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Today's Readings

First Reading:

Ezra read plainly from the book of the law of God, interpreting it so that all could understand what was read. (Neh 8:8)

Psalm:

Your words, Lord, are Spirit and life. (Ps 19)

Second Reading:

For in one Spirit we were all baptized into one body, whether Jews or Greeks, slaves or free persons, and we were all given to drink of one Spirit. (1 Cor 12:12)

Gospel:

He said to them, "Today this Scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing." (Lk 4:21) The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring glad tidings to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim liberty to captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, and to proclaim a year acceptable to the Lord.

Dear Friends,

Jesus reads from the Prophet Isaiah in the synagogue in Nazareth, where he had grown up. After he reads it, he says, "Today this is fulfilled in your hearing." This is another incident at the very beginning of his public ministry. His hour is coming.

The whole mission of Jesus is the reconciliation of God and man. It takes place in the union of human and divine in his person, and in his might acts on the Cross and in the Resurrection. This is the whole mission of the Church and everything she does: a restoration of the once intimate relationship that God created and willed – but lost by sin. It is restored in Jesus.

As we begin this season in the Church, let's pray that we can keep our eyes fixed on Jesus.

God bless you,

Fr. Ed

Luke & Acts: A Two-Volume Set

Save the date for Fr. Paul's Next Bible Study

Learn how St. Luke wrote both the Gospel and the Acts of the Apostles as one work: a line-by-line study.

Every Monday starting February 17, 2025 Mornings: 8:00-9:00am, Laramie Room Evenings: 7:00-8:30pm, Location TBA

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PARISH NEWS

Celebrate

Candlemas Day

Sunday, February 2

How will we celebrate?

The priests will bless candles at all the weekend Masses on February 1 and 2 this year. You are encouraged to bring candles from home to be blessed.

Why on February 2?

February 2 is exactly forty days after December 25, the nativity of Jesus. Jewish law (Ex 13:2, 12) dictated that Jesus, as the firstborn, be consecrated to God. This was done by the parents as they presented their Son in the Temple. The Catholic church celebrates February 2nd as the feast of the Presentation of the Lord.

In the Gospel for February 2, Luke highlights the role of Simeon and Anna, two righteous Jews who recognized Jesus as the long-awaited Messiah and praised God for being able to see and experience such a marvel in their lifetimes.

What does this have to do with candles?

Simeon's prayer concerning the special role of Jesus states that Jesus is "a light for revelation to the Gentiles." This phrase eventually originated the custom of blessing candles on this day which were to be used in the ceremonies, rituals, and processions throughout the church year.

Thus February 2 is known as Candlemas Day. This day is indeed a rich feast to be savored. We hope you'll join us!





Volunteer at Feed My Starving Children

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

fmsc.org/get-involved/volunteer/

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.

Questions? Contact- blarson@stjamesah.org



CHILDREN'S FORMATION



Save the Date Summer Intensive

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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REFUGEE

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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

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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: stiameslandf@amail.com









MINISTRY EVENTS & UPDATES

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SAVE THE DATE: Friday, March 7, 2024 **TIME:** 6:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.



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Chinese New Year Luncheon

Tuesday, February 11 at Noon MingHin Restaurant, 1440 Golf Rd., Rolling Meadows

Plated dinner - Choose One
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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





OPPORTUNITIES TO CONNECT







Spring Senior Luncheon

Wednesday, March 12th, 2025

11am-1pm - Laramie Room RSVP by Friday March 7th



OUR PRAYERS & INTENTIONS

In Loving Memory

Virginia Moss **Andrew Haman**

Please pray for our sick

Bunny Velasco Norine Naselli Andy Kaplan Lucy Detlefsen David Loch Steve Kelly

Recent Baptisms

Sara Margaret Flynn, child of

Sean Flynn and Teresa (Biancalana) Flynn

Henry Robert Meersman, child of Nicholas Meersman and Nicole Borst

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 January 26

Sunday: Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10/Ps 19:8-15/1 Cor 12:12-30/Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21

Monday: Heb 9:15, 24-28/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6/Mk 3:22-30 Tuesday: Heb 10:1-10/Ps 40:2 and 4ab, 7-8a, 10, 11/Mk 3:31-35

Wednesday: Heb 10:11-18/Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4/Mk 4:1-20 Thursday: Heb 10:19-25/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/Mk 4:21-25 Friday: Heb 10:32-39/Ps 37:3-4, 5-6, 23-24, 39-40/Mk 4:26-34 Heb 11:1-2, 8-19/Lk 1:69-70, 71-72, 73-75/Mk 4:35-41 Saturday: Next Sunday: Mal 3:1-4/Heb 2:14-18/Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10/Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32

Mass Intentions

Saturday, January 25

5:00 Marcin Bukowski Shirley Ann Stabler Patrick & Kevin Houlihan

Sunday, January 26 Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Lvdia Novales 7:00

John F. Kordek

8:30 **Gay White Caswell** 10:00 Vittoria Nudo

11:30 Michael Whelan (8th Anniv.) 5:00 For the people of the parish

Monday, January 27 St. Angela Merici, Virgin

Russel Wagner 7:30

> Parneetha Yeruva Philip Krueger **Nelly Frausto** Anthony Arboleda Diane Arrigo

Tuesday, January 28 St. Thomas Aquinas

Tom Danaher 7:30

Tom Rothfus

Margarita Rodriguez

Wednesday, January 29

7:30 Jim Duff

Thursday, January 30

7:30 Susan Adams (1st Anniv.)

Jack Mehalek **Christine Socher Don Corbett**

Friday, January 31 St. John Bosco, Priest

Frank & Victoria Bosco 7:30

Tom Rothfus (16th Anniv.)

Ed Cahill

Saturday, February 1

James Bowe

Susan Terry



PARISH INFORMATION

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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

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. wosjministryleads@gmail.com

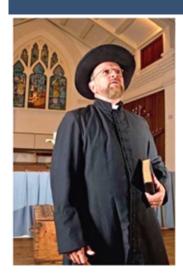


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Daily Mass

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MASS SCHEDULE

Daily Mass: Mon.- Sat. 7:30 am; Mon. & Wed. also at Noon

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Sunday 7:00 am Cantor and Organ

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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

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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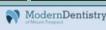
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