St. James website and mobile website.)
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<td>All are invited to the 7pm Thursday Holy Hour in the Church with Deacon Matthew Hahn. This 7pm Holy Hour includes Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Evening Prayer, Rosary, and Benediction.</td>
<td>Confessions during Lent will be heard in the Church after the Saturday 8:30am Mass, and also on Saturday afternoons in the Chapel from 3:30-4:30pm. Please note that confession will be available after the 12:00 Noon Mass in the Church on the Fridays of Lent. Additional opportunities will be at our multi-parish Reconciliation services in March, and on the Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday of Holy Week.</td>
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**Eucharistic Adoration**

Eucharistic Adoration takes place from 8:00am-3:00pm every Thursday in the Church. We will pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet at 3pm. Adoration Contacts: Jo Jozwiak: 847-259-2433 Sue McPherrin—847-506-1618

**Weekday 12:00 Noon Mass**

During Lent, we will offer a 12:00 Noon Mass in the Church on Monday through Friday each week. (After the Friday Noon Mass, there will be an opportunity for confession, also in the Church.)

**Multi-Parish Lenten Reconciliation Services**

- March 14—at Our Lady of the Wayside—7:30pm
- March 15—at St. Edna—3pm
- March 15—at St. Mary’s in Buffalo Grove—7:30pm
- March 16—AT ST. JAMES 7:30pm in the CHURCH
(Please note change in service time at St. Edna, and the addition of St. Mary’s.)

**Palm Collection**

Old palms will be collected this year during Lent (February 10-March 23). Look for baskets set up in the Parish Center Gathering Space and in the vestibule at Church. (Please don’t bring your palms to the Parish Office.)
The collected palms will be used for kindling during the Easter Vigil on March 26, 7:30 p.m., in the Parish Center.
Come witness the Service of Light that evening.

**Bible Study—Lent, 2016**

**Thursday evening March 10th, 7-8 pm**

Laramie Room -(Church Basement)
We will read the Sunday Scriptures and have time to share, reflect, and pray to prepare more meaningfully for the celebration of Holy Week and Easter. If we finish our study before 8pm, we can go upstairs to the Church and join in the Benediction.
All are welcome. No signup. Fr. Joji - 224-345-7201

**Stations of the Cross—7pm in the Church each Friday** during Lent.
March 11 —Peace & Justice Focus; March 18—Traditional Stations of the Cross

**Year of Mercy**

The Word of the Week is **Admonish**.
Obviously, with tact and with the best and most effective ways of communicating, we exercise a merciful task when we help people who are on a self-destructive path or are veering sharply away from what God wants of them.

*Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom.*
*(Colossians 3:16)*

**Jubilee of Mercy**

Information about the Jubilee Year of Mercy may be found on the website of the Archdiocese of Chicago, at: [www.archchicago.org](http://www.archchicago.org) When you have accessed the site, go to the right-hand column, and click on the Jubilee Year graphic. You will find information, events, prayers, and other Jubilee Year resources.
## Taizé Prayer Invitation

**Come pray with us....**

Viatorian religious and associates of Arlington Heights invite you to break away from life’s hectic pace for an hour of meditation, Taizé chant and quiet reflection.

**Wednesday, March 9th—7:30pm**
St. Viator High School Chapel
2nd floor
1213 E. Oakton St., Arl. Hts.
(East end of building—Door 3E or 4E, elevator is available.)

For information:
Karen Cutler—847-637-2125

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**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 $2.5 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 14.

Thank you.
Environment & Art Ministry

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**Easter 2016 Remembrance**

In Memory of:
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Remembered by:
(please print)
News from Music Ministry…..

The 10:00AM Choir that sings at our 10:00AM Mass on Sundays has entered the Friend’s of the Poor Benefit Church Choir Challenge. Please go to the link below and vote for the St. James 10:00AM Choir! Send the word to everyone you know, so we can get the 10:00AM Choir in the finals!

Official voting has opened up for the 2016 SVdP Chicago Church Choir Challenge! The top five choirs who receive the most online votes from today through March 18, 2016 will earn a spot in the finals to perform at the annual Friends of the Poor Benefit on Sunday April 17, 2016 at Drury Lane in Oakbrook Terrace. We encourage you to find all ways available to 'get out the vote' for the St. James Choir. We’d like to encourage all parishioners, family and friends to go to: http://svdpchicago.org/index.php/church-choir-challenge to get our group into the finals! Once in, each choir will receive a minimum of $1000 donation towards a worthy cause within their parish and have an opportunity to be voted 'Top Choir' at the event earning a $2500 donation towards a worthwhile parish cause. We’re honored to have St. James in the SVdP Church Choir Challenge! It should be a ton of fun!

2016 Triduum and Easter Mass/Liturgy Schedule

Holy Thursday, March 24
(No 7:30am Mass in the Church on Holy Thursday)
Mass of the Lord’s Supper—7:30pm in the Parish Center
(After the Mass, Adoration will take place in the Church until midnight.)

Good Friday, March 25
Morning Prayer—8:00am in the Church
Traditional Stations of the Cross—12:00 Noon in the Church
Living Stations of the Cross—11:00am and 1:00pm in the Parish Center
Liturgy of the Lord’s Passion—3:00pm in the Church
(After this service, the Church will be open for prayer until 9:00pm)
Service of Taizé Prayer—7:30pm in the Church

Holy Saturday, March 26
Morning Prayer—8:00am in the Church
Blessing of Baskets and Food for the Easter Celebration—12:00 Noon in the Church
Easter Vigil—(First Mass of Easter)
7:30pm in the Parish Center

Easter Sunday, March 27
Church: 6:00am (Sunrise Mass), 8:00am, and 10:00am
Parish Center: 8:00am, 10:00am, and 12:00 Noon
(There is no 5:00pm Sunday Mass on March 27th.)
My name is Ashely Balogh. I grew up in Palatine, and currently reside in Des Plaines. I was baptized as a child at St. John United Church of Christ in Arlington Heights, IL. Growing up, I had little involvement in the church. While dating my now fiancé Adam, I would attend church with him from time to time. Going to church was something that was very important to him, and he never missed a Sunday.

In May of 2015, Adam proposed while we were on vacation in Europe. While in Europe we stopped in Poland to visit his family, and we attended church together one Sunday. It was while we were walking to church together that morning, that he was telling me how excited he was for me to see the church he went to as a child and that he couldn’t wait to get married. He explained to me how important it was for him to be married in a church before God.

Upon returning home from our vacation I kept thinking about what he had said, and realized just how important religion was in his life. Adam had even taken it upon himself to start calling around looking for churches we could attend and asked if they offered RCIA. He never told me he had done this until we were in the car one day, and I joked that the best time to have a serious conversation is while driving. He said “while on the topic, what does your schedule look like starting in September?” We talked about becoming Catholic and how much it meant to him.

Time passed and I kept thinking about it. Not really knowing “what I was”, I knew believed in God and had been to church, but I didn’t associate myself with any specific religion. It was on Adam’s 30th birthday that I gave him what he refers to as his favorite gift, wrapped inside a box was a card that said “I would love to start the RCIA process, so come September 24, 2016 we can say I do in the presence of not only all of friends and family but in the presence of God”. A few days later, I got an email from Jim, saying “Welcome to RCIA”, and the rest is history.

P.S. Thanks Adam for being my sponsor!

Hello St. James. My name is Brooke Patterson and I grew up in Sugar Grove, IL. I went to a Christian Science church with my family until I was 18 years old. I never felt the deepest connection to the beliefs of the church, and as I went off to college I stopped attending. I still upheld my Christian beliefs but practiced my faith in my own way. Throughout college I was part of the Track and Field Team. I competed at Nationals twice, and I am an All-American pole-vaulter for placing sixth at the National Championship. There, at North Central College, I also met my now fiancé Peter. Early in our relationship I started occasionally attending mass with his family at St. Francis de Sales in Lake Zurich, IL. It was through attending mass with his family that I knew that this was a community I would like to be a part of.

Peter and I would have occasional conversations about converting to Catholicism. And, after we became engaged, we had the conversation once again. I knew I wanted to convert to become closer to God and St. James warmly welcomed me into the RCIA program with Peter as my sponsor. I knew right away at the first meeting that I’d made the right choice. As we are planning our destination wedding for the summer of 2017, we look forward to marrying in a Catholic church in Italy. I am so grateful for my family, Peter’s family, St. James, and most importantly Peter for the encouragement and support to take this big step in my life.
The St. James RCIA class participated in the Rite of Election and Call to Continuing Conversion Sunday February 21st at Holy Name Cathedral with Archbishop Blase Cupich presiding. Five different ceremonies had been celebrated over three weekends with each one welcoming hundreds of soon-to-be-Catholics into the final stages of their faith formation. The service included Scripture readings and a homily by Archbishop Cupich. Next the catechumens (those to be baptized) and candidates (already baptized) were called up to the sanctuary and personally greeted by Archbishop Cupich.

After listening to the catechists and sponsors attest to the readiness of these catechumens and candidates to enter the church, they in turn are asked if it is their will to become part of the Catholic Church. Each RCIA director then holds up the Book of the Elect containing the signatures of those wishing to join the Catholic Church at the Easter Vigil. The “Elect” then return to the pews as the audience applauds them. Not only is it a very moving experience for those who participate but also for those of us who witness the ceremony.

**Letters of Support and Prayer**

You are invited to write a letter of encouragement and support to our Catechumens or Candidates, to be given to them on Holy Saturday, before they take part in the Easter Vigil. Please place letter in an envelope with their name, bring to the Parish Office, and ask to have it placed in the RCIA mailbox, by Palm Sunday, 3/20.
This past weekend, 28 Junior High Youth participated in a 12-hour Food Fast! They raised over $1000.00 for Catholic Relief Services who serve the hungry all over the world! They broke their fast with a Mass and banquet.
¡Que pasa? What’s up in Spanish at Saint James School is quite a lot! Students receive a challenging Spanish curriculum that prepares them well for high school. Senorita Brynn Tomko, has a degree in Hispanic and Educational Studies and has studied abroad in Buenos Aires, Argentina where she interned at a Language University. Senorita Tomko greets the students every morning at drop-off and speaks only Spanish to her students. The kids respond in kind and engage in Spanish conversation.

Senorita Tomko uses many innovative techniques in her classroom that students can relate to, starting with the “Class Webpage.” Here students can log in to check updates on homework, projects and upcoming quizzes and tests. They can communicate with Tomko on a daily basis with any questions and concerns…all in Spanish! This strategy forces students to speak and utilize the authentic Spanish language.

Technology and Spanish are intertwined every day so students can learn vocabulary and grammatical concepts through a program called “Quizlet.” Students take practice tests, use flashcards, post comments for classmates or ask them for help. Quizlet has an optional section to play games where students can practice what they’ve learned in class with friendly competition against their classmates for the highest score.

This year, the 6th grade classes started a Spanish Club. These students meet on Friday mornings before school and watch Spanish movies, listen to Spanish music, and play games to improve their Spanish vocabulary and speaking. The 7th and 8th grades are hoping to start their own Spanish clubs now because they have heard how much fun the 6th grade is having before school!

Saint James School is blessed to have Senorita Tomko. She is preparing them for advanced Spanish classes in High School and giving them skills necessary to learn any foreign language because of the commitment, excitement, and positive reinforcement she gives her students. She makes them want to learn!
MINISTRY OF CARE TRAINING
Vicariate I Deanery ABC Ministry Commission Presents
Ministry of Care Training—for New Ministers of Care

Presenters:
Sr. Jane Schlosser, RSM, Greta Rusk, Carol Holden,
Marlene Sweeney
(Full participation in both training sessions will fulfill
Archdiocesan requirements.)

WHEN:
SATURDAYS, March 12th & 19th, 2016
Sign-in: 8:30am Session: 9:00am—3:00pm

WHERE:
St. Mary of Vernon, 236 US Highway 45
Indian Creek, IL 60061 (in John P. Finnegan Center)

Please bring your own brown-bag lunch. Coffee and soft drinks
will be provided. St. James members, please contact: Deacon
Tom Westerkamp at 847-253-3090 if you wish to attend.

Donate Blood Next Week

Join us next Sunday, March 13th,
at the St James / Souders Memorial
Blood Drive. LifeSource Blood Services
will be in the cafeteria of the Parish
Center from 8:30 am to 2:00 pm.
For more information on donating or
to make an appointment, you can
call our LifeSource Representative at
877-543-3768. Walk-ins are always
welcome. Be sure to have a good
breakfast and drink plenty of water to
make your donation go smoothly.
Also bring a picture ID. Remember
one donation can change the lives of
up to three people!

To see how, visit "Mary Jo and David
Souders Memorial Blood Drive" on
Facebook.
Human Concerns Commission

An Important Announcement from Catholic Charities

Every 30 seconds someone counts on Catholic Charities for help. We are now asking for your help. Please lend your voice to advocate for the State of Illinois to end its budget stalemate and pass a budget that cares for the poor and most vulnerable in our communities. Catholic Charities is currently owed more than $25 million by the State of Illinois—a number that grows by at least $2 million each month. Please take time today to call your state elected officials with the simple message:

“I am a voter in your district. I am contacting you on behalf of the poor and vulnerable people who depend on our state’s safety net of human services, especially the more than 1 million people served by Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Chicago.”

If you do not know who your state representative and senator are, please call the State Board of Elections at (217) 782-4141 or visit: www.elections.il.gov and click on “New District/Official Search.” You can find more information and a template advocacy letter at: www.CatholicCharities.net on the homepage.

Vicariate I Ministry Commissions and Catholic Charities Present:

THE REFUGEE RESETTLEMENT PROGRAM
Walk with a refugee family as they build a new life in the United States.

Catholic Charities’ Refugee Resettlement program helps families fleeing war, violence or oppression in other countries start new lives here in the Chicago area. The program provides comprehensive services to help refugees from various parts of the world adapt to their new environment, leading them to greater independence and self-sufficiency.

Date: Saturday, April 23 Time: 9:30am to Noon
Location: St. Mary Rectory/Parish Office, 10 N. Buffalo Grove Rd., Buffalo Grove, IL (Corner of Lake Cook and Buffalo Grove Roads.)
Focus: To learn more about Catholic Charities Refugee Resettlement program: what it is, how it works, how individuals/parishes might be able to assist.

Intended Audience: Parish human concerns/social justice ministers, parish staffs, deacons, and anyone interested in assisting those in need. RSVP’s are encouraged. RSVP to: Deacon Dennis Brown at dgbrown92@aol.com, 847-542-6024 or Sue Geegan at sgeegan@holyfamilyparish.org, 847-907-3443.

Our next meeting for ALL retired men will be held on March 9th at 10:00 in the Board Room. Our speaker will be Andrew Larson of the Arlington Heights Fire Department. He will be speaking to us about Fire Safety Issues that should be of benefit to all of us. I am sure there are things that we might be doing that could be considered a fire hazard, like stopping our pastor after mass to chit-chat when he is in a hurry. Then when he gets back to the rectory, because he is in a hurry, he accidentally leaves the stove on after cooking up a large omelet to eat. Certainly, a fire hazard.

So come to our March meeting to hear how to avoid such hazards.

- Deacon Pierce

Bring a rosary! Bring a friend!
SUNDAY, MARCH 6, 2016
FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT: SECOND SCRUTINY OF THE ELECT
Pass it on
The song “Tradition” from The Fiddler on the Roof suggests that when we don’t have a clear reason for doing things a certain way, we call it “tradition.” However, the Latin root of tradition means handing down information or beliefs by word of mouth or by example from one generation to another. When it comes to preparing candidates for Baptism, the role of catechist is key and includes the passing on “by example.” To say, “We’re all catechists” is heavy-handed, but catechist or not, you are passing on the faith by example. What is your example (and not just in church)?

TODAY’S READINGS: 1 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a; Ephesians 5:8-14; John 9:1-14 (31). “It is so that the works of God might be made visible through him.”

MONDAY, MARCH 7
FEAST OF PERPETUA AND FELICITY, MARTYRS
Shining the light of hope
Perpetua and Felicity were imprisoned by the Romans in the early third century because of their faith. Until the time they were put to death, Perpetua kept a diary. She describes visits from her father, who begs her to renounce her faith. She describes tender moments with her child, the birth of Felicity’s baby, and visions about martyrdom. The diary reflects the women’s steadfast faith that God was with them, offering meaning and hope as they faced persecution. Today, let us ask Perpetua and Felicity to shine God’s light of hope upon all who suffer religious, social, and political injustice.


TUESDAY, MARCH 8
FEAST OF JOHN OF GOD, RELIGIOUS
We’re lost until we’re found
Portuguese born João Duarte Cidade, who we remember as John of God, offers inspiration and hope to anyone searching for their life calling. As a child in the early 1500s he was kidnapped, then left as a homeless beggar. He was a shepherd, then a soldier, then a shepherd again, then again a soldier and would-be Crusader, then on to a printer’s apprentice. Perhaps no wonder that a nervous breakdown followed. But at long last, in his mid-40s he had an awakening to his religious vocation. If you’re not sure where you’re going in life, keep your heart open, and your vocation will find you. God’s on the journey with you!

TODAY’S READINGS: Ezekiel 47:1-9; John 5:1-16 (24). “Do you want to be well?”

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 9
FEAST OF FRANCES OF ROME, RELIGIOUS
Living your vocation in the world
Do you wish you could share in the communal spirit of a religious community but have worldly commitments that don’t allow for formal religious life? There is another option, as exemplified by Frances of Rome, an Italian saint who was a wife, mother, mystic, organizer of charitable services, and a Benedictine oblate who founded a religious community of laypeople who shared a common life without religious vows. Associations whose members share in the spirit of a religious order or institute while remaining in the secular world are often called third orders (the first and second orders being the community’s vowed religious men and women). You can read more about “Associations of the Christian Faithful” at Code of Canon Law, canon 303.

TODAY’S READINGS: Isaiah 49:8-15; John 5:17-30 (24e). “I do not seek my own will but the will of the one who sends me.”

THURSDAY, MARCH 10
LENTEN WEEKDAY
All the way to beauty
How do you get from here to beauty? Catherine of Genoa found a way that sounds odd to modern ears: through purgation. This devout woman wrote her Treatise on Purgatory after an experience she describes as God’s final great mercy. The church views purgatory as a time rather than a place: literally the time it takes for a heaven-bound soul to arrive at perfection. Purgation is preparation for happiness, not punishment for sin. To arrive at ultimate beauty, most of us need to feel the last resistance to grace from our hearts.

TODAY’S READINGS: Exodus 32:7-14; John 5:31-47 (24f). “Let your blessing wash the earth; relent in punishing your people.”

FRIDAY, MARCH 11
LENTEN WEEKDAY
Day of abstinence
Be sweet without the sweets
Two weeks from Lent’s end, some of us may be burned out on seasonal sacrifice. Maybe we had the proverbial hot dog on a Friday, or ate the brownie we swore off these 40 days. Indulging in a lobster feast doesn’t quite match the spirit of Friday abstinence either. Whatever we consume by mistake or out of weakness, we need not be consumed by self-loathing. Nor is it good to fast perfectly but take it out on everyone. John Cassian wrote: “What we gain from fasting does not compensate for what we lose through anger.” Show mercy on yourself and others for shortcomings, Lenten and otherwise.

TODAY’S READINGS: Wisdom 2:1a, 12-22; John 7:1-12, 10, 25-30 (24g). “His life is not like that of others, and different are his ways.”

SATURDAY, MARCH 12
LENTEN WEEKDAY
Part of the crowd
In scripture, we’re often in the company of crowds: crowds that follow Jesus and are fed by him; crowds that ask Jesus and church officials some tough questions; crowds with a mob mentality; thoughtful crowds that are trying make sense of confusing things they’ve seen and heard. The crowds offer diverse perspectives, such that we might better understand who Jesus is and what it means to believe. As you hang out with your crowds today—in scripture and at work, school, and home—what new insights about Jesus might they offer you?

TODAY’S READINGS: Jeremiah 11:18-20; John 7:40-53 (24h). “Some in the crowd who heard these words said, ‘This is truly the Prophet.’ Others said, ‘This is the Messiah.’ But others said, ‘The Messiah will not come from Galilee, will he?’”
### Parish Life Commission

**WELCOME ~ NEWLY REGISTERED PARISHIONERS!**

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**SLU COLLEGE ROAD TRIP—FEBRUARY 26, 2016**

Fr. Matt joined St. James students/families at a college visit to St. Louis University on Friday, February 26th.

Lunch at Vito’s Restaurant, near campus

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St. Xavier College Church
Over 50 Social Group

Lenten Talk: Tuesday, March 8th at 12:30pm in the O’Brien Room
Jo Anne Mullen-Muhr will present a Lenten talk on Mercy. RSVP to Gerry at: 847-398-2097

“Jewels of Poland”: Wednesday, March 16th from 1-3pm in the O’Brien Room
Jeanette & Slim Petrie will show and talk about their tour “Jewels of Poland.”
RSVP to Gerry at 847-398-2097

COMING IN APRIL -
Bus Trip to the National Shrine and Museum of St. Theresa of Lisieux, the Little Flower, in Darien, IL
Details to follow.

COMING IN MAY -
Mother’s Day Luncheon—May 5th
12:00 Noon
Palm Court Restaurant
Details to follow.

SPRING BIRD WALK
Crabtree Nature Center (Details to follow.)

Parish Life Commission

Help Support Parish Youth Ministries and Special Olympics

Knights of Columbus Hall
15 N. Hickory Ave.
Arlington Heights, IL

Hall located six blocks east of Arlington Heights Road and 2.5 blocks south of Euclid.

Friday Fish Fry

Knights of Columbus Hall
15 N. Hickory Ave.
Arlington Heights, IL

These Fridays During Lent:
Starting February 12, 2016 through March 18, 2016
Time: 5:30pm – 8:00pm

Help support parish youth ministries and Special Olympics.

A separate dessert table will be provided by the Ladies Auxiliary for a good will offering to a charity.

St. James YM will serve on March 11.

Saint James Theatre
Proudly Presents
The Summer Musical for 2016

hairspray
THE BROADWAY MUSICAL

Open Casting Call for Adults, Teenagers and Children - Feature and Ensemble Parts Available

Audition Workshop (optional): Saturday, April 9th, 2-5 PM
Auditions: Tuesday, April 12th & Wednesday, April 13th, 6:30-9PM
Callbacks: Saturday, April 16th (times will vary)

Audition accommodations available for out-of-town students - please check our website for details

If you prefer not to be on stage, we can always use your talents behind the scenes

For more information and to join our mailing list visit: www.stjamestheatre.org

Watch for details on July performance dates coming soon - we hope you’ll join us!
Parish Life Commission

Easter Sweets and Snacks Needed!

Each year after the Easter Vigil, a reception is held to celebrate with the new RCIA candidates and their families. To make the reception special, the PPC (Parish Pastoral Council) needs help from the parish community to provide Easter sweets and snacks!

We need lots of cookies and brownies, small fruit trays, and salty snacks dropped off at the Parish Center on Sat., March 26, between 3 and 4:30 p.m. (Arrangements for early drop off can be made.)

If you are able to contribute to this special event, please send an email to Dave Chaplin at david.m.chaplin@gmail.com.

The PPC thanks you in advance for your support—and for all that you do to make St. James a welcoming Catholic community!

PRODUCEMOBILE
Free fresh fruit and vegetables—from the Greater Chicago Food Depository

2016 Distributions, Thursdays, 9:30 to 11:30am
- St. Thomas of Villanova Parish—1201 E. Anderson Dr., Palatine  March 10
- St. Emily Parish—1400 E. Central Road, Mt. Prospect  April 16
- St. Colette Parish—3900 Pheasant Dr., Rolling Meadows  May 12
- St. Edna Parish—2525 N. Arlington Heights Road  June 9

It is recommended that you bring your own shopping cart. Please note that dates may change due to special occasions, holidays or emergencies and ending time may vary based on food allocations.

If you have any questions, please call the Food Depository at 773-247-FOOD.

Need to publicize an event or ministry?

Publicity is an important ingredient for the success of any program, event or new ministry. The weekly parish bulletin, the video message board in the gathering space, and the St. James website and social media channels are the main ways to get publicity within the St. James community. A new publicity toolkit is now available in the http://www.stjamesah.org/st-james-parish-publicity-toolkit section of www.stjamesah.org which details the submission guidelines and deadlines for these parish publicity channels. Look for the button on the home page.

St. James Moms Unite!
Let’s go to the Hearts-at-Home Mom’s Conference together!

The Hearts at Home conference is for MOMS only and features more than 30 workshops, inspirational main session speakers and a broad scope of resources, all designed to help every mother EMBRACE and UNLEASH the combination of talents and qualities that make her unique as a mom.

After attending, you’ll find your vision refreshed, your heart full, and your perspective transformed.

Parishioners Katherine Sheldon and Tina Haisman have attended the conference in the past and are arranging for a group of St. James moms to go together.

The conference is Friday, April 22 at the Peoria Civic Center in Peoria. We will leave in the afternoon on Thursday, April 21 and spend one night in a hotel.

For more information about arrangements for St. James Moms, contact Katherine (kusheldon@gmail.com) or Tina (tina@haisman.net).

To learn more about the conference or register, visit the Hearts at Home website at www.heartsathome.org. Our hotel RSVP deadline is March 30.
**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**
Luncheons are served daily for seniors 60 and older at Arlington Heights Senior Center, 1801 W. Central. Suggested donation is $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
- Al-Anon/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 Arl. 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. Kenncott, Arl. Hts. 847-899-0195

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

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

**AA (Alcoholics Anonymous)** - meets in the old St. James School Basement, 821 N. Arlington Heights Rd. (east side of Arlington Hts. Rd.) every Monday and Wednesday evening. (Monday is a Men’s Meeting.) Both the Monday and Wednesday meetings start at 8:30pm. Enter through Door A5. AA is a self-help group for people with a drinking problem.

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

**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.

**Mike Small’s Basketball Camp**
Mike Small will conduct his popular Basketball Camps at St. James and St. Alphonsus. 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 (Due to July 4th weekend, we will go Monday through Thursday 2 1/2 hours a day.)

**Monday, June 27 – Thurs. June 30**
Boys/Girls Grades 3-6  8:30am - 11am;   Boys/Girls Grades K-2  11:00am - 1:30pm
For information, contact Mike/Tina Small website: www.mike-small.com  
Email: Info@mike-small.com or 847-635-8437

**SHARE**
**Job & Networking Ministry**
Are you in transition or looking for a better job? At each meeting, we have a speaker on various topics, followed by networking.
Our Lady of the Wayside 434 W. Park St., Arlington Hts.
For information about upcoming meeting dates, please contact: Jim Pekarek at 847-767-7859, or Beth Ann Finis at 312-813-9162

**Grief Support Group**
The St. James Grief Support Group meets every Tuesday from 7-8:15 pm in Conference Room 1 at the Parish Office. The group offers support through sharing, listening, and learning from each other’s story of grief and loss. You do not need to commit to all of the sessions, but may attend as many as you find helpful. The next session runs from April 5th—May 3rd. For information, call MaryJo at 224-345-7200, ext. 8512 and leave a message.

**St. Viator Easter Egg Hunt & Carnival**
St. Viator High School invites all Toddlers-3rd Graders to our Easter Egg Hunt and Carnival, on March 13th, from 1-3 pm. The egg hunt begins at 2:30 pm. Place: St. Viator Gymnasium; Cost: $5 per child. Please bring your own basket. Unlimited games, prizes and crafts; Easter Bunny visit; egg hunt—separate age groups; rain or shine!

**GOOD NEWS!**
Viatorian Fr. Charlie Bolser will be leading bible study meetings for women beginning March 15, 2:00, at the Viatorian Province Center. These Bible studies will continue the third Tuesday of every month. Please join this enriching experience. Need more information? Phone Sue French, 847-259-5282 or Maureen Ruane, 847-398-3907
**Stewardship**

February 28, 2016

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**OUR CHARITY**

Thank you for your generous donations to our weekly collections, which allow us to support various groups, agencies and organizations who require help.

During the month of March, our charity will support the Church in Central and Eastern Europe, and also:

- **Holy Thursday:** Kolbe House Prison Ministry
- **Good Friday:** People and Shrines in the Holy Land

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**Please pray for our sick...**
Kate Lange, Edna O. Martin, Carol Austin

**In Loving Memory...**
Grace Drasler...Aunt of Fr. Bill Zavaski
Donald Sanders...Husband of Carol; father of Diane Sanders Murphy and Douglas (Judy) Sanders; grandfather of Quinn and Griffin Murphy and Jake and Jenna Sanders; brother of Thomas (Mary) Sanders

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**Baptisms**
Leah Rae Brown...daughter of Lane & Lisa (Schranz) Brown
Emila Jae LaMonica...daughter of Michael & Stephanie (Surber) LaMonica
Caroline Mae Long...daughter of David & Dawn (Busse) Long
Anne Elizabeth Long...daughter of David & Dawn (Busse) Long

**Wedding Banns**
March 19, 2016
Henry Lloyd & Lindsay Anastacio

March 19, 2016
Kathleen Corrigan & Casey Lynde

**Rose for Life**
This week’s Rose for Life is donated by Diane Dillon in gratitude for the miracle of Charlie Roselle on his sixth birthday, March 9th.

**Remembrances**

**Saturday Evening/Sunday Morning, March 6**
John Fedyski, Dana Mangi, Stanley K. Rogers, Michael J. Whelan, Sr., Julia Jachec, Bernadette Paluso

**Monday, March 7**
Rosemary Huber, Jane Anderson

**Tuesday, March 8**
Clarence Trampf

**Wednesday, March 9**
John Powers, Donald D. Barrett, Patrick Kett

**Thursday, March 10**
John Roth (10th Anniv.), Laura Coda, Dana Mangi, Joseph S. Koleczek, Felix Tomenbang

**Friday, March 11**
Mary Jean Limp (1st Anniv.), Bernard Owens

**Saturday, March 12**
Robert Coda, Dr. John Ryan

**Saturday Evening/Sunday Morning, March 13**
Rosemary Huber, John Fedyski, Keith Connolly, Mary Gustafson, Stanley Rogers, Estelle Perry, Carson Clark, Carola Roe de lecca
**Presiders**

**Saturday evening:**
- 5:00 pm  Fr. Gilbert Mashurano

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

(A signer will be present at the 5pm Sunday Mass.)

**Altar Servers**

SAT 12-Mar  5:00 pm A. BECK A. BECK B. BECK
SUN 13-Mar  7:00 am D. RAUPP P. RAUPP R. O’GRADY
SUN 13-Mar  8:30 am T. REISS L. PITTAS M. CASSADY
SUN 13-Mar 10:00 pm J. LIFKA V. CARSO
SUN 13-Mar 11:30 pc M. STACK A. FERRISS N. SPIESS
SUN 13-Mar  5:00 pm E. BLEASDALE M. BLEASDALE T. TOCZYCKI

**Lectors**

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

**Sunday:**
- 7:00 am J.Novotny, P.Sokop
- 8:30 am S.Nowakowski, K.Ponce
- 10:00 am St. James Families: Reddin/Rzaca
- 11:30 am S.Sharer, A.Meyers
- 5:00 pm D.Chengary, P.Farrell

**Scripture Readings**

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF March 6, 2016**

**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; J 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:**
- Is 43:16-21; Ps 126:1-6; Phil 3:8-14; Jn 8:1-11; Alternate readings (Year A):
  - Ez 37:12-14; Ps 130:1-8; Rom 8:8-11;

**Eucharistic Ministers**

(A Team)

**Saturday: Parish Center**
- 5:00pm  G.Sherva, M.Dolan, C.Zywiciel, A.Meyers
- E.Duque, C.Williams,
- M.Nugent, S.Szott

**Sunday:**
- Church
  - 7:00 am  D. O’Grady, J.DeLio
  - M. Walsh, Jr.

**Sunday:**
- Church
  - 8:30 am  C.Burke, J.Burke, E.Crittenden,
  - MJ.Jarosz, L.Obelking, F.Miossi
  - R.Turney, D.Varchetto, C.Frenzer

**Sunday: Parish Center**
- 10:00 am  K.Imhoff, K.Kelly, S.Lindemann,
- P.Lipper, J. Young
- T.McDonnell, B.Nielsen,
- M.Rutkowski

**Sunday:**
- Church
  - 11:30 am  M.Byrne, B.Gedmin,
  - S.Sharer, A.VandenAvont, N.Aguila

**Sunday:**
- Church
  - 5:00 pm  P.Farrell, G.Farrell, P.Farrell

**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
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Questions? Call the parish business office at 224-345-7211 or 7212

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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 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.

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Monday-Friday  9:00am—8:00pm
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