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NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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THE NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Today's Readings

First Reading:

God's faithful awaited deliverance with trust; He saved them and defeated enemies, rewarding obedience with shared glory and peace.

Wisdom 18:6-9

Psalm:

Praise God, the powerful Creator and faithful Deliverer; His plans endure, and those who trust in Him are blessed.

Psalm 33

Second Reading:

By faith, God's people obeyed, hoped beyond sight, and trusted His promises, seeking a heavenly homeland and lasting reward.

Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19

Gospel:

Trust God's provision, invest in eternal treasures, and stay alert; faithful, wise servants are blessed, but neglect brings accountability and judgment.

Luke 12:32-48

Dear Friends,

Each year at this time, we begin the beautiful process of welcoming individuals into the Catholic Church. At St. James, we call this process **"Come and See,"** also known as the **Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA)**. It's an invitation for those who are curious about the Catholic Faith. It includes those who may feel a prompting in their heart to explore what it means to live as a disciple of Jesus Christ.

Whether someone is unbaptized, baptized in another Christian tradition, or simply searching for deeper meaning, OCIA provides a space to ask questions, grow in understanding, and prepare for full communion through Baptism, Confirmation, and the Eucharist.

Our first gathering will be **Tuesday, September 9 at 7:00 p.m.** in the Laramie Room (lower level of the church). If you know anyone who may be interested, please invite them.

Jesus reminds us in today's Gospel to, "Gird your loins and light your lamps... You also must be prepared, for at an hour you do not expect, the Son of Man will come." These words are a call to readiness, not

just for ourselves, but to help others be ready as well. The OCIA process is one such way we keep our lamps lit and help others prepare their hearts and minds to receive Christ.

Our faith is a gift we are called to share. If you or someone you know has questions, please don't hesitate to reach out to me, Fr. Paul, or Fr. Michael. We would be honored to speak with them and invite them to begin this faith journey.

God bless you,

Fr. Ed



PARISH NEWS

- Searching for something the world isn't offering you?
- Feeling a quiet longing you can't quite name?
- Open to discovering where God might be leading you?

COME AND SEE

Come and See is a gentle invitation to explore the Christian faith in a setting that's relational and real. Whether you were *raised in a church*, *left long ago*, or have *never practiced any faith*, this space is for you.

Together we'll explore the person of Jesus Christ and the Catholic Church. Ask your questions. The first ten weeks are a time of inquiry. No pressure. No commitment.

WHEN?

Tuesday, September 9, 2025
7:00 - 8:30 p.m.

Then each Tuesday after at the same time

WHERE?

Laramie Room (Lower Level of the Church)

Contact Fr. Ed Pelrine to get started:
fpelrine@stjamesoh.org 224-345-7222



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THE ASSUMPTION of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Friday, August 15

HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

Mass Times

7:30 a.m.

Noon

7:00 p.m.



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LAST CHANCE

THEOLOGY ON TAP

AT THE ARLINGTON ALE HOUSE

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CHILDREN'S CHOIR - GRADE 2-4
CELESTIAL VOICES - GRADE 5-8

UPCOMING EVENTS



LIFE TEEN REGISTRATION

ARE YOU A TEEN LOOKING FOR A COMMUNITY OF FAITH?

Join us on September 14th at 6–8 PM
for the Life Teen Kickoff!



SCAN THE QR CODE
OR REGISTER HERE:

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SEPT 30

**DINNER
AT 5PM**

**FORMATION
TO FOLLOW**

**EVENING SPEAKER:
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HERE**



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

ENCOUNTER

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OPPORTUNITIES TO GET INVOLVED

The Mission of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is a group of dedicated men and women who come together in prayer and service to support those in our community experiencing financial hardship. Through our 24/7 hotline—listed in the St. James bulletin—individuals in need can reach out to us directly. We respond to calls the same day and arrange home visits to better understand each situation. These visits allow us to offer not only material support such as help with rent, utilities, food, and guidance, but also spiritual support through prayer. We are blessed to work with many local organizations that help us meet needs that may exceed our own resources. Our goal is to assist with immediate concerns while encouraging hope, dignity, and self-sufficiency for the future. Most importantly, we see the face of Christ in each person we serve.

Volunteer Opportunities:

If you feel called to this mission, we warmly invite you to consider joining us.

Members of our ministry will be available next weekend after the 5:00 PM Mass on Saturday and Sunday to answer questions.

Also next weekend, SVdP will host Hospitality Sunday on August 17, held downstairs in the Laramie Room. Come have coffee and donuts with us, and our volunteers can provide more information.

Thank you for your support and interest in serving our Friends in Need.



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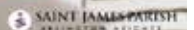


Core Team Edge (Middle School)

- Prepare students for Confirmation
- Build Community. Grow in Faith. Serve Together.
- We're Looking for 4 Male and 2 Female Volunteers!
- We meet from 3:00 to 4:30 every Sunday!

Contact: [Dora Mendoza](mailto:Dora.Mendoza@stjamesah.org)
dmendoza@stjamesah.org

APPLY HERE



ENRICHING FAITH LIVES

RELIGIOUS ED

JOIN THE YOUTH FORMATION LEADERSHIP TEAM

Religious Education (K-5th Grade)

- Prepare students for their relationship with God
- Build Community. Grow in Faith. Serve Together.
- 4 Catechists needed for 4:30- 5:45 pm Tuesday evenings

Contact: [Bethany Larson](mailto:blarson@stjamesah.org)
blarson@stjamesah.org

APPLY HERE



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The Table

ARE YOU COMING FROM A DIFFERENT CHURCH
BACKGROUND? CURIOUS ABOUT THE CATHOLIC FAITH?
OR MAYBE YOU'RE RETURNING AFTER TIME AWAY?

You're invited to join us for a relaxed gathering where no question is off-limits and no commitment is required. Whether you're exploring, returning, or just hungry for community—we'd love to meet you.

Sunday
August 10

At
11:00 AM
Right after 10am Mass

In the
Teen Room
Lower Level of the Church

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UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS

An illustration of St. Francis in a brown robe, kneeling in a forest and reaching out to a bird. Various other animals, including a deer, a fox, and a rabbit, are depicted around him.

ST. FRANCIS

EARTH SHEPHERDS FEST

LOCATION:
CAMP REINBERG AT THE
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for His beautiful creation!

SCHEDULE:
3pm - Nature Hike
5pm - Outdoor Prayer Service
6pm - Free Dinner
This is a waste-free event.

learn more and RSVP here



stjamesah.org/saint-francis-fest/



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Questions?

sjearthshepherds@gmail.com

SENIOR LUNCHEON

Wednesday, September 17

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

Speaker: Mike Corrado | Topic: Long Term Care

**RSVP by Friday September 12
Contact Carly White at**

224.345.7213 or cwhite@stjamesah.org



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or visit giving.archchicago.org/cga



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OUR PRAYERS & INTENTIONS

Mass Intentions & Observances

Saturday, August 9

5:00 Angeline Santella
Margaret Szajowski
Emigdio Q. Tandoc

Sunday, August 10 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:00 For the people of parish
8:30 Susan K. Heron
10:00 Angelo Anzalone
Helen Rae Samstag
11:30 Steve Brown
Emilio Maldonado
Judith Oswald
Alicia Rosado

Monday, August 11 St. Clare

7:30 Deceased members of the Grib Family
John F. Kordek
12:00 Jozefa Bezruczko

Tuesday, August 12 St. Jane Frances de Chantal

7:30 Anthony Viola

Wednesday, August 13 Sts. Pontian & Hippolytus

7:30 John Sabay
Jim Ryan

Thursday, August 14 St. Maximilian Kolbe

7:30 Margaret Trettenbach (1st Anniv.)
Valerie Salerno (1st Anniv.)
Enriqueta Novales
Edward & Louise Gehrke
Teresa Szott

Friday, August 15 The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

7:30 Patricia Matthews-Issacs (1st Anniv.)
Emily Pietrolonardo (12th Anniv.)
Andrew Haman
Francine Ciotti
Bernice Juris
Robert Flood (13th Anniv.)
Sheila Douglas*

Saturday, August 16 St. Stephen of Hungary

7:30 Gaetana Giovenco (1st Anniv.)
Kevin & Patrick Houlihan
Frank & Rosemary Karlovits
Meggan McDermott
Louis Cella
Michael Faciana

**Indicates Living*

In Loving Memory

Cynthia Swanson

Please Pray for Our Sick

Norine Naselli
Andy Kaplan
Lucy Detlefsen
Richard Fung
Cody Casey
Angela Ziccardi
Melinda C.

Rose for Life

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Wedding Banns

III. Joseph Gerardi & Allison Poole
I. Geoffrey Palasz & Erica Haas

Recent Baptisms

Sebastian Dominic Correa, child of
Nicholas Correa and Ashley (Traupman) Correa

Connor Patrick Ericksen, child of
Michael Ericksen and Carly (Reiger) Ericksen

Tyler Shane Quirsfeld, child of
Timothy Quirsfeld and Michelle (Wlezien) Quirsfeld

Harper Emilia Quirsfeld, child of
Timothy Quirsfeld and Michelle (Wlezien) Quirsfeld

Readings for the week of August 11, 2025

Monday: Dt 10:12-22/Ps 148:1-2, 11-12, 13, 14/Mt 17:22-27
Tuesday: Dt 31:1-8/Dt 32:3-4ab, 7, 8, 9 and 12/Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14
Wednesday: Dt 34:1-12/Ps 66:1-3a, 5 and 8, 16-17/Mt 18:15-20
Thursday: Jos 3:7-10a, 11, 13-17/Ps 114:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mt 18:21-19:1
Friday: Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/Ps 45:10, 11, 12, 16/1 Cor 15:20-27/Lk 1:39-56
Saturday: Jos 24:14-29/Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 11/Mt 19:13-15
Next Sunday: Jer 38:4-6, 8-10/Ps 40:2, 3, 4, 18 (14b)/Heb 12:1-4/Lk 12:49-53

PARISH INFORMATION

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

Sunday Collections ➡	Budgeted	Actual	Variance
	\$149,648.00	\$160,701.17	\$11,053.17
		Envelopes: \$76,210.05	
		Online Giving: \$84,491.12	

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.
tsheva@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. 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



YOU MIGHT BE INTERESTED IN

Blessed Carlo Acutis exhibit at St. Edna!

2525 N. Arlington Heights Rd.

"Eucharistic Miracles from around the World"

August 9 & 10, 2025



Witness the awe-inspiring Eucharistic Miracles of the World Exhibit, designed by Blessed Carlo Acutis!

This international, Vatican-approved exhibit features a stunning collection of photographs and historical accounts of Eucharistic miracles that have taken place across centuries and continents. Experience and learn about these extraordinary events, recognized by the Catholic Church, which affirm the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist.

Blessed Carlo is scheduled to be canonized on 9/7/25. He was a teen who enjoyed soccer, video games, building computer programs, and loved the Eucharist. He died of leukemia in 2006 at the age of 15. He serves as a great role model to all youth and adults of our time!

Saint Edna will be hosting the Blessed Carlo Acutis' Exhibit in the Doherty Center on:

Saturday, August 9th: 12 Noon - 7pm

Sunday, August 10th: 8am - 5pm

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Registration is **NOW OPEN** for the St. Vincent DePaul Tri-Parish 5K Run/1-Mile Walk for the Poor.

The event will take place **Saturday, September 13**, at OLW, beginning with the Kids Dash at **7:45 AM**.

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7:45 AM

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MASS SCHEDULE

Daily Mass: Mon. - Sat. 7:30 a.m. | Mon. & Wed. 12:00 p.m.

Saturday 5:00 p.m. Praise & Worship Ensemble

Sunday 7:00 a.m. Cantor and Organ

Sunday 8:30 a.m. Traditional Choir & Organ*

Sunday 10:00 a.m. Contemporary Choir*

Sunday 11:30 a.m. Contemporary Choir*

Sunday 5:00 p.m. Praise & Worship Ensemble

**The traditional & contemporary choirs are currently on summer hiatus.*

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

SACRAMENTS & DEVOTIONS

BAPTISM - Please contact the Parish Office with a preferred date one month in advance.

MARRIAGE - At least six months prior to your wedding, please contact the Parish Office to set a date.

HOLY HOUR - Thursday 6:00 - 7:00 p.m. in the church for procession of the blessed sacrament, evening prayer, and rosary

FIRST FRIDAY - Devotion to the Sacred Heart after the 7:30 a.m. Mass on the first Friday of each month

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

THE ADORATION CHAPEL - Open to the public, M-F from 6:30 a.m. - 8:30 p.m. and Sat & Sun 6:30 a.m. - 6:30 p.m.
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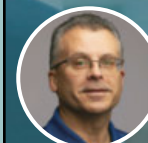
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