



# SAINT JAMES PARISH

## ARLINGTON HEIGHTS

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

# UP THE MOUNTAIN TO PRAY.

LUKE 9:28

MARCH 16

2025

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

THE SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT



## Today's Readings

### First Reading:

It was on that occasion that the LORD made a covenant with Abram, saying: "To your descendants I give the land, from the Wadi of Egypt to the Great River, the Euphrates."

(Gn 15:18)

### Psalm:

The Lord is my light and my salvation.

(Ps 27)

### Second Reading:

He will change our lowly body to conform with his glorified body by the power that enables him also to bring all things into subjection to himself.

(Phil 3:21)

### Gospel:

Jesus took Peter, John, and James and went up the mountain to pray. While he was praying his face changed in appearance and his clothing became dazzling white.

(Lk 9:28b-29)

Dear Friends,

We hear the story of the Transfiguration of Jesus every year on the second Sunday of Lent. Something important and significant is happening here. Mount Tabor is in Galilee, in the area where Jesus did most of his ministry. He climbed the mountain with Peter, James and John.

These three disciples were given a unique glimpse of the glory which was to come:

"[Jesus'] face changed in appearance and his clothing became dazzling white. And behold, two men were conversing with him, Moses and Elijah, who appeared in glory and spoke of his exodus that he was going to accomplish in Jerusalem. [Peter, James and John] saw his glory." (Luke 9:29)

The disciples wanted to stay up on the mountain with the glorified Jesus. Peter remarked, "It is good that we are here!" They can't, however, stay on the mountain. Jesus, after the glorious vision has passed, and after the Father was heard saying, "this is my chosen Son. Listen to Him," descends from the mountain and the

disciples learn that there is no way to this glory they have just seen except through the cross.

Our journey through Lent doesn't go straight to Easter, but first through Good Friday. I know a couple who left a popular mega church and came to Catholicism when they found that the mega church skipped Good Friday and went straight to Easter. It's not possible!

Please pray for our catechumens and candidates who are going to Holy Name Cathedral this afternoon for the Rite of

Election, where they will be officially recognized by the archbishop as they complete their formation and preparation for the Easter sacraments.

God bless you,

Fr. Ed



THIS WEEK

Join us for  
**HOSPITALITY  
WEEKEND**

in the **Laramie Room**  
AFTER SUNDAY MORNING MASSES  
**for coffee  
and donuts!**

Hosted by: The Ministry of Care



Saint  
Joseph's  
Table

POTLUCK  
LUNCH

3.19.25  
AFTER NOON  
MASS

IN THE  
LARAMIE  
ROOM

THIS WEEK

THE NEXT IN OUR CONCERT SERIES

# SACRED SOUNDS

MARCH 20

7:00 PM

# Stabat Mater

*Composed by*

Gioachino

ROSSINI

IN THE CHURCH | DOORS OPEN AT 6:30



[stjamesah.org/stabat-mater](http://stjamesah.org/stabat-mater)



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ARLINGTON HEIGHTS

820 N. Arlington Heights Road, Arlington Heights, IL 60004

EVENTS NEXT MONTH

1 APRIL

DINNER AT 5PM

FORMATION AT 6PM

ADORATION AT 6:30PM

TO  
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MORE**

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EACH TIME YOU APPROACH THE BLESSED SACRAMENT REMEMBER THAT JESUS HAS BEEN

**ENCOUNTER**

WAITING FOR YOU FOR TWENTY CENTURIES FOR THIS PERSONAL VISIT FROM YOU.

The  
*Passion of Christ*

SUNDAY  
APRIL 6

2:00 pm & 6:00 pm  
St. James Church



Presented by:  
*live Theater*

## PARISH UPDATES

### Over 50 Group

MONDAY, MARCH 17

Noon Mass at St. James  
followed by a talk by Father Bill Zavaski  
"Reflections on Pope Francis"  
and our  
Third Annual Irish Soda Bread Competition

We look forward to those who wish to participate in the contest, and ask that you bring your soda bread to the Laramie Room PRIOR to Mass. For those who will be participating and are willing to share, please bring copies of your recipe.

RSVP to Kathy 847-506-9295 - or [StJamesclub@yahoo.com](mailto:StJamesclub@yahoo.com)  
with how many attending, 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)



Please  
Note:  
**EARLY DEADLINES**  
For the Bulletin

| HOLIDAY      | DATE       | DEADLINE       |
|--------------|------------|----------------|
| Spring Break | 3/30 issue | Thursday, 3/20 |
| Palm Sunday  | 4/13 issue | Friday, 4/4    |
| Easter       | 4/20 issue | Wednesday, 4/9 |

Please email all bulletin requests to  
Natalie Conseur  
[nconseur@stjamesah.org](mailto:nconseur@stjamesah.org)

### Over 50 Group

Stations of the Cross  
Fridays during Lent  
4:00 pm  
in the church.

All are welcome

Call Geri with any  
questions.

847-398-2097

## MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

# Take the stage this summer!



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AUDITIONS



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# Matilda

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JULY 10-13 | JULY 17-20

AUDITIONS MARCH 31 AND APRIL 2

Questions?

[producer@stjamestheatre.org](mailto:producer@stjamestheatre.org)



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## Looking for some fun on the golf course?



We are looking for women golfers for the St. James Ladies Golf League.

We golf on Friday mornings starting April 25 with our breakfast meeting. Golf is every Friday with tee times starting at 8:20am.

Interested or want more info: please email Cindy Frenzer – [cfrenz@aol.com](mailto:cfrenz@aol.com)

## Men's Golf League



Gentlemen, if you're looking for a friendly, mid-week game of golf, then St. James Golf League is for you.

The league plays every Tuesday afternoon at Buffalo Grove Golf Club and runs from mid-April through August. We play nine holes of match play, using USGA handicaps. There are openings for both full or part time players. If you're interested in joining us this season, then contact either Chuck Frankiewicz at [cf Frankiewicz@comcast.net](mailto:cf Frankiewicz@comcast.net) or Chris Perkins at [chrisperkins@arwayconfections.com](mailto:chrisperkins@arwayconfections.com)

## BEFORE EASTER

This Lent Be

# Forgiven

### Extra Dates for Confession:

Monday, April 7 from 7-8:30 pm at Our Lady of the Wayside, A.H.

Tuesday, April 8 from 3-5 pm at St. Edna, A.H.

Wednesday, April 9 from 7-8:30 pm at St. Mary, B.G.



not sure how to go to confession?

← scan here for a guide

[bit.ly/confession-guidebook](http://bit.ly/confession-guidebook)



...MAY GOD GIVE YOU  
PARDON AND PEACE,  
AND I ABSOLVE YOU  
FROM YOUR SINS...

## 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 Monday, April 7 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 APRIL 7 FOR NAMES TO BE PRINTED IN THE EASTER BULLETIN**

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In Memory of: (Please print)

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Remembered by: (Please print)

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Send to attn. Natalie Conseur, Bulletin Editor*

## EVENTS FOR WOMEN



# Women's **Welcome**

**4.26.25**

*all-day retreat*

Register Today



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

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A day of inspiration  
and transformation.  
Join us on a pilgrimage of hope.

March 19  
10 am

St. James hosts a monthly

# Morning of Recollection

for women

# OUR PRAYERS & INTENTIONS

## Mass Intentions

### Saturday, March 15

5:00 For the people of the parish

### Sunday, March 16 2nd Sunday of Lent

7:00 Eleanor Whitehead  
Margarita Rodriguez  
John F. Kordek  
Dennis Thune  
8:30 Gaile Janusonis  
Deacon Pierce Sheehan  
Kevin Houlihan  
Patrick Houlihan  
10:00 John Malone  
Naithey Simon (3rd Anniv.)  
Jozef Pytlak  
11:30 Barbara Sullivan  
Bob Machalski  
James Frank Falato, III  
5:00 Sarah Ann Donoughue  
Richard Martin  
Andrew Clarke

### Monday, March 17 St. Patrick, Bishop

7:30 David Quirsfeld (1st Anniv.)  
John Malone (1st Anniv.)  
Patrick Reilly  
Noreen M. Nordin  
Catherine Sabay  
Meggan McDermott  
Michael McQuillen  
12:00 David E. Quirsfeld

### Tuesday, March 18 St. Cyril of Jerusalem

7:30 Christina Mahoney  
Lydia Novales  
James Mackey

### Wednesday, March 19 St. Joseph

7:30 Cornelius Vanderwiel  
Jessica McNamara  
Ernestine Flanagan  
Mary Ellen Spiekerman  
Lois Tabor\*  
12:00 Vera Campobasso (9th Anniv.)

### Thursday, March 20

7:30 Houlihan & Moran Families  
Tom Clark  
Art Massa (16th Anniv.)

### Friday, March 21

7:30 William Phelan\*  
Kimberly Huster\*  
Kameron Huster\*  
Amber Huster\*  
Gavin Huster\*

### Saturday, March 22

7:30 Julia Luczak  
Pat Gasey (1st Anniv.)  
Ed Cahill

\* Indicates Living

## In Loving Memory

Winefred Sluga

## Please pray for our sick

Andy Kaplan  
Lucy Detlefsen  
David Crowds  
Norine Naselli  
Our Holy Father, Pope Francis

## Recent Baptisms

**Elizabeth Bernadette Centioli**, child of  
Lauren Centioli and Rebecca (Farrell) Centioli

## Celebrant Schedule, March 22-23

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 March 16

**Sunday:** Gn 15:5-12, 17-18/Ps 27:1-14/Phil 3:17 - 4:1/Lk 9:28b-36  
**Monday:** Dn 9:4b-10/Ps 79:8-13/Lk 6:36-38  
**Tuesday:** Is 1:10, 16-20/Ps 50:8-23/Mt 23:1-12  
**Wednesday:** 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16/Ps 89:2-29/Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22/Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a  
**Thursday:** Jer 17:5-10/Ps 1:1-6/Lk 16:19-31  
**Friday:** Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/Ps 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21/Mt 21:33-43, 45-46  
**Saturday:** Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32  
**Next Sunday:** Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8, 11 (8a)/1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12/Lk 13:1-9  
Scrutiny: Ex 17:3-7/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 (8)/Rom 5:1-2, 5-8/Jn 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42



## 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

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

**Grief Support Ministry** is about helping with 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)

**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](mailto:kcoughlin@stjamesah.org)

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

**Moms Plus** provides support and fellowship to Catholic moms. This group is part of Women of St. James.  
[momsplus@stjamesah.org](mailto: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.  
[tcenseur@stjamesah.org](mailto:tcenseur@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)

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

Beyond Sunday  
**Pray** with us

Holy Hour on  
Thursdays at 6pm

evening prayer | rosary | benediction | confession

## YOU MIGHT BE INTERESTED IN



# Friday Fish Fry Dinners

March 14, 21 & 28

Dinner Buffet Served from 5:00 – 7:30 PM

At the KC Hall, 15 N. Hickory Ave, Arlington Heights

Deep fried cod, baked cod, tater rounds, coleslaw, mostaccoli, cornbread, french bread, complimentary coffee; full cash bar

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|--------------------------|----------------|
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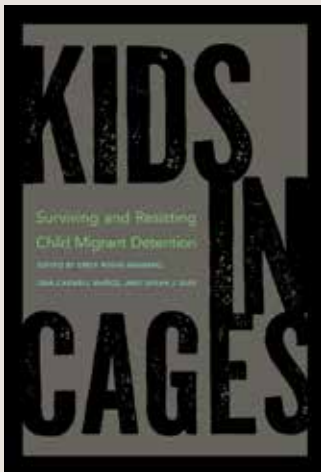
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## Virtual Book Talk

*Kids in Cages: Surviving and Resisting Child Migrant Detention*  
Wednesday, March 19 at 1:00-2:30 pm



Recently released book, *Kids In Cages*, documents the struggles faced by children who flee their homelands and come to the U.S. alone seeking refuge.

One chapter explains how Viator House (a faith partner of St. James) provides a safe, healing environment for some of these youth.

ViatorianUSA has created a Facebook event for this Zoom talk. RSVP there to receive the link on March 19.

Contact Fr. Corey Brost at [cbrost@viatorhouse.org](mailto:cbrost@viatorhouse.org) if you have any questions.

WILLOWS ACADEMY  
PRESENTS

## THE VIRTUES AS SUPERHABITS

Thursday, March 27th

In this Willows Academy keynote, Dr. Andrew Abela will discuss St. Thomas Aquinas' system of virtues and how parents can foster the superhabits that lead to lasting joy and improved physical, mental, and emotional health in their families.



KEYNOTE SPEAKER

**DR. ANDREW ABELA**

6:00 PM Wine and Cheese | 7:00 PM Keynote  
Willows Academy | 1015 Rose Ave, Des Plaines, IL

For more information and to RSVP visit  
[willowsacademy.org/event/andrew](http://willowsacademy.org/event/andrew)



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*Keynote  
Speaker*

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with us during the week

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Monday - Saturday at 7:30am  
Monday - Friday at Noon

## LAST RITES/ANOINTING OF THE SICK:

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## MASS SCHEDULE

Lent Daily Mass: M-F 7:30 am & Noon  
Sat. 7:30 am

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

## PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday 8:30 am - 4:00 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

**CONFESSION** - Thursdays at 6:00 pm & Saturdays at 8:00 am

**THE 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 committed adorers.

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