ST JAMES WELCOMES PROMINENT, LEADING BIOETHICIST, FR. TAD PACHOLCZYK

Fr. Tad will speak on
The gift of Human Life: Begotten Not Made & Ethical Decision Making in Sickness and End of Life Situations

Sunday, March 18th
Parish Center
2:00pm—4:00PM

See page 7 for more details

FOURTH SUNDAY OF Lent

God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life.
John 3:16
A Reflection...Erin Corbett, Focus Parish Outreach

March 11, 2018

This Sunday’s Gospel reading contains in it one of the most-quoted and best-loved scripture passages of all time, and for good reason. “For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life.” (John 3:16)

This beautifully succinct passage summarizes the whole of the gospel message. This led me to reflect on what the Gospel is, and even more so, how God wants us to respond to it.

What is the gospel?

While John 3:16 perfectly summarizes the whole gospel, I wanted to turn to a passage in the Catechism of the Catholic Church that I believe is the best presentation of the gospel I have ever read. It comes from the very first paragraph, in the prologue:

God, infinitely perfect and blessed in himself, in a plan of sheer goodness freely created man to make him share in his own blessed life. For this reason, at every time and in every place, God draws close to man. He calls man to seek him, to know him, to love him with all his strength. He calls together all men, scattered and divided by sin, into the unity of his family, the Church. To accomplish this, when the fullness of time had come, God sent his Son as Redeemer and Saviour. In his Son and through him, he invites men to become, in the Holy Spirit, his adopted children and thus heirs of his blessed life. (CCC 1)

When our first parents broke our relationship with God the Father through sin, he devised a plan to send his only Son in order to draw us into His Divine life. God’s promise to us is a share in his blessed life. This is much more than the nebulous idea of heaven with clouds and winged baby cherubs flying around. It is a participation of the life of the Trinity – God wants to draw us into the heart of Love itself to rest there for all eternity. It is the answer to all of our deepest aspirations and longings.

What is the proper response to the gospel?

St. Paul addresses this question in this week’s reading from his letter to the Ephesians – “For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not from you; it is the gift of God; it is not from works, so no one may boast.” (Eph 2:8-9) Christ isn’t calling us to good works specifically – these come as a result of a reformed heart. No...the proper response to Christ’s death on the cross is not works but love. As Catholics, we understand that we are not saved by simply turning to Christ once in our lives. Christ’s sacrificial death and resurrection calls us to respond to Him in love daily, continually (St. Paul elsewhere calls us to “pray without ceasing”). The Church gives us the framework for this love. The Church is the meeting point between God and mankind – it is the living body of the resurrected Christ. In love of Christ, then, we must turn to his Church with our whole hearts. This means seeking Christ in the Eucharist. We are obligated to attend Mass every Sunday, of course, but the free gift of Christ in his Church is that He offers to us his entire Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity in the Mass every day. Fr. Matt and Fr. Derek have been good enough to offer a second daily Mass throughout Lent. What if, in love, we came to meet Christ in the Eucharist more than just once a week? One thing to consider would be to add one weekday Mass to your regular schedule.

Another thing I believe a lot of Catholics miss out on is meeting Christ in the sacrament of reconciliation. I’ve met many – many – Catholics who haven’t been to confession in five, ten, or even twenty years. But like the first paragraph of the Catechism says, God draws closer to man everywhere and at all times. Confession is God’s sacrament of mercy. It is where we go to experience His love and healing through the ministerial priesthood. Confession is the place we go to receive the mercy He gave us on the Cross. Ignoring this opportunity is like ignoring his sacrifice.

Finally, love demands a response in the form of a relationship. Christ’s sacrifice demands from us life in the Church, yes, but also an intimacy with Him that we form through prayer on a daily basis. Not praying every day is like not talking to your spouse every day. It is particularly good to pray in front of the Blessed Sacrament whenever possible. St. James offers adoration every Thursday – why not take advantage of this opportunity? Even if it is hard to get to a church to pray, it isn’t hard to offer up ten or twenty minutes of our day in prayer to the Lord. If you aren’t already doing that, it might be a good goal to strive for.

Once again, I am deeply grateful for the community we have here at St. James. I pray for our parish every day and hope to see it grow and thrive!

Erin

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

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

Adoration of Our Lord
Would you like to visit the holiest place on earth? Visit our Adoration. Why is it so holy? Because God dwells there in His Real Presence. Every Catholic Church and Chapel is a dwelling place for God. Stop in and visit Him. All are invited to St. James Adoration on Thursdays, from 8am-8pm in the Church. Join the SJ Adoration Team! Please contact Regina Kastner: 847-207-8893

Holy Hour
All are invited to the 7pm Thursday Holy Hour in the Church with Deacon Matthew Hahn. This 7pm Holy Hour includes Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Evening Prayer, Rosary, and Benediction.

Day of Reflection
The Women’s Opus Dei will meet for a Day of Reflection on Wednesday, March 21, 2018 at 9:30am in the Church. Women of St. James Parish are welcome to attend.

Children’s Rosary Group
The Children’s Rosary Group will meet in the CHAPEL at 4:00pm each Monday afternoon. Please join us!

Stations of the Cross

Friday, March 16th
7:30pm - Traditional Stations - Church

Friday, March 23rd
7:30pm - Focus on St. Vincent de Paul – Church

Good Friday, March 30th
12:00 Noon – Traditional Stations of the Cross – Church
1:00pm – Living Stations – Parish Center

Scrutiny Gospels
Cycle A readings will be used at all of the Scrutiny Masses this year. The RCIA Scrutiny Masses will take place on the following Sundays:
- March 4th — 1st Scrutiny — 10am Mass
- March 11th — 2nd Scrutiny — 11:30am Mass
- March 18th — 3rd Scrutiny — 5:00pm Sunday Mass

THE CRUX

CRUX [kruhks] noun
A baffling problem.
Something that torments by its puzzling nature.
A perplexing difficulty.

Join Fr Derek as he leads a Lenten Bible study on exploring the meaning of the cross and the person of Jesus Christ.
LOCATION: SJS Library (Enter at Gathering space doors)
DAYS: Thursdays during Lent: Mar 15, 22
TIME: 7-8 pm
HOLY WEEK & EASTER SCHEDULE

There is no 7:30am or Noon Mass on Holy Thursday, March 29th. A service of Morning Prayer will take place in the Church at 8:00am on Good Friday, March 30th, and Holy Saturday, March 31st.

Holy Thursday, March 29th
*Mass of the Lord’s Supper*
7:30pm in the Parish Center
(Following the service, Adoration will take place in the Church until midnight.)

Good Friday, March 30th
8:00am – Morning Prayer – Church
12:00Noon – Traditional Stations of the Cross – Church
1:00pm – Living Stations – Parish Center

*Liturgy of the Lord’s Passion*
3:00pm in the Church
(Following the service, the Church will be open for prayer until 9:00pm.)
7:30pm – Service of Taizé Prayer - Church

Holy Saturday, March 31st
8:00am – Morning Prayer – Church
12:00Noon – Blessing of the Easter Baskets and Food for the Easter celebration – Church

*Easter Vigil*
7:30pm in the Parish Center

Easter Sunday, April 1st
Church: 6:00am (Sunrise Mass), 8:00am, 10:00am
Parish Center: 8:00am, 10:00am, 12:00Noon

READINGS FOR THE WEEK March 11th

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Now Accepting

Applications for the 2018-2019 school year
We have openings in many grades. Call for a tour!
jpappas@stjamesschoolah.org or 224.345.7145

Saint James School offers PK 3-8th grade
Visit us at stjamesschoolah.org
820 N. Arlington Heights Road, Arlington Heights, IL 60004

Faith Formation

Experience a Bouquet of Blessings at the St. James Women’s Christ Renews His Parish Retreat April 7 – 8, 2018

- Come join us for a special weekend!
- Reconnect with God and find your inner peace.
- Take time to reflect, pray, laugh, eat, and make new parish friends!

For more information or to register, please contact Maribeth O’Dell at sjcrhp2018@gmail.com or 847-528-7276.

Easter Remembrances

For the Easter Season the Environment & Art Ministry invites St. James parishioners to assist in creating a tangible remembrance of their family members and/or friends by helping to fund the Easter Season décor within our worship spaces.

A donation of $25 per remembrance is suggested. The names of those being remembered will be published in the Easter Sunday Bulletin. To participate, please fill out the form below and mail it with your check (made payable to St. James Church) to St. James Parish Office, 820 N. Arlington Heights Road, Arlington Heights, IL 60004. Donations may also be deposited in the Sunday Collection in an envelope marked “Easter Remembrance.” Please note that your remembrance(s) must be received in the Parish Office by March 12.

Thank you.  
Environment & Art Ministry

Easter 2018 Remembrance

In Memory of:  
(Please print)

Remembered by:  
(Please print)
**St. James Parish Stewardship Grant Request**

Application for Funding 2018

The St. James parish community seeks to transform the lives of others through service as Christ’s missionary disciples. The Stewardship Fund presents the opportunity for St. James to support charitable organizations that share this mission: organizations who respond to Christ’s Gospel call, recognize the dignity of all life, and stand in solidarity with our brothers and sisters on the margins.

To apply, please visit the St James website to obtain an application or visit the parish office for a copy. Return the completed application to the St. James Parish Office at 820 N. Arlington Heights Road, or email it to stewardship@stjamesah.org.

The application deadline is **March 12, 2018**.

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**~ The Facts of Life ~**

*For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven: a time to be born, and a time to die;* (Ecc 3:1-2a)

**THE BEGINNING OF LIFE**

*from the moment of conception*

The St. James Respect Life Ministry is hosting nationally known bioethicist, Fr. Tad Pacholezyk, the Director of Education for the National Catholic Bioethics Center, at **St. James Parish** in Arlington Heights on Sunday, March 18, 2018. He will discuss important life issues in two talks:

1. **The Gift of Human Life: Begotten Not Made**
2. **Ethical Decision Making in Sickness and End of Life Situations**

Attendees will have the opportunity to have their specific questions answered after each talk.

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**~ Free Will Offering ~**

Contact Marybeth or Mike with questions at (847) 392-5506 or mschoney@wowway.com

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**TODAY IS THE DAY! JOIN US IN THE PC CAFETERIA**

Please honor Mary Jo Souders by rolling up your sleeve and donating blood. Stop in at the cafeteria in the back of the Parish Center anytime today (Sunday) from 8:30 am to 2:00 pm and donate even if you don’t have an appointment. LifeSource Blood Services welcomes walk-ins, but you will need your picture ID. Patients of all ages need blood daily just like the Souders. It is available to them only through the generosity of volunteer blood donors like you.
PADS UPDATE AT ST. JAMES

March 14th will be the last night for PADS (Public Action to Deliver Shelter) at St. James until the Church renovation is complete. The Palatine Presbyterian Church has generously offered to double their site space on Wednesdays for the remainder of the season in order to accommodate the guests who routinely seek shelter at St James. The details are still being finalized, but St. James will continue to provide volunteers and food on Wednesdays at Palatine Presbyterian until the end of April. We are grateful for the kindness shown by Palatine Presbyterian Church ensuring shelter for the guests.

St. James PADS would like to thank all those who have generously donated gifts of all kinds, Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, St James School, Buffalo Grove High School, St. James Women's Club, St. James School, Panera Bread, Corner Bakery, European Jewelers and Sam Rafidia, Sommers and Fahrenbach, Inc.,Marino's Pizza, Christiano Felicio of the Chicago Bulls, Esteban Saavedra and the employees at FedEx, Teachers at Northtown Academy, Salon Style Palatine, Joseph Academy and U-46 along with many others who contribute to the success of the program.

Saint James has been a consistent haven for those in need of a home for over 25 years, supplying shelter, food, clothing, showers, respect, and dignity to those experiencing homelessness in the community. Whether contributing through volunteering, donating, or prayer, the St James parishioners and volunteers have answered the call to care for their brothers and sisters, to be the hands and feet of Christ. The program will return with the completion of the church renovation with new ability to better serve those with disabilities.

With gratitude,

Pads Ministry Leaders
St. James Tuesday Men's Golf League

The St James Tuesday MEN'S Golf League has openings available for the upcoming 2018 season. The 9 hole league plays on Tuesday afternoons at the Buffalo Grove Golf Course, with tee times ranging between 3:15 and 5:00 pm. Players of all handicaps are able to participate. The season generally runs from mid-April to the end of August. While there is team competition, the league focus is for all participants to enjoy the camaraderie of all fellow players. If you have an interest in joining a league, or if you have any questions, feel free to contact league president Tom Wilkes at 847 401-1947, or Andy Devery 847 970-0365, 847 253-1754, Chuck Frankiewicz 847 368-1012, and finally, Deacon Pierce Sheehan

OVER 50 Social Group Featured Event

St. Joseph Day Luncheon on March 20th

Giacomo's Restaurant - 740 North Wolf Road (Wolf and Central Road) Des Plaines, IL 60016

TIME: 11:30 am

Cost: $20 Family style- Egg Plant Parmigiana Chicken Marsala, Penne Pasta Marinara sauce, Mixed vegetables
Dessert: Spumoni, St. Joseph's Day Cake, Coffee, tea, milk.

RSVP: Frank and Peg 847 398 2233;

Make checks payable to "St. James Over 50 Group" and take to the Parish Office. See you there.

Download the Saint James App today!

At the Apple App and Google Play stores!

Reception after Mass sponsored by the Communication Committee

Learn how to download the St James APP.

Our team will be available after Mass to assist you with installing the new app on your phone.

We welcome your comments on all the ways St. James is communicating with you.
During the Lenten Season, there is no Opening Hymn or Gloria. Our sung prayers reflect the solemn nature of the season. The moments of silence in our liturgies heighten the music already present in the Mass.

**Confiteor**

I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do, through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

**Apostles Creed**

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

**Sung Psalm Refrain:**

Let my tongue be silenced, if I ever forget you, if I ever forget you!

11:30AM Mass (Second Scrutiny): The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

**Lenten Gospel Acclamation**

**Save Us, Savior of the World**

Save us, Savior of the world, for by your Cross and Resurrection you have set us free.
Order of Worship

Amen

Amen

A-men, a-men, a-men.

Lamb of God

Agnus Dei

Agnus Dei, qui tol-lis pec-ca-ta mun-di: mi-se-re-re no-bis.

Agnus Dei, qui tol-lis pec-ca-ta mun-di: do-na no-bis pa-cem.

Communion Hymn

Amazing Grace

1. A-maz-ing grace! how sweet the sound, That
2. ‘Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, And
3. The Lord has prom-ised good to me, His
4. Through man-y dan-gers, toils, and snares, I
5. When we’ve been there ten-thou-sand years, Bright

saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but
grace my fears re-lieved; How pre-cious did that
word my hope se-cures; He will my shield and
have al-ready come; ‘Tis grace has brought me
shin-ing as the sun, We’ve no less days to

now am found, Was blind, but now I see.
grace ap-pear The hour I first be-lieved!
por- tion be As long as life en-dures.
safe thus far, And grace will lead me home.
sing God’s praise Than when we’d first be-gun.

Text: St. 1–4, John Newton, 1725–1807; st. 5 attr. to John Rosc, b. 1859
Tune: NEW BRITAIN, CM, Virginia Hayward, 1831; arr. by Dana Kastner, b.1957

Christ, Be Our Light

Bernadette Farrell

Verses

1. Long-ing for light, we wait in dark-ness. Long-ing for truth, we turn to you. Make us your own,

2. Long-ing for peace, our world is trou-bled. Long-ing for hope, man-y de-spair. Your word a-lone

3. Long-ing for food, man-y are hun-gry. Long-ing for wa-ter, man-y still thirst. Make us your bread,

4. Long-ing for shel-ter, man-y are home-less. Long-ing for warmth, man-y are cold. Make us your build-ing,

5. Man-y the gifts, man-y the peo-ple, man-y the hearts that yearn to be-long. Let us be ser-vants

Refrain

1. your ho-ly peo-ple, light for the world to see. Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the dark-ness.

2. has pow’r to save us. Make us your liv-ing voice.

3. bro-ken for oth-ers, shared un-til all are fed.

4. shel-ter-ing oth-ers, walls made of liv-ing stone.

5. to one an-other, mak-ing your king-dom come.

Christ, be our light! Shine in your church gath-ered to-day.

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Hello, my name is William Chu. I was born and raised Buddhist. I’ve decided to go through the RCIA program because I’m engaged to my fiancé who is Catholic. I promised her and her family that I would become Catholic. So deciding to join the RCIA program was not a simple choice. It took few months. I had many conversations with myself in which I weighed the pros and cons of formally joining the Church. What would my family think? Will my mom support this choice? Do I really even need to join the Church? After praying and pondering this choice for a long while, I decided there was no harm in just checking it out, plus I knew that there would be six months to change my mind and back out. So I picked up the phone and dialed St. James’ phone number and so it began.

My very first meeting of RCIA was so much better than I anticipated. I was absolutely blown away by the friendliness and love that radiated from Fr. Derek, team members, and participants that I met that first night. I am quite the introvert, so I was shocked when I left that evening to find that I had already made a few friends.

Over the course of the next few months, I continued to attend the RCIA meetings. I was still unsure of my choice to join the Church at this point (there were quite a few new concepts for me to wrap my head around as I compared my Protestant knowledge to what I was learning at each meeting). However, I kept coming back. Each week was an opportunity to learn something new about the faith in a very personal way. I don’t know about other converts to the Church, but I find the majority of theological texts to be dry, boring, and quite lacking in charisma. A few chapters worth of Catholicism for Dummies is as close as I ever got to reading up on the Catholic faith on my own. RCIA delivered the theology for me in a dynamic and interesting way (plus, there are always snacks).

RCIA opened my eyes to what it really means to be Catholic. As I sat through RCIA meetings toward the middle of my RCIA experience, I began to realize that I already felt that I was Catholic (though unofficially). The God of the Buddhists that I had grown to know and love as child was the same God of the Catholic faith. Conversion did not seem like the appropriate word of what I was going through, but it was more like taking the step from friendship into a love relationship. I realized that my desire to join the Catholic Church was not because I liked the way that the Catholic “did church”. It was because I saw a more intimate and meaningful relationship with God. Catholics praise God with their words, sign of the cross, and receiving the Eucharist – what a passionate, intimate way to live and serve the Creator of the universe!

At this point, I’m all in. Choosing RCIA was a matter of intellectual curiosity, but choosing Catholicism was a matter of the heart.

Hi to all at St. James. My name is Wendy Charak and I am a sales and marketing manager for an audio company. I was baptized at Park Ridge Community Church when I was a mere 3 months young. I am married with 2 adult children.

My father was raised Catholic and my mother was raised Methodist. My mother took my brother and me to a Methodist church on Sundays when we were young, but apparently we complained too much and wondered why our Catholic father never joined in. Needless to say we stopped attending. I have cousins and aunts/uncles that are Catholic and many friends as well. As I grew up, I was always drawn to the close family ties that I thought derived from their Catholic faith. Although we had and continue to have a very close family, those with the Catholic faith stood out to me as a different closeness.

Fast forward to my children. As I was not raised in a church atmosphere, I did not raise my children that way either, although I had imagined how wonderful it would be to a part of such a community. So, I attempted to take my children to a Methodist church. I placed them in the appropriate Sunday school classrooms while I attended the sermon. Not to my surprise I had plenty of push back from the kids. Eventually I followed in my mother's footsteps and stopped attending. Several years later I made a New Year’s Resolution to attend church once a month for the next 12 months. The kids attended with me and my husband as well when he wasn't working. The year came and went and that too ended.

Now, my daughter got engaged and is marrying a loving, smart, funny, thoughtful (ok, he's a great guy) man who is Catholic. She had decided to convert, as they want to be married in a Catholic church, raise their children Catholic, and she has always wondered about the faith like me. She asked me if I would be interested in taking the RCIA classes with her. Admittedly, I was hesitant at first, as I never thought about doing such a thing. The more I spoke to my family and friends, I decided this is what I want to do more for her than for me. I want to understand the faith and be able to help her and her future husband with their future family. Now that I'm going through the RCIA classes, I realize it is all about me and what I'm getting out of it. The bigger highlight is that I get to share it with my daughter.
Divorce Ministry Annulment Workshop
for Divorced Catholics
March 20, 2018

St. James Divorce Ministry is hosting a
Annulment Workshop/Information Night for any interested Catholics.

Annulments are the single most confusing topic for divorced Catholics. Many wonder: What is an annulment? Why do I need one? Do I need an annulment to stay Catholic? Can I get married again without an annulment? This highly informative workshop will address all the above and more. This workshop will cover:

- What an annulment is and why they exist
- The Catholic Church’s teaching on the permanence of marriage
- Why a Catholic would need an annulment
- The type of annulments
- The steps in a formal annulment process
- The grounds for granting an annulment
- The recent changes Pope Francis has made in the annulment process
- How to begin the annulment process
- Question/Answer session

Presenter: Deacon John Breit, Annulment Coordinator
When: Tuesday, March 20th, 2018
Time: 7:00 PM
Where: St. James O’Brien Room
Parish Center Building located at: 820 N. Arlington Heights Rd

Questions: Deacon Jim Bannon jamesrbannon@sbcglobal.net 224-345-7200

Stop by for prayer, light refreshment, and music.

EARTH HOUR KICK-OFF
MARCH 24TH
ST. JAMES
GATHERING SPACE
IMMEDIATELY AFTER 5 PM MASS (5:45)

PEOPLE, INSTITUTIONS, AND ICONIC STRUCTURES WORLDWIDE SHUT OFF THEIR LIGHTS FOR ONE HOUR AS A "COLLECTIVE DISPLAY OF OUR COMMITMENT TO CREATING A BETTER FUTURE FOR THE PLANET."

May the peace of God which passes all understanding both settle and stir our hearts to participate in the healing of creation.

Hosted by St. James Earth Shepherds www.facebook.com/sjearthshepherds
**GOLF, SUNSHINE, WARMTH & FUN**

It’s not too early to start thinking about joining the St. James Women’s Golf League. We play 9 holes every Friday morning. May to mid-September, at Arlington Lakes Golf Club. We are looking for regular and substitute players. So dust off those golf clubs, polish up those golf shoes, and contact Judy at 847-255-1305 or email judithop@gmail.com for further information.

**ST. JAMES RETIRED MEN'S GROUP**

Since the date for our next meeting, March 14th, is so close to St. Patrick's Day, I thought we should probably have something with an Irish theme. I thought long and hard over this. I even prayed about it. The more I thought and prayed about it, I realized that we are still in Lent. So, I think our talk should also have a Spiritual theme. Then it came to me, like a Revelation. We should have Bishop Fulton J. Sheen as our guest speaker. Since the good Bishop died back in 1979, it would be impossible to have him. But then the impossible happened. Through the miracle of technology, the Wit and Wisdom of Bishop Sheen is preserved on DVD. Come to our meeting and watch and listen to him inspire us with his Irish humor. To paraphrase the Irish saying, "Everyone is Irish on St. Paddy Day". "Everyone is Retired on St. Paddy Day". So retired or not join us on March 14th at 10:00 in the Board Room of the Parish Office. "If you're lucky enough to be Irish, You're lucky enough"

Deacon Pierce 847 259-1743

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**Taizé Prayer Invitation**

Come pray with us…

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

**Taizé Prayer Service**

*Wednesday, March 14th – 7:30 p.m.*

VIATORIAN PROVINCE CENTER CHAPEL
1212 East Euclid Avenue, Arlington Heights
(Entrance for the CHAPEL is in the back of the building)

Each month, on the 2nd Wednesday, we invite you to take time away from your busy routine to spend peaceful time with the Lord. Please join us for this time of quiet reflection. For more information, call Karen Cutler at: 847/637-2125.

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**Food/Drink Donations Needed for Easter Vigil Celebration!**

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

**To donate, sign up online:**

Donated items need to be dropped off at the Parish Center on Sat., March 31 between 3 and 5 p.m.

(Arrangements for early drop off can be made.)

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

Questions? Contact Mike Smigielski at mike.smigielski@msn.com or (309) 472-5546.
**St. James Parish Groups**

**Elizabeth Ministry**—A ministry of women reaching out to other women in their childbearing years. We offer prayers and support regarding pregnancy, infertility, miscarriage, child loss, adoption, NFP, and other issues. Visit the Rosebud Display in the Parish Center Gathering Space or connect with us: ElizabethMinistry@stjamesah.org or www.stjamesah.org

**Grief Support Group**
The St. James Grief Support Group meets on Tuesdays (during session times) from 7pm-8:15pm in at the Parish Office. Next session: Not Scheduled. Check back soon. 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.

**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.

**Wheels to Worship**
If you need a ride to Mass or wish to be a volunteer driver, please call Carol at 847-253-4680. carol@etsnw.org

**Stepping Stones**
Everyone deserves to be in a safe, healthy relationship. If you or someone you know may be in an abusive relationship, a path to safety exists. Get help. Call the National Domestic Violence Hotline at 800-799-SAFE, or locally, contact WINGS 24-hour Hotline at 847-221-5680.

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

**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 information.

**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.

**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 Arl. Hts.

**NAMI**—National Alliance on Mental Illness—847-899-0195

**Office for Protection of Children and Youth** www.archchicago.org 312-534-5254

**Escorted Transportation for Seniors**
Escorted Transportation Services Northwest (ETS/NW) - is a service available to those 60 and over in our community who are in need of rides to medical and dental appointments. It is a multi-denominational outreach to the elderly. If you are in need of such assistance, or if you would like to volunteer to serve seniors in our community as part of this outreach team, please call Gia at 847-222-9227 or gia@etsnw.org

**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. Information is available on the Internet at www.cancer.org

**For Post-Abortion Counseling Help:**
Project Rachel - Catholic Charities:
312-337-1962
http://www.hopeafterabortion.com

**SPECIAL EVENTS**

**WOMEN’S BIBLE-RELATED DISCUSSION**
Join ongoing discussion with Fr. Charlie Bolser on Tuesday, March 20, at 2:00pm at the Viatorian Province Center. For information: Sue French, 847-259-5282 or Maureen Ruane, 847-398-3907.

**Retired Men’s Bible Study Group**
Group meets at the Viatorian Provincial Center, 1212 E Euclid Ave., Arlington Heights from 10:00 am on the third Wednesday of each month. Father Charles Bolser is the presenter and discussion leader. New members are invited and welcome. For further information, call Joe Ruane at: H 847-398-3907. C-847-337-9146 email - jruane@wowway.com
Please pray for our sick...
Pamela Gramith, Michael Klawitter, Russel Wagner, Norine Naselli, Patrick Mullaney

In Loving Memory

Donald Schaefer....husband to Estelle Sis\(\text{nee McMahon}\) Schaefer; father of Mary (Dennis) Mahoney, Donald H. Jr. (Mary) Schaefer, James (Marilyn) Schaefer, Thomas (Jana) Schaefer and Phillip (Kate) Schaefer; grandfather of eleven; great-grandfather of one; uncle of many nieces and nephews.

Irene C. Kawell...mother to John and Bill Kawell; grandmother and great-grandmother to many.

Marybeth Brawley...survived by her husband, Mike Brawley; her children Anne Elizabeth, Tricia Marie and, Kevin Michael; her grandchildren Logan and Landon; siblings, Richard (Catherine) Tobin, Ann (Keith) Hoglund, Michael Tobin, Rose (Antonio) Pera, Kathleen Ann (Kevin) Cavanagh, Brother-in-Laws, Mark S. (Christine) Brawley, John M. (Mary) Brawley, and many nieces, nephews, cousins.

Harriet Musielak...survived by her children, Barbara (Gerry) Cukierski and Hank (Michelle) Musielak; son-in-law, Richard Nitka, grandchildren, Michael (Sandara) Cukierski, Nick (Alyssa) Cukierski, Brianna Musielak, Justin Musielak, Tim Nitka and Kristin Nitka; and great-grandson, Connor.

Baptisms
Ella Sophia DiStasio, child of Daniel & Kara (Giardina) DiStasio
Mabel Mae Holland, child of Thomas & Lauren (Martin) Holland
Riley Madelyn Limbers, child of Steven & Kate (McLenaghan) Limbers

Wedding Banns
March 17, 2018
Stuart Shores & Hillary Reynolds

March 24, 2018
Nicholas Benninger & Catherine Lis

Rose for Life
This week’s Rose for Life is donated by Mary Halm in loving memory of her husband George Halm, on the seventh anniversary of his death.

Remembrances
Saturday Evening/Sunday Morning, March 11
John Roth, Kevin Houlihan, John Glueckert,Sr., Karen Masterton, Frank Zielinski, Richard Baron, SueAnn Grenning (1st Anniv.), Caroline Lombardi, Jeanette Smith, Margaret D. Kelpitsch

Monday, March 12
Robert Coda, Linda Mackey, Blanche Miossi

Tuesday, March 13
Estelle Perry

Wednesday, March 14
John Glueckert, Sr., Stella Favia, Dana Mangi, Julia Luczak

Thursday, March 15
James Banaszak

Friday, March 16
Dennis Thune, Kevin James Houlihan, Elayne Pappas

Saturday, March 17
Catherine Sabay, George F. & Regina C. Bieber, Meggan McDermott, Kevin Fredriksen

Saturday Evening/Sunday Morning, March 18
Kevin Houlihan, John Glueckert, Sr., Dana Mangi, Charlene M. Lazzara, Mildred Kohl, Tom Faciana, Richard & Catherine Lyons, Ronald Glaser (1st Anniv.), Mercedes Zumarraga (1st Anniv.), Doug Potsma

Stewardship
March 4, 2018

Weekend Masses - 555 Envelopes $33,099.88
Online Donations—20 Donations $2,709.00
March 4th Total Collection $35,808.98

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During the month of March, our charity is the Church in Central and Eastern Europe. Those living in Central and Eastern Europe often face poverty, infrequent pastoral care, and lack of spaces for worship, presenting challenges as they try to live a life of faith. Your support of the Church in Central and Eastern Europe helps provide grants for projects to restore the Church and build the future in these areas.
(United States Conference of Catholic Bishops National Collections.)
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**St. James Parish Presents:**

**Wearin’ of the Green- 2018**

**Family Friendly St. Patrick’s Day Party**

Friday, March 16, 2018

6:00 p.m. to 10:30 p.m.

Dinner Served 6 p.m.-9 p.m.

Adults $20 Children $10

(After 3/1/18 - Adults $25 Children $15)

Sorry, no tickets sold after March 12th, or at the door.

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*To allow us to enjoy the Corned Beef Dinner, Fr. Matt asks that in the spirit of the Lenten Observation we refrain from eating meat on Saturday, March 17th.

For information or to volunteer, contact Beth Cloud at emb552@yahoo.com or 773-319-8986
Thank you for sharing your photos with us.

The Crux bible class with Fr. Derek 3/2/18. 47 in attendance. Fr. Derek demonstrated the Catholic belief that Jesus was 1 person, with 2 natures and 2 wills.

The Scouts at 11:30 am Mass on February 25th. All scouts celebrated the commitment to scouting efforts, community service and the Church.

Men’s Basketball Season starts with prayer before their playoff series. Congrats to the winning team!

CFM (Christian Family Movement) discusses the prodigal son parable.
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Weekend Masses
Saturday Evening  5:00pm Parish Center (Cantor)
Sunday Morning  7:00am Church (Cantor)
Sunday Morning  8:30am Church (Traditional Choir)
Sunday Morning  10:00am Parish Center Contemporary Choir & Children’s Liturgy of the Word)
Sunday Morning 11:30am Parish Center (Contemporary Choir)
Sunday Evening  5:00pm Parish Center

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-Thursday  9:00am—8:00pm
Friday  9:00am—6:00pm
Saturdays  9:00am—1:00pm
Sundays  9:00am—1:00pm

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