SAINT JAMES PARISH ARLINGTON HEIGHTS

"We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage" - Mt. 2:2

JAN 7

2024

BE DISCIPLES OF CHRIST. Make Disciples of Christ.

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

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Today's Readings

First Reading:

Your light has come, the glory of the Lord shines upon you. (Is 60:1)

Psalm:

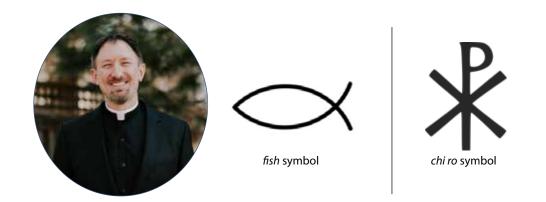
Lord, every nation on earth will adore you. (Ps 72)

Second Reading:

It was not made known to people in other generations as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: that the Gentiles are coheirs, members of the same body, and copartners in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel. (Eph 3:5-6)

Gospel:

Where is the newborn king of the Jews? We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage." (Mt 2:2)



Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Have you seen the bumper sticker/car magnet of the fish?

It is an ancient Christian (and thus Catholic) symbol. It was already in use in the catacombs of Rome by the early 2nd century AD where members of the Church were buried. The word in Greek for "fish" is icthys or ichthus - $IX\Theta Y\Sigma$.

In Greek it is an acronym where each letter or two letters represents a word

Ìησοũς Iesous	"Jesus	"
Χριστός	Christos	"Christ"
Θεοũ	Theos	"God"
Yíos	(Y)uios	"Son"
Σωτήρ	Soter	"Savior"

While you probably haven't seen a car magnet of the *chi ro*, do you know it means? It too is an early Christian symbol. St. Eusebius reports that Emperor Constantine had a vision of the chi rho before the Battle at the Milvian Bridge on October 28, 312AD. With the vision, he heard a voice say: "Conquer by this sign.' Chi (X) and Rho (ρ) are the first two letters in the Greek word Christos (Xpιστός).

And since we are on the topic of Greek, remember that in the book of Revelation (22:13), Jesus declares himself to be the Alpha and the Omega. While Jesus is an alpha and not a beta, the meaning is actually about Jesus being divine/God: he is the first and the last. Alpha (A) is the first letter of the Greek alphabet and Omega (Ω) is the last.

Your Brother in Christ,

Fr. Paul

WAYS TO WORSHIP











FORMATION

ADORATION

6.24 **DINNER AT 5PM** FORMATION & ADORATION

TO FOLLOW



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YOUTH CHOIRS WINTER/SPRING SESSION

Children's Choir | Celestial Voices Grade 2-5 Tuesdays

Grade 6-8 Wednesdays



Share your child's gift. No experience necessary; All are welcome

REHEARSALS BEGIN JAN. 9 REGISTER TODAY!



Questions? Contact Natalie Conseur sjkidssing@stjamesah.org

UPCOMING EVENT



Friday, January 12 @ 7 p.m. St. James Church



Join us for our annual WOSJ Celebrating Women event, where we gather with other women in our community and give thanks to God.

Fr. Michael will be celebrating Mass, followed by a reception in the Laramie Room (lower level of the church).

This event is open to all adult women, guests are welcome! Attend with your small group or bring a friend (or 2)!



For more information, email wosjministryleads@gmail.com

SCHOOL NEWS

ST. JAMES SCHOOL

St. James students are constantly-immersed in a culture of academic excellence! We remain a leader in Catholic Education and have grown 16% in the past 5 years. Come #FindAWay to St. James School.

January 28, 2024 | 12:30-2:00pm

Our newly defined space provides an opportunity for our youngest learners to creatively explore sensory and gross motor play through state-of-the-art equipment, activites, and structures. We invite you to come experience it for yourself!

Register Here PreK/K Info Night

NEW SENSORY SPACE!



Open House Sunday, January 28 @ 12:30-2pm PreK/K Info Night Thursday, January 18 @ 7pm

Register Here Open House

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EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL

In the new year, the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will take place on Saturdays before the 5:00 pm Mass each week in January and February. All are invited to sit in the presence of our Lord. St. James will continue this practice on select Saturdays as we and Catholics from all over the country approach the Eucharistic Congress next summer in Indianapolis.

Eucharistic Congress | July 17-21, 2024

Come make history with us in Indianapolis at the 10th National Eucharistic Congress, where we will gather at the feet of Jesus for the first time in nearly a century, boldly anticipating a new Pentecost. Your life—and our Church—will never be the same. A group from St. James will attend. More details to come. See resources below to learn more.



Learn More

stjamesah.org search Eucharistic Congress

Contact ecinfo@stjamesah.org Relevant Radio Updates:

relevantradio.com/ee





PARISH NEWS

St. James School Broadway Bulldogs **PRESENTS THE YOUTH EDITION OF**





It's the End of the World as We Know It

Bible Studay: The Book of Revelation With Fr. Paul

Mondays 7:00-8:30 pm January 29 - May 20 Board Room in the Office Building

To Register:

Contact the parish office. Space is limited.



Retired Men's Meeting

Wednesday, Jan 10 10:00 am

We welcome Father Scott Donahue, director of Mercy Home to the January meeting.

Father will share with us his amazing work at the home. All are welcome, including the Over 50 Club members.

Meeting takes place in the Senior/ Teen room in lower level of the church.

THANKS FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

Blessed Maria Gabriella / Parish Office 2248 West Washington Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois 60612 312.733.1068 / www.blessedmariagabriella.org

Blessed Maria Gabriella



December 21, 2023

Families of St. James 820 N. Arlington Heights Rd Arlington Heights, IL 60004

Dear Generous Families,

I must've been Gandhi or Buddha or someone like that, I must've saved lives by the hundreds everywhere I went. I must've brought rest to the restless, fed the hungry too, I must've done something great to get to have you. Cheryl Wheeler

Your generosity is breathtaking. Thank you so much for the wonderful mercy boxes given to the children and families of Blessed Maria Gabriella. You have made this Christmas season truly remarkable. Enclosed please find some thank you notes.

May Emmanuel, the promised of all ages, bless you abundantly. Thank you again for being such a bright light of hope for so many.

Sincerely,

Rev. Matthew Eyerma

Pastor

Thank you and Merry Christmas

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Mercy Boxes helped many families with food at Christmas time. Thank you for supporting the St. James Mercy Box Ministry.

COMING SOON

Meditate Like the Mystics

With Fr. Paul

Mondays, Feb. 21, 28 and March 6 Church, 7:30-8:30 pm

Session 1 What is Meditation From the East: The Jesus Prayer

Session 2 St. Benedict and Lectio Divina (Scripture)

Session 3 St. Ignatius and the Imaginative Method (Scripture and Rosary)



Learn Bonafide Catholic Meditation Techniques

ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO



An Evening of Education and Advocacy SUPPORTING ASYLUM SEEKERS IN OUR COMMUNITY

Monday, January 22, 7 – 8:30 p.m. Holy Family Parish 2515 Palatine Road, Inverness

Hosted by WELCOME THE STRANGER Ministry

A Viator House of Hospitality Presentation



Featured Speakers

Fr. Corey Brost, C.S.V Br. Michael Gosch, C.S.V. Kelly Albinak Kribs, Attorney

Questions? Contact Myra at myrabuettner@outlook.com Register at https://bit.ly/AsyupdJan24



HOSPITALITY Weekend!

JOIN US NEXT SUNDAY!

Following Sunday morning Masses on January 14, head downstairs to enjoy donuts and coffee with one another.



In Loving Memory

Ernest Michaels Linda Dziubala

Please Pray for Our Sick

Bunny Velasco Julian Kowalczyk Norine Naselli

Rose for Life

In loving memory of Martin Arens on his birthday

Recent Baptisms

William Raymond Zeeb, child of Justin Zeeb and Elena (Coughlin) Zeeb

Celebrant Schedule, January 13-14

5:00	Fr. Michael	
7:00	Fr. Ed	
8:30	Fr. Ed	
10:00	Fr. Paul	
11:30	Fr. Paul	
5:00	Fr. Michael	

Readings for the Week of January 7

Sunday:	ls 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12
Monday:	ls 55:1-11/ls 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 (3)/1 Jn 5:1-9/Mk 1:7-11
Tuesday:	1 Sm 1:9-20/1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd/Mk 1:21-28
Wednesday:	1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20/Ps 40:2 and 5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10/Mk 1:29-39
Thursday:	1 Sm 4:1-11/Ps 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25/Mk 1:40-45
Friday:	1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a/Ps 89:16-17, 18-19/Mk 2:1-12
Saturday:	1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a/Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mk 2:13-17
Next Sunday:	1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19/Ps 40:2-10/1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20/Jn 1:35-42



Mass Intentions

Saturday	, January 6	
5:00	Richard Kowall Marcin Bukowski	
Sunday, .	January 7 The Epiphany of the Lord	
7:00	Mary Ellen Bannon	
8:30	Catherine J. McDonald (20th Anniv.)	
	Jim Burke	
	Elaine Caraher	
10:00	Bob & Andy Jarosz	
	Charles Kett	
	Christy Tansor	
	James Burke	
11:30	Gerry Denny	
5:00	For the people of the parish	

Monday, January 8 The Baptism of the Lord

7:30 Jeffrey Tiske Charles McLaughlin, Sr. (1st Anniv.) John Kordek

Tuesday, January 9

7:30 Houlihan & Moran Families

Wednesday, January 10

7:30 Adelaide Lehnis

Thursday, January 11

7:30 Will Newgard Antonia Mariani

Friday, January 12

7:30 Brother Charles Madden (1st Anniv.) Tom Rothfus

Saturday, January 13 St. Hilary, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

7:30 Peter Ruddy (1st Anniv.) Marcin Bukowski David Curtis (30th Anniv.) Tom Corcoran Bob Holland

PARISH MINISTRIES

Earth Shepherds provides opportunities to learn about the relationship between Scripture, Catholic Social Teaching and our responsibility to be stewards of God's Creation. **sjearthshepherds@gmail.com**

Grief Support Ministry is about overcoming your grief. Are you struggling with a loss? Having a hard time coping? We meet twice per month. Please email the address below for more details. **griefsupport@stjamesah.org**

Loaves and Fishes Ministry provides lunches for those experiencing homelessness in Chicago's Uptown neighborhood. stjameslandf@gmail.com

Men of St. James provides opportunities for Christian fellowship through social, spiritual and service activities for men of the parish at least 21 years of age. **msj@stjamesah.org**

Mental Health Ministry provides support, education and awareness to our parish communities on issues related to mental health. Strives to provide resources of support, education and hope. **tsherva@gmail.com**

Ministers of Care bring the Holy Eucharist to parishioners who are unable to leave their homes or are in care homes. Ministry volunteers must complete a mandatory training session and follow Archdiocesan guidelines. **ministryofcare@stjamesah.org**

Ministry of Praise gives members the opportunity to offer their prayers to God for special intentions to help others in their need. **ministryofpraise@stjamesah.org**

Moms Plus provides support and fellowship to Catholic moms. This group is part of Women of St. James. **momsplus@stjamesah.org**

Over 50 Social Club provides social outings, game days, cards, speakers, parties, current events/news and spirituality to any parishioner over the age of 50. **stecstan@sbcglobal.net**

YOU MIGHT BE INTERESTED IN

Chicagoland Jazz Workshop, January 20

Buffalo Grove High School Band Department presents the 2nd Annual Chicagoland Jazz Workshop. Saturday, January 20, 2024. Purchase of admission wristband lets you hear jazz ensembles from some of the finest school music programs in Illinois, plus a special performance by the renowned Chris Madsen Quartet at 6:00 pm. Admission is \$10/adults, \$7/students and senior citizens. Concessions available for purchase. Enjoy a Saturday of jazz! Tickets at **my.cheddarup.com/c/2023-jazz-workshop**. **PADS Outreach** provides safety, temporary shelter and services to the unhoused. **st.james.pads@gmail.com**

Parish Pastoral Council serves as a representative body of the St. James parish community, guided by the Holy Spirit. **PPC@stjamesah.org**

Peace & Justice Ministry educates the faithful on the Catholic social teachings, supports and complements parish ministries and empowers people to transform lives and society, both locally and globally. Meets the last Tuesday of each month. **peaceandjustice@stjamesah.org**

Respect Life Ministry strives to transform society into a Culture of Life where every human being is valued and protected from the moment of conception until natural death. **mschoney@astound.net**

Stepping Stones raises awareness, promotes understanding and prevents relational violence by educating communities and providing referrals to victims and survivors of emotional, financial, physical and sexual abuse. (IL Domestic Violence Helpline: 877-863-6338), **steppingstones@stjamesah.org**

St. Vincent de Paul provides emergency, short-term financial help for anyone living within the parish boundaries. For information on volunteering for or using this service, call the Parish Office followed by x8517. Please leave a message and one of our volunteers will call you back. All requests kept confidential.

Wheels to Worship drives people to church and shares in the Mass with St. James parishioners who cannot drive themselves. wheelstoworship@stjamesah.org

Women of St. James provides support to Catholic women who are committed to growing and sharing their faith through sisterhood and service. **wosjministryleads@gmail.com**

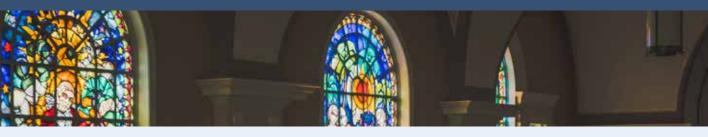
St. Edna New Year's BINGO, January 19 at 6:30 pm

Start your year off with a good time. Play BINGO at St. Edna's, 2525 N. Arlington Heights Road. Tickets are \$15 in advance online or \$20 at the door. Doors open at 5:30 and games begin at 6:30 pm. Win a chance at the \$500 Grand Prize. You must be 21 years old to enter and play.





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Mass Schedule

Saturday5:00 pmPraise & Worship EnsembleSunday7:00 amCantor and OrganSunday8:30 amTraditional Choir & OrganSunday10:00 amContemporary ChoirSunday11:30 amContemporary ChoirSunday5:00 pmPraise & Worship Ensemble

WEEKDAY MASSES Monday – Saturday, 7:30 am Monday & Wednesday, Noon

Parish Office Hours

Monday-Thursday 9:00 am - 8:30 pm **Friday** 9:00 am - 4:00 pm **Saturday & Sunday** 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

Sacraments & Devotions

Baptism - Please call the Parish Office with preferred date at least one month in advance.

Marriage - At least six months prior to your wedding date, please contact the Parish Office about setting a date.

Sacrament of Reconciliation - in the church Thursday – 6:00 - 7:00 pm Saturday – 8:00 - 9:00 am following daily Mass

Holy Hour - Thursday 6:00 - 7:00 pm in the church for procession of the blessed sacrament, evening prayer, rosary

The Perpetual Adoration Chapel is open to all from 6:00 am to 8:00 pm daily, and 24 hours a day for committed adorers with access code. Contact **adoration@stjamesah.org** for the opportunity.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on the altar in church occurs on select Saturday evenings prior to the 5:00 pm Mass.

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