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This is my commandment: love one another as I love you.

John 15:12
A Reflection…
from Fr. Joji Thanugundla, Associate Pastor

May 10, 2015

Happy Mother’s Day!

Blessings to all mothers through the intercession of Mary our Mother.

My favorite thought, thinking of Mary our blessed Mother and all mothers, both living and deceased is: A mother carries a child for nine months in her womb and for the rest of her life in her HEART.

During this month of May, we think of Mary, our Mother. She is the greatest model of God’s love in the world and in each of our lives. Through her humility and obedience she teaches us all how to live and how to love. Through the following of her Son, Jesus, she inspires us to persevere in our daily struggles and walk through life until the end. May she intercede for each of us and fill us with faith and love.

I am also thankful for the gift of my Mom (Mary) who I adore and love. Each time I talk to her I gain tremendous courage and experience her unconditional love. In my time of reflection and looking into myself, I often think of my parents and the role of my mom. In this world which at times is filled with darkness and turmoil, mothers are a wonderful blessing to fill us with joy, hope and the freshness of life. They are God’s images of pure love and sacrifice. They give up so much of their lives for family and children. It is impossible to think of this world without mothers. On this day, this weekend, every weekend, every day and every moment we have to be thankful to God for all our mothers, both living and deceased. It is not enough just to wish them Happy Mother’s Day, but also to give them our love, respect, gratitude and take care of them when they are old and fragile. In this modern world, where there is individualism and materialism taking priority, where everyone is glued to the TV/ sports and technology, we need to realize the beautiful presence of our mothers and give them the most precious gift of all, the gift of our TIME.

A mother’s job is very tough and is filled with many challenges. They have to take care of a million things and be available and attentive to all kids and their needs at the same time. I see the schedules of many young moms driving the kids to their activities all the time and wonder do they have enough time to breath, relax and be together to pray? I realize their daily struggles, tasks and deadlines and wonder how can they do it?

This is my prayer for all the moms: that God blesses them and keeps them safe in his love and care. To my Mom in India...............Mom, I love you. You are the best and greatest of all. Thank you for your love and sacrifice. Happy Mother’s Day.

Blessings and peace,
Fr. Joji Thanugundla

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

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

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 especially for the sick and homebound so that they can experience a closer relationship with the parish. If you or a loved one is interested in participating in this ministry, please contact parishioner Marilyn Neuman at 224-345-7200, or: MinistryofPraise@stjamesah.org

St. James Backyard Masses are BACK—by popular demand!

Celebrate Summer by hosting a Mass in your yard.

To reserve a date for a Mass:

1. Choose a date. (Masses will be celebrated Monday-Friday, June 1st – August 21st.)
2. Please have 2 date options for your Mass.
3. Call or email Liz Czajkowski at the Parish Office—224-345-7205 or parishoffice@stjamesah.org

Fr. Matt, Fr. Joji and Fr. Gilbert look forward to celebrating summer with you and your neighbors!

Sunday, May 10th
(Mother’s Day)

with
Mark Forrest
International Irish Tenor

7:00pm in the Church

You are invited to A MOMENT IN TIME
“Come Walk with Me”

A time of Meditation • Music • Prayer • Healing

Happy Mother’s Day!
The Knights of Columbus, Holy Rosary Council #4483

Join us as we pray Pro-Life Rosary Meditations

Parish rotation schedule:

Our Lady of the Wayside Parish, May 13 before 8:30 am Mass
St. Edna Parish, June 10 after 8 am Mass
St. Colette Parish, July 8 after 8 am Mass

For further information
Jim or Sue McPherrin, Pro-Life Chair couple
Holy Rosary Council #4483  jamesmcpherrin@gmail.com

The Knights of Columbus remains firmly committed to defending the right to life of every human being, from the moment of conception to natural death.

A Correction…

St. James Religious Education would like to offer a apology and correction. The names of two of our First Communicants were spelled incorrectly.

The correct names were Nicholas Fontanetta and Anthony Zebron.
Thank you to the Fontanetta and Zebron families for their graciousness and understanding.
SUNDAY, MAY 10, 2015  
SOMT SUNDAY OF EASTER
You've got a friend
A high-school junior recently pointed out that the word "friend" has lost its meaning. "Isn't there a difference between having a real friend and thousands of Facebook 'friends'?' Indeed there is, and the difference is trust. A true friend is someone who knows your heart because you have opened it to him or her. This takes trust. It's risky to let yourself be known deeply. But this is just what Jesus does in these hours before his Passion: "I have called you friends, because I have told you everything I have heard from my Father." How do you respond to Jesus calling you his friend? What do you expect of a friend? What do you think Jesus expects of you, his friend?
TODAY’S READINGS: Acts 10:23-26, 34-38, 44-46; 1 John 4:7-10; John 15:9-17 (25b). "This is my commandment: Love one another as I love you."

MONDAY, MAY 11  
EASTER WEEKDAY
Be a good host
From his birth in a stable to his travels as an adult, Jesus gave others the opportunity to take care of him by offering their shelter, sustenance, and company. It was while relaxing and dining as a guest that he imparted so many of his greatest teachings. Christians are called to welcome and serve others as Christ was welcomed and served. Consider opening your home, your wallet, your heart to strangers on a regular basis. You never know what spiritual gifts are in store.
TODAY’S READINGS: Acts 16:11-15; John 15:26-16:4a (29a). "If you consider me a believer in the Lord, come and stay at my home."

TUESDAY, MAY 12  
FEAST OF PANCRAS, MARTYR
Growing up fast
What were you doing when you were 14? Hanging out with your friends, catching a movie, studying for an eighth-grade exam? Things were quite a bit tougher for Pancras, a Roman youth of 14 who had converted to Christianity along with his family around the year 300. During the persecution of Christians by Diocletian, Pancras refused to perform a sacrifice to the Roman gods. Impressed with the boy's determination to resist, Diocletian promised him riches, but Pancras chose martyrdom instead. Whether or not you would have had the courage at 14—or now—to make the same choice, you can honor Pancras today for the choice he made—one of us all.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 13  
EASTER WEEKDAY
OMG! Awesome!
Catholic Christians are a conundrum. Our creed is a litany of OMGs (Oh my God!) literally and figuratively. We believe in one God who is three persons. We believe God became fully human while remaining fully divine. We believe in the resurrection of the dead. Even with these mysteries of our faith, we can come to know our God personally. Theologian Karl Rahner wrote frequently of the experience of God as an intermingling of incomprehensibility and intimacy: "Thanks be to your mercy, you Infinite God, that I don't just know about you with concepts and words, but have experienced you, lived you, suffered you." Amen!
TODAY’S READINGS: Acts 17:15, 22—18:1; John 16:12-15 (29c). "It is God who gives to everyone life and breath and everything."

THURSDAY, MAY 14  
SOLEMNITY OF THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD
Body and soul rise to the occasion
We’ve all seen artwork commemorating the Ascension—typically Jesus hovering in a cloud above his disciples, taking his leave of this earth with a blessing and promise to return one day. We usually focus on the fact that Jesus “left” earth. But the deeper significance of this event is that Jesus' humanity is taken to heaven with him. He enters into his glory fully embodied. What this tells us is that our own bodies, with all the aches and pains and vulnerability to illness and death, are also sacred space. God redeems all of us—soul and body. Give thanks with every breath, in every cell in your body!
TODAY’S READINGS: Acts 1:1-11; Ephesians 4:11-13 or Ephesians 1:17-23; Mark 15:20 (29d). "Go into the whole world and proclaim the gospel to every creature."

FRIDAY, MAY 15  
FEAST OF ISIDORE
Holiness starts with humility
Humility comes from knowing we’re dust: literally humus, the soil. So Isidore the farmer and his wife Maria de la Cabeza, both saints, were planted in holy ground from the start. From humble beginnings, miracles spring up like grass! Today Muslims celebrate Laylat al-Miraj, the event through which their prophet rose into his destiny. Mohammed had a vision in which he meets Adam, John, and Jesus; Joseph, Aaron, Moses, and Abraham. Through these holy encounters, he discovers the necessity to bow and pray before God five times daily. Practice the humility of bowing: before the tabernacle, at the cross, in the presence of all that’s holy.
TODAY’S READINGS: Acts 18:9-18; John 16:20-23 (29e). "Amen, amen, I say to you, whatever you ask the Father in my name he will give you."

SATURDAY, MAY 16  
EASTER WEEKDAY
Faith practiced is faith perfected
It can be hard to face the fact that life isn’t perfect. What you hope for isn’t always so and the road to change can be a long one. The journey of life isn’t meant to be perfect, however, it’s meant to perfect us—to make holy what is by working toward wholeness. Jesus longs for you to be whole. Catholic teaching defines prayer as the raising of one’s mind and heart to God or the requesting of good things from God. Note the qualifier—“of good things.” But what is good? Think of this way: What do you need today so that you can be more whole? What will allow you to be a joyful witness to the gospel? Start there!
TODAY’S READINGS: Acts 18:23-28; John 16:23-28 (29f). "Whatever you ask the Father in my name he will give you."

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St. James Mission Week
Serving-Arlington Heights Race Track & St. Malachy grade school
“DISCOVER... JESUS CHRIST THE WAY”
July 13~17, 2015

“Each one of them is Jesus in disguise” Mother Teresa

7th-12th graders (2015-2016) are invited to join in this Mission Service week at
St. James Parish to “recognize Jesus!!

M. July 13 – 8:00 am Meet at St. James Parish Center, serving Race Track, Pick up (St. James) at 4 pm.

T. July 14 – 8:00 am Meet at St. James Parish Center, serving Race Track, Pick up (St. James) at 4 pm.

W. July 15 – 7:45 am Meet at St. James Parish Center, serving St. Malachy, Pick up (St. James) at 4 pm.

TH. July 16 – 7:45 am Meet at St. James Parish Center, serving St. Malachy, Pick up (St. James) at 4 pm.

F. July 17 – 7:45 am Meet at St. James Parish Center, serving St. Malachy, Pick up (St. James) at 4 pm.

Please cut and turn in the bottom portion to Sr. Faustina with Payment

Deadline for sign up is May 30, 2015 [Adults are needed!]

(Participation is on space available basis...5 Youth per 1 “Adult” to sign up)

I would like to make a donation for St. James Mission Week enclosed is $________

Please Print

Name _____________________________ Current Age ______ Next Grade 2015-16 ______

School Name 2015-2016 _____________________________ D.O.B. ___/___/____

Parent’s Cell Phone _____________________________

Parent’s Email _____________________________

I hereby give permission to my son/daughter (Fill in participants name) __________________________ to participate in event sponsored by St. James. I hereby release and indemnify the Archdiocese of Chicago, (name of Parish/school) St. James, for this event, its staff and volunteers; and the Catholic Bishop of Chicago, a corporation sole, from any and all liability arising from claims of any kind or nature whatsoever from my child’s participation in the program. I understand that if my child violates any laws regarding possession of alcohol or drugs, or rules governing the event, I will be called and notified about situation and/or arrangements made to send my child home at my expense.

Medical Authorizations
In the event that the undersigned cannot be reached, and in the judgment of the responsible adults or other appropriate staff members accompanying the group. If there is a necessity for immediate examination and/or treatment of my child, I hereby authorize any of the aforesaid personnel to obtain for my child such medical services as are deemed necessary.
St. James Parish accepts online gifts through GiveCentral. You can donate by using your credit/debit card OR checking account, making either one-time or recurring donations. We understand that most transactions today are done electronically, so we want to provide you with that same convenient option here at St. James! In April 351 parishioners used GiveCentral to either make donation or a payment for Religious Ed, VBS, etc. Please consider joining this trend! You can choose to enroll yourself, or have the business office help you. Regardless of the enrollment process, you can always visit the GiveCentral site at any time to make changes to your donations or personal information (or have us help you).

**ENROLL YOURSELF**

1. Go to www.stjamesah.org and click “ONLINE GIVING”, then “DONATE ONLINE/click here”.
2. Check the box next to each “Event” to which you would like to donate. Enter the frequency, date range and dollar amount for each; click “NEXT”.
3. When finished entering events, click “ADD TO MY GIFT BASKET”.
4. Verify the donations you have entered and click “CHECKOUT”.
5. Create your online giving profile and payment information. The fields marked with asterisks are required. Click “REGISTER & CONFIRM GIFT” to complete the process.

**LET US PROCESS YOUR ENROLLMENT**

Not comfortable on the computer? Call Tricia in the business office 224.345.7211. She’ll ask you to provide your payment information and donation choices and set up your account login for you.

**AN IMPORTANT NOTE FOR CURRENT GIVECENTRAL USERS:**

Please verify your donation schedule online – your donations may have ceased if they were set up for a specific timeframe.

If you are using GiveCentral and wish to no longer receive church donation envelopes, please let us know – you’ll still receive regular church mailings, but NOT the donation envelopes.

If you donate via GiveCentral but would still prefer to place an (empty) envelope in the collection basket, simply check the “electronic fund transfer” box on your envelope and leave the amount blank.

Please contact the business office with ANY questions at 224-345-7211 or 7212.

**Thank you for your generosity and support. Your contributions are greatly appreciated!**
St. James Parish Stewardship Funds Request
Needs Assessment Form 2015

The St. James family is a welcoming Catholic community sent forth from our celebration of the Eucharist to walk in faith, to live in hope, and act in love. The Stewardship Fund presents the opportunity for St. James as a parish, and as individuals, to contribute time, talent and treasures to charitable organizations.

We seek to make grants to organizations that we can partner with to provide opportunities for St. James parishioners to get involved in and energized about the organizations’ missions, as well as create opportunities for those organizations to be active with St. James. Funds will be awarded to those organizations that demonstrate a commitment to the following values embodied by St. James Parish:

- Faith filled
- Evangelizers
- Transparent visionaries
- Accountable stewards
- In service to all
- Bold and courageous
- Compassionate and humble

Please provide the requested information and return the completed application questionnaire to the Parish Office. You may pick up a copy of the questionnaire in the Parish Office, and also on the website, under “Ministry Overview.” The application deadline is May 15, 2015.

Name of organization:
Contact name and title:
Tax exempt number:
Address:
Please describe your organization’s mission or purpose:
Religious affiliation of organization
- If you are a Catholic organization, how are you supporting the St. James values listed above?
Dollar amount requested for 2015:
What percentage of funds will be used for administrative purposes and/or fundraising?
- Number of paid employees:
If St. James Stewardship Funds are awarded, how will they be used?
What services does your organization provide?
Who are the primary beneficiaries of the services?
What is your primary service area?
What is the total number of people served?
If awarded, the St. James Stewardship Fund grant would be what percentage of your total budget for 2015?
Please describe your organization’s volunteer opportunities for youth, families and adults/number of full and part-time volunteers.
To increase St. James Parish’s community outreach, please describe ways your organization could expand opportunities for volunteers.
- How many St. James parishioners participated in your organization this past year?
Has your organization received financial support (donations or in-kind contributions) from St. James in the past? If so, please briefly describe.

Please return the completed questionnaire to St. James Parish by May 15, 2015.
Thank you.
On November 7th, Jubilation at James will host their 21st annual charity fundraising benefit. Help is needed to fill the following volunteer positions!
Some committees may need your help soon, so sign-up now by returning the form to the parish office, Attn: Jubilation or call/email Mary Lynn at 224-345-7209 or mmassa@stjamesah.org.

Decoration Committee
☐ I may have time as needed for projects in Sept. & Oct. - contact me.

High School Student Volunteers
☐ I am available to work for a few hours the week of Sunday, Nov. 1st through Sunday, Nov. 8th for service hours. We also need students volunteers to work at Jubilation at Nov. 7th, but parent or responsible adult must be in attendance. (Sign up now and we will contact you with specific times.)

Acquisitions Committee
☐ I might know someone who would like to donate unique items or special opportunities? I have a contact in the hotel, restaurant, sports or entertainment industry or I know of someone who has a business who might be able to help us get items for the auction.
☐ I would be happy to drop off donation forms to businesses and restaurants.

Gift-Gathering Committee
☐ I know how to have fun and will host or co-host a gift-gathering party for adults or children or would like more information.

Production Committee
☐ I have time on Nov. 5 in the evening and/or Nov. 6 during the day to help with set-up of auction items. (Nov. 5th is a great opportunity for high school service hours.)

Catalog Delivery Committee
☐ I can help deliver auction catalogs to Jubilation attendees during the day in my neighborhood/area.

Nightworkers Committee
☐ I want to be a part of the evening, be able to bid and work at the same time - either overseeing the silent auction tables, live auction bidders, or other essential positions on Nov. 7. Great job for couples – enjoy auction party!

Class Gifts Committee
☐ I would be willing to help chair this committee.
☐ I am a school parent and would like to assist students in grade_____ with a class gift to be auctioned at Jubilation.

__________________________________________________________
Name(s):_________________________________________Home #:________________

Address:___________________________________________

Email:__________________________________________Cell/Work #:________________
St. James Resource Center

Books, DVD’s, CD’s are available in the Parish Resource Center.

The Resource Center is open at the following times:

Monday-Friday—9:00am—8:00pm
Saturday-Sunday—9:00am-1:00pm

Golden Wedding Anniversary

The Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass will be held on Sunday, August 30th, 2015 at 2:45pm at Holy Name Cathedral, 735 North State Street, Chicago, Illinois.

Couples married in 1965 interested in attending this celebration should contact their parish to register.

For further information, call the Marriage and Family Ministries Office of the Archdiocese of Chicago at 312-534-8351 or visit the website:
www.marriageandfamilyministries.org

Grief Support Group

The St. James Grief Support Group meets from 7-8:15 pm in Conference Room 1 at the Parish Office.

The current session will end on May 26th.

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.

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

Manna at St. James!

Please consider buying MANNA Cards for teacher/coach/scout leader gifts, spring cleaning, home improvement, graduation presents, etc!
(a gift from MANNA is always the right color and size).

Gift Certificates are available for purchase at the parish office
Monday thru Friday 9am-3pm

You can order cards for most of your favorite stores.
If it’s not on the MANNA Order Form, check out mannagroup.net for LOTS more vendors and just write in your order!

A $50 gift card costs you $50, and St. James gets a profit of each sale

MANNA is available after all masses EXCEPT 5pm Sunday.
If you’d consider helping as a MANNA Volunteer, we’d LOVE to have you!
We’re especially looking for someone after the 10am mass
Call the business office 224.345.7211 or 7212 for more information.
St. James-fest 2015

The Second Annual St. James-fest...the ‘World’s Smallest Block Party with the Most Fun’

**What:** Block party food and beverages...hamburgers, hot dogs, NEW THIS YEAR...ROASTED PIG...beverages for young and old. TWO bounce houses; movie for the kids after dark; bag-o, volleyball, basketball, water balloon launches, conversation, and a DJ. Bring a blanket or sleeping bag for the kids movie!

**When:** Saturday, June 6th, right after the 5:00 PM Mass till about 10:30 PM.

**Where:** The grassy area between the Church and the Rectory.

**Who:** All St. James Parishioners. Bring a blanket...bring a chair!

**Why:** Just to get together before the summer begins...come on out and spend time with each other!

**Cost:** Not much! This isn’t a fund raiser...minimal costs for beer and wine...just to break even.

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**Thank You!**

Thank you to the members of St. James who signed up to serve as liturgical ministers (and in other capacities) at our recent Liturgical Ministry Recruitment Weekend. We are grateful for your commitment to assist our parish and its members!

Here are some of the signup statistics:

- Student altar servers—1
- Environment & Art—2
- Ushers—5
- Care Ministers—2
- Adult Funeral Servers—3
- Lectors—11
- Eucharistic Ministers—37
- Music Ministry/Choir—3
- Greeting Ministry—5
- Other ministries/groups—3

**Missed the Liturgical Ministry Recruitment Weekend?**

You can still sign up to volunteer! Please call Judy Tomasiewicz at the Parish Office, 224-345-7206.
St. James Women’s Club Woman of the Year……Dorothy Varchetto!

Congratulations are in order to the 2015 St. James Women’s Club “Woman of the Year”, dear Dorothy Varchetto! You may think you don’t know Dorothy. If not, please allow me to introduce you to this lively 92 years young lady woman of faith, who is still going strong.

Dorothy was born and raised in Chicago. She even met her husband there at a Tuesday night dance at Holy Name Church on the southwest side of the city. They married in August of 1947. God blessed them with two sons and a daughter who they raised in Wilmette while belonging to St. Joseph Church, where Dorothy became a Eucharistic Minister and helped with parties there. She worked for twelve years at a telephone repair company in Rogers Park after attending daily Mass each morning. She still attends daily Mass here at St. James.

Although neither she nor her husband were ever in the military, Dorothy became involved with the American War Veterans Club and served many roles during her decades-long membership, including past national president of the organization. She was also a member of the Italian Veterans Association for many years.

After her husband died in 1998, Dorothy moved to Arlington Heights and became a St. James parishioner and Women’s Club member. Here too, she is a Eucharistic minister at the 8:30am Mass every Sunday, and a few days during the week. Dorothy said she previously served on the pastoral council, and has also helped as a funeral Mass server, a Sacristan, a PADS volunteer cook and server, assisted with funeral lunches, belonged to a bible study and small faith sharing group, and helped start the Over 50 social club.

Her family continues to be ever present in her life. Although she has outlived all her siblings, her sons and daughter have blessed her with eight grandchildren she adores. She is thrilled at the prospect of welcoming her first great-grandchild later this year.

St. James Women’s Club salutes Dorothy for her lively participation in parish life at St. James for 16 years in the eighth and ninth decade of her life. When many others are scaling back, Dorothy is revving up! Dorothy is a woman of great faith and devotion to God as witnessed by her faithful daily Mass attendance.

Now you know Dorothy! Please join us in congratulating her on this honor and in thanking her for being an inspiration and a blessing to us.

Written by Kathy Kasprowicz. Photo by Patty Colabuono.

Congratulations!
St. James Women’s Club Scholarships

St. James is proud to sponsor academic scholarships for our members and their children and grandchildren. The recipients of the 2014-2015 St. James Women’s Club Scholarships are:

Post High School—Mary Claire Bannon

Post High School—Mark Hoffman

Mary Claire will be attending St. Louis University.
Mark will be attending the University of Alabama.
St. James Peace & Justice

2015 travelers meet with Just Haiti coffee growers

The coffee growers of Just Haiti gathered in January 2015 with St. James travelers to talk about their challenges. As the growers shared their difficulties and hopes, one man waited patiently to speak. When all were done, he asked if he could speak. His name was Historiste Mathieu. "Stories matter..." he began. "We have been sharing our stories because we believe they matter." Historiste went on to talk about the diseases that have impacted their coffee trees. He spoke about the deterioration of the land and the change in climate. He was very proud that his son is a scholarship recipient who will be interning with the growers during the summer months.

One grower, Nocaël Fabian, pointed out that while having interns work with associations might be helpful, the interns are "green", i.e., young and not yet experienced. Through continued discussion it was agreed that the growers had much to teach the interns but the interns also had new, important information to share with the growers.

As we continued to share stories, we learned that Nocaël's son is a friend of Historiste's son. It is because of their friendship that Nocaël will soon be joining the growers association. The St. James travelers gave them pictures of coffee sales at St. James and told them of the many parishioners that purchase their coffee. They passed around the pictures and were pleased.

After the stories were shared, those in attendance signed their name. These are the names and signatures of the some of the growers in Haiti that you support.

Their stories matter.

Just Haiti began because co-founders Kim Lambert and Fr. Pascal believed the stories of the Haitian people matter. Just Haiti has grown because board members and you supporters believe their stories matter. And Haiti's situation will improve because people all over the world feel that Haiti's story matters. If you have a story of how purchasing Just Haiti coffee has impacted your life, send it to us so we can share it in our bulletin:

peaceandjustice@stjamesal.org.

St. James ~ Haiti Trip 2016 Information Meeting
Thursday, May 14, 2015, 7:00pm in the O’Brien Room

Come to learn more about St. James’ Project Haiti and future trips. Can’t make it but want info? Email us!
**Stepping Stones** is a St. James ministry dedicated to increasing parish awareness and understanding of the problem of domestic violence and supporting, through referral and prayer, victims of emotional, financial, physical or sexual abuse by a spouse or intimate partner. After more than three years as a parish organization, we have expanded our focus to include teen dating violence and violence prevention.

WE INVITE YOU TO JOIN OUR TEAM!
Would you like to:

* Broaden your knowledge of domestic violence and dating violence?
* Help increase awareness and understanding among our parishioners and area residents?
* Plan and participate in parish and community awareness events?

If you’re sixteen and over and answered “yes,” please contact Pat Kellen to learn more at 847-253-3909 or pat.a.kellen@gmail.com.

Help us give a voice to the victims of domestic and dating violence!

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**St. James Stewardship in Action!**

**Thank You**
**from Misericordia!**

Many thanks to the families and friends who so generously donated in support of Misericordia Home!

Your kindness is greatly appreciated!

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**Catholic Relief Services Response to the Nepal Earthquake**

On Saturday, April 25th, Nepal experienced a massive earthquake of 7.8 magnitude about 50 miles northwest of Kathmandu. On Sunday, April 26th, another 6.7 magnitude aftershock of the initial quake was experienced. The death toll has reached over 5,000, with at least 11,200 injured. Catholic Relief Services has made an initial commitment of $725,000 toward relief efforts in Nepal. Please consider assisting in this effort, and praying for our Nepalese brothers and sisters.

Donations may be made to:

**Attn: Nepal Emergency Appeal**
Catholic Relief Services
3525 S. Lake Park Ave.
Chicago, IL  60653
Spare Change Saves Babies

- Baby bottles will be distributed after Mass on Mother’s Day weekend, May 9-10th.
- Please fill the baby bottle with your spare change.
- Baby bottles will be collected before Mass on Father’s Day weekend, June 20-21st.
- This fundraiser will help support the life-saving work of The Women’s Centers of Greater Chicagoland. In addition to counseling services, material assistance is also provided. The Women’s Center is committed to saving babies from death by abortion -- and their mothers and families from a lifetime of regret.
- If you have any questions or are able to volunteer, please call Zina O’Callaghan 847-975-9485 or Jeanne Hamilton 847-609-9194.

About the Women’s Center

St. James will again be participating in The Baby Bottle Project benefiting The Women’s Centers of Greater Chicagoland. This non-profit organization directly assists mothers and families experiencing crisis pregnancies by offering emotional, financial, material, and spiritual support through counseling, clothing & monetary provisions, prayer, and other aid. Each year the three locations together have over 5,000 appointments with expecting mothers. By God’s Grace, The Women’s Centers have saved over 36,000 babies—and their mothers—from abortion since opening in 1984.

This is a simple, but crucial fundraising effort for The Women’s Centers. Please note the Baby Bottles cost almost $1.00 per bottle and are recycled afterwards so please return upon completion of the project. Thank you for helping defend life, and remember to keep all pro-life undertakings in your prayers.

For more information, please visit www.womens-center.org

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In Loving Memory

Adam Harjung...husband of Gertrude; father of Helga Harjung, Monica (Rob) Roby, Robert Harjung, and Michael Harjung; father-in-law of Dan Twarog; grandfather of nine; great-grandfather of eight.

Baptisms

Alexander Thomas Kaminski...son of Keith & Colleen (Flick) Kaminski
Quentin Michael Redel...son of Ryan & Leticia (Casillas) Redel
Sean Axel Anderson… son of Robert & Sharon (Jelen) Anderson
Sadie Nicole Tanski….daughter of Cole Tanski & Samantha Langner

Wedding Banns

May 23,2015
Kevin Sullivan & Megan Fesl

Remembrances

Saturday Evening/Sunday Morning, May 10
Joanne Mangi, Dana Mangi, Joanne Destiche, Kathy Muhr, Mary Ellsworth (1st Anniv.), Lois Hunt, Catherine Lyons, Norma Keating, Dorothy Gleason, Randy Walker, Margaret Tinkam, Leo Tinkam, George Kiener, Rosalyn Mittel, Mary Grace McGregor, Lauretta Pollard, Janet Ganzer, Mary Anne Huber, Meggan McDermott, Alice Matthews, Marion McDermott, Agnes Park, Virginia T. Bruski, Camela Krogstad, Helen Hertvik, Frank & Victoria Bosco, Marie Fitton, Marie Bataska, Catherine Palm, Angeline Laveck

Monday, May 11
Ted Wisbrook, Mary Wisbrook, David Royalty

Tuesday, May 12
Stephan Waller, Fred Miller, Joe Tansill, Patricia Tansill, Cecelia Olson, Mae Gallagher, Kenneth Schumacher

Wednesday, May 13
Genevieve Murphy, James Kosmala, Diane Caruso

Thursday, May 14

Friday, May 15
Evtyn Heibach, Mildred Fitzgerald, John Short, Roz Gourley

Saturday, May 16

Saturday Evening/Sunday Morning, May 17
Diane Caruso, Lucille Doyle, Lenore Rettig, Patricia Doyle, Linda Long, Catherine Sabay, Mary & Angelo Reda, Patricia Gallagher

Stewardship

May 3, 2015

Weekend Masses — 655 Envelopes $40,201.00
GiveCentral — 178 Online Donations $24,610.25
May 3rd Total Collection $64,811.25

OUR CHARITY

Thank you for your generous donations to our May charity, the Catholic Charities Mother’s Day Appeal.

Catholic Charities thanks you for giving to those who are hungry, homeless, or hurting.

“The measure of greatness in a society is found in the way it treats those most in need, those who have nothing apart from poverty.”

- Pope Francis
Liturgical Ministers for the Weekend of May 17, 2015

Presiders (Deacons preaching this weekend.)

Saturday evening:
5:00 pm Fr. Joji Thanugundla

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

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

Eucharistic Ministers

(B Team)

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

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

Altar Servers

Saturday evening:
5:00 pm A.Beck, C.Jones, C.McMahon
Sunday:
7:00 am R.O’Grady, S.Hahn, L.Hahn
8:30 am C.Perrotta, J.Perrotta, C.Mittel
10:00 am G.Gaggiano, M.Garland, J.Lifka
11:30 am K.Thorton, N.Spiess, D.Anderson
5:00 pm M.Wilder, C.Durkin, N.Bentz

Sunday: Church
(2 EMs for choir)
Coordinators: D.Burke, B.Minaglia

11:30 am J.Gedmin, M.Goolsby, J.Zitkus, N.Paulson, M.J. DeShon, E.O.Martin, J.Van Eck
Coordinator: C.Zitkus, C.Zitkus

Sunday: Parish Center
5:00 pm E.Krause, L.Matz, D.Milligan, H.Thornton, J. Coleman, J.Soukup, M.Barton
Coordinator: J.Soukup

Lectors

Saturday evening:
5:00 pm J.Todesco, B. Charland
Sunday:
7:00 am P.Sokop, B.Kragh
8:30 am S.Nowakowski, R.Cerabona
10:00 am A.Brown, K.Konopasek
11:30 am E.O’Martin, B.Charland
5:00 pm D.Starr, B. Mangi

Sunday: Church
Coordinator: J.Soukup

Scripture Readings

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 10, 2015

Monday: Acts 16:11-15; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Jn 15:26 — 16:4a
Tuesday: Acts 16:22-34; Ps 138:1-3, 7c-8; Jn 16:5-11
Wednesday: Acts 17:15, 22 — 18: 1; Ps 148:1-2, 11-14; Jn 16:12-15
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Friday: Acts 18:9-18; Ps 47:2-7; Jn 16:20-23
Saturday: Acts 18:23-28; Ps 47:2-3, 8-10; Jn 16:23b-28
Sunday: (On Sunday, Ascension takes the place of the 7th Sunday of Easter) Acts 1:1-11; Ps 47:2-3, 6-9; Eph 1:17- 23 or Eph 4:1-13 [1-7, 11-13]; Mk 16:15-20

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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Welcome to St. James!
St. James Parish
820 N. Arlington Heights Road
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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
Saturdays 9:00am—1:00pm
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