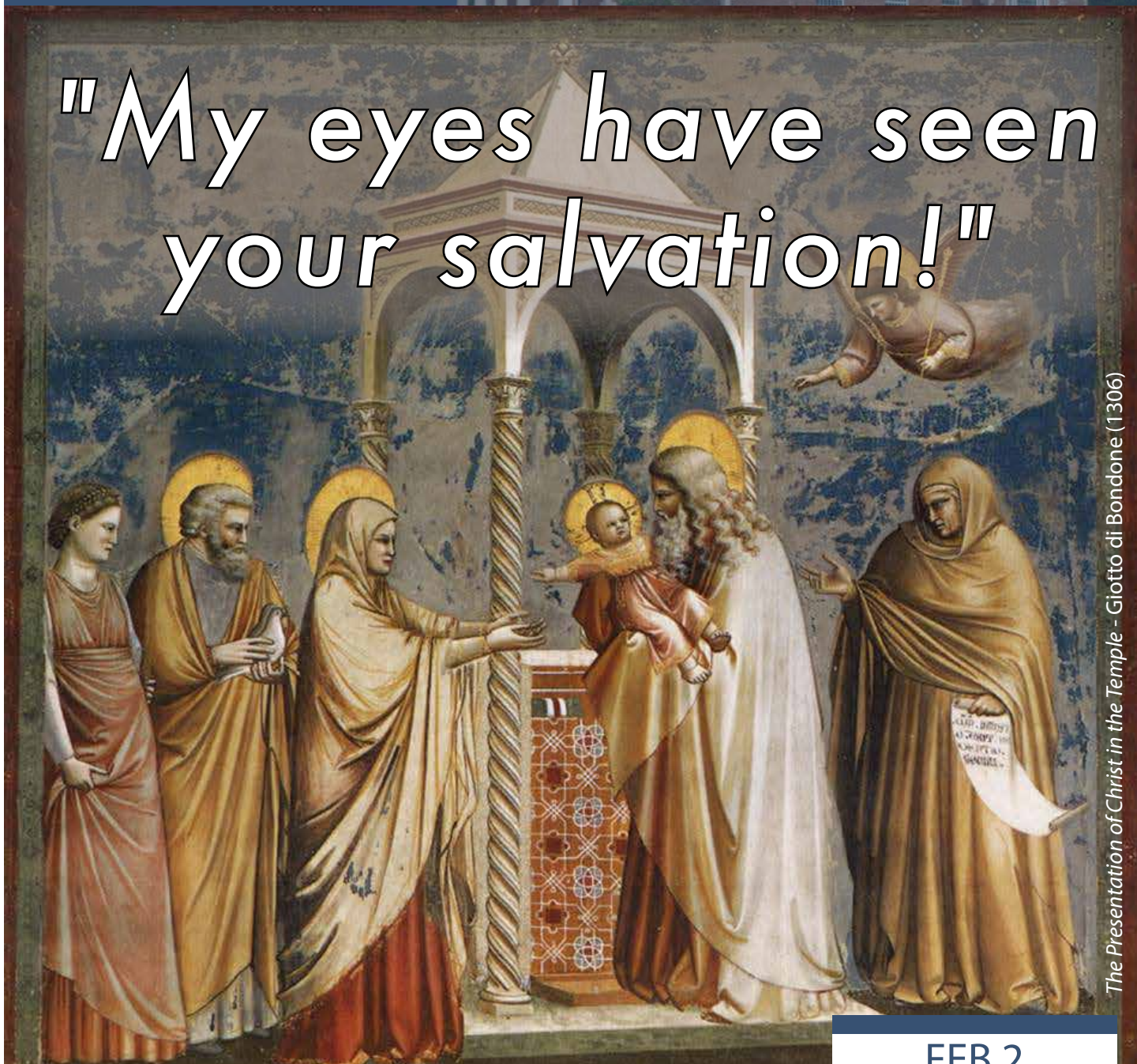




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*"My eyes have seen
your salvation!"*



The Presentation of Christ in the Temple - Giotto di Bondone (1306)

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

FEB 2

2025

THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD



Today's Readings

First Reading:

Lo, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me; and suddenly there will come to the temple the LORD whom you seek.

(Mal 3:1)

Psalm:

Who is this king of glory?
It is the Lord!

(Ps 24)

Second Reading:

Therefore, he had to become like his brothers and sisters in every way, that he might be a merciful and faithful high priest before God.

(Heb 2:17)

Gospel:

"Now, Master, you may let your servant go in peace, according to your word, for my eyes have seen your salvation."

(Lk 2:29-30)

Anna gave thanks to God and spoke about the child to all who were awaiting the redemption of Jerusalem.

Luke 2:39

Dear Friends,

The feast of the Presentation of Jesus in the Temple in Jerusalem is a particularly moving story.

Two elderly, faithful Jews, Simeon and Anna, wholly dedicated to God, spending much time in prayer, and expecting the coming of the Messiah, are given the grace of meeting the child of Jesus as an infant. Their hope and trust in God are rewarded.

Simeon's heartfelt prayer after meeting the Holy Family, a prayer known as the Nunc Dimitis, expresses his gratitude to God who has fulfilled his promise:

"Now, Master, you may let your servant go in peace, according to your word, for my eyes have seen your salvation, which you prepared in the sight of all the peoples: a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and glory for your people Israel."

Anna and Simeon are beautiful examples of faith and trust in God. They are models of faith for people of all generations. Their faithfulness was rewarded by the God who keeps his promises.

God bless you,

Fr. Ed

UPCOMING EVENTS

FREE CONCERT

FEBRUARY 10

7:00 PM

Love Divine:

THE MUSIC OF MOZART

As part of St. James' Sacred Sounds concert series, experience the divine artistry of Mozart in an intimate concert featuring iconic pieces from *The Marriage of Figaro*, *The Magic Flute*, *Don Giovanni*, and more.

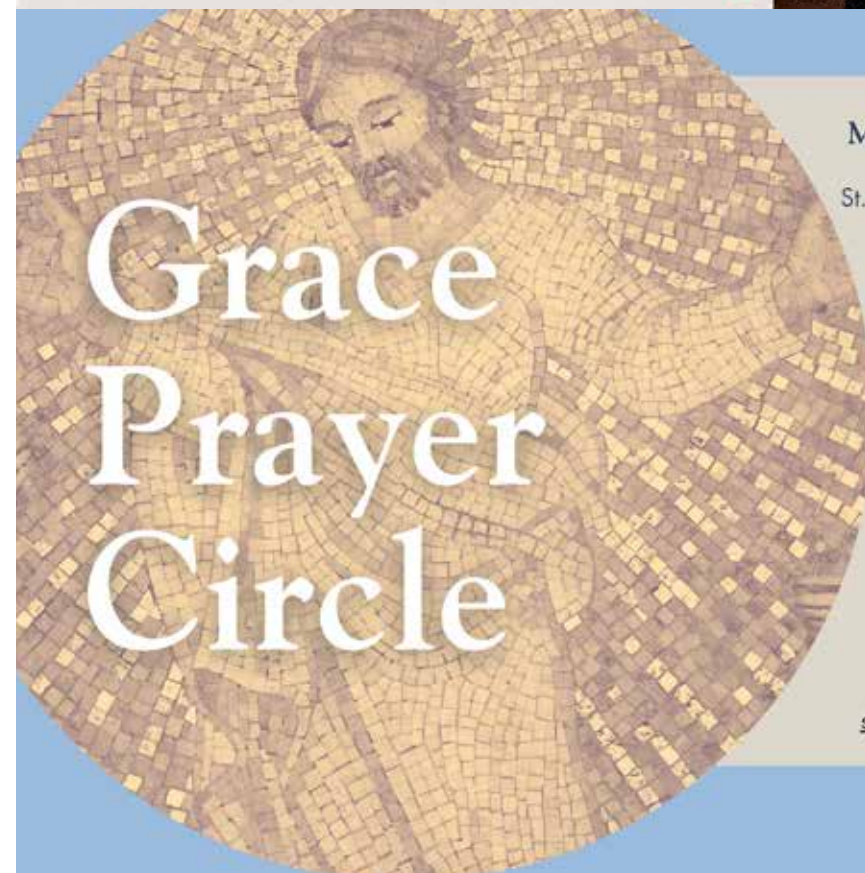
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stjamesah.org/love-divine-concert/



Meeting Mental Health With Grace

A mental health ministry through
St. James, St. Edna & Our Lady of the Wayside

Wednesday, Feb. 5th
7:00 - 7:30 pm

Location: St. James School Chapel

This month's topic:
Calling on God's Love

Join us to pray for those living with
mental health concerns and their
loved ones.

Submit prayer requests to:
847-253-5390
or mentalhealthministry@stjamesah.org

stjamesah.org/mentalhealthresources



PARISH NEWS

"FOR I WAS *hungry* AND YOU
GAVE ME SOMETHING TO *eat*..."

—Matthew 25:35

SERVICE OPPORTUNITY



Saturday, March 1

12:00-2:00 pm

join code: **3LLXK6**

2:30-4:00 pm

join code: **N88Z4V**

4:45-6:15 pm

join code: **P88N31**



740 Wiley Farm Court, Schaumburg, IL

Volunteer at Feed My Starving Children

This excursion is open to all children and youth from our parish and their families! Sign up by February 14; choose your time slot and use the join code to register. Spaces are limited. Any vacant spots will be released back to FMSC on February 14.

fmisc.org/get-involved/volunteer/

Questions? Contact: blarson@stjamesah.org



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KINDERGARTEN *options*



Full Day

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Full Day School 8:20am-3:30pm **Half Day School** 8:20am-11:30am



ELIGIBILITY FOR ST. JAMES KINDERGARTEN

- Must be 5 years old by September 1
- Must be fully potty trained
- No diapers, no pull-ups, teachers and aides do not wipe
- Before/After care options available for an additional rate

REGISTRATION OPEN

Visit our website for more information or scan for a private tour

www.StJamesSchoolAH.org



Tickets are now available for Shrek The Musical, Jr.!



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The MUSICAL JR.



SHOW INFO

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2/16 @ 2:00pm

**Tickets are
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1yo are free)

Seats are assigned and are expected to sell out so get your tickets TODAY!

IMPORTANT: You will need to finalize your purchase by pressing the "place order" button. You can verify your order was successful by reviewing the email you receive after your purchase. If you don't receive the email you should notify tickets@stjamestheatre.org.

Please scan QR code or visit stjamestheatre.org for tickets.

SERVE



Scan here for more
information



bit.ly/StJamesLF24

Volunteers Needed

The **Loaves & Fishes Ministry** previously supported the men of NorthSide Housing for over 30 years. However, in December 2019 the shelter abruptly closed. The men were housed at other temporary locations including a location near Midway Airport.

We are happy to announce the opening of a new NorthSide Housing Men's Shelter in the Roger's Park Neighborhood. Here's the link to view the new facility. <https://www.northsidehousing.org/>

We are looking to resume our regular service to support the men's shelter in addition to our current support of the women's shelter, Sarah's Circle. Volunteers are needed to prepare 75 lunches for the men that will be delivered to the shelter every Saturday beginning February 1 through the end of April.

Please consider signing up so that we may successfully resume our support of the men and the mission of NorthSide Housing for men.

More information:
stjameslandf@gmail.com

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COME AND SERVE THE KING OF KINGS

Altar Server Training

Wed. Feb. 12 at 4:00 - 5:30 pm
for new servers
third grade and older



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stjamesoh.org/altar-server-training

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

Over 50 Group

Chinese New Year Luncheon

Tuesday, February 11 at Noon

MingHin Restaurant, 1440 Golf Rd., Rolling Meadows

Plated dinner - Choose One

Beef with Chinese Broccoli

Sweet & Sour Pork

Shrimp with Vegetables

Orange Chicken

Soy Sauce Chow Mein with Bean Sprouts (no rice)

White Rice or BBQ Pork Fried Rice - Choose One

Egg Roll or Two Crab Rangoon - Choose one

Cost: \$22.00

RSVP to Eva at 847-345-2305 with your choice of
Lunch, Rice and Appetizer
Deadline: February 6

Spring Senior Luncheon

Wednesday, March 12th, 2025

11am-1pm - Laramie Room

RSVP by Friday March 7th

REFUGEE

WELCOME PACK DRIVE

Welcome newly arriving refugees



Peace & Justice invites you to join us! Last Tuesday of the
month at 7 pm Contact us at peaceandjustice@stjamesah.org

COLLECTION FEBRUARY 1-9, 2025

Sign up now to greet and provide a warm welcome to a refugee family when they first arrive in our community! Refugees often arrive in Chicago with only a few personal possessions. Help turn an empty apartment into a home by collecting and delivering all the basic household items the very first day they arrive.



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[TINYURL.COM/5YK3722H](https://tinyurl.com/5YK3722H)

Thank You St. James

Thank you for creating a welcoming community for refugees and asylum seekers. In the past year you worked with these partners in faith:

Exodus World Service

"St. James has been a beacon of hope:

- You collected and delivered Welcome Packs to five newly arrived refugee families in the Chicago area.
- In April, you hosted the *Refugee Journey Simulation* which engendered empathy and inspired action on behalf of local refugees. Also in April, your efforts for the EWS's *Celebration of Hope* gala galvanized a powerful force for refugees' good.
- In February you invited EWS to connect with the Seton Assembly of the Knights of Columbus. And throughout the year you empowered volunteers to serve in EWS's *New Neighbor* program working with families in Chicago."
- Your financial support of EWS's education programming, and ongoing participation in the *Prayer Partnership Team* have been consistent sources of strength and encouragement."

Refugees entering the U.S. are the most thoroughly vetted individuals allowed in our country. Refugees pay for their own travel to the U.S. through a Revolving Loan Fund. Refugees are invited to resettle by the U.S. government and enter as legal residents. Refugees pay taxes and are contributors to the U.S. economy.

Viator House of Hospitality

"Thank you for your in-kind donation of 24 Christmas gift bags to support Viator House of Hospitality. We are so happy to give these generous gifts to our participants on Christmas Day! Thank you for partnering with us as we accompany young, male immigrants in need of housing, case management and supportive services. Many of them have fled persecution, violence, and unrest in their home countries and are in the process of seeking asylum. Because of generous people like you, since opening in January, 2017, more than 120 men from more than 28 nations have found success in school, work opportunities and relief from trauma, while building lives that will contribute to our nation."

Bethany House of Hospitality

"Please accept our thanks for your gift of warm clothing and Christmas gifts for the women at Bethany House of Hospitality. Your kind generosity brings financial and moral support to our project and holds out hope to young women who entered the United States seeking asylum. In this holiday season, we want to thank you on behalf of the more than 120 women and 50 children who have made their home at Bethany House for time of stability, healing and preparation for their next steps."



Join P&J's monthly ministry meetings. Last Tuesday of the month 7pm. Contact: peaceandjustice@stjamesah.org

SPIRITUAL OPPORTUNITIES

Luke & Acts: A Two-Volume Set bible study with Fr. Paul

A line-by-line study, discovering how St. Luke wrote both as one work
Every Monday starting February 17

Mornings: 8:00-9:00 am, Laramie Room

Evenings: 7:00-8:30 pm, Location TBA



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SUMMER ACTIVITIES

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JUNE 16-19

9:00am-12:00pm

JUNE 20 - family picnic

5:30pm - 7:30pm



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Contact Kathryn Coughlin for more info
stjamesvbs@stjamesah.org



June 16 - 27, 2025

9:00am - 2:00pm Monday - Friday

The Summer Intensive Program is offered as an alternative to the traditional Tuesday night program held during the school year. This program is for students in grades 3-5 who have already made the sacraments of Reconciliation and First Holy Communion. Each week we will spend time building community, learning about our faith and practicing our faith in service to others. We will have time for fun summer activities, while fostering spiritual growth through interactive lessons and opportunities for prayer.

Registration opens April 1st!

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Save the Date Summer Intensive



Contact: blarson@stjamesah.org

OUR PRAYERS & INTENTIONS

In Loving Memory

William Jamber

Please pray for our sick

David Loch
Steve Kelly
Andy Kaplan
Lucy Detlefsen

Recent Baptisms

Nora Maeve Florentino, child of
Kevin Florentino and Kathleen (Essenberg) Florentino

Gianluca Mario Maypayo, child of
Ramdon Magpayo and Alyssa (Giannini) Magpayo

Rose for Life

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Celebrant Schedule, February 1-2

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

Readings for the week of February 2

Sunday:	Mal 3:1-4/Heb 2:14-18/Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10/Lk 2:22-40
Monday:	Heb 11:32-40/Ps 31:20, 21, 22, 23, 24/Mk 5:1-20
Tuesday:	Heb 12:1-4/Ps 22:26b-27, 28 and 30, 31-32/Mk 5:21-43
Wednesday:	Heb 12:4-7, 11-15/Ps 103:1-2, 13-14, 17-18a/Mk 6:1-6
Thursday:	Heb 12:18-19, 21-24/Ps 48:2-3ab, 3cd-4, 9, 10-11//Mk 6:7-13
Friday:	Heb 13:1-8/Ps 27:1, 3, 5, 8b-9abc/Mk 6:14-29
Saturday:	Heb 13:15-17, 20-21/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/Mk 6:30-34
Next Sunday:	Is 6:1-2a, 3-8/Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 7-8 (1c)/1 Cor 15:1-11/Lk 5:1-11

Mass Intentions

Saturday, February 1

5:00	Marcin Bukowski Lydia Novales Shirley Stabler
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Sunday, February 2 The Presentation of the Lord

7:00	For the people of the parish
8:30	John F. Kordek
10:00	Bob & Andy Jarosz
11:30	Thomas Yapp Thomas Whalen

Monday, February 3 St. Blaise

12:00	Josephine Gillespie
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Wednesday, February 5 St. Agatha

7:30	Alois (Lou) Simeth Raymond B. Votzmeyer
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Thursday, February 6 St. Paul Miki and Companions

7:30	Mary T. Womeldorf (3rd Anniv.) Leonas Tomkus Helena Jochaniewicz Elizabeth Lyman Mabel Preiss Raymond Spiekerman Elizabeth Lyman
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Friday, February 7

7:30	Virginia Chepell (1st Anniv.)
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Saturday, February 8 St. Josephine Bakhita

7:30	Matt Lombardi Robert Lyman (10th Anniv.) Norman Cooper
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PARISH INFORMATION

DON'T FALL BEHIND

STAY CURRENT WITH THIS WEEK'S EVENTS
AND WHAT'S COMING UP AT ST. JAMES

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PARISH MINISTRIES

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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

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@sbcglobal.net

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.

Prayer Shawl Ministry creates a wide variety of shawls for anyone in need of prayers or blessings. We pray as we knit or crochet, and meet on the 3rd Sunday of each month to bless the fruits of our labors.
prayershawlministry@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.

Women of St. James provides support to Catholic women who are committed to growing and sharing their faith through sisterhood and service.
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Need more info about **AARP** Tax-Aide? Use this link: <https://taxaide.aarpfoundation.org/>

Several St. James parishioners are volunteers. Always good to see a familiar face!

Beyond Sunday be
Forgiven



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Beyond Sunday
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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

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday 9 am - 8 pm; Friday 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

Saturday & Sunday 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

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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.

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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