Weekly Mass at the Lutheran Home in Arlington Heights

Each Wednesday, St. James Priests offer a Catholic Mass at 10:15am at the Lutheran Home in Arlington Heights.

Those who are connected to the Lutheran Home or Luther Village and their family members and friends are welcome to attend. Occasionally, members of St. James Parish join us for this Mass as well.
A Reflection…
from Deacon Jim Bannon

October 11, 2015

Help Form Children in the Faith

We are incorporated into Christ, becoming God’s people, through the sacrament of baptism. For adults, this happens once per year at the Easter Vigil after: months of inquiry & learning, several rites, and much spiritual reflection. During this period of formation, the conversion and faith of the catechumens comes to maturity.

But here at St. James, the vast majority of the newly baptized are infants, baptized at noon on Sunday in the church. (The practice of infant baptism goes back to the very early days of the Church.) Since the babies cannot speak for themselves, the parents and godparents speak for them in accepting the faith. But to fulfill the meaning of the sacrament of baptism, the children must be formed in the faith. And the parents are to be the primary teachers of the faith. So the birth of a new baby brings home the awesome responsibility of not only raising a child physically, intellectually, emotionally, & financially, but spiritually as well. After the birth of our first child, I remember feeling the heavy weight of all these responsibilities, and a total lack of preparation for the challenges ahead.

Thankfully, parents have the godparents to support them in the spiritual development of a child, but family, friends and the entire faith community are responsible to help as well. So I think that all of us can help parents of young children by: inviting, reinforcing, and teaching.

- We can invite and encourage parents to bring their children to Mass, the sacraments, devotions & religious education.
- We can reinforce all the efforts that the parents make by being a welcoming community to the presence of children…. especially when children seem most determined to embarrass their parents.
- We can teach the children not only as trained catechists, but also as proclaimers of the Good News. We can:
  * Pray with the children.
  * Read bible stories to them.
  * Tell them about God and our faith experiences.
  * Show them the love of God in our words, but most especially our actions.

And we will find that the children are incredibly receptive. That’s what they do best! They are great receivers of the love of parents, family, friends, and the love of God. And we will find that while we are forming the children, our faith will be strengthened as well.

In Mark 10:14 Jesus said, “Let the children come to me; do not prevent them…” He did not say, “Let them come to soccer practice, or the Cubs game, or even the grandparents’ house!” No, “Let them come to me.” Can we help the parents continue to bring their children to Jesus after baptism? Absolutely. Let’s get started together!

Deacon Jim Bannon

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

Pray the Rosary both before and after daily Mass:

- **Monday:** Human Life
- **Tuesday:** Military
- **Wednesday:** Marriage
- **Thursday:** Priests and Religious
- **Friday:** Sick
- **Saturday:** Souls of the faithful departed

**Eucharistic Adoration**

Eucharistic Adoration takes place from 8:15am-4pm every Thursday in the Church.
Contact: Jo Jozwiak—847-259-2433.

**Holy Hour is Here at St. James Every Thursday!**

Will you spend an hour with Jesus in prayer, meditation and song?

Who: All are welcome...young and old alike!

What: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Evening Prayer, Rosary, and Benediction

When: Thursday evenings, from 7:00pm to 8:00pm

Where: St. James Church

Why: It’s an opportunity to spend time in community with Jesus.

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**The St. James Children’s Rosary Group**

2nd Monday of each month, 4pm, Church

The Children’s Rosary Group is a prayer group movement for all children. St. James joins hundreds of Children’s Prayer Groups around the world out of the love we share for Our Blessed Mother and her Son Jesus. On the 2nd Monday of every month we meet in the church from 4:00pm to 4:45pm to recite the rosary. It is our hope that the Children’s Rosary Group will be a strong source of prayers and blessings for the Holy Father and our church. If you’re just learning or if it’s been a long time since you’ve prayed the rosary we have hand outs and extra special rosaries for you to keep. Adults are always welcome! We believe these individuals are the special “guardian angels” of our group.

For more information contact Lynne Holland at: childrensrosarygroup@gmail.com or visit us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/stjameschildrensrosarygroup. If you are unable to attend, please feel free to email your petitions. These petitions will be offered by the children while they are praying the rosary.

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**SPECIAL NEEDS MASS**

Those with Special Needs and their families are invited to join us at the 11:30am Mass in the Parish Center this Sunday, October 11th. All are welcome through our Open Doors Ministry!

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**A Warm Welcome!**

To all of our new parishioners who have registered this year, we are happy that you’ve chosen St. James Parish as your faith community and we’d like to invite you to our Welcome Event.

Fr. Matt, Fr. Joji and Fr. Gilbert will be hosting the Welcome Event and your family/friends are welcome.

This casual Welcome Event will be held TODAY, Sunday October 11th, at the Rectory, after the 5:00pm Mass. (The rectory is the red brick building just to the North of the Church.) You’ll have a chance to meet other new parishioners, mingle with our parish priests and enjoy finger-foods and beverages.

Please do join us! RSVP to your Parish Ambassacor, or, kathydavy@hotmail.com.

We look forward to welcoming YOU!
WHAT IS “WHEELS TO WORSHIP” AT ST JAMES?

*Wheels to Worship* is our newest ministry, providing rides to Mass in the Parish Center for those in need.

Can you help by transporting someone to Mass, at your convenience? Call us! Training and insurance provided.

Need a ride to Mass? Call us! We will send you an application to complete before rides are provided.

**Please call Carol at 847-253-4680 to inquire or be included. Thank YOU!**

**Lector Training**
October 24, 2015
Sponsored by the Archdiocese of Chicago
Vicariate I Ministry Commission
For New Lectors ONLY—Teens
Welcome!

Where: St. Mary of the Annunciation
22333 West Erhart Road
Mundelein, IL 60060

When: Saturday, October 24, 2015
8:30am—9:00am—Registration
9:00am—Noon—Training Workshop

Presenter: Denise Thompson
To Register: Contact Sue Matousek @ 847-223-0010 or Email: smatous@stmota.org

**A REPORT ON SATURDAY/SUNDAY MASS ATTENDANCE, for OCTOBER, 2014, from the ARCHDIOCESE of CHICAGO**

For the average weekend in October, 2014, the parishes and missions of the Archdiocese of Chicago reported a total of 421,989 persons in attendance at 1,677 regularly scheduled Masses plus other special weekend celebrations. In addition, there were at least 16,025 persons in attendance on the average weekend at other reporting institutions in the Archdiocese. The parish and mission average for 2014 is lower (-3.2% or –13,750) than the October 2013 average of 435,739. The combined parish, mission and institution actual count of 438,014 is 19.9% of the estimated 2,206,000 Catholic population of the Archdiocese.

**Summary:** Approximately 20% of Chicago Catholics in attendance at Mass during the 2014 October count.

During this month of October, 2015, our St. James ushers will once again be taking an October count at all Masses, to send to our Diocese.

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**All Souls + November**

If you would like to have a loved one who has passed away remembered during the month of November, you are invited to submit their picture for November’s All Souls display in the Church. As the departed are always in our hearts, participation is not limited to just those who have passed away this year nor do they have had to have been a parishioner. We remember all departed souls with love. To be part of the display, please follow these instructions:

- Legibly print the loved one’s name and their year of birth and death on the back of the photo (or as an attached note).
- Photos should be no larger than 4” x 6” (if larger they will be cropped).
- Send to “Environment & Art / All Souls” in care of the St. James Parish Office or by emailing an image file to kborresen@hotmail.com. The email’s subject line should read “All Souls”.
- Photos or emails need to be received by Monday, October 19.
- Regrettfully, pictures cannot be returned (nor will they be saved or stored for any other use.)

*Thank you.*
Remember with Love Mass

On Saturday, November 7th, at the 8:30am Mass in the Church, we will remember all those in our families and our parish community who have gone before us and are enjoying the presence of God. (We will celebrate using the All Souls Day Liturgy.)

We invite all parishioners of St. James, especially those who have lost a loved one during the past year to gather with one another as we remember their deceased family members in a special way. The names of those who have died and were buried from St. James in the past year will be mentioned at this Mass. (However, as the departed are always remembered with love in our hearts, participation is not strictly limited to those who have lost someone in the past year. All are welcome to attend the Mass.)

If there are any questions, please call Maureen Ruane at 847-398-3907.

- The Care and Bereavement Ministers of St. James

Please fill out and return to the Parish Office, by November 2nd.

The family of ___________________________________________________________ will be present at the 8:30am Remember with Love Mass on November 7th.

The number attending the Mass will be: _______________________________________

** Please note: Only those deceased who died between October 16, 2014 and October 15, 2015 and who were buried from St. James will be listed in the program.
What: IGNITE High school Youth Ministry

Social Gathering

When: Sunday, October 11, 2015 at 6:10 pm - 7:30 pm

Who: 9th-12th graders are all welcome to attend

Where: Church Basement (Laramie Room)

Why: Take the step to go deeper in your faith with friends and a parish who loves you!

Come hear about Pope Francis's visit to America, hang out with friends and eat some tasty pizza! This time is for you!
What does a good leader look like? You’ll be sure to find them around every corner at Saint James School. Two organizations promote leadership, create enthusiasm to perform service, develop character, and encourage citizenship at Saint James: Student Council and the National Junior Honor Society. The officers of the National Junior Honor Society; Grace Zimmerman, Faith Kuper, and Ryan O’Grady, are starting to plan their year of service projects including a Secret Santa workshop, Feed My Starving Children, items for PADS, and a number of other service opportunities that are personal to the lives of the children and families of the school or connect them to the community, such as raising money for pediatric cancer research or shoes for underprivileged children in the area. The National Junior Honor Society also helps with Response To Intervention (RTI) in the young grades before the school day begins. This is a dedicated group of students!

Student Council officers Angela Rose, Alyssa Potenza, and Daniel Ornelas are student leaders who are truly servant leaders in the model of Christ as they promote student participation in the school and community. Student Council is currently working with Saint Viator, collecting glasses for EYESEE who repurposes lenses and frames and distributes them on medical missions. Student Council also helps run the Junior High Dances. These dances teach students how to socialize with their classmates in a non-school setting while incorporating Christian values. The officers collect funds from the dances for various projects. The October 9th dance collected non-perishable foods for the local food pantries.

These leaders and the members of these organizations follow the words of St. James, "I, by my works, will show you my faith" (James 2:18). Saint James School students actively live their faith by practicing the sound values and morals of compassion, kindness, sharing, caring, respect, and giving.
Weekly Bible Study (Lectio Divina)
St. James Parish
Every Thursday at 7pm in the Boardroom.
We come together to study the Sunday Scriptures: To understand, to reflect, to share and to pray. Come and become active participants in the Sunday worship.

All are welcome.
NO sign up, No fee and NO pressure...
Please BYOB.

Questions: Call Bob Nielsen at 847-439-4460 or Fr. Joji at 224-345-7201.

“It ain’t those parts of the Bible that I can’t understand that bother me, it is the parts that I do understand.... Mark Twain

Give the Gift of Sight to the Poor
St. James School, in cooperation with St. Viator High School, is once again participating in the “EYEsee” project. On the weekends of Oct. 17/18 and 24/25, boxes marked with the “EYEsee” logo will be available in the Gathering Space and in the back of the Church so that you may donate any used eyeglasses for this project.

All glasses collected are distributed during health missions in Asia, the Pacific Islands, the Caribbean, South America and Africa. Adult and children’s prescription glasses, sunglasses and reading glasses are acceptable. These recycled glasses will help thousands of people experience good vision, often for the first time in their lives. Your generosity is greatly appreciated. If any questions, please contact Pat Farrell at: pfarrell@stjamesschoolah.org.

Are you looking to revitalize your walk with God? Want to feel more of His presence and guidance in your life? Join Artist Tamarra Peterson and Life Purpose Coach Liz Lassa as they teach women two fresh and fun new ways to connect with God (as heard on Moody Radio’s Midday Connection).

In the morning session Liz will share her shorthand approach to seeking God through Spiritual Circle Journaling. This format helps you get deep quickly, using bullet points and circles. It’s simplicity helps even non-journalers deepen their prayer life. The result is a closer walk with God, a more focused quiet time, and a life more clearly guided by the Spirit as you see God moving in the circles! There is a quiet-time session built in to give it a try. After a break for lunch we will take what God placed on your heart from the morning session a step further as Tamara teaches Spiritual Art Journaling. We will capture on a canvas the word, verse, or phrase from your quiet time with papers, clipped images, textures, and paints. In the end you will leave with your very own “one-of-a-kind” canvas to remind you of His message for this season in your life. The only experience required is kindergarten! All materials are supplied.

When: Saturday, Oct. 17, 2015 Light Refreshments: 8:30 Retreat: 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Where: St. James Parish, 820 N. Arlington Heights Rd., Arlington Heights (Enter through the school’s West doors.)
Cost: $65 (Includes lunch) Please make checks out to St. James Parish or pay on-line by clicking button below.

RSVP Deadline: Oct. 12, 2015 Questions: Contact Tina at tina@haisman.net
GOT YARN?

St. James PADS guests need your help keeping warm this winter. Please consider assisting them by knitting or crocheting a scarf as part of Pope Francis request to make LOVE OUR MISSION. We are participating in the Chase The Chill movement to provide scarves for the needy this winter. You can use any pattern you like to create a warm scarf 4-6 inches wide by 50-60 inches long. Bring your scarf to St James on 11/21 or 11/22 and tie it around our tree in front of St. James Church for the homeless and those in need. Won’t that be an amazing sight! Please help us keep our PADS guests warmer this winter.

For more info check out www.chasethechill.com or connect with Kathy at 847-255-8899 or kk_ek@msn.com (there is an underscore_between initials). Thank YOU!

Coming Home Retreat for Veterans and Families

Veteran’s Retreat—COMING HOME—A comprehensive spiritual outreach and renewal program for our military men and women and their families. Presented by Bellarmine Jesuit Retreat House and Mayslake Ministries. Sunday, October 25th, 2015—8am—6:30pm. Serving in the military or having a loved one wear the uniform creates a common bond that is never forgotten. St. Ignatius Loyola believed that God is hidden in the stories of our lives. So gather with other vets or with members of other military families to tell whatever part of your story you’re comfortable naming. Share your story with fellow vets and other military families....

VETERANS & FAMILIES “COMING HOME” RETREAT REGISTRATION

Please register me for the following “Coming Home” retreat:

☐ * Sunday, 10/25/2015
  8am - 6:30pm

☐ * Sunday, 2/28/2016
  8am - 6:30pm

☐ * Sunday, 6/12/2016
  8am - 6:30pm

*For veterans and their families (spouses, parents, children at least 18 yrs old)

Register online, by phone, or mail your registration form to Bellarmine Jesuit Retreat House (address below).
The Veterans “Coming Home” retreats are FREE of charge.
Inclusion Awareness: Seeing With Our Hearts

Have you ever felt like you don't belong? What about in church? Have you ever felt by the stares and whispers, the expectation is that you and your family should leave? For families with special needs, this is often the case. The number of children born with special needs is on the rise. Yet, a lack of awareness of what special needs are remains. This is primarily because many of the needs today are invisible which makes it easy for onlookers to get the wrong impression, especially in Church. We have a hard time wrapping our heads around something that we cannot see. It is easy to rush to judgement. People see a child with behavior that seems out of control and strange and they look to the parents and think, “What kind of parents are these who let their kids run around in church? What kind of manners and values are they instilling in their children?” What they may not realize is that the child may have sensory issues, or attention deficit hyperactivity disorder or autism or other needs which makes sitting still for any length of time extremely challenging. Sadly, when these encounters happen, many families with special needs lose heart and stay home because it is a lot easier and hurts less than the alternative.

Parents of children with special needs who still attend Mass remember those moments not too long ago...sitting in church wondering if it is worth the heartache. Worship is supposed to be a joyful and uplifting experience. Yet, I remember leaving church many Sundays reduced to tears. So I stopped going to church for awhile and during that time away, I experienced such a profound sense of emptiness, sadness, and loneliness. I reflected on that moment where I questioned if it was worth it and the answer is yes. Jesus is worth it. My family is worth it. I am worth it.

Today, we are celebrating Inclusion Awareness Day. What exactly is Inclusion and why do need an Awareness Day? Inclusion is a fundamental spiritual cry, often from parents with special needs children, but also from anyone who feels marginalized or judged for who they are and where they are in life. It is the need to worship freely, to be accepted, to be loved, and to know that you belong to something greater than yourself. Inclusion involves deep vulnerability. For many, it is terrifying because it means further exposure to scrutiny when their greatest desire is to blend. Awareness Days are important because they serve to remind us of the greater truths. They ignite that fire from within and reveal that we are not done doing God’s work.

What are we doing here at St. James to foster inclusion? Two new ministries debuted in the month of September with a specific aim of welcoming individuals and families. Open Doors is a new ministry for families with special needs that offers adaptive catechesis for grades 1-8 and runs concurrently with the mainstream religious education program. Additionally, it provides whole family support for any age through their monthly, “Family, Faith, Fun and Fellowship Nights.” The D.E.A.L. (Divorce, Education, Advocacy, and Liturgy) is a ministry for divorced catholics that offers mutual support, hope, and healing. What can you do to be part of this spiritual movement? Be kind and helpful. Share your time, gifts and talents in support of these ministries.

Special needs, vulnerability, and inclusion walk an intertwined path. Let us honor that delicate fragility by opening our eyes and hearts to something deeper and spiritually nourishing. Let us look beyond our earthly vision and humanity and in everything ask, “What would Jesus do?”

“But the LORD said to Samuel, “Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him. For the LORD sees not as man sees: man looks on the outward appearance, but the LORD looks on the heart.” –1 Samuel 16:7 (ESV)

--Anne Gavin Rago
**Elizabeth Ministry**

Pregnancy and Infant Loss Remembrance Day is October 15. Join us in praying for all families touched by miscarriage, stillbirth and infant death.

Lord, God of all creation, we bless and thank you for your tender care. Receive this life you created in love and comfort your faithful people in their time of loss with the assurance of your unfailing mercy. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Please visit the rosebud display in the parish center for special prayer requests along with information pertaining to pregnancy and infant loss.

For more information email elizabethministry@stjamesah.org or visit Elizabeth Ministry international at http://www.elizabethministry.com

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**St. James AZ Border Trip**

**Friday, Jan 29 to Monday, Feb 1, 2016**

St. James parishioners are invited to experience a mission trip to the Arizona-Mexico border to learn about the journey, needs and fears of undocumented immigrants. We will stay with and be led by the Kino Border Initiative staff. The trip ranges from $900 to $1150, depending on # of participants and flight arrangements.

- Day 1: Fly to Tucson, attend federal court to witness Operation Streamline, drive to Nogales, AZ for orientation on the Kino Border Initiative Program.
- Day 2: Serve in the soup kitchen for deported migrants, visit the women’s shelter, etc.
- Day 3: Walk in the desert to experience the difficult journey, attend mass in the rural community of Arivaca, potluck meal with the local ranchers
- Day 4: Serve at the soup kitchen or listen to a presentation, drive back to the airport

For more information, contact the St. James Peace and Justice ministry peaceandjustice@stjamesah.org or call the parish office and leave your name and number. A PJU member will get back to you.

Solidarity on the U.S.-Mexico Border: Kino Border Initiative in Words, Deeds, and Images

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**SAVE THE DATE:**

**GIVE NEW LIFE!**

Give up to three people a new life by donating blood on **Sunday, October 25th**, at the **St James Fall Blood Drive**. LifeSource Blood Services will be in the **cafeteria of the Parish Center/School** from 8:30 am to 2:00 pm. You can be a volunteer donor as long as you are at least 17 years old (16 with written parental permission), weigh at least 110 pounds and are in good health. If you want more detailed information on donating or want to make an appointment, you can call our LifeSource Representative at (877) 543-3768. COME GIVE THE GIFT OF LIFE!

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**St. James Staff College Road Trip!**

St. James Staff members would like to visit your college student in school—for “PIZZA & PRAYER” —on Thursday evenings.

Please organize a time with your student, and any additional students/parents at their university who might be interested. (Visits will be to schools within a reasonable driving distance from Arlington Heights.)

Two parents are needed to accompany staff members on each of these visits. Please contact FR. MATT FOLEY at the Parish Office - 224-345-7222, or frmatt@stjamesah.org if you would like to arrange a trip!
You are invited to experience the essence of Spain in a colorful, festive evening at

¡Viva España!
Saturday, November 7, 2015

6:00 P.M.
Cocktails, Hors d’oeuvres & Silent Auction

7:30 P.M.
Dinner, Dessert & Live Auction

“Flamenco” at the Fiesta until 1:00 a.m.

The Parish Center
820 North Arlington Heights Road
Arlington Heights

Benefiting St. James Charities &
St. James Parish Tuition Assistance

Cocktail Attire – Kindly respond by October 26

Invitations have been mailed. If you would like an invitation and did not receive one, please call 224-345-7209.
October 31, 2015
The Terrifying Trot
AKA the Jubilation Jog
Benefitting Jubilation at St. James

They’re creepy & they’re kooky....100 women start ... who knows how many will finish!

Run or walk 2-4 miles around Lake Arlington (each lap is 2 miles). Afterwards, join us at the Reddin house (1615 E Peachtree Drive) for Tricks and Treats, and a group photo.

Run Start Time:
7:30 am
Where: 1615 E Peachtree Drive
Cost: $40.00 per lady

Register by 10/15 at jubijog@gmail.com
To complete your reservation, please include your name, email, cell #, & T-shirt size. Please make checks payable to “Jubilation at James” & drop in the parish office, Attn: Mary Reddin.
St. James Parish Presents

The 35th Annual

Christmas Bazaar

St. James presents....
the 35th Annual
Christmas Bazaar

Friday, November 13th , and
Saturday, November 14th

Interested crafters
should contact
224-345-7200, ext 8529 or
Jane Jones at
JaKeJones3@aol.com

Friday, November 13, 10 AM—6:00 PM
Saturday, November 14, 9 AM—3 PM

Admission: $3 per person, students are free

St. James Parish Center
820 N. Arlington Heights Road
Arlington Heights, IL 60004
224-345-7200

Featuring over 80 exhibitors selling wonderful
handmade items, a delicious bake sale, raffle,
and refreshments including Gotta B Crepes!

Stroller and coat check available.
VIOLENCE AGAINST CHILDREN & TEENS

When we think of domestic violence, we likely think of two people engaging in unhealthy or dangerous behavior. But the impacts of domestic violence are far greater, especially when children are involved.

According to some estimates, more than 3 million children witness abuse in their homes each year. No matter how much you believe it is hidden from them or out of sight, children know what is happening. This means that young people are living with the stress and anxiety of witnessing adults in the home hurting each other verbally and/or physically. They carry that stress with them at school and on the playground. That stress and anxiety can lead to sadness, confusion, rage, even guilt.

Children who witness domestic violence are also at greater risk of becoming victims themselves, according to Liz Roberts, deputy CEO and chief program officer of the group Safe Horizon, which provides support for victims of domestic violence.

Safe Horizon estimates that the chance of "co-occurrence," where the abuser is hurting his or her partner and the children at the same time, could be as high as 30% to 60%. Some shelters report that the first reason many battered women give for fleeing the home is that the perpetrator was also attacking the children.

Boys exposed to domestic violence may channel their feelings through aggressive acts such as fighting, hitting younger siblings and engaging in high-risk behaviors such as using or abusing drugs or joining gangs.

Girls may act out in aggressive ways, too, by becoming sexually promiscuous or using drugs, while other girls may internalize their pain and become depressed, isolated and even injure themselves. As teens develop emotionally, they are heavily influenced by their relationship experiences within their own families. Teens may carry patterns of violence into their dating relationships. According to the teen advocate site loveisrespect.org, one in three adolescents in the U.S. is a victim of physical, sexual, emotional or verbal abuse from a dating partner, a figure that far exceeds rates of other types of youth violence.

If you know someone who may be a victim of dating violence, refer them to loveisrespect.org or 866-331-9474. They can also text loveis to 22522.

If you suspect that a child has been harmed or is at risk of being harmed by abuse or neglect, call the 24-hour Child Abuse Hotline at 800-25-ABUSE (800-252-2873). Your confidential call will not only make sure the child is safe, but will also help provide the child’s family with the services they need to provide a safe, nurturing home.
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 of $4.00 on a reservation basis. Call 847-797-5354 for reservations.

Mended Hearts - a national non-profit support group for cardiac patients and families meets monthly at Alexian Bros. Hospital in Elk Grove Village on the first Tuesday of each month in 2015. Call Jack Hanahan at 847-398-0791 for the schedule, information and support.

Senior Health Insurance Program
Volunteers trained by the Illinois Department of Insurance offer a free counseling service to help you compare alternative Medicare, Medicare Supplement, Medicare Drug, HMO or Long Term Care Insurance Plans and to assist in processing billing or appealing denied claims for these plans. Call 847-253-5532 for an appointment.

Community Resources
Alcoholics Anon. 312-346-1475
Alanon/Alateen 847-358-0338
Narcotics Anon. 708-848-4884
Families Anon. 847-795-8320
A self-help program for family and friends of those with substance abuse and/or behavioral problems. Meets regularly at 7:30pm on Wednesday evenings at Our Savior Lutheran Church in Arlington 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. Kennicott, Arlington 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.

Annual Mass Supporting People with Mental Illnesses, Families, Friends, and Mental Healthcare Providers
October 18th, 2015
St. Gertrude’s Church, 1400 West Grangeville, Chicago. Refreshments and conversation will follow the Mass. For information, contact Deacon Tom Lambert at 773-525-0453 x 21; olmcinfo2@aol.com; Deacon Dan Welter at 312-534-8283; dwelter@archchicago.org or Faith & Fellowship at 708-383-9276.

Sponsored by the Archdiocesan Commission on Mental Illness/Office for Persons with Disabilities and Faith and Fellowship.

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 next session runs from Oct. 13th-Nov. 17th. 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.

RETIRED MEN’S GROUP
Please join us for our October 14th meeting which will be held in the Board Room. Our speaker this month will be parishioner Don Knorr, who will speak to us about Opus Dei.
What does it mean to be a member of Opus Dei? How does it differ from what we believe and how we practice our Faith. Don is an excellent and entertaining speaker. He previously spoke to our group about 2 years ago on a completely different subject and was very well received. So join us on the 2nd Wednesday of October at 10:00. You will not be disappointed!

Deacon Pierce
Relics of St. Maria Goretti...are coming to Chicago
Monday, October 12, 2015

Richard Nagengast 847-732-0970

Deacon Pierce
Please pray for our sick…
Marianne Wernick, Edna O. Martin

In Loving Memory—

Loretta Murray...wife of Michael Murray; sister of Lawrence Hart

Bernice McBride...mother of Pam (Tom) Absher, Jim (Cindy) McBride, Kevin McBride, Janet (Robert) Troher, and Christine Larson; grandmother of thirteen; mother-in-law of Elaine Stankiewicz

Joseph M. Levon...husband of Dolores; father of Kathie (Paul) Helmick, Joe (Joan) Levon, Mike (Sue) Levon, and Marie (Mark) Doll; grandfather of fifteen

Baptisms
Benjamin Michael Godziszewski...son of Michael & Kelly (Flynn) Godziszewski

Piper Reagan Limbers...daughter of Steven & Kate (McLenaghan) Limbers

Lena Grace Hendle...daughter of Robert Hendle & Julie Chiero

Louis Robert Hendle...son of Robert Hendle & Julie Chiero

Wedding Banns
October 16
Patrick Burns & Lauren Ackerman

October 17
Tim Scanlan & Lisa Mensching

October 17
Bart Bizon & Anna Jerafczczak

October 24
William Jordt & Gina Aiello

Rose for Life
This week’s Rose for Life is donated in loving memory of Andrew J. Szott.

Remembrances

Saturday Evening/Sunday Morning, October 11
Dana Mangi, Dorothy Firnbach, Anne Sterrett, Matthew & Theres Voegtle, Valerie Meitz, George Halm, Linda Sterrett, Frank & Victoria Bosco, Tom Schuld, Dana Mangi, Barbara J. McCarthy, Joan Heffernan(1st Anniv.)

Monday, October 12
Esther Kelly, Janene Tarbox, Darrell Roberts, Geraldine Fitzgerald, Louise Hawthorne

Tuesday, October 13
Dana Mangi, Vaunhnn Pratt

Wednesday, October 14
Kayla Jean Mueller, John L. Macko, Chris Hanson

Thursday, October 15
Stephan Waller, Margaret Hopkins, Ronald Stevens, John G. McLoraine

Friday, October 16
Barbara Martini (1st Anniv.), Thomas J. Horton, Dorothy M. Gleason (1st Anniv.), Jeanne Bartman, Philip O’Connor

Saturday, October 17
George Mulcahy, George F. & Regina C. Bieber, Catherine Sabay

Saturday Evening/Sunday Morning, October 18

Weekly Intentions

Our Charity
Thank you—from NPH USA nphusa.com

Thank you so very much for your recent donation to NPH USA in the amount of $10,000, Your generosity helps us transform the lives of more than 3,400 children living at the Nuestros Pequeños Hermanos homes throughout Latin America and the Caribbean. (NPH is Spanish for “Our Little Brothers and Sisters’.) Healthcare, nutrition, shelter, clothing, education and enrichment are provided through your generosity.

Chuck Allworth, Midwest Regional Director
Liturgical Ministers for the Weekend of October 18, 2015

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

Sunday:
7:00 am Fr. Matt Foley
8:30 am Fr. Matt Foley
10:00 am Fr. Gilbert Mashurano
11:30 am Fr. Matt Foley
5:00 pm Fr. Matt Foley
(A signer will be present at the 5pm Sunday Mass.)

Altar Servers
Saturday evening:
5:00 pm A. & G. Zimmerman, C.Jones

Sunday:
7:00 am W. & S. Michelini, T. Jansen
8:30 am E. & M. Martin, I.Kennedy
10:00 am T.Reiss, K.Reising, G.Gaggiano
11:30 am A.Ferriss, C. Mittel, E.Oskroba
5:00 pm E.Madden, Z.Stenger, T.Topczycki

Lectors
Saturday evening:
5:00 pm J.Todesco, M.Robbins

Sunday:
7:00 am J.Bruett, R.Bruett
8:30 am L.Matz, K.Sowa
10:00 am M.Belter, J.McDermott
11:30 am S.Sharer, K.Ponce
5:00 pm P.Farrell, B.Mangi

Scripture Readings
READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 11

Monday: Rom 1:1-7; Ps 98:1-4; Lk 11:29-32
Tuesday: Rom 1:16-25; Ps 19:2-5; Lk 11:37-41
Wednesday: Rom 2:1-11; Ps 62:2-3, 6-7, 9; Lk 11:42-46
Thursday: Rom 3:21-30; Ps 130:1b-6ab; Lk 11:47-54
Friday: Rom 4:1-8; Ps 32:1b-2, 5, 11; Lk 12:1-7
Saturday: Rom 4:13, 16-18; Ps 105:6-9, 42-43; Lk 12:8-12
Sunday: Is 53:10-11; Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22; Heb 4:14-16; Mk 10:35-45 [42-45]

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

Sunday: Church
7:00 am M.Cripe, G.Roller, J.Shrader, M.Goolsby, J.Zitkus, N.Paulson, M.J. DeShon, E.O.Martin, J.Van Eck
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
Coordinators: F.Miossi, D.Varchetto

Sunday: Parish Center
(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
Coordinators: C.Zitkus, C.Zitkus

Sunday: Church
Coordinator: L.Matz

How Are We Praying?
Your Liturgy Board is interested in hearing about your experience of prayer and worship at St. James.
We welcome your evaluation of Mass in the Church and Parish Center and your ideas about things we are doing well or ways we can improve our experience of praying together.
E-mail us at: stjamesliturgyboard@yahoo.com
**Sunday, October 11, 2015**

**Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Wisdom for all ages**

In parts, the Book of Wisdom is written as if King Solomon is the speaker, although his name appears nowhere in the text, and in fact, the book was written only about 50 years before the birth of Jesus. Wisdom belongs to the Apocrypha, which are seven Old Testament books that are accepted by Catholics but not Protestants. While it may seem ironic that there’s some fuzziness about Wisdom, the writing itself provides poetic clarity by personifying wisdom with characteristics of God, reminding us that the final arbiter. Dip into this wise book for a few moments today.

**Today’s readings:** Wisdom 7:7-11; Hebrews 4:13-16; Mark 10:17-30 (443). “I prayed, and prudence was given me; I pleaded, and the spirit of wisdom came to me.”

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**Monday, October 12**

**Heeding the signs**

Think about the last time you drove somewhere. When you reached a stop sign, you applied the brake and stopped the car. Now imagine that the sign itself made the car stop! Imagine it made present the thing it signified: stopping. Of course many signs in everyday life—”walk,” “yield,” “wait”—name a few—don’t have that power. But in our life of faith, signs do! The Catechism of the Catholic Church describes the sacraments as “efficacious signs of grace” that “bear fruit in those who receive them…” (1131). Consider today the ways that the sacraments are bearing fruit in your life!

**Today’s readings:** Romans 1:1-7; Luke 11:29-32 (467). “Just as Jonah became a sign to the Ninevites, so will the Son of Man be to this generation.”

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**Tuesday, October 13**

**A letter of introduction**

Saint Paul’s letters were most often sent to the Christian communities he helped establish and addressed problems he encountered firsthand. But not so with the Romans. Paul’s letter to them was a form of introduction. They didn’t know each other but they were created by the same God. By Christ we are united to each other; that type of connection doesn’t require having met before. It’s rooted in the heart of God, drawing us together no matter what might stand between us. Remember that during your daily encounters with others.

**Today’s readings:** Romans 1:16-25; Luke 11:37-41 (463). “I am not ashamed of the gospel. It is the power of God for the salvation of everyone who believes.”

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**Wednesday, October 14**

**Feast of Callistus I, pope, martyr**

**Take a second chance on God**

If ever there were a patron saint of second chances . . . and third chances, it would have to be third-century Callistus. He was imprisoned several times for money-related problems and only then changed his ways and became a servant of the church. Perhaps it was his genuine repentance that marked him as a distinguished leader, which led to his ascendency to the papacy. It is never too late to turn things around, no matter how dire the situation you might find yourself in. Think of Callistus, our patron saint of second chances!


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**Thursday, October 15**

**Feast of Teresa of Jesus, virgin, doctor of the church**

**Put some prayer in your action and vice versa**

Saint Teresa of Ávila, also called Saint Teresa of Jesus, was a dynamo who lived in dynamic times. She was a charismatic Spanish Carmelite during the Counter Reformation—not an easy era to be a woman, much less one leading a reform movement. But as outgoing as she was, she knew the importance of time spent in thought and prayer. After all, she was a contemplative, as well as a theologian and a mystic. Restoring your spirit makes you a stronger force for good. But don’t think you need to be cloistered to pray properly. As Teresa herself said: “It would be extremely difficult if you could only pray in secluded places.” Pray any which way you can.

**Today’s readings:** Romans 5:1-8; Luke 11:44-54 (470). “We consider that a person is justified by faith apart from works of the law.”

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**Friday, October 16**

**The bread of life**

World Food Day challenges us to take action to eradicate hunger within our lifetime. It’s a daunting challenge. According to the United Nations, 805 million people live with hunger as an ongoing reality. There are many ways on World Food Day and throughout the year to help overcome hunger, such as food drives, advocacy efforts, and meal preparation at local outreach centers. As a church, we’re called to bring Christ—the bread of life—to those hungering for spiritual nourishment. What action might you take today to help bring bread to those who suffer physical hunger as well?

**Today’s readings:** Romans 4:1-8; Luke 12:12-17 (471). “There is nothing concealed that will not be revealed.”

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**Saturday, October 17**

**The mystery of grief**

In disappointment, suffering, and loss, we’re obliged to “hope against hope,” as Saint Paul says of Abraham, a great Hoper-in-Chief. Paul invented this idiom of a hope so farfetched, it was like betting against luck. When we pray the Sorrowful Mysteries, we acknowledge the pain of life so undeniable that it can’t be theologized away. Fear of death, physical torment, public humiliation, bearing heavy burdens, and the anguish of final surrender—all of this belonged to Jesus, as it does to us. Pray these mysteries for those who hope against hope.

**Today’s readings:** Romans 4:13, 16-18; Luke 12:8-12 (472). “[Abraham] believed, hoping against hope, that he would become the father of many nations.”
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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.

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