

# SAINT JAMES PARISH



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TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



# A MESSAGE FROM...

Dear Friends,

Today's readings can seem pretty grim. Jesus warns us in Mark's Gospel about the reality of sin.

"If your hand causes you to sin, cut it off. It is better for you to enter into life maimed than with two hands to go into Gehenna, into the unquenchable fire. And if your foot causes you to sin, cut if off. It is better for you to enter into life



crippled than with two feet to be thrown into Gehenna. And if your eye causes you to sin, pluck it out. Better for you to enter into the kingdom of God with one eye than with two eyes to be thrown into Gehenna."

These warnings are not meant to drive us to despair, however. The Lord has a great desire and love for us. Moses speaks for him in the first reading from the Book of Numbers:

Would that all the people of the LORD were prophets! Would that the LORD might bestow his spirit on them all!"

Sin blocks us from receiving the fullness of God's Spirit and the fullness of life which he desires for us. But He gives us unlimited opportunities to receive his grace, in the sacraments, particularly Reconciliation and the Eucharist, in the words of Scripture, in our own prayer, and in interactions with others. He wants us all to become saints!

Let's keep working together for holiness.

Fr. Ed

P.S. Best wishes to Jonathon Blevins, who is moving to a new opportunity in his life. He has been an immense blessing to St. James.

### FORMING DISCIPLES

Save the dates for this year's first Miniseries with Fr. Ryan! The Synoptic Gospels: Seeing the Same with Different Perspectives Episode 1: Tuesday, October 19 – 7pm Episode 2: Wednesday, October 20 – 7pm In the Laramie Room

#### LITURGY + WORSHIP



# Pet Blessing

Sunday, Oct 3<sup>rd</sup> anytime from 1-2pm with Fr. Ed in the School Parking Lot

EDGE



#### ST. JAMES SCHOOL

## **NEED HELP WITH YARD CLEAN-UP?**

Sponsored by Saint James FSA Family Faith Formation Committee

Fall is coming and we are looking for parishioners in need of assistance with their fall yard clean-up. This service project is being sponsored by the Saint James FSA Family Faith Formation Committee. If you are interested in receiving help with your yard clean-up activities, please sign up using the sign up here link.

Alternatively, please contact the Parish Office at 224-345-7200 with your information and we will add you to the list. We will be asking SJS families to sign up to volunteer at a later date. Once volunteers are identified, they will contact the yard owner to coordinate a time for the clean-up. If you have any questions, please contact Tamara Holtzman-Belcher at belcher1234@comcast.net. Deadline to sign up

OCTOBER 8th



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# FCN Serves 22 Families with St. James' Support

Greetings and best wishes to you. We hope and pray that you are all well. We are thinking of you and praying for you and for our great parish. Thank you so much for your loving support to us which enables us to serve our needy. It is very generous of you to give a grant of \$7,500 in March of 2021. Due to the Pandemic we had to postpone the Cleft Lip Surgeries. We are glad to share with you that last month we were able to help 22 children with the life changing surgeries. Attached are the photos of the few of the children. It is a great help of our needy children and their parents. You can see the difference in the photos before surgery and after surgery.

These surgeries are totally free. It costs FCN \$ 100 to help one child. This is to pay for the travel expenses of the parents and their children, for nutritious food following the surgery and to pay for 3 of our staff members who coordinate between the parents and the hospital. It is indeed a great ministry. It will be wonderful if we can share these in our parish bulletin.

Our Schools are reopened couple of weeks ago and we will be distributing clothing for our needy students to all the hostels run by the priests and nuns in Kadapa area.

Tomorrow evening we are returning to India for 7 months. Please kindly keep us in your prayers and know that you are remembered gratefully in our prayers.

With Love, Prayers and Much Gratitude, Tom and Geetha

## VETERANS EXITING HOMELESSNESS SUPPLY DRIVE

We've seen the pictures & heard the stories of homeless veterans struggling to regain their footing when returning to civilian life. They risked their lives for us. They need a hand and we can be that hand to them.

The good news is that the Veteran's Administration (VA) has a wonderful rent subsidy program that moves homeless veterans to apartments - with a success rate of over 60% by the 2<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> year mark! Please help our veterans by donating items needed to set up a new home!

When a veteran leaves a shelter or transitional housing and moves to a permanent residence, they often do not have the basic items needed to set up their new home. Aside from a need for bedding and furniture, they need the basic items we often take for granted. This collection drive will serve to assist veterans that are moving into a new home. All items will be delivered to a VA facility to be distributed to a veteran in need.

In conjunction with a national veteran's organization (Military Outreach USA), we will be collecting the household items shown below. The VA will distribute 100% of the items collected to service veterans in the greater Chicagoland area by the following week's end. Please help us fill the collection bins.

## VETERANS EXITING HOMELESSNESS MOVE-IN-ESSENTIALS

**Personal Hygiene** Bath Soap Hand Soap Deodorant Toothpaste Shaving Cream Toothbrush Hair Brush /Comb Nail Clipper Kitchen + Cleaning Dishwashing Liquid Paper Towels Kitchen Trash Can Dish Cloth Mop & Bucket Sponge Broom & Dust Pan Windex Bathroom Toilet Brush Toilet Bowl Cleaner Towels/Wash Cloth Plunger Shower Curtain Laundry Basket Light Bulbs Toilet Paper

## Miscellaneous

Flashlight Garbage Bags Sandwich Bags Laundry Detergent Aluminum Foil Pot Holders Hamper

## Drive Up-Drop Off Event on Sept. 25th & 26th

before & after all the masses in the St. James School Parking Lot Volunteers will be present to assist in unloading items from your car.

Want to help unload and load? Please signup here: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040449a5ab2aabff2-veterans All donations and volunteers are greatly appreciated.



## DEVELOPMENT

## August 2021 Stewardship

Envelope Donations Online Donations Sunday Collections Actual \$76,832.23 \$128,532.68 \$205,364.91 Budget \$81,942.84 \$129,247.21 \$211,190.05

Variance (\$5,110.61) (\$714.53) (\$5,825.14)



#### WEEKLY INTENTIONS

#### Please pray for our sick…

Ed Cahill, Jim Mackay, Donna Barrett, Lucille Krajnik, Hans & Alenka Hecker, Mary Opon, Joanne Resch, Sue French

#### Baptisms

Ellewyn Rose Woodward, child of Ryan Woodward and Sanli (Brandmeyer) Woodward. Audrey Rose Garson, child of John Garson and Gianna (Lullo) Garson Drew Michael Cielinski, child of William Cielinski and Lindsay (Stevens) Cielinski Lyla Marie Lazarz, child of Alexander Lazarz and Brittney (Kapka) Lazarz

Matthew Robert Caputo, child of Nicola Caputo and Natalie (Kopcinski) Caputo

#### **Rose for Life**

This week's Rose for Life was donated by Jim Hahn in loving memory of his wife, Joan, on the twelfth anniversary of her death.

#### Remembrances

#### Saturday Evening/Sunday September 25/26

John LaMonica, Thomas Rothfus, John Glueckert, Sr., Bob Jarosz, Julie Abbs, Bernard Roer

#### Monday, September 27th

James Coy, Sandra & Kenny Salvo, John Kordek

#### Tuesday, September 28th

Jill Kool, Stanley Luczak, Jack Ruane, Robert J. Walsh

#### Wednesday, September 29th

Deacon Armond Ferrini, Jozef Dobek, Mary Gaa, Joyce Bowes, Vincent E. Villinski, Mark Farrar

#### PRESIDER SCHEDULE

	Mass Times	Presider
For Saturday	Sat. 5PM	Fr. Ryan
and Sunday	7AM	Fr. Ed
October	8:30AM	Fr. Ric Halvorson
3rd & 4th	10AM	Fr. Ryan
	11:30AM	Fr. Ed
	5PM	Fr. Ryan

#### MINISTRY SPOTLIGHT

#### Thursday, September 30th

Jack Ruane, Fr. Michael Glasher, Joseph Patrick Healy

#### Friday, October 1st

Patrick Callero, (1yr. Anniv), Arlene Knorr Barbara Coglianese (1yr. Anniv)

#### Saturday 7:30am October 2nd

Banya & Schulget Families, Jack Quint (1st Anniv), Meggan McDermott, Candace Duggan, Emily Serafin, Sharon Seiler Scanlan, Donald Seiler

#### In Loving Memory

**David Wilkans** son of Daniel and Janice Wilkans; brother to Michael Wilkans; nephew of Joe (the late Sharon) King, Cynthia (the late Richard) Fiala, Kathleen (Howard) Thompson Jr., Mary Pat Wilkans, Alfred (Barbara) Wilkans, Catherine (Steve) Manst; cousin to many.



Wedding ( Banns

September 24, 2021 Steven Patzke & Krista Chichilla September 25, 2021 Patrick Eder & Morgan Sandelin October 1, 2021 Nathan Goetz & Jessica Danduran October 2, 2021 Justin Tworek & Jacqueline Hermanson October 9, 2021 Brendan O'Neill & Ashley McGill Michael Scarzone & Theresa Davy

#### WEEKLY READINGS

#### **TODAY'S READINGS**

**First Reading** — Moses said, "Would that all the people of the LORD were prophets!" (Numbers 11:25-29).

**Psalm** — The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart (Psalm 19). **Second Reading** — Come now, you rich. The wages you withheld from the workers who harvested your fields are crying James 5:1-6 **Gospel** — Whoever is not against us is for us (Mark 9:38-43, 45, 47-48).

#### **READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Monday: Zec 8:1-8; Ps 102:16-21, 29, 22-23; Lk 9:46-50 Tuesday: Zec 8:20-23; Ps 87:1b-7; Lk 9:51-56 Wednesday:Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a; Ps 138:1-5; Jn 1:47-51 Thursday: Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12; Ps 19:8-11;Lk 10:1-12 Friday: Bar 1:15-22; Ps 79:1b-5, 8-9; Lk 10:13-16 Saturday: Bar 4:5-12, 27-29; Ps 69:33-37; Mt 18:1-5, 10 Sunday: Gn 2:18-24; Ps 128:1-6; Heb 2:9-11; Mk 10:2-16 [2-12]



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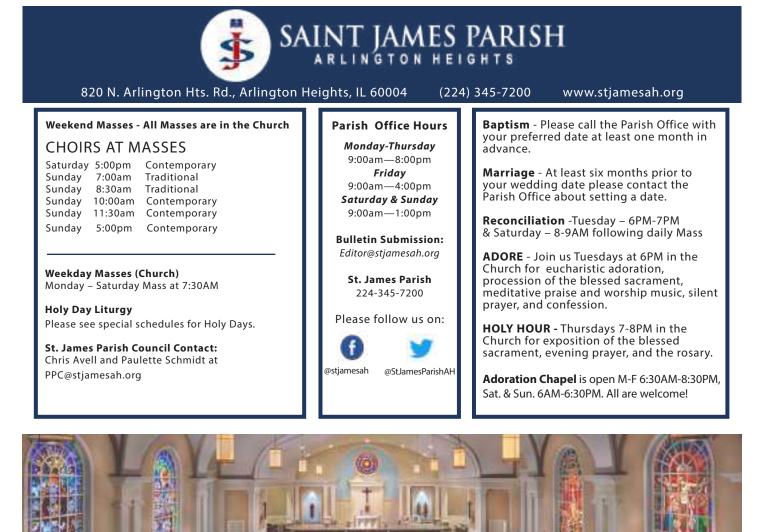




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