



# SAINT JAMES PARISH

ARLINGTON HEIGHTS



## SACRED SOUNDS: BACH AND VIVALDI IN CONCERT

March 13 | 7pm | St. James Parish

MARCH 10

2024

*BE DISCIPLES OF CHRIST.  
MAKE DISCIPLES OF CHRIST.*

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

# A MESSAGE FROM...

## Today's Readings

### First Reading:

Early and often did the LORD, the God of their fathers, send his messengers to them, for he had compassion on his people and his dwelling place. But they mocked the messengers of God, despised his warnings, and scoffed at his prophets, until the anger of the LORD against his people was so inflamed that there was no remedy. (2 Chr 36:15-16)

### Psalm:

Let my tongue be silenced, if I ever forget you!  
(Ps 137)

### Second Reading:

God, who is rich in mercy, because of the great love he had for us, even when we were dead in our transgressions, brought us to life with Christ. (Eph 2:4-5)

### Gospel:

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. (Jn 3:16)



## "By faith and Baptism we are offered salvation won at a great cost..."

Dear Friends,

When Christian Smith and his fellow researchers with the National Study of Youth and Religion at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill took a close look at the religious beliefs held by American teenagers, they found that the faith held and described by most came down to something the researchers identified as "Moralistic Therapeutic Deism." It consists of beliefs like these: \*

1. "A god exists who created and ordered the world and watches over human life on earth."
2. "God wants people to be good, nice, and fair to each other,"
3. "The central goal of life is to be happy and to feel good about oneself."
4. "God does not need to be particularly involved in one's life except when He is needed to resolve a problem."
5. "Good people go to heaven when they die."

Such a belief system seems also to be at work in great numbers of adults as well – including many Christians. It begs the question: What do we do with the words in the Gospel of John, Chapter 3: *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. For God did*

*not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him. Whoever believes in him will not be condemned, but whoever does not believe has already been condemned, because he has not believed in the name of the only Son of God.*

By faith and Baptism, we are offered the salvation won at a great cost by Jesus Christ, the Son of God. We profess that Jesus is the unique path to salvation and eternal life. By God's grace and our free will, we can choose to accept this priceless gift. But we can never attain it by "being nice."

This Sunday is Laetare (Rejoice) Sunday. We are halfway through this penitential season of fasting, prayer and almsgiving. We continue to prepare ourselves through turning away from sin and embracing the life of Christ for the solemn feast of our salvation: Easter, the Lord's Resurrection.

God bless you,

Fr. Ed

\*from *Moralistic Therapeutic Deism - the New American Religion*. Dr. Albert Mohler, Jr. April 11, 2005.

## LENT OPPORTUNITIES

### Lent at St. James Parish

#### Bishop Barron Book Study

7 - 8:30 pm in the Laramie Room (except 3/21)

**Meeting Dates:** Thursdays

WEEK 3: March 14

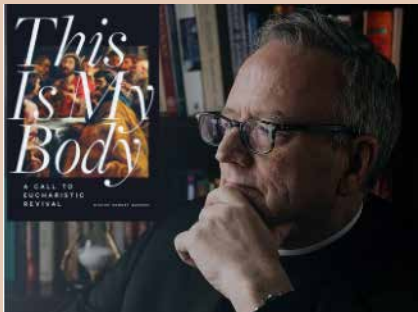
WEEK 4: March 21 (meet in parish office)

WEEK 5: April 4

For more information, contact  
Evelyn Mutzabaugh at 847-873-2812 or  
Sonia Werba at 847-287-9804



**SCAN HERE TO  
REGISTER NOW!**



#### Daily Mass at Noon

- Each Monday - Friday in Lent

#### Stations of the Cross

- All Fridays during Lent at 7 p.m.

#### Sacred Sounds Concert, March 13 at 7:00 pm

Tamaron Conseur will lead the choir and orchestra in Baroque classics. The program will be:

- Bach's "Wachet auf, ruft uns die Stimme" (BWV 140)
- Vivaldi's "Gloria in D Major" (RV 589)

Please join us, and prepare to be captivated by the timeless beauty of these masterpieces.

#### Multi-Parish Reconciliation Services

Several priests will be on hand to hear individual confessions.

- Monday, March 18 • 7 p.m. Our Lady of the Wayside
- Tuesday, March 19 • 3 p.m. St. Edna
- Tuesday, March 19 • 7 p.m. St. Mary
- **Wednesday, March 20 • 7 p.m. St. James**
- Thursday, March 21 • 3 p.m. St. Colette

*No confessions on Thursday, March 21; Holy Hour remains*

03.29.24 | 7:00 PM

# GOOD FRIDAY TAIZE WORSHIP NIGHT FEVER

INVITE      IGNITE      PRAY

a night of invitation for those in your life  
seeking to reconnect with God



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## THIS HOLY SEASON



### **Holy Thursday: March 28**

Triduum Morning Prayer  
7:30 a.m.

Mass of the Lord's Supper  
7:30 p.m.

### **Good Friday: March 29**

Triduum Morning Prayer  
7:30 a.m.

Traditional Stations  
12:00 p.m. (in the church)

Liturgy of the Lord's Passion  
3:00 p.m.

Good Friday Taizé and Veneration  
7:00 p.m.

### **Holy Saturday: March 30**

Triduum Morning Prayer  
7:30 a.m.

Easter Vigil  
7:30 p.m.  
(reception to follow, join us!)

### **Easter Sunday: March 31**

In the Church:  
8:00 a.m. Mass  
10:00 a.m. Mass

In the Parish Center:  
8:15 a.m. Mass  
10:15 a.m. Mass  
12:00 p.m. Mass



RCIA Candidates &  
Catechumens

The adults seeking to find out about the Catholic Church through the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) have been continuing their journey begun last year. The Candidates & Catechumens are learning about the word of God, the teachings of the Church, the community, prayer and apostolic works of service for others.

During Lent, please pray for all of these individuals.

Jesyca Carbajal Fausto  
Marisa Ferrazzuolo  
Sara Ferrazzuolo  
Hugo Gonzalez  
Aleksander Gronkowski  
Michele Hunter  
Raymond A. Kane  
Alan Kern  
Joelle Kern  
Luke Matthias Kern  
Levi Matthew Kern  
Michael Matrisciano  
Brooke Nusser  
Kyle Pfister  
Al Salazar  
Dobрила Savic  
Jamie Troiano  
Mandy Viecele



## EASTER

# BLESSING OF EASTER BASKETS



Bring a family Easter basket to be blessed.

Please also bring non-perishable food items to be blessed and donated to the Wheeling Township Food Pantry.



REGISTER  
BY  
MARCH 28

This free, parish-wide event is sponsored by the St. James School FSA. All bunnies are welcome!

## & EASTER EGG HUNT

FOR THE LITTLE BUNNIES -  
WALKERS THROUGH 3RD GRADE

SATURDAY, MARCH 30

12:00 -12:15 pm blessing of baskets in the church  
12:15 -1:30 pm egg hunt & pictures with the bunny  
south grass adjacent to the church parking lot



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## Easter Remembrances

If you would like to create a tangible remembrance of a loved one, you are invited to help fund the Easter season décor in the church. A donation of \$25 *per remembrance* would be appreciated. Contributions received by Friday March 22 will have their names printed in the Easter bulletin. To participate, please do one of the following:

- Visit [www.stjamesah.org/easter-remembrances](http://www.stjamesah.org/easter-remembrances) to request and donate.
- Drop Off: fill out the form below and drop with your donation in the Sunday Collection using an envelope.
- Mail: fill out the form below and mail it with your check to the parish office.

**DUE NO LATER THAN MARCH 22 FOR NAMES TO BE PRINTED IN THE EASTER BULLETIN**

In Memory of: (Please print)

Remembered by: (Please print)

Donor Email Address:

Donor Phone Number:

*Make checks payable to St. James Parish. Our mailing address is 820 N. Arlington Heights Road, Arlington Heights, IL 60004.  
Send to attn. Natalie Conseur, Bulletin Editor*

## APRIL EVENTS

# *The Deuterocanonicals* *Bible study with Fr. Paul*

The books in the Bible that Protestants don't have

Beginning Monday, April 1, 2024  
Mondays 8-9 am in the Laramie Room  
Just bring your bible and yourself

## WOMEN'S **WELCOME** RETREAT

A ONE-DAY RETREAT  
4.27.24

Welcome.



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[stjamesah.org/womens-welcome-retreat](http://stjamesah.org/womens-welcome-retreat)





*Jesus, I trust in You. Jesus, I trust in You. Jesus, I trust in You.*  
**Multi Parish Feast of Divine Mercy**  
**at St James, Sunday, April 7, 2024.**

**1:00 PM**  
**Confessions**

*Jesus, I trust in You*  
**2:00 - 3:00 PM**  
**Holy Sacrifice of The Mass, Fr. Michael Grzesik**  
**(Fulfills Sunday Obligation)**

**3:00 - 4:00 PM**  
**Adoration, Chaplet of Divine Mercy,**  
**Confessions, and Benediction**

*The 1st day of Novena is on Good Friday March 29th, 2024.*



## **News And Updates From Various Ministries**

### **Retired Men's Meeting**

The Retired Men's Group will meet on Wednesday, March 13 at a new time, 9:30 a.m. We will watch a video by Bishop Barron about St. Benedict of Nursia. All are welcome. Tom Adam, (847) 394 -4731.

### **St. James Ministry of Care**

The Ministry of Care, on behalf of you, bring Jesus (communion) and themselves to Catholics that are homebound, in nursing homes, rehabilitation centers and Northwest Community Hospital. If you have a family member or friend that would like them to visit, contact the Parish Office (224-345-7200). Please keep the Ministers of Care and the people that they visit in your prayers."

### **Your Assistance is Requested**

If you regularly attend the 5:00 pm Sunday Mass, you may have noticed that ushers are not always present to take up the collection. You may drop your contributions in the grey contribution towers located in the upper gathering space as well as in the narthex at any time. We are very thankful for your financial contributions to our community.

If you are interested in serving at the 5:00 pm Sunday Mass as an usher, please contact Deacon Hahn (see back page for info).

### **Over 50 Group Lent Gathering, March 20**

The Over 50 Group will gather at St. James Church for Noon Mass. Afterwards, we will gather downstairs in the Laramie Room. Father Bill Zavaski will speak on the topic, "Lent - A Season to Sharpen the Tools and Traits of a Solid Christian Spirituality"

The talk will be followed by our annual Irish Soda Bread Competition.

For those who wish to participate in the contest, please bring your soda bread to the Laramie Room PRIOR to celebrating Mass. Please bring copies of your recipe if you are so inclined.

RSVP to Mary Jo 847-259-3560 or email [StJamesclub@yahoo.com](mailto:StJamesclub@yahoo.com)

We would like to know the number of attendees and if you will participate in the Soda Bread Competition.

Beverages will be provided. (Rumor has it that there also might be some Paczki's available so as not to offend St. Joseph).



# LIFE TEEN

Text STJAMESLT to 84576 or connect with us online at [stjamesah.flocknote.com/lifeteen](http://stjamesah.flocknote.com/lifeteen) for the latest updates. All high school students are invited to join our events below.



### Passion & Pizza

Join us as we pray through the Stations of the Cross and watch the *Passion of the Christ* to honor our Lord on Good Friday.

March 29 | 10:30am



### Spring Retreat

Juniors and seniors join us for the opportunity to gather with your peers and be inspired to dive deeper into your faith and your relationship with Jesus.

April 5 - April 8



### Mission Trip: Montana

With parishes from around the country, teens will be working with the local diocese to fix up local churches, complete home repairs, and work in food banks.

June 24 - June 30



### Local Mission Trip

Join us for the week as we serve the people of Chicago at Mission Our Lady of the Angels and St. Malachy School.

July 22 - July 25



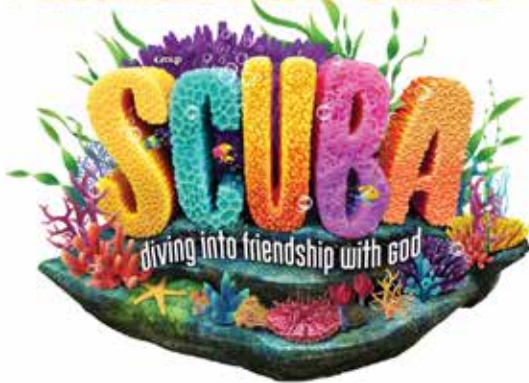
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## SUMMER

# VOLUNTEER

## Vacation Bible School



**June 10 - 13**  
**9:00 am - 12:00 pm**

**June 14- Family Picnic**  
**5:30 pm - 7:30 pm**

Contact Bethany Larson for more info:  
[blarson@stjamesah.org](mailto:blarson@stjamesah.org)

## Teen and Adult Volunteers Welcome!

We are so excited for all the fun we have in store at VBS this year!!

Consider joining the VBS team!

- Crew Leaders
  - lead the children to each station
- Bible Adventures
  - lead the children in a daily Bible story
- Imagination Station
  - lead the children in a craft or fun activity
- Games
  - play fun games that connect to the Bible Point
- Tidal Treats
  - prepare and serve snacks



**2024**

**SUMMER**

**MUSIC**  
**Camp**

**JUNE 5-7**

**9 AM - 12 PM**

**save the date!**



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# OUR PRAYERS & INTENTIONS

## In Loving Memory

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Margaret Dougherty  
Theresa Giannelli

## Please Pray for Our Sick

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Lydia Novales  
Oscar Novales  
Danilo Cuevas  
Norine Naselli

## Rose for Life

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In Loving Memory of Lorraine Kelly.

## Wedding Banns

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II. Ryan Pfaff and Kathleen Ratzeck (March 22)

## Recent Baptisms

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**Judah Michael Hart**, child of  
Jacob Hart and Madeline (Delano) Hart

**Millie Florence Martensen**, child of  
Thomas Martensen and Sarah Goodworth

**Lorenzo Valentino Prestianni**, child of  
John Prestianni and Angelina (Ruiz) Prestianni

**Adeline Virginia Vollman**, child of  
Daniel Vollman and Kristin (Rosato) Vollman

**Addison Kay Arnold**, child of  
Ryan Arnold and Kaylee (Tarris) Arnold

**Theodore John Saviola**, child of  
Andrew Saviola and Amanda (Donato) Saviola

## Celebrant Schedule, March 16-17

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

## Readings for the Week of March 10

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<b>Sunday:</b>	2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23/Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6 (6ab)/Eph 2:4-10/Jn 3:14-21
<b>Monday:</b>	Is 65:17-21/Ps 30:2 and 4, 5-6, 11-12a and 13b/Jn 4:43-54
<b>Tuesday:</b>	Ez 47:1-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9/Jn 5:1-16
<b>Wednesday:</b>	Is 49:8-15/Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18/Jn 5:17-30
<b>Thursday:</b>	Ex 32:7-14/Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23/Jn 5:31-47
<b>Friday:</b>	Wis 2:1a, 12-22/Ps 34:17-18, 19-20, 21 and 23/Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30
<b>Saturday:</b>	Jer 11:18-20/Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-10, 11-12/Jn 7:40-53
<b>Next Sunday:</b>	Jer 31:31-34/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 14-15 (12a)/Heb 5:7-9/Jn 12:20-33

## Mass Intentions

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### Saturday, March 9

5:00	Marcin Bukowski Norman Cooper
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### Sunday, March 10 4th Sunday of Lent, Daylight Saving Time begins

7:00	Laura Coda Laura Josephine Vizcara
8:30	For the people of the parish
10:00	Peggy Paige Cork (1st Anniv.) Linda Dzuibala Michael Lynch Dolores Urban
11:30	John Roth Thea Johns
5:00	Ida Novales

### Monday, March 11

7:30	John Kordek
12:00	Ban Cuevas

### Tuesday, March 12

7:30	Abdallah & Carmen Kaba Robert Coda
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### Wednesday, March 13

7:30	Verne Smith Richard Martin (5th Anniv.)
12:00	John D. Weck Deacon Pierce Sheehan

### Thursday, March 14

7:30	Houlihan & Moran Families Stella Favia Diane Trampf Julia Luczak James Banaszak
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### Friday, March 15

7:30	Daniel Nix James C. Banaszak Arnie Karr
12:00	Marguerite Sinclair

### Saturday, March 16

7:30	Margarita Rodriguez (1st Anniv.) Eleanor Whitehead Naithey Chummer (2nd Anniv.) Dennis Thune Dr. Zafiro Camacho Anna Maria Carrasco Nick Gallo
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# FEBRUARY FINANCE UPDATE

Thank you, St. James Community, for your contributions - February 2024

	Budgeted	Actual	Variance
Sunday Collections (February)	\$203,957	\$191,310.66	(\$12,646.34)
		\$99,053.29 (Envelopes)	
		\$92,257.37 (Online Giving)	
Ash Wednesday Collection (Feb. 14)	\$2,500.00	\$3,572.00	\$1,072.00
		\$3,572.00 (Envelopes)	



To contribute online (one-time or recurring payments) visit [stjamesah.org/donate/](https://stjamesah.org/donate/)

## SELECT PARISH MINISTRIES

**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](mailto:griefsupport@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](mailto:ministryofpraise@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](mailto:stecstan@sbcglobal.net)

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

[PPC@stjamesah.org](mailto:PPC@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](mailto: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](mailto: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.

**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](mailto:wosjministryleads@gmail.com)

**PADS Outreach** provides safety, temporary shelter and services to the unhoused. [st.james.pads@gmail.com](mailto:st.james.pads@gmail.com)

**Loaves and Fishes Ministry** provides lunches for those experiencing homelessness in Chicago's Uptown neighborhood. [stjameslandf@gmail.com](mailto:stjameslandf@gmail.com)

## YOU MIGHT BE INTERESTED IN...

### Girls Matter Presentation, March 15

Willows Academy is proud to welcome their 2023-24 keynote speaker Abigail Favale, Ph.D for "The Genius of Women: Why Girls Matter" as part of their Raising Great Girls series. The event will take place on Friday, March 15 at 7 pm. Location: Willows Auditorium, 1015 Rose Ave, Des Plaines. For more information and to RSVP visit [willowsacademy.org/raising-great-girls](https://willowsacademy.org/raising-great-girls).

### Meals on Wheels Seeks Volunteers

Catholic Charities delivers hot meals M-F to homebound seniors nearby. We are in need of volunteer drivers. Each route has around 10 to 16 clients and takes about 2 hours to complete. A commitment of one day each week is greatly appreciated. Meals are prepared at the A. H. Senior Center, 1801 W. Central Rd. Stop in or call 847-797-5350 to pick up a Volunteer Driver Application.





Tuition Assistance Program  
ST. JAMES SCHOOL



We continue to accept donations towards our SJS Tuition Assistance Program (TAP) to ensure every student has the opportunity for a Catholic Education. Your support is crucial to prevent any interruption in funding for our students. Every contribution counts! To donate, please scan QR code or visit [www.StJamesAH.org/sjs-tap](https://www.StJamesAH.org/sjs-tap). Thank you for your support.





## MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 5:00 pm Praise & Worship Ensemble  
Sunday 7:00 am Cantor and Organ  
Sunday 8:30 am Traditional Choir & Organ  
Sunday 10:00 am Contemporary Choir  
Sunday 11:30 am Contemporary Choir  
Sunday 5:00 pm Praise & Worship Ensemble

### WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday – Saturday, 7:30 am  
Monday - Friday, Noon

## PARISH OFFICE HOURS

**Monday-Thursday** 9:00 am - 8:00 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** open to the public M-F 6:30 am - 8:30 pm; Sat & Sun 6:30 am - 6:30 pm or 24 hours a day for those with access code.

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