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Were not our hearts burning within us while he spoke to us on the way and opened the Scriptures to us? Luke 24:32

THIRD SUNDAY of Easter
A Reflection…from Deacon Matthew Hahn

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Hello again! The last time I was privileged to offer my thoughts here I wrote a bit about the scriptural basis for, the vestments of, and the roles of the Permanent Deacon in the Catholic Church. Let’s continue our discussion on the Permanent Diaconate, shall we?

I am asked quite a bit about the training, or more accurately, the formation of Deacons in the Archdiocese. Typical questions such as How long does it take? Where do you go? Who are the teachers? All excellent questions. The formation of Permanent Deacons is governed by a document titled “Basic Norms for the Formation of Permanent Deacons.” This document outlines the minimum expectations that the Catholic Church has relative to our formation; it is published by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, with approval from the Vatican. I have a copy at home; if you’d like to read it, just ask and I’ll loan you my copy.

Typically, the formation…notice I use the term ‘formation’ rather than the term ‘training’…is four years in length. There is a period of about one year spent discerning, or praying over, whether we are ready to respond to a call from God to serve as a Permanent Deacon. During that year, we attend several formation sessions together with our wives, if married, and spend a great deal of time in prayer and reflection. Also during that year, we are subjected to a variety of measurement instruments such as FOCUS (short for Facilitate Open, Caring Communication, Understanding and Study), The Meyers-Briggs Type Indicator, Criminal Background Checks, psychological evaluations, the Deacon Perceiver Interview, and a myriad of questions from people in the Archdiocese. These instruments are designed to determine if our marriage can withstand the stresses of formation and the life of the Permanent Deacon after Ordination, what type of personality we have, if we have led an upstanding life in the community, if we are mentally stable, and if we are truly responding to a call to serve. During this year we are referred to as Aspirants. Time spent in a ‘classroom’ for this year was around 80 hours for our Ordination class.

If we are deemed ready to move forward in formation we are accepted as Candidates. This period of formation should last no less than three years. At the time I was a Candidate, we had classes in Old Testament, New Testament, Liturgy, Sacraments, Church History, and much, much more. The majority of the classes for the Candidates in this area were at The University of St. Mary of the Lake in Mundelein, IL on Monday evenings. We had additional classes on Thursday evenings at a parish somewhere in the Archdiocese, and also Saturday sessions once per month somewhere in the Archdiocese. Our teachers came from all over the Archdiocese…some Priests, some Deacons, some college professors, and some lay people. Many of our classes were in conjunction with the Called and Gifted Program. At the conclusion of our formation we were awarded several credit hours toward an advanced college degree at Loyola University. Looking at the time we spent only in the classroom during these three years, it comes out to nearly 800 hours. That does not include home-study, writing papers, commuting to/from class, etc. If married, our wives were encouraged to attend all formation sessions with us. In some cases, our wives were required to attend with us.

During the summers between formation semesters we were required to complete internships. Our first internship was focused on social justice; the following summer we focused on our sharing parishes, then our last internship was at our sending parish (the parish that sponsored our formation). Personally, my internships were at the Hulce Juvenile Detention Facility in Vernon Hills, IL; Mision Juan Diego (which changed its name to Mision SAN Juan Diego when Juan Diego was canonized), and then at St. Mary in Buffalo Grove. Each year also included a welcome three-day, two-night retreat somewhere in the area, usually at Cardinal Stritch Retreat House in Mundelein. And again, usually the Archbishop of Chicago is the president. After ordination, we are assigned to a parish (usually our sponsor parish).
Continued….

After a probationary period, we then sign a Ministry Agreement with the Pastor which usually lasts for three years. In that agreement the Pastor outlines what he expects of us, what ministries we will focus on, etc. We then sign additional Ministry Agreements for a total of ten years of service. After ten years of service at one parish, we can expect to be assigned to another parish for another ten years of service. When we reach the age of 61, we can expect to stay at one parish and not be re-assigned.

Whew…looking back on those four years gets me tired! However…and this a huge however…it was more tiring on my lovely-and-very-understanding wife, Zuly (rhymes with Julie). During that four-year period we were blessed with four children…in fact, our second child almost came during our Year Two retreat. We had to leave that particular retreat on Friday evening as Zuly went into labor right after we checked in! As it turned out, our daughter Isabel was born the following Tuesday. My lovely bride was able to take care of the home and all the kids while I was off at formation. Those were very long days for her, and I am very grateful for her. We also had a lot of help from St. Mary parishioners who would come down and stay with Zuly; they would help with feeding, bathing, bedtime routines, etc. We also had a great deal of help from Zuly’s family and my family. It really is a team effort in our home…serving the community. We should be looked upon as a Deacon Couple.

Yes, I am ordained, but it would not have happened without Zuly and the Holy Spirit working through her. Of that I am convinced. Interestingly enough, the Church will not allow married Permanent Deacons to re-marry if our spouse goes home to be with God before we do. Nor are we allowed to marry if we were single at the time we were ordained. Understand also that there have been changes made in the formation program in our Archdiocese since I was ordained. Although our formation is dictated by The Vatican, the Archdiocese can modify the formation as long as it stays within the guidelines approved by The Vatican. What I spoke about here is what Zuly and I experienced. Tom and Diane, and Jim and Laura experienced many more challenges than we did.

So there you have it. Permanent Deacon Formation in a nutshell. Please do ask me any questions you might have. Remember, though…I’m a Deacon!

Deacon Matthew Hahn

Our Charity

Our charity for the month of May is the Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Chicago.

In the Mother’s Day Appeal for Catholic Charities, Cardinal George suggests that this is a most appropriate day to support a critical mission of the Church: caring for the poor and vulnerable.

Every 30 seconds, someone turns to Catholic Charities for help. Two-thirds of them are women who find an open door and a listening ear. Every day, Catholic Charities is in the community, caring about those often forgotten, those with no place to call home or no one to answer when they call out for help.

We thank you for your generosity to Catholic Charities during this month of May.
Interested in having a Mass at your home this summer? Fr. Matt, Fr. Joji, and Fr. Gilbert are looking to take St. James “on the road” and invite you to host a “Backyard Mass!”

Masses will be held weekday nights. Hosts can invite their families, friends, neighbors, co-workers, etc.

For more information contact:
Jeanne Brady McDermott at 847-800-6173 (snowhite08@aol.com)
Mike Bruce at 847-255-6322 (mblf@aol.com)

To help kick off our Summer Season - you are invited to our

St. James Revival

Join us for an hour of
Music, Preaching and Prayer!
May 19th: 7:00pm-8:00pm,
in the Church
Music by...Alma & Juan
Homily by Fr. Matt
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

May Crowning:
May Crowning will take place this Sunday after the 8:30am Mass. Join us as we celebrate Mary’s month!

Family Prayer and May Crowning
Please join Fr. Matt Foley for Family Prayer on Monday, May 12th 4:00-4:40pm in the Church. There will also be a May Crowning during this service. All ages are invited and welcome!

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

Please join us....
in welcoming “one of our own!”

Our parishioner, James Mueller, will be ordained to the priesthood for the Archdiocese of Chicago on May 17, 2014.

Reverend James Mueller’s First Mass
will be celebrated here at St. James on Sunday, May 18th, at 1:00pm in the Church. A light reception will follow in the Parish Center.

Please join us in celebrating this joyful occasion!

“Finger food” for the reception would be very much appreciated! If you are able to help by baking cookies, bars, or any other bite-sized items, please call the Parish Office, 224-345-7200. (Drop-off will be from 1-2pm on Sunday, May 18th.)

Saturday morning Mass Time Change
Please note:
Our Saturday morning Mass on May 10th will be celebrated at 7:30am, due to First Communions taking place in the Church that day.

St. Vincent de Paul/GCFD Produce Distribution
Volunteers are needed to help the St. James Conference of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul distribute fresh fruits and vegetables supplied by the Greater Chicago Food Depository on Thursday, May 8th. This distribution will be held in the St. Edna parking lot at 2525 N. Arlington Heights Rd.

Attention Parishioners
On the morning of Thursday, May 8th, we need about 40 volunteers to help the St. James SVdP distribute about 12,500 pounds of fresh fruit and vegetables to the needy. We can use anyone’s help - teens, young adults, adults, and seniors.

We will meet at St. Edna’s parking lot at 8:30 a.m. The distribution is from 9:30 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. We will help unload the truck, repack the produce, and assist those who attend to select their produce. Everything, including clean up, will be done by noon.

We also need 2 people with pickup trucks to pick up 15 – 20 grocery carts from the Jewel on Rand Road and to return them when we are done. We could also use a volunteer to help the driver load and unload the carts.

To volunteer, please call MaryBeth or Mike at (847) 392-5516, or email them at mcmahone@wccic.com

Food for Families
Free fresh fruit and vegetables

The Greater Chicago Food Depository Produce Mobile will be in the Northwest Suburbs to distribute FREE fresh fruits and vegetables.

The distribution will be held in St. Edna’s parking lot and will be coordinated by the St. James Conference of St. Vincent de Paul.

Thursday, May 8th
9:30 – 11:30 a.m.

Please note that the date may change due to emergencies and the ending time may vary based on food allocations.

If you have any questions, call the Food Depository at 773-247-FOOD or chicagofoodbank.org
HOPE IN A TIME OF POVERTY

In order to promote a deeper understanding of the Church’s social teaching in this time of global economic crisis, the USCCB has released a series of messages on poverty and today’s economy. (usccb.org/issues-and-action/human-life-and-dignity/economic-justice-economy/hope-in-a-time-of-poverty.cfm)

These messages look at the institutional and systemic causes of poverty in our country today, and include the topics of Nutrition and Food Security, Fair Wages and Economic Security, Environmental Justice, and Immigration. We will present excerpts from the series below and in upcoming bulletins.

ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE: Creation is the great space where we live out our relationship with God and neighbor. As part of a life of gratitude to God for this gift and of justice towards our neighbor, we are called to build communities that are sustainable, respectful of creation and that promote the development of all. Sustainable communities are healthy, safe for our children, and by making prudent use of natural resources, are home to economic development that creates good paying wage jobs.

Today the gift of creation is threatened by excessive lifestyles and a lack of respect for the sacredness of creation and the dignity of our neighbor. We prize what Pope Francis calls a “culture of waste” over a culture of conservation and virtuous moderation. As Catholics, we should reject an economy that puts profit and unrestrained consumption ahead of the good of communities and the environment. We desperately need to rethink the path we are travelling together.

The consequences of a “culture of waste” and a “more is better” economy are serious. Poor and vulnerable communities shoulder the biggest burden as they are threatened by climate change: drought, famine and other natural calamities take a toll on them. Children, especially those in the womb, are put in danger by pollutants in the environment...

The covenant between human beings and the environment needs to be strengthened. To do this, we should seek the wisdom that comes from prayer and a desire to stand in solidarity with our neighbor. By taking a fresh look at our lifestyles and choosing to live simply, we can reduce our carbon footprint and build communities in balance and in harmony with God’s gift of creation. Personal and societal decisions should always reflect concern for “the least of these.” ...It is also important to support policies that protect human life and dignity through prudent stewardship of the environment.

Take up Pope Francis’ challenge to be protectors of creation: “I would like to ask ... all men and women of goodwill: let us be ‘protectors’ of creation, protectors of God's plan inscribed in nature, protectors of one another and of the environment.”[1]

[1] Francis, Homily at Mass for the Inauguration of the Pontificate, . . . , 19 March 2013

Make Straight the Pathway: The Rough Road to Immigration Reform

A reflection with Sister Simone Campbell, SSS

Executive Director of NETWORK, a religious leader, attorney and poet with extensive experience in public policy and advocacy for systemic change. She is noted for her work with “Nuns on the Bus” and as a speaker during the 2012 Democratic National Convention.

Sisters and Brothers of Immigrants will host Make Straight the Pathway: The Rough Road to Immigration Reform featuring Sister Simone Campbell on Saturday, May 17, 2014, 8:30am to 12:30pm. $25 at the door. The event will be held at Catalyst-Maria High School, 6727 S. California Avenue, Chicago, Illinois. REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN! www.sistersandbrothersofimmigrants.org/events/pdfs/registration_2014.pdf to download a registration form.
St. James Respect Life Ministry
“Before I formed you in the womb, I knew you...” Jeremiah 1:5

Spare Change Saves Babies

- Baby bottles will be distributed after Mass on Mother’s Day weekend, May 10-11th.
- Please fill the baby bottle with your spare change.
- Baby bottles will be collected before Mass on Father’s Day weekend, June 14-16th.
- 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 are able to volunteer to help pass out and/or collect bottles on Mother’s Day or Father’s Day weekends, please call Zina O’Callaghan 847-975-9425 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

Over 36,000 minds and hearts changed
and almost an equal number of babies saved from abortion - since 1984
Youth Ministry News/Events

Registration for 2014-2015
STUDENTS MUST RE-REGISTER – EACH YEAR

The registration packet for youth ministry are available on the parish web-site, in the parish office, via email or regular mail.

http://www.stjamesah.org/get-involved/youth-catholic-formation/youth-ministry/

Contact the parish office with or any questions about youth ministry, including Confirmation,

Youth ministry has a recycling program in which you can get rid of used cell phones, small electronics, ink and laser cartridges. Just drop them off in the parish office and we'll take care of the rest. Items are recycled or disposed of without going into landfills. Any funds made from the program go into Youth Ministry. Last year we raised over $600. With your help this year we can raise over $1,000. Thank you for your support.

May
4th: Mission Team
   1:00/Parish Center Library

6th: Adult Leader Meeting
    7:00 Parish Office

June
1st: Mission Team
    1:00/Parish Center Library

21st/22nd: Bucket Weekend

29th: Car Wash

SUMMER MISSION TRIP JULY, 2014
NEXT MEETING

Sunday, May 4th at 1:00 in the Parish Center Library.

Adult Leaders

Every year 100 plus students register for confirmation classes. Our group size is based on the number of adult leaders we have. We are looking for adults to lead our Large Group and Home Group classes. Classes are held once a month on a Sunday.

If you are interested please contact the Youth Ministry office. (224) 345-7217

A Catholic Christian Community which engages, empowers and encourages the high school youth to live as disciples of Christ.

youthministry@stjamesah.org
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Joan: 224.345.7217
Twitter: sjymupdates
A young couple I know from church gave birth to their first child recently. After offering sincere but brief congratulations, a friend asked them, “Are you getting any sleep?” The couple launched into a story of how often their baby awakens in the night. Having kids does wake us up in the middle of the night, but it can also wake us up to the gifts of the Spirit. Spiritually aware parents awaken to

— the miracle of birth
— an intense love for this sacred person
— a fierce commitment to do what’s best for a helpless child
— the fact that God is at the heart of this newfound relationship

So awake! God is present in the middle of the night and throughout each and every day. — Tom McGrath

YEAR OF STRONG CATHOLIC PARENTS
The ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO in partnership with LOYOLA PRESS.
For more parenting resources: www.loyolapress.com
www.CatholicParentsChicago.org
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The 5 Love Languages of Couples Book Club
Facilitated by Parishioner and Certified Master Life Coach Tina Haismann

Falling in love is easy, but maintaining a healthy relationship is a lifelong pursuit. With more than 8 million copies sold, Dr. Gary Chapman’s The 5 Love Languages will help you succeed in having a joyful, enduring marriage.

Read the Book, Register Online and Join Us!
2. Click the “Find a Signup” tab at the top of the page.
3. In the “Search by the Creator’s Email” box, type theyearofstrongcatholicparents@stjamesah.org.
4. Choose A Session.

Thursday, May 1, 7 – 9 p.m.
Friday, May 2, 10 a.m. – 12 p.m.
Thursday, May 15, 7 – 9 p.m.
Friday, May 16, 9 – 11 a.m.
Wednesday, May 21, 7 - 9 p.m.

Sessions will take place in the Parish offices. Specific location information will be provided when you register.

For more information, email: theyearofstrongcatholicparents@stjamesah.org.
The Social Studies curriculum at St. James School extends far beyond the wall of students’ classrooms! Seventh and sixth grade students recently took advantage of trips to Springfield and Chinatown to bring history to life.

An assortment of features impressed the seventh graders during their journey to Springfield. Erin Oleksak was impressed with the dome in the new state capitol building, ornately designed with gold and stained glass while Zack Evans commented on the technology available to the representatives in the chambers. Students were curious to visit Lincoln’s home and museum and make better connections to their learning of the Civil War.

As part of their study of ancient civilizations the sixth grade learned about Ancient China. Students examined geography and social structure as well as their writing, art, religion, achievements, and other aspects of their culture.

The visit to Chinatown gave the students the opportunity to examine architecture, listen to spoken Chinese language, visit a Buddhist temple, enjoy a delicious Chinese meal, and of course, purchase souvenirs for themselves and their families! It is no wonder that many sixth graders exclaimed, “This is one of the best field trips ever!”
This VBS is a breed apart!

Come spend a week with us at Weird Animals VBS, Where Jesus’ love is one-of-a-kind!!!
June 16th - 20th 9AM - 12PM
REGISTER ONLINE at www.stjamesah.org
Interested in volunteering?
Email us stjamesvbs2014@stjamesah.org

St. James Sunday School

REGISTRATION for 2014/2015: April 1 – June 30, 2014
St. James Sunday School introduces 3-6 year-olds to our Catholic faith through Bible stories, prayers, songs, and crafts. If your child attends Preschool or Kindergarten, this is a great way to continue the learning process. Classes meet during the 10:00 am Mass from September through April. Children must be potty-trained and 3-years-old by 9/1/14 to register.

Register online on St. James website. www.stjamesah.org

For children ages 3-6!
Children attend Sunday School during 10:00 Mass
Registration forms due June 30th!
Visit St. James website for more information

Questions?
SundaySchool@stjamesah.org
Call 224.345.7200, ext. 8515.

This program is also a great opportunity for those who enjoy being with children and sharing their faith. We need volunteers to keep the program running! You can volunteer even without a child in the program. Volunteer information is also on the website. High school age parishioners are also welcome!
A Mission Trip is planned... for October 25th – November 1st, 2014 to the NPH (Nuestros Pequenos Hermanos) Orphanage in the Dominican Republic. At this point we have a locked in air fare of $538.00. (Direct Flight!)

Other expenses include accommodations at the orphanage volunteer house, ($30 per night), transportation fee back + forth to the airport ($50), food for breakfast and supper each day with a cook ($75), possible miscellaneous beach day with the kids $50...

Total cost = approx $950…

(This is a trip for adults 21+…)

All volunteers needed! Laborers for projects, child care workers, teachers, medical staff… etc…

This mission trip will have opportunities for Prayer, Mass and Reflection…

Please let me know asap if you are interested… as we have to “hold” the fare…

Please note that anyone who is interested in participating in this trip or learning more information… a follow-up meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 13th, at 7pm in the Laramie Room.

Please call or email me with any questions…
Marianne Dilsner
Pastoral Associate
Office 224-345-7203
Mdilsner@stjamesah.org
Illinois Firearm Concealed Carry Act

As you may know, in July, 2013, Illinois passed the Firearm Concealed Carry Act, becoming the final state to permit the concealed carry of firearms. Under the law, even individuals with a permit to carry concealed weapons cannot carry such weapons into schools. Accordingly, you may notice in the days or weeks ahead that the parish and school have posted a conspicuous sign featuring a handgun in black ink with a red circle around it and a diagonal slash across the handgun. These signs are approved by the Illinois State Police to designate that no concealed weapons will be permitted on the premises. The signs do not reflect official school policy, but instead signify that the law does not permit concealed weapons on any school facility.

Just as we are deeply committed to your child’s spiritual and educational development, we are also committed to your child’s safety and security. Please contact your Principal if you have any questions or concerns.

Exodus Trekkers

A Bean Counter Wall Street Should Hire

“I believe your faith has to be everything that you’re about”

“I married my guardian angel”

Wall Street would profit by hiring Brian King. Some firms no doubt would curse the day this CPA worked on their books. And just imagine the Ponzi Scheme poster boy Bernard L. Madoff discovering that his newly hired accountant lights sacramental candles in church for his clients. One can only speculate how soon King would be fired after office gossip reached Madoff’s ears that Mr. King was a perennial neighborhood Santa Claus with the uncompromising belief that all humans are to love their neighbors as themselves.

King, a lector and member of the St. James parish in Arlington Heights, Illinois, is neither your typical “bean counter” (his metaphor for an accountant)... "I believe God sends me to people who need help," he says. "If they want a reference, I tell them to call my pastor."

...To read the entire story of Brian King, go to your computer's address bar and type "http://exodustrekkers.blogspot.com/" or go to our parish webpage at "stjamesah.org" and type "Exodus Trekkers" in the "search" window. Clicking on that will take you to "Blogs". Scroll down to "Launch Exodus Trekkers" and click. It will be posted from May 1 through May 31.
An information night for prospective Parish Council members will be held on Monday, May 5th at 7:00pm in the Laramie Room. If you are interested in learning about Parish Council you are welcome to attend.

A discernment meeting for new members will be held on Monday, May 12th.

Please email Lynne Luehrs at lluehrs@comcast.net if you plan to attend the information night. Thank you for your interest.

Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass

The Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass will take place on Sunday, September 14th at 2:45pm at Holy Name Cathedral, 735 N. State St. in Chicago. Couples married in 1964 and interested in attending this Mass should contact their parish to register.

For additional information, please call 312-534-8351. (Marriage & Family Ministries Office of the Archdiocese of Chicago.

St. James Over 50 Social Group

Mother’s Day Luncheon
Date: Friday, May 9th—Time: 12:00 Noon
Palm Court Restaurant, 1812 N. Arlington Hts. Road
Menu choices: Chicken Marsala, Sauteed Tilapia, Seafood Pasta, Pork Chop, Butt Steak
Soup or garden salad; dessert: Ice cream cake roll; Cash bar extra; Cost: $22 includes tip
Make checks payable to “St. James Over 50 Mother’s Day Luncheon” and take to Parish Office
RSVP to Mary Jo 847-259-3560 by May 7th.

Bird/Nature Walk (Rain or shine) Led by Stan Stec
Crabtree Nature Center, Barrington, IL (The Center has a website.)
Date: Monday, May 19th
Meet at north end of Church parking lot at 9:15am to carpool or drive direct to the Nature Center parking lot. There is a Nature Center building with a naturalist on hand to give a talk (if available.) We will walk up the unpaved trails, so dress for the occasion. You can go as far as you like or stay in the Nature Center to view the exhibits. Bring your binoculars or a note pad to record the birds seen. Lunch will be at Billy’s Restaurant, 440 W. Northwest Hwy. in Palatine.
Separate checks. RSVP Gerry 847-398-2097

Save the Date and Watch for Information.....
Bus Tour to Great Lakes Naval Training Session Thursday, June 5, 2014
If you love our St. James Parish community and want to share it with new parishioners, you are needed as a

St. James Parish Ambassador

Who Are Parish Ambassadors?? Single adults, couples, and families who love being a part of St. James and want to share their enthusiasm with new parishioners.

Role of Parish Ambassadors?? Parish Ambassadors are given the name of a newly registered parishioner. They will place an introductory phone call, set up a time to meet, offer welcome information (provided by parish), and provide an overview of St. James Parish life. Parish Ambassadors will listen, answer questions, encourage ministry involvement, accompany their new parishioners to a welcome event and generally ignite a sense of community to our parish. Time commitment will be as-needed by Parish Ambassadors and each new parishioner.

I'm IN! What's Next?? Choose to attend one brief Parish Ambassador meeting either Tuesday, May 20 or Wednesday, May 21 at 7:00 p.m. in the O'Brien Room, Parish Office Basement. A Parish Ambassador Guide will be presented and a Welcome Folder with information to share with your new parishioners will be provided. If interested, please complete the information below and drop in the collection basket at any Mass. Thank You!

Parish Ambassador Ministry response form: I/we want to welcome new parishioners to our St. James Community!
Name ______________________Check: Single___ Couple ___Sr___ Family___
Phone_______________________ Email Address ______________________
Please place completed form in collection basket or return to Parish Office. Thank You!

"I was a stranger and you welcomed me." Matthew: 25
Respite Care—Gero Solutions
Gero Solutions has trained volunteers who are available to provide up to 3 hours of respite care per week for family members caring for an older adult in their home. This free service is available by calling the Gero Solutions Office at 847-705-2123.

Lunches by Catholic Charities
Luncheons are served daily for seniors 60 and older at Arlington Heights Senior Center, 1801 W. Central. Suggested donation of $4.00 on a reservation basis. Call 847-797-5354 for reservations.

Mended Hearts - a national non-profit support group for cardiac patients and families meets monthly at 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.

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. Call 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.

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

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Are you in transition or looking for a better job? At each meeting, we have a speaker on various topics, followed by networking. Wednesday, May 7th 7-9pm (Hurley Center) St. Edna's Parish 2525 N. Arlington Hts. Rd. Presenter: Melissa Heisler—Stress Reduction Instructor. (An Interactive presentation, where you will fill out your own Job Search Empowerment Plan.) For information about upcoming meeting dates, please contact: Tom Mannard, tmannard@aol.com or leave a message at 847-398-3362.

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Please pray for our sick...
Julia Jachec, Stanley Jachec, Steve & Ellyn Schwartz,
Jeannette Moquin-Bergeson

In Loving Memory

James Joseph Berger...
husband of Joan; father of Kurt and Renee; brother of
Robert (Mary) and Mary Jeanne Mason

Rose Korleski...
mother of Jeff (Nancy) Korleski; grandmother of
Kathryn and Clare

William Steven “Steve” Van Deren…
husband of Karen; father of William Robert (Rob) Van Deren,
Thomas L. Van Deren, and Susanna Schulze– Krzemien
(Robert Krzemien); grandfather of 2

Pota Martorelli…
mother of Carol (Edward ) Kopp, Donna (Alan) Swanson,
Joseph (Patti) Martorelli, and Michael (Leslie) Martorelli;
grandmother of Kimberly Morrissey, Brian Kopp, Joanna,
Frank, Alan Swanson III, Antonia and Alexandra; great-
grandmother of Edward and Thomas Morrissey

Baptisms
Addilyn Rose…
daughter of Matthew & Sherilyn (McNece) Martinez

Molly Kathleen…
daughter of Daniel & Eileen (Schmit) Ryan

Maxwell James...
son of Joel & Michele (Mangold) Yanong

Wedding Banns
May 17, 2014
Kyle Schmidt & Jennifer Chiappe
Daniel Brunelli & Lisa McNally

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day at www.marketday.com with Promotional Code NEWFIVE and re-
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May 12th by 11:00pm; Order Pickup: Thursday, May 15th from 3:30-
5:00pm Old School Lunchroom; For more information contact Cathy Waltz
at 847-577-3565.

Thank You!

to the Family of St. James....

Over the past several months, I have received
many get well wishes from family and friends in
the form of Mass cards, novenas, meals, get well
cards and personal notes. I appreciate your
prayers in my time of challenge, and it looks like
I am on the road to recovery.
Thank you so much for your support! It is at
times like this that the power of prayer draws us
together in support of each other. Continue to
pray for me and I for you so that we can discern
the mind and will of God.
A special thanks to my wife and caretaker,
Maureen. Without her presence in this ordeal, I
could not have made it.

Joe Ruane

Rose for Life
This week’s Rose for Life is donated by Mary Obal,
in loving memory of her husband, Bill, on the 7th
anniversary of his death.

Remembrances
Saturday Evening/Sunday Morning, May 4
Helen Wessels (1st Anniv.), Bart Vanderah (4th Anniv.),
Bill & Kathy Muhr, Jerry Maslauskas, Joan R. Ward

Monday, May 5
Norma Hill, Matt Hennessy

Tuesday, May 6
Patricia Scheider, Frene Augusta, Dana Mangi,
Sam Varchetto

Wednesday, May 7
Noma Gargano, Dana Mangi

Thursday, May 8
Phyllis Shields, William Gorman, Thomas Barrett,
Mary Barrett, Edward Barrett, Bob Hitzeman

Friday, May 9
Albert Hansen, Virginia T. Bruski, Helen Harbutt,
Carmela Krogstad, Mark Bayerle (9th Anniv.)
Ryan Howell (20th Anniv.)

Saturday, May 10
Ann Laune, Michael Faciana, Isabella Kosciuk

Saturday Evening/Sunday Morning, May 11
Randy Walker, Margaret Tinkam, Leo Tinham,
George Kiener, Dana Mangi, Joanne Mangi, Joanne
Destiche, Alison O’Hara, Sharron Traut, Joan Haskins,
Kathy Muhr, Olga Berger, Genevieve Eiffes, Peggy Taffe,
Shirley Borhauer, Virginia T. Bruski, Ted Wisbrook,
Mary Wisbrook, David Royalty, Janice A. Murphy,
James E. Murphy, Pearl Bleers, Jean Salk, Jane Gresey,
Frank & Victoria Bosco, Catherine Waranauskas,
Ruth Marino, Agnes Park, Alice Matthews, Dion Terres,
Meggan McDermott, Marion McDermott, Cecelia Olson,
Sylvia Coates, Carol Rados, Carmela Krogstad,
Helen Hertvik, Janina Sather

Weekly Intentions

Thank You!
**Liturgical Ministers** for the Weekend of May 11, 2014

### Presiders

**Saturday evening:**
- 5:00 pm Fr. Matt Foley

**Sunday:**
- 7:00 am Fr. Joji Thanugundla
- 8:30 am Fr. Matt Foley
- 10:00 am Fr. Gilbert Mashurano
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### Scripture Readings

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  - Coordinator: M. Walsh, Jr.
- 8:30 am C.Burke, J.Burke, E.Crittenden, C.Frenzer MJ.Jarosz, L.Poelking, K.Rayburn, I.Talbot, E.Turney
  - E. Martin
  - Coordinator: T. Stengren

**Sunday: Parish Center**
  - Coordinators: D.Adam, T.Adam
  - Coordinators: M.Brock, MJ.DeShon

**Sunday: Church**
- 5:00 pm A.Barton, C.Christophe, T.Gorman, E.Hogaboom, E.Hogaboom, S.Hoffman, T.Imhoff, L.Miossi, J.Morgan, M.Petrovich, S.Petrovich, C.Walberg
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- 8:30 am E.Martin, M.Martin, C.O’Dell
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Congratulations to Irma Roller…
Woman of the Year!

The St. James Women’s Club is delighted to announce that Irma Roller has been chosen as the “2014 Woman of the Year”! Irma is the oldest of 3 sisters, who was born and raised in Pullman, IL. Her training at Little Company of Mary Hospital in Evergreen Park prepared her for her career as a surgical nurse and indirectly introduced her to her future husband, Jim. Mary, a fellow student, invited Irma to her home for dinner and to meet her 7 brothers. A few weeks later, Mary gave Irma a stamped envelope addressed to her brother, Jim, who was stationed in New Jersey, and insisted she write a letter. Although Irma said she had barely spoken to Jim who was busy eating spaghetti the night they met, she did as she was told. The correspondence flourished and they were married 4 years later in 1955. After residing in Broadview and Springfield, they moved with their growing family in 1964 to Arlington Heights and became involved almost immediately in parish and community life.

For nearly 50 years, Irma has been a very active member of Women’s Club. She has seen it evolve from one large evening guild to “something for everyone” with evening groups meeting in homes and morning and afternoon guilds meeting on the St. James campus. She has had many Women’s Club roles and responsibilities over the years from baking, assembling gift baskets for auction at the Christmas Bazaar, to past and present terms as a guild chairperson.

Irma’s current activities include being a Greeter at the 8:30 am Mass, Eucharistic Minister, Prayer Shawl Ministry, Funeral Luncheon Ministry and participation in a small-faith sharing group. Some of her hobbies include reading, sewing, crocheting, knitting, Sudoku, mah-jongg and water aerobics.

In the past, Irma has been a facilitator for her CRHP team, a member of the Elizabeth ministry for new moms, a driver for dialysis patients and worked as an assistant taking blood pressure at the St. James blood drives. Irma and her husband Jim donated food and worked the night shift at PADS, and were active in CFM and Marriage Encounter. They volunteered at St. Joseph’s Home for the Elderly for 17 years and worked at the AH Nurse’s Lending Closet. Irma accomplished all of this while raising 8 children and occasionally, working weekends as a “floater” at Northwest Community Hospital!

Congratulations Irma on this well-deserved honor! For almost half a century, you have graced St. James and the Women’s Club with your enthusiastic participation in almost every area of parish life. Through great joy and great sorrow, you have been a shining example to all of us as someone who has truly lived her faith. Thank You!

On behalf of all the members of the Women’s Club and in thanksgiving for your faithful service to your parish and community a heartfelt note of appreciation to Irma! You are quite an inspiration!

Sincerely,

Marianne Dilsner / Pastoral Associate

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