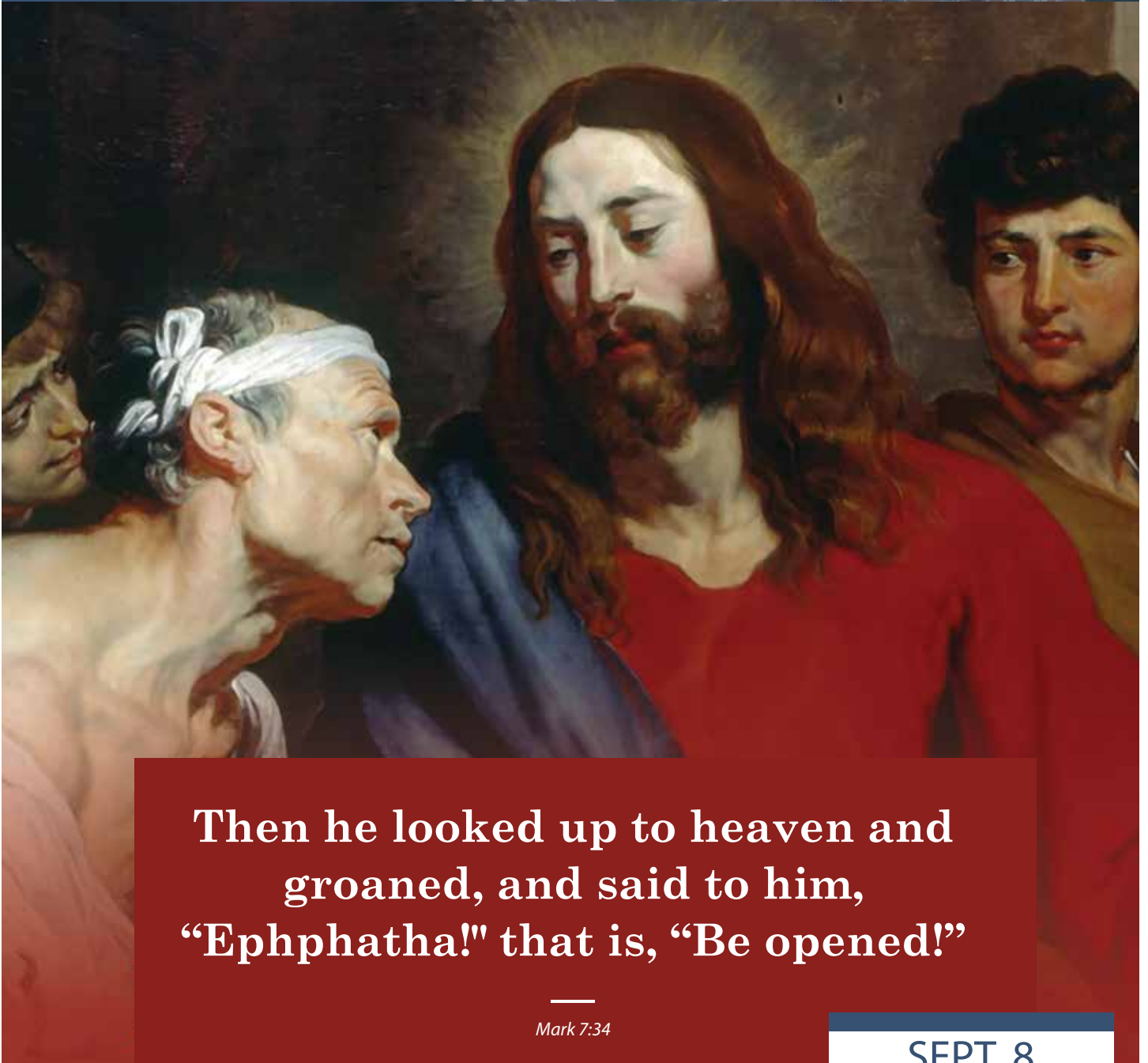




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Then he looked up to heaven and
groaned, and said to him,
“Ephphatha!” that is, “Be opened!”

—
Mark 7:34

SEPT. 8

2024

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

TWENTY THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

PASTOR'S MESSAGE

Today's Readings

First Reading:

Then will the eyes of the blind be opened, the ears of the deaf be cleared; then will the lame leap like a stag, then the tongue of the mute will sing.

(Is 35:5-6)

Psalm:

Praise the Lord, my soul!
(Ps 146)

Second Reading:

Did not God choose those who are poor in the world to be rich in faith and heirs of the kingdom that he promised to those who love him?

(Jas 2:5)

Gospel:

"He has done all things well. He makes the deaf hear and the mute speak."

(Mk 7:37)



"Scripture scholars point out that the noble vocation of the woman is the conduit of the Holy Spirit."

Dear Friends,

Today is the 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time, but September 8 is traditionally celebrated as the birthday of Mary. I am reading a new book called *A Thirst for the Spirit: Biblical Wisdom for Desert Times* by Dr. Nina-Sophie Heereman. Dr. Heereman is a German theologian and Scripture scholar on the faculty of St. Patrick Seminary in Menlo Park, California, the seminary of the Archdiocese of San Francisco .

In a discussion of the role of Eve as a *helpmate* for Adam, she notes that some women, especially in her native land, find the word offensive, as they associate it with doing the laundry and washing the dishes.

Dr. Heereman points out that the term *helpmate* is only used a handful of times in the Old Testament, and it means something far deeper than completing menial chores. The title *helpmate* in Genesis refers, rather, to the high and noble vocation of the woman as the conduit of the Holy Spirit for the man. This spiritual connection between female and male is one of the beautiful aspects of the vocation to marriage.

The archetype of this role is the Virgin Mary, who by the power of the Holy Spirit brought the Son of God into the world, enabling him to take on our humanity and carry out the

work of our salvation. So powerful is her bond with the Holy Spirit that she is almost inseparable from him.

Today on her birthday we honor Mary who is also our mother, and ask for her loving intercession. Holy Mary, Spouse of the Holy Spirit, pray for us!

God bless you,

Fr. Ed



*The Annunciation, Philippe de Champaigne, 1644
Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York*

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MASS



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THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 12 AT 11:00 AM

Let's gather to celebrate our local first responders.

These skilled people are the first to arrive in times of crisis, and St. James is honoring them this year at a special weekday Mass. All are welcome to attend.

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St. James PADS Shelter Opening in October

Volunteers are needed to serve the unhoused in our area.

In a few short weeks we will open the doors of our church to the vulnerable and unhoused in our area. We are grateful to be able to offer shelter, showers, laundry and warm meals. This is only possible with consistent, generous support from the community. The St. James PADS Site will open the first Wednesday in October and continue through the end of April, and we are still in need of volunteers for our 2024/2025 season. We are able to accommodate any travel plans you may have over the season and are grateful for any help you can give.

If you worked with PADS in the past, please come back and continue to nourish the spirit of those in need and mentor new volunteers. If you

have not volunteered before, please join one of our volunteer teams, and check with your friends to see if you would like to work together on a shift. Many parishioners and others in the community have formed lifelong bonds with their fellow volunteers through this program. Serving others is a connection like no other. The commitment can be as small as four hours per month or as often as you are available.

Shift Volunteers work on either the first, second, third or fourth Wednesday of the month covering shifts of 4-5 hours during the hours of 7:00 pm -7:00 am. During this time the volunteers monitor and serve the needs of the guests with showers, sleeping arrangements and laundry. Shift Volunteers must be

18 or older, or 16 with a parent. New volunteers will have access to a brief training.

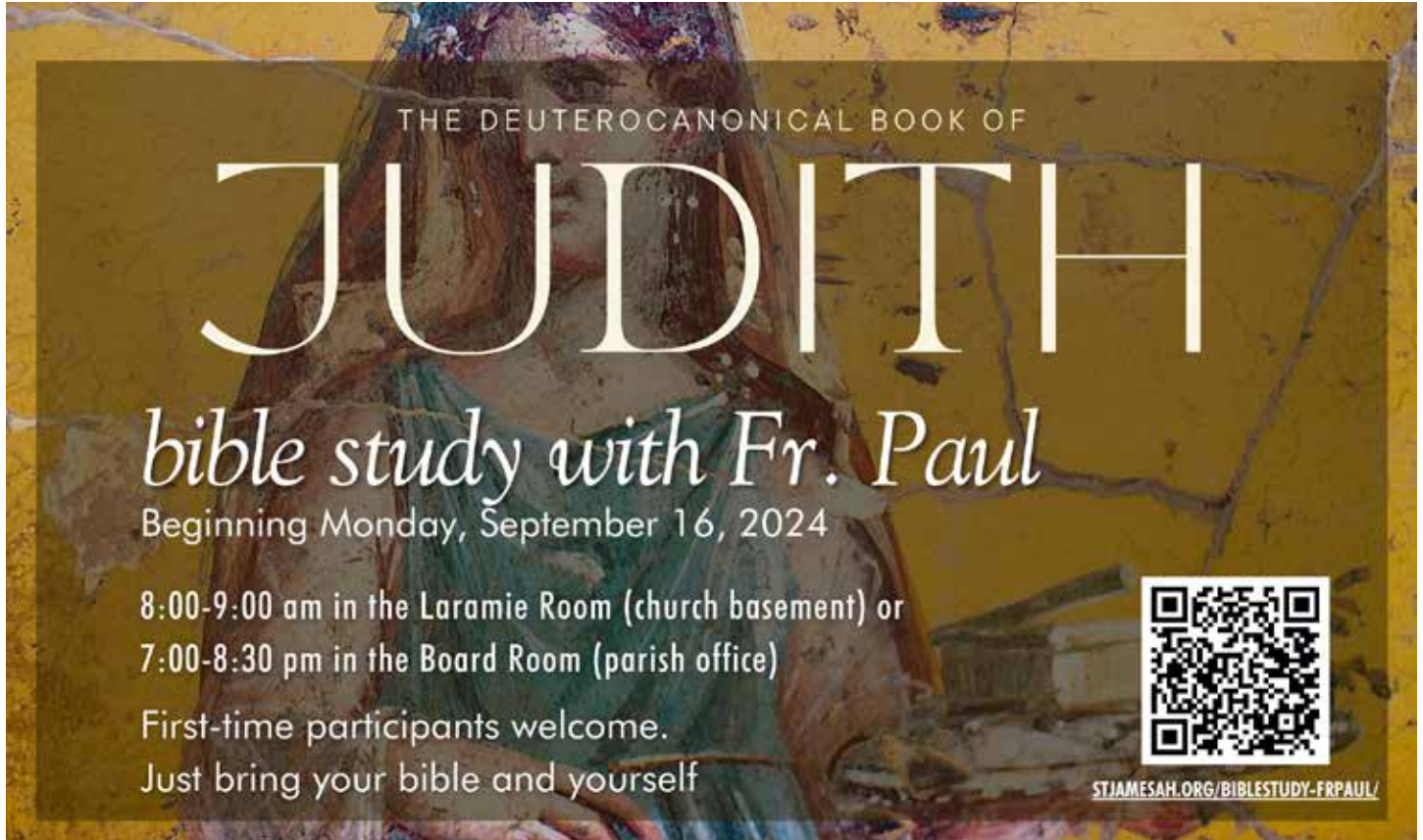
Food Teams sign up for either the first, second, third or fourth Wednesday of the month to provide and/or serve warm dinner for the guests (signing up to drop off either an entrée, side, or dessert from a given menu).

There will be additional opportunities for small groups, scouts, youth groups, community groups, teams, ministries, etc.

To sign up to volunteer with PADS please contact

st.james.pads@gmail.com

Then they will answer and say, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or ill or in prison, and not minister to your needs?' He will answer them, 'Amen, I say to you, what you did not do for one of these least ones, you did not do for me.' ~ Matthew 25:44-45



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Pat Kellen
St. James Parishioner since 1978
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My unit secretary arrived at work one day with a blackened eye and her husband trailing behind her. A woman, caring for her spouse of 50+ years, confessed to me that, years ago, he'd pushed her down the stairs. Seven months pregnant, she miscarried the baby girl. A young mother came to a La Leche League meeting with a sprained wrist; her husband had twisted it because the baby wouldn't stop crying.

These women came to mind as I heard Fr. Dahm's 2010 homily. I couldn't change the past but, maybe I COULD do something for current victims – the ones Fr. Dahm was speaking about. Attending the next night's meeting, I "raised my hand" and have been involved ever since. What I do is for the "Marys" and "Irenes" caught in the cycle of violence. I work, too, to prevent its start.

If you're interested in learning more about our ministry, please contact steppingstones@stjamesah.org

Teens are invited to be co-teachers!

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Dear Supporters,

In just a few weeks, nearly \$35,000 has been raised to build the Deacon Pierce Sheehan Memorial Maternity and Pediatric Clinic in St. Philomena Parish, Kasese Diocese, Uganda. Thanks to nearly 40 generous donors, largely from St. James Parish and St. Raymond's Fifth Grade Lent 2024 project we're ready to break ground soon!

We have received updated construction estimates which amount to \$29,000. Representatives from MAAP Foundation will meet with Bishop Aquinus Kibira's staff and the construction engineer to finalize plans. Any leftover funds will support a St. Philomena Pig Farm, an auxiliary project to generate sustainable revenue for the clinic.

We'll keep you updated on the progress, and we aim to complete the clinic by December 1, 2024. Thank you for your generosity in making this vital medical facility a reality.

Respectfully,
Deacon Don Grossnickle
Founder and President of the MAAP Foundation 501c(3)

If you have any questions, please contact Deacon Don Grossnickle:
(608) 415-7489 or dgrossnick@aol.com.



Retired Men's Meeting

We will meet on Wednesday,
September 11 at 10:00 am in
the Senior/Teen Room.

We will continue watching
Bishop Barron's Catholicism
Series.

Contact Tom Adam at
847-394-4731 with any
questions.



YOUTH CHOIRS

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Wedding Banns

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I. Daniel Walsh and Lauren Kohn (September 28)

Recent Baptisms

Molly Grace Mockler, child of
Thomas Mockler and Kaitlyn (Murphy) Mockler
Scarlett Marie Raygoza, child of
Miguel Raygoza and Elizabeth Szalay

Celebrant Schedule, Sept. 14-15

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

Readings for the Week of September 8

Sunday: Is 35:4-7a/Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 (1B)/Jas 2:1-5/Mk 7:31-37
Monday: 1 Cor 5:1-8/Ps 5:5-6, 7, 12/Lk 6:6-11
Tuesday: 1 Cor 6:1-11/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b/Lk 6:12-19
Wednesday: 1 Cor 7:25-31/Ps 45:11-12, 14-15, 16-17/Lk 6:20-26
Thursday: 1 Cor 8:1b-7, 11-13/Ps 139:1b-3, 13-14ab, 23-24/Lk 6:27-38
Friday: 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22b-27/Ps 84:3, 4, 5-6, 12/Lk 6:39-42
Saturday: Nm 21:4b-9/Ps 78:1bc-2, 34-35, 36-37, 38/Phil 2:6-11/Jn 3:13-17
Next Sunday: Is 50:4c-9a/Ps 116:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 (9)/Jas 2:14-18/Mk 8:27-35

Mass Intentions

Saturday, Sept. 7

5:00 Marcin Bukowski
Ita Tangney
Angelo Anzalone

Sunday, Sept. 8 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 James Burke
Karen Lifka
10:00 For the people of the parish
11:30 Barbara Walczak
Patrick J. Brennan
John Malone

Monday, Sept. 9 St. Peter Claver, Priest

7:30 Mary Cummings (1st Anniv.)
Anna Rennhofer
12:00 Matthew Petrillo

Tuesday, Sept. 10

7:30 Candace Duggan

Wednesday, Sept. 11

7:30 Daniel Kowalski
Bill Roller
Ric Decal
12:00 Dolores Hathaway

Thursday, Sept. 12 The Most Holy Name of Mary

7:30 Pearl Stanke
Charles Bentz

Friday, Sept. 13 St. John Chrysostom, Bp. & Dr. of the Church

7:30 Alice Matthews
Linda Mackey
Dolores Spoden

Saturday, Sept. 14 The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

7:30 Patricia Rago (10th Anniv.)



The Annunciation - 1887- George Hitchcock

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		<i>Online Giving: \$90,681.89</i>	
8.15 Holy Day Collection →	Budgeted	Actual	Variance
	\$3,500.00	\$3,900.00	\$400.00
		<i>Envelopes: 3,432.00</i>	
		<i>Online Giving: 468.00</i>	

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

Jr. Ambassadors is a group for all children of St. James to practice their faith in service to others and as an example of our Catholic faith to everyone. Jr. ambassadors act as representatives and promoters of our faith while learning about the Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy and Catholic Social Teaching. kcoughlin@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

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

Music Ministry We strive to create music that is rich with quality, enthusiasm, and participation. Join one of our ensembles to be part of our musical community. tconseur@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@sbglobal.net

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.

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.

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

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Sign up now for the St. James Sunday Night Men's Basketball League!

Registration closes Wed., Sept. 18.

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When: Sunday nights beginning Sunday, September 29 through February 2025

Where: Game times at 6:00, 7:00 and 8:00 in the School Gym

Length of Season: 9-10 game season and playoffs

Who: 8 teams with 10 players per team (teams are drafted)

Approximate Cost = \$75 (covers cost of jersey and referees)

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or contact Bill Borst at Bev51064@gmail.com

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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 and Wednesday at 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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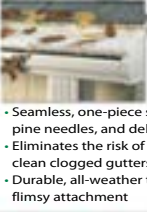
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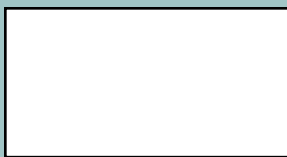
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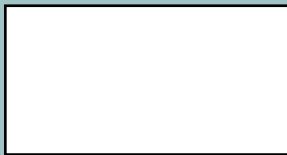
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