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I WILL
PRAISE
YOUR NAME
always,
MY KING
AND MY GOD.

MAY 18

2025

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

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



Today's Readings

First Reading:

And when they arrived, they called the church together and reported what God had done with them and how he had opened the door of faith to the Gentiles.
(Acts 14:27)

Psalm:

I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God.
(Ps 145)

Second Reading:

I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Behold, God's dwelling is with the human race. He will dwell with them and they will be his people and God himself will always be with them as their God."
(Rv 21:4)

Gospel:

I give you a new commandment: love one another. As I have loved you, so you also should love one another.
(Jn 13:34)

Dear Friends,

The past month has been a time of great emotion as we marked the death of Pope Francis on Easter Monday, and went through the official nine days of mourning – the *Novemdiales*, during which daily Masses were offered for the repose of his soul, even as preparations were made for the conclave which would elect the next successor of St. Peter.

On Saturday April 26, a funeral mass was offered for the Holy Father, and he was entombed within the Basilica of Santa Maria Maggiore. Four days later, the conclave began as the 133 cardinal electors entered the Sistine Chapel, and the next day the news was announced to the word, "*Habemus Papam*" – we have a pope. To the great surprise of many, Robert Cardinal Prevost, a Chicago area native, was elected as pope, and took the name **Leo XIV**.



There was an abundance of pride and joy in Chicago as one of our own greeted the world as the Vicar of Christ from the loggia of St. Peter's Basilica. Let us keep Pope Leo XIV in our prayers as he begins his papacy. May God provide him with every grace he needs as he leads Christ's Church.

During those heady days in Rome since Easter, life went on as usual at St. James. We joyfully celebrated Confirmation and First Communion here and 300 young people received one of the two sacraments. Congratulations to all and thanks to those who worked so faithfully to prepare them. God bless you,
Fr. Ed

NEWS AND UPDATES

GRAB A DONUT, DROP A PLEDGE

Thank you to the generous parishioners of St. James Parish who have made campaign pledges thus far. St. James has raised \$2.3 million for 58% of our goal. We have \$1.7 million left to raise to support the needs of our community. **We invite you to join us for donuts in the Laramie Room after the morning Masses on May 18.**

It's a great time to ask questions, connect with our volunteers, or drop off your completed pledge card. Your support makes a meaningful difference, and we're grateful to journey together in faith and community. We look forward to seeing you there!

Campaign Priorities

- **Replace** HVAC
- **Reconfigure** School and Parish Office Spaces to enhance security and optimize space for our growing programs and enrollment
- **Support** the Archdiocese of Chicago



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Youth Choirs Recap

It's been a wonderful year for our Youth Choirs.

- We sang at Sunday Masses, helping everyone worship God.
- We shared holiday songs with the residents of the Lutheran Home.
- We took part in the Advent concert alongside the adult choirs.
- We celebrated the birth of Jesus with heartfelt music at Mass.
- We participated in the Pueri Cantores Festival, at Holy Name Cathedral.
- We enjoyed a pizza party to celebrate our year!



The St. James Parish Youth Choirs are open to students from any school.
We meet on Tuesday evenings August–April.
For more information contact Natalie Conseur
nconseur@stjamesah.org

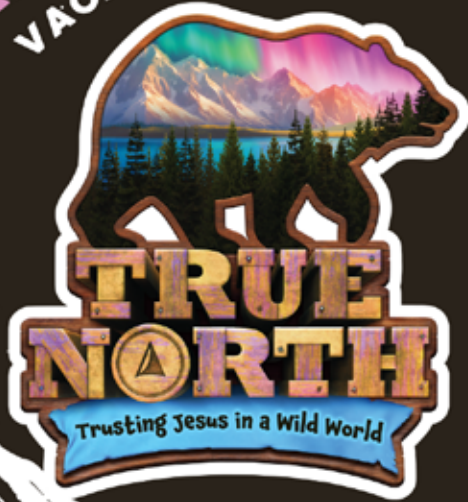


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PARISH UPDATES

REGISTER FOR VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL!



JUNE 16-19

9:00am-12:00pm

JUNE 20 - family picnic

5:30pm - 7:30pm

More Info:
Kathryn Coughlin
stjamesvbs@stjamesah.org



[STJAMESAH.ORG/VBS-2025-REGISTRATION/](https://stjamesah.org/vbs-2025-registration/)



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May 10-18

Join the St. James Stepping Stones Ministry in support of WINGS

Mother's Day Donation Drive

What to Donate

Oral Care

- Toothpaste/toothbrushes
- Mouthwash Floss

Hair Care

- Shampoo & Conditioner
- Hair Oils & Creams
- Hairbrushes and Combs
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- Women's/Men's Razors
- Shaving Cream

Body Care

- Body Wash & Bar Soap
- Toilet Paper
- Deodorant
- Lotion
- Feminine Hygiene Products
- Hand Soap
- Q-tips, Cotton Balls/Pads
- Bath Sponges & Washcloths
- Vaseline, Lip Balm & Makeup Remover

How to Donate

- Donation boxes will be available at all inside entrances of the church daily throughout the donation period
- A donation box will also be available in the parish office.
- Online giving is easy at <https://linktr.ee/wingspantry> or scan this code:



WINGS provides a pathway to independence for adults and children who are escaping from domestic violence and abuse. By participating in this drive, you are not only helping to meet the immediate needs of survivors, but also showing them that they are not alone in their journey.



VOLUNTEER THIS FALL

St. James

YOUTH FORMATION

Live our Parish Mission: To Be Disciples and Make Disciples

Join Our Youth Formation Leadership Team!

Catechists - Religious Ed (K-5th Grade)

- Teach the faith through weekly Tuesday night classes
- Guide students in learning about God's love and Catholic tradition
- Help form the next generation of young believers

Contact:

Bethany Larson
blarson@stjamesah.org

CORE Team - EDGE & Life Teen (Middle & High School)

- Be an authentic mentor for middle and high school students.
- Support teens with faithful presence and honest conversation.
- Walk with them as they grow in relationship with Christ and become disciples.

Contact:

EDGE: Dora Mendoza
dmendoza@stjamesah.org
Life Teen: Josh Jones
jjones@stjamesah.org

Mentors - Grades K-12 (Serving Children with Special Needs)

- Support each child's faith journey with love
- Create a welcoming, inclusive space for families
- Support sacramental prep for children with additional needs

Contact:

Kathryn Coughlin
kcoughlin@stjamesah.org

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Fill a box, feed the hungry, this summer



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Mercy Boxes will be distributed after all Masses on the weekend of May 24-25. The boxes will come unassembled, with a list of food items needed attached to the box.

Filled boxes are due back to St. James on Sunday, June 8 from 8 am - Noon.

Return boxes to the school parking lot on the West side of the street.



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NEWS AND EVENTS

GOD BLESS ST. JAMES SCHOOL

First Communicants and Class of 2025 Graduates

May God bless you as you grow in faith and move forward with joy, courage, and His guidance



St. James Young Adults
**summer schedule
for may**



MAY

5.24 | BBQ and Bonfire | 4pm

stay tuned on our
event page



SAINT JAMES PARISH
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Summer
SENIOR LUNCHEON
Wednesday, June 11

11:00 am – 1:00 pm
in the Laramie Room

Speaker: Len Marturano, Attorney | Topic: Estate Planning

RSVP by Friday June 6
Contact Carly White at
224.345.7213 or cwhite@stjamesah.org

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Ut Vitam Habeant



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for the
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PARISH UPDATES

Join us for

HOSPITALITY WEEKEND

in the Laramie Room

AFTER SUNDAY MORNING MASSES
for coffee & donuts!

3rd Sunday of Each Month



VOLUNTEER

Have fun while serving your community!

This July, be part of the St. James Theatre production!
We're seeking:

- ushers
- concessions volunteers
- scenic painters and set builders



<https://bit.ly/StJamesTheatreUshers>

To learn more, Contact:

- Ushers & Concessions: Katie Sowa - ksowa@stjamesah.org
- Painters & Set Builders: Lauren Orf - producer@stjamestheatre.org



<https://bit.ly/StJamesTheatreConcessions>

Mark your calendar for "Roald Dahl's Matilda the Musical" July 10-20 at St. James!



Some give by going. Others go by giving.

SUMMER MISSION TRIP

Thank you for your support and
prayers of our St. James teens as they
prepare to go on mission this summer.

**Support our Teens
with a donation today!**

Trip Objectives

- Grow in faith - Help teens connect with God through prayer, Mass & reflection.
- Serve others - Make an impact by helping people in need.
- Foster community - Create strong friendships rooted in faith & shared experiences.
- Build leadership skills - Give teens chances to step up & take on leadership roles.
- Live the Gospel - Put Catholic values into action through service & love.



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ASSUMPTION, MISSOURI

OUR PRAYERS & INTENTIONS

Mass Intentions

Saturday, May 17

5:00 Wanda Fedro
Alexander Jaffe
Helen Marie Bailitz

Sunday, May 18 5th Sunday of Easter

7:00 Matthew Balcer
Stephen Kelly
8:30 For the people of the parish
10:00 Jack Ruane
Antonio Demonte
Bob Minaglia (13th Anniv.)
Jerry Hanlon
11:30 Steven Brown
5:00 James Zid (1st Anniv.)
Jason Goff

Monday, May 19

7:30 Kevin Wysocki
Roland Ley
Cornelius Vanderwiel, Jr.
Jane Adeline Zalewski*
12:00 Grandville Jayatunga
Deitre Kunz

Tuesday, May 20 St. Bernardine of Siena

7:30 Houlihan & Moran Families
Jack Coyle
Deacon Paul Schmidt

Wednesday, May 21 St. Christopher Magallanes & Companions

7:30 Mark Frighetto (1st Anniv.)
Margaret Phelan

Thursday, May 22 St. Rita of Cascia

7:30 Ed Cahill
James Banaszak

Friday, May 23

7:30 Dorothy Laub (9th Anniv.)

Saturday, May 24

7:30 Julianna Dolecki (1st Anniv.)
U.V. Ulahannan (2nd Anniv.)

*Indicates Living

In Loving Memory

Michael Plovovich
Louis M. Tylka
Thomas McQuinn
Fr. Robert Tuzik
Fr. Patrick Lee

Please pray for our sick

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Lucy Detlefsen
Mike Lenz
Richard Fung

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Wedding Banns

I. Ben Bucher & Katrina Mira
III. Dustin Cavida & Mary McCarthy
III. James McGrath & Gabriele Butkute

Recent Baptisms

Connor Eli Wagman, child of
Alexander Wagman and Kelly (Muskat) Wagman

Celebrant Schedule, May 24-25

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 May 18, 2025

Sunday: Acts 14:21-27/Ps 145:8-13/Rv 21:1-5a/Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35
Monday: Acts 14:5-18/Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 15-16/Jn 14:21-26
Tuesday: Acts 14:19-28/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13ab, 21/Jn 14:27-31a
Wednesday: Acts 15:1-6/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5/Jn 15:1-8
Thursday: Acts 15:7-21/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 10/Jn 15:9-11
Friday: Acts 15:22-31/Ps 57:8-12/Jn 15:12-17
Saturday: Acts 16:1-10/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 5/Jn 15:18-21
Next Sunday: Acts 15:1-2, 22-29/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 (4)/Rv 21:10-14, 22-23/Jn 14:23-29

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Thank you, St. James Community, for your contributions during April, 2025

Sunday Collections ➡	Budgeted	Actual	Variance
	\$181,094	\$192,395.88	\$11,301.88
		Envelopes: \$100,979.96	
		Online Giving: \$91,415.92	
Easter Collection ➡	Budgeted	Actual	Variance
	\$120,000	\$75,141.35	\$(44,858.65)
		Envelopes: \$ 62,586.35	
		Online Giving: \$12,555.00	
Holy Week Collection ➡	Budgeted	Actual	Variance
	\$2,400	\$7,968.77	\$ 5,568.77
		Envelopes: \$6,123.77	
		Online Giving: \$1,845.00	

SELECT 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 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

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

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.

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

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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 - 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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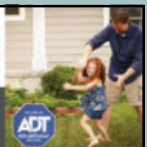
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