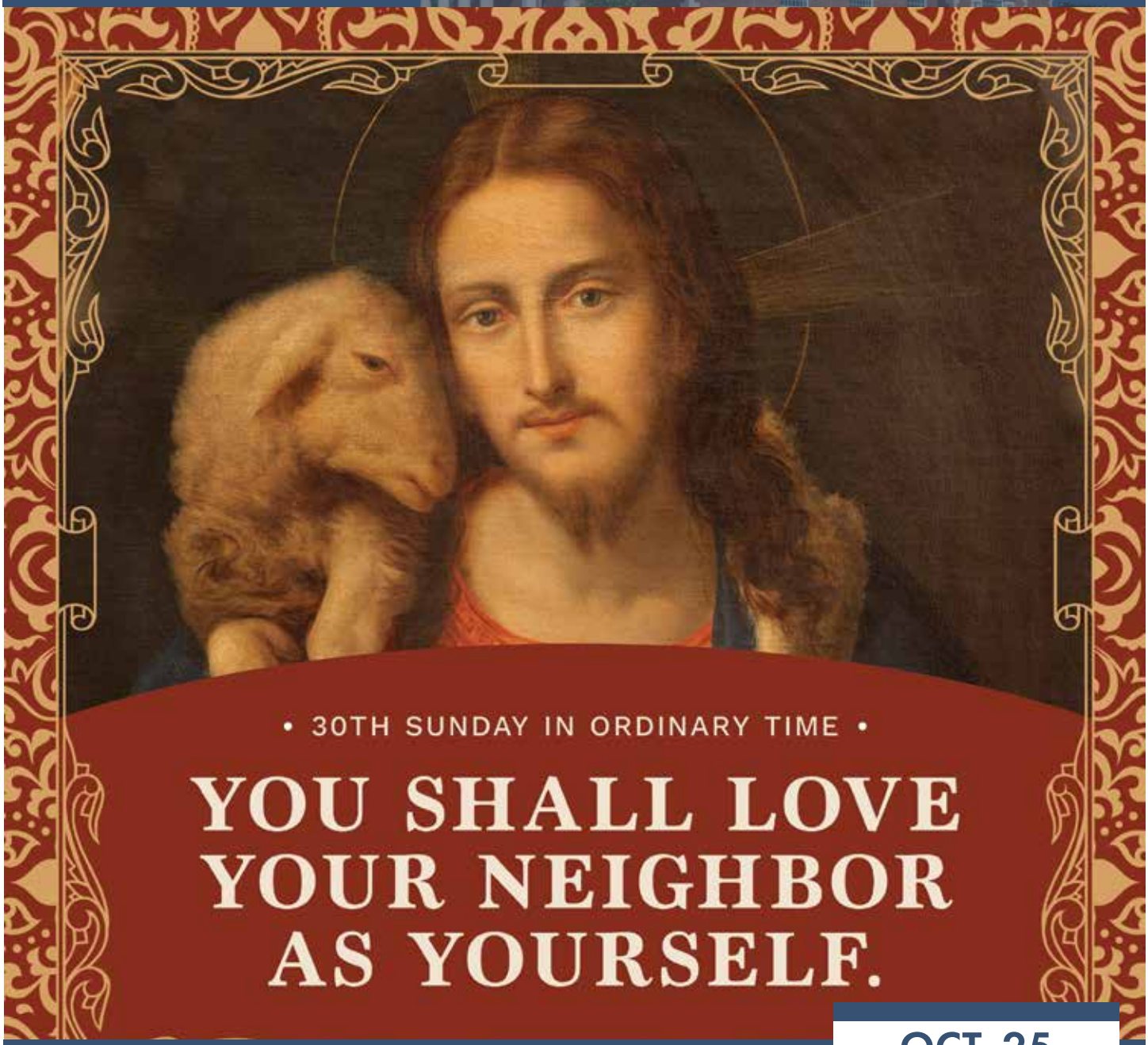
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• 30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME •

YOU SHALL LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR AS YOURSELF.

OCT. 25

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THE THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



PASTOR'S MESSAGE

Today's Readings

First Reading
God commands His people to protect the vulnerable, treat the poor fairly, and show compassion to foreigners, widows, and orphans.
Exodus 22:20-26

Second Reading
The Thessalonians embrace the Gospel, become examples of faith, turn from idols to serve God, and eagerly await Jesus' return.
1 Thessalonians 1:5c-10

Gospel
Jesus teaches that the greatest commandments are to love God with all your heart and love your neighbor as yourself.
Matthew 22:34-40

Dear Friends,

In a world of the 613 commandments of the Law of Moses, or Torah, the Pharisee's question, "Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?"was clearly meant to trick Jesus into giving an answer which would please no one. The Pharisee was attempting to get Jesus to say something which might be used to condemn himself.

"You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the greatest and the first commandment. The second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself." He turns the question upside down, and teaches the Pharisees the basis and foundation of the entire Mosaic Law.

Aristotle defines love primarily through *philia* (often translated as deep friendship or affectionate regard) in his work the *Nicomachean Ethics*. Rather than viewing love as a fleeting emotional passion or grand romantic gesture, he defines it as a steady, active commitment to another person's well-being and flourishing.

St. Thomas Aquinas similarly defines love as an act of the will – willing the good of the other, which is another way of saying "love your neighbor as yourself.' This is at the heart of our Christian faith. The new covenant in the Blood of Jesus is the highest expression of God's love for us. Jesus literally offered his life to God out of love for the Father and love for us. That supreme act of love is made present in the sacrifice of the altar at every Mass.

One of the real tragedies of the pandemic era was the abandonment of Mass attendance by many Catholics. I pray that all Catholics will undergo a profound conversion to the beauty of the Eucharist and the reality of the Lord's love for us.

God bless you,

Fr. Ed

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Contact the Parish Office (224) 345-7200 as soon as possible when your loved one is dying or has just begun hospice. Please use extension 2 after hours. The Anointing of the Sick may be administered to those dying as well as those who are not dying but are dealing with serious illness, major surgery, or advanced age. (The Last Rites includes Anointing, as well as Confession and Communion.) A person may be anointed more than once if needed.

WE REMEMBER

The names of those who have died and were buried from St. James in the past year will be spoken at the 7:00 pm Mass on Monday, November 2.
As the departed are always remembered with love in our hearts, however, participation is not strictly limited to those who have lost someone in the past year. All are welcome.
You may send a photograph of your departed loved one which will be part of a display in the church for the month of November. This photo can be emailed to Katie Sowa at ksowa@stjamesah.org (no later than October 25). You may also place a photo in an envelope labeled Attn. Katie Sowa and drop it off at the office or in our outside drop box. Unfortunately, we cannot return any photos.
This submission should include the first and last name, birth date and the year of their death. Please note: Only those who died between November 2025 and October 2026 and who were buried from St. James will be listed in the Mass program.





OCTOBER IS THE MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY



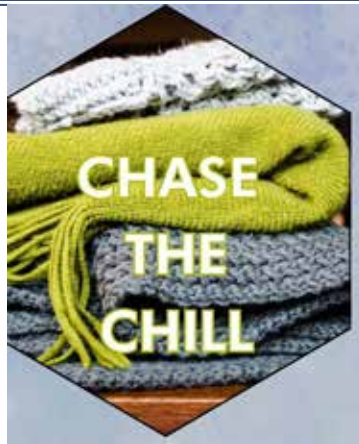
Please join us on Wednesdays in October 7:30 pm in the Church 10/7, 10/14, 10/21, 10/28*

*Please note 10/28 will be in the SJS Chapel

WOSJ Women of St. James

Be part of the devotion this October





Calling All Knitters and Crocheters

Help us keep our unhoused PADS guests and others warmer this winter by creating a winter scarf. Any pattern of 6 inches wide by 45- 60 inches long will be greatly appreciated.

On the weekend of November 21-22 you are invited to tie your scarf around designated trees or clothesline at the church entrance. PADS guests will select their scarf on the Wednesday before Thanksgiving.

For more information, contact Gail at gailmadden@msn.com or at (847) 312-6322

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FAMILY FIND IT!



Red Candles

LOOK AGAIN! There are 2 places we find a red-cased candle in our church. The first is near the tabernacle to show that God is truly present! This candle does not stop burning. Other red jars hold candles that can be blown out and lit by anyone. The smoke rising from these candles show our prayers going up to Heaven. These are prayers of PETITION, asking for help.

DO IT!

This week especially, we prayfor All Souls and All Saints on these two upcoming Holy Days! Send up prayers to God for those who love Him.

Prayer for the Faithful Departed

Why Candles? Fr. Brice

Intercessory Prayer: Votive Candles

READ IT!

1 Timothy 2: 1-2
Romans 8:26
James 5:16



SAINT JAMES PARISH ARLINGTON HEIGHTS

Adoration
at His Feet









BABYSITTING AVAILABLE

5:30 dinner
6:05 exposition & children's formation
adoration with praise & worship music
6:45-benediction

NEXT DATE

NOVEMBER 10

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let us know you're coming!

JUBILATION FAQ'S

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EVENT WEBSITE
http://onecau.se/jubilation

DATE & TIME
Friday, November 6, 2026 | 7 PM

VENUE
The Metropolis Ballroom. We'll have exclusive use of the second floor and balcony, perfect for our cigar lounge!

ATTIRE
Cocktail attire, dress to impress and dance the night away! 1920s inspired attire is encouraged, but certainlynot required.

WHO'S INVITED?
Everyone! Current and alumni St. James School families, St. James parishioners, Religious Education families, sponsors, and friends of our community are all welcome.

ENTERTAINMENT
Mayor Tinaglia's Exit 147 The Band

PADDLE RAISES
We'll have two separate paddle raises during the evening:

St. James School Tuition Assistance – helping more students experience a St. James education.

St. James Parish Ministries – supporting important outreach efforts, including PADS and St. Vincent de Paul.

FOOD & DRINKS
Cocktails and canapés will be served. This is a cocktail-style event, so there will not be a seated dinner.

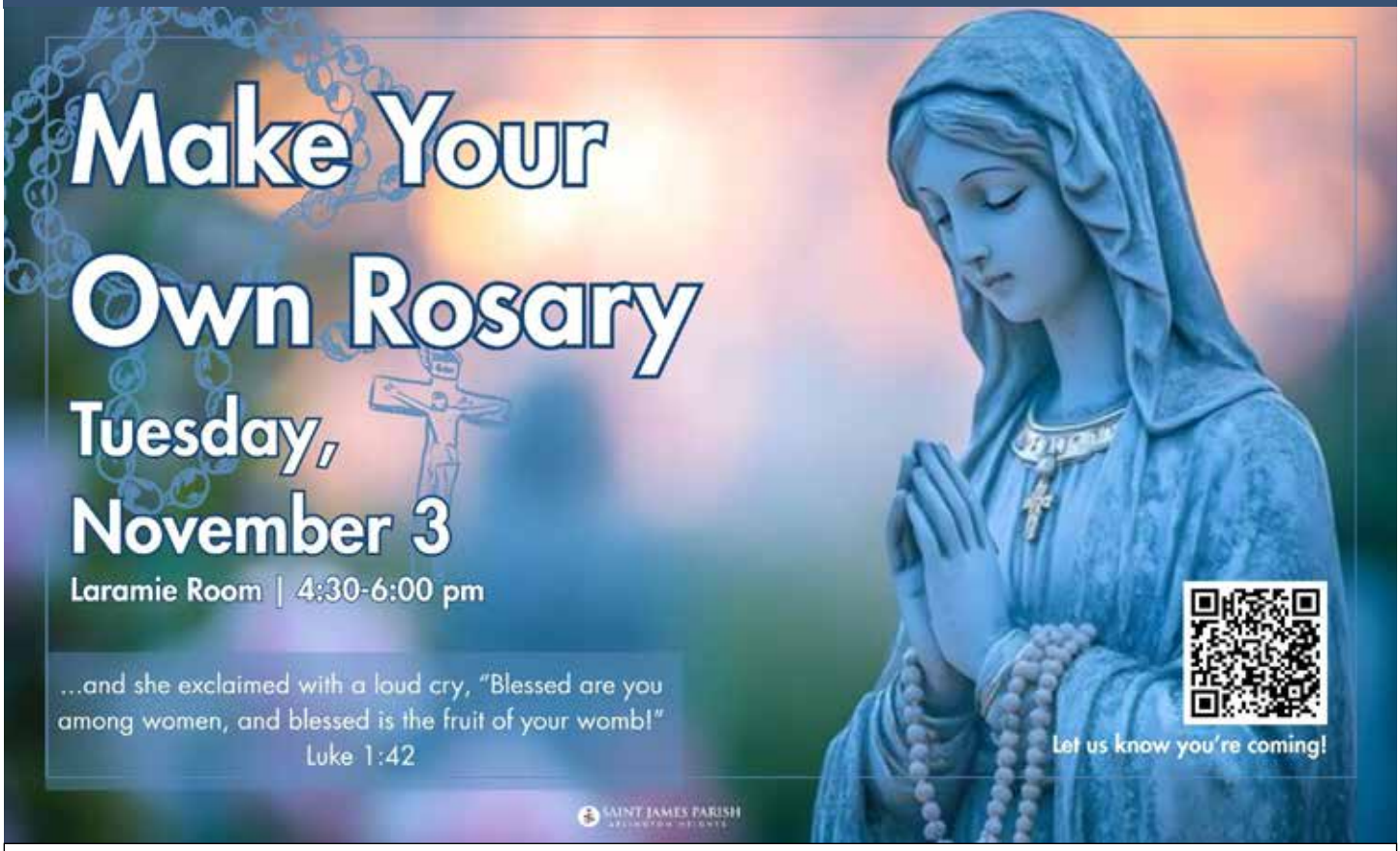
SEATING
The evening is designed for mingling and socializing with our amazing community! There are no assigned tables. Cocktail tables and seated round tables will be available throughout the venue.

Concerns about prolonged standing? Email JJacobson@stjamesah.org for accommodations

AUCTIONS
We'll feature both silent and live auctions! Can't attend? You can still support Jubilation by donating an auction item or bidding the night of the event remotely.

WHERE DO THE FUNDS GO?
Funds raised through each paddle raise go directly to their designated program. The remaining net proceeds from Jubilation help fund the school's most pressing needs, for example:

- **Additional Instructional Space:** Maximizing our existing campus to create more learning spaces.
- **Park Safety & Security Upgrades:** Playground flooring, fencing near the driveway, and security cameras.
- **Curriculum Upgrades:** Reading
- **Technology**: Replacement of iPads and Smart Boards.
- **Campus Improvements:** A new St. James School sign along Arlington Heights Road.



Domestic Violence Awareness

I give you a new commandment: love one another. As I have loved you, so you also should love one another. This is how all will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another. (John 13: 34-35)

Jesus' command wasn't meant just for his followers. His words are intended for us as well. As Christians, we must model this love in all our relationships – whether the "pairing" be between parents and children, siblings, friends, dating partners and husbands and wives.

A person who puts down the other, is disrespectful, makes threats, controls who the other sees or where the person goes, monitors their cell phone or communications, causes physical injury, forces one to do things they don't want to or blames the other when things go wrong, is not modeling Jesus's law of love. The individual is perpetrating abuse.

St. Paul writes: Love is patient, love is kind. It is not jealous… it is not rude, it does not seek its own interests, it is not quick-tempered… (1 Corinthians 13: 4-5) This well-known discourse reflects the attributes of love. This is how we are to live. This is how we are to be. In word and deed, may we mirror these qualities. May we love as Jesus loved.

If you or someone you know may be in an abusive relationship, a path to safety exists.

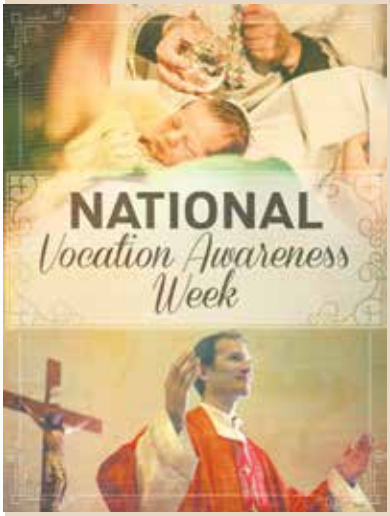
National Domestic Violence Hotline 800-799-SAFE
National Child Abuse Hotline 800-422-4453
IL Adult Protective Services Hotline 866-800-1409



GYM TIME!


BABY
BULLDOGS
Baby Bulldogs ages 0-4, this one's for you! Come play, laugh, and mingle. Everyone is welcome. You don't have to be part of a St. James family to join. Bring a friend along!
Mondays from 8:30-9:30am @ St. James School
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Support Vocations!

Buy raffle tickets from the Knights of Columbus next weekend.

Holy Rosary Council #4483 will be selling tickets for our annual Vocations Raffle after Sunday Masses at St. James on October 31 and November 1 on the Ground Floor, Parking Lot Entrance.

Drawing: December 5, 2026

Grand Prize: $10,000

Tickets: $20 per Book (5 entries)

The Knights of Columbus have always been there to support families and the Catholic Church. Today, the Knights are here to support our local Seminarians for the priesthood with a Vocational Raffle for Seminarians. Monies collected will directly be used to support our Seminarians and to promote the much needed vocations to the priesthood here in Illinois. We thank you for your support of these men as they pursue their vocation to serve the Catholic Church.

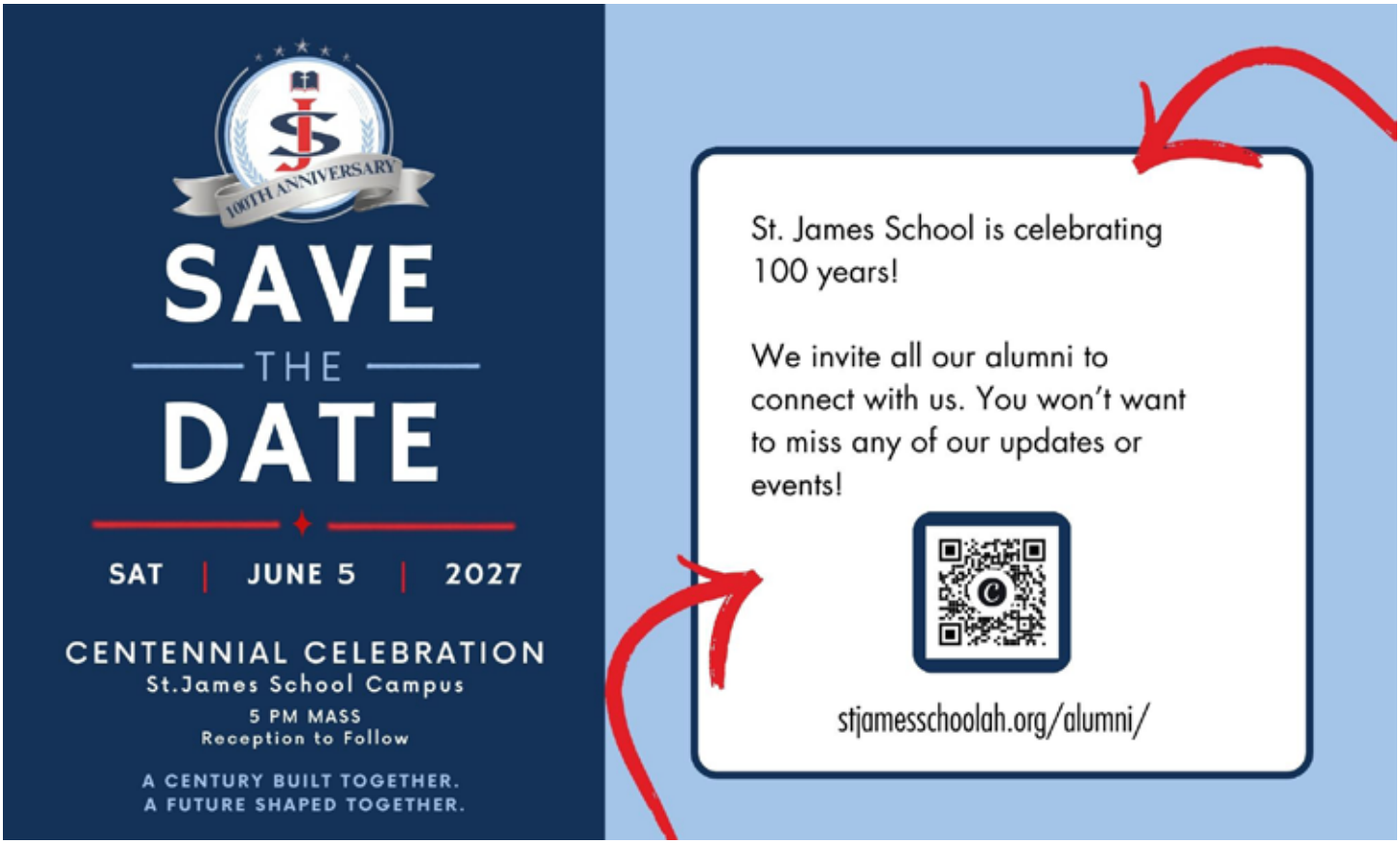
Prizes:

1st – $10,000 / 2nd – $2,500 / 3rd through 6th – $1,000

7th through 10th – $500 / 11th through 15th – $200 / 16th through 20th – $100

MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO: Holy Rosary Council #4483.
Include your Name, Address & Phone Number.

Mail to: Vocations P.O. Box 1107 Arlington Heights, IL 60006. Entries must be received by no later than November 27.



OUR PRAYERS & INTENTIONS

Mass Intentions & Observances

Saturday, Oct.24
5:00 Richard & Catherine Lyons
Pasquale & Vita Coppola
Raimondo & Aldo Coppola

Sunday, Oct. 25 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00 For the people of the parish
10:00 Art Massa
John Vincent
Alex Tsourmas
Louis Samartino (10th Anniv.)
Lucille Lay
12:00 Gretchen & Bill Cronin
Marty Galis
Edward Smetana
John Bucher, Jr.
Nicola Rahija
5:00 The O'Neill Family
Jason Goff
Giuseppe Cirone
Joseph Piszczek
Joey Piszczek

Monday, Oct. 26
7:30 Bill & Mary Pietrolonardo
John LaMonica
John F. Kordek
12:00 Paul & Jane Nelson Family
Rebecca Halvorson Family
Timothy & Amy Nelcon Family
Lisa Nelson Family
Jenny & Matt Walls Family
Bud Beedy

Tuesday, Oct. 27
7:30 Rosemary Karlovits
Patrick Ruane
Mae H. Rainie
Philip Krueger (5th Anniv.)

Wednesday, Oct. 28 Sts. Simon and Jude
7:30 Florence Pettenuzzo
Dr. Ricardo Cruz
12:00 Linda Nelson Family
Teresa Nelson Family
George Shannon Family
George & Ruth Nelson Family
Charlotte & Billy Johnson Family

Thursday, Oct. 29
7:30 Frank Reed
Emily Pietrolonardo
Mary Ann Duginski
Raimundas Lapsys

Friday, Oct. 30
7:30 Alexander Cuatchon (6th Anniv.)

Saturday, Oct. 31 All Hallow's Eve
7:30 Mary Ellen Bannon
Noreen Gleason Armstrong

In Loving Memory

Roger Schiavoni
Joseph Carmen Tortorello

Please pray for our sick

Andy Kaplan
Lucy Detlefsen
Sr. Joanne Grib
Carl Laub
Norine Naselli
Ashley Abraham
Owen Patricoski
Lucille Krajnik
M. Schoot
Kim Crowdus
David Crowdus
Marcia Fung

Wedding Banns

I. Nicholas David Grundtvig & Amanda Gabrielle Hernandez
II. Jack Thomas Arkus & Catherine Lynn Delia
II. Kevin Paul Marcotte & Nicole Ann Alfano

Recent Baptisms

Ava Catherine Watts, child of
Eric Watts and Britni (Scholtes) Watts

Scott David Blethen, child of
Alexander Blethen and Katrina (Leeney) Blethen

Claire Catherine McGuire, child of
Patrick McGuire and Cynthia (Dublin) McGuire

Sofia Victoria O'Brien, child of
Joseph O'Brien and Nina DiMaggio

Eila Grace Blair, child of
Jacob Blair and Emily (Shea) Blair

Weekly Readings

Monday
Eph 4:32-5:8/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 13:10-17

Tuesday
Eph 5:21-33/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5/Lk 13:18-21

Wednesday
Eph 2:19-22/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5/Lk 6:12-16

Thursday
Eph 6:10-20/Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10/Lk 13:31-35

Friday
Phil 1:1-11/Ps 111:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk 14:1-6

Saturday
Phil 1:18b-26/Ps 42:2, 3, 5cdef/Lk 14:1, 7-11

Next Sunday
Rv 7:2-4, 9-14/Ps 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/1 Jn 3:1-3/Mt 5:1-12a

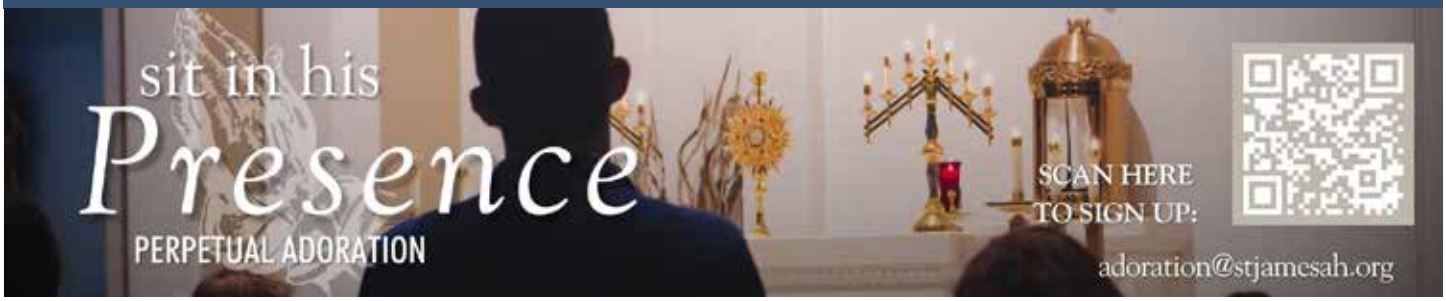
Celebrant Schedule 11/1

5:00 Fr. Paul
8:00 Fr. Paul
10:00 Fr. Paul
12:00 Fr. Rob Carlton
5:00 Fr. Bill Zavaski

Adoration Chapel Openings

Fridays, 4:00 p.m.
Fridays, 5:00 p.m.
Saturdays, 4:00 a.m.

PARISH INFORMATION



PARISH GROUPS AND APOSTOLATES

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 Group 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 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 Group 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**

Mondays with Mary small group of men who pray the Rosary every Monday morning in the Teen Room at 7:00 a.m., then attend Mass together. New members are welcome. A remote option is available for those unable to attend in person. **mike_smigiel@msn.com**

Over 50 Social Club provides social outings, speakers, and parties 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 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 Group 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 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. **respectlife@stjamesah.org**

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**



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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 8:00 a.m. Traditional Choir & Organ
Sunday 10:00 a.m. Contemporary Choir
Sunday 12:00 p.m. Contemporary Music
Sunday 5:00 p.m. Praise & Worship Ensemble

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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

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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 - First Wednesday of the month 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

FIRST SATURDAY - Rosary & Devotion to Our Lady after the 7:30 a.m. Mass on the first Saturday of each month

CONFESSION - Wednesdays 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.
Or sign up for a time at **adorationpro.org/jamesil**

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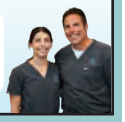
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