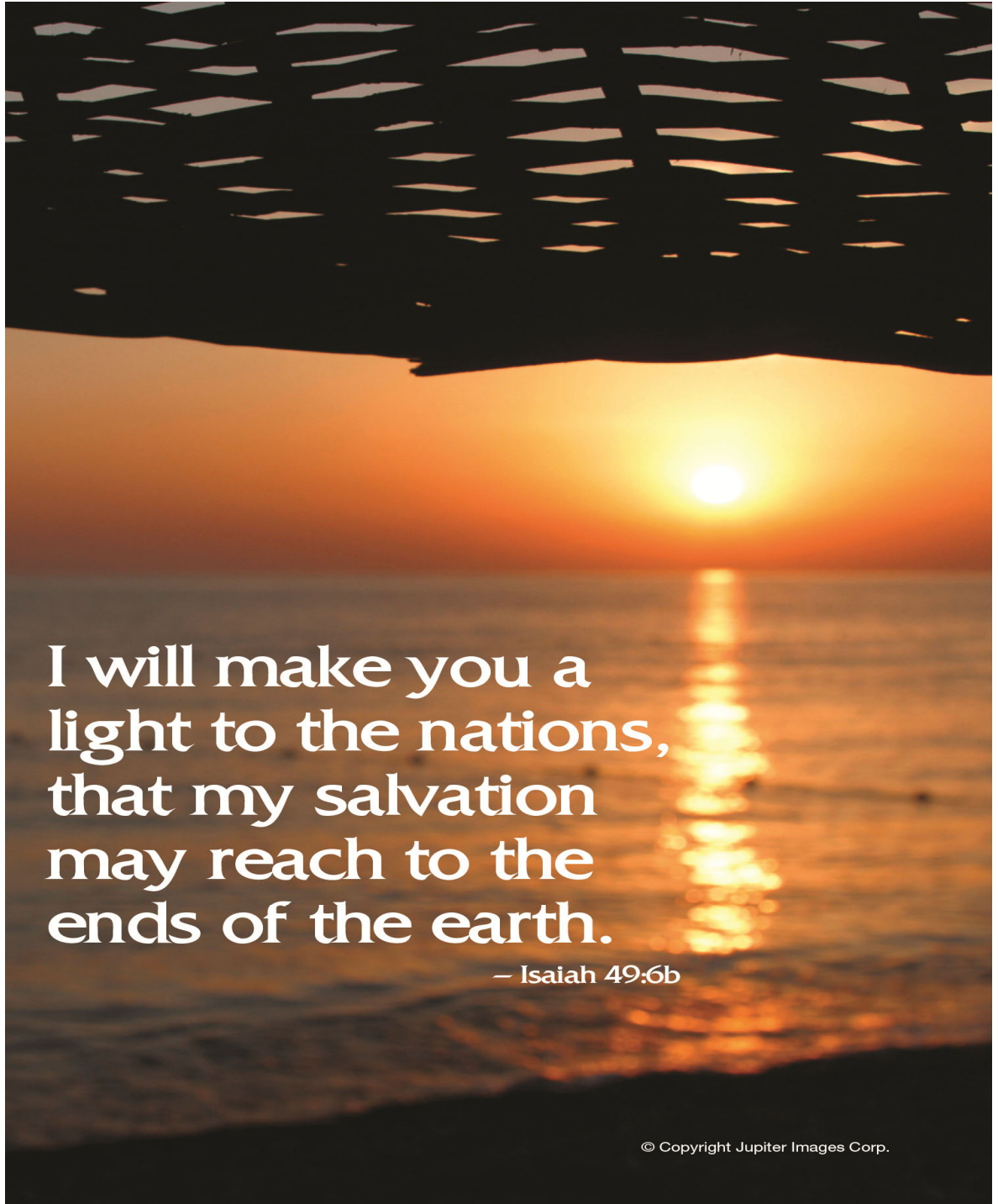


# *Saint James Catholic Community*

*Second Sunday in Ordinary Time*

*January 15, 2017*



I will make you a  
light to the nations,  
that my salvation  
may reach to the  
ends of the earth.

– Isaiah 49:6b

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## **Mass Schedule:**

**Weekdays:** M-F 8:00am (During school year Friday, 9am)

**Saturday,** 5:00pm

**Sunday,** 7:30am, 9:15am, 11:00am, 6:00pm

8:00pm William Jewel College, *when in session*

## **Sacrament of Reconciliation:**

Saturday 4pm and Anytime by request

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## Mission Statement

We, the community of St. James, are a prayerful and Eucharistic people who treasure our Catholic traditions. We strive to grow in our faith by being good stewards of the gifts God has given us; sharing God's truth with all. As the Body of Christ, we are called to love and serve everyone, especially the marginalized, with joy and hospitality.

## Do You Know?

### WEEKEND MAINTANCE HELP

Would you have an interest in helping out your church on weekends and doing about 8 hours of work for spending money?

Light custodial work and restocking restrooms as well as small cleanups would describe the task.

Call Jim Newell at 816-289-7994 or the church office at 781-4343. Or, email Jim at [jim.newell@stjames-liberty.org](mailto:jim.newell@stjames-liberty.org).

Thank You,  
Jim Newell, Operations Manager

### Save The Date - Tuesday, February 7 Altar Society / Respect Life Program Featuring Nationally Known Speaker & Author Melissa Ohden



Melissa is the survivor of a failed saline infusion abortion in 1977. Despite the initial concerns regarding her future after surviving the attempt to end her life at approximately seven months gestation, she has not only survived but thrived. With a Master's Degree in Social Work, she has worked in the fields of substance abuse, mental health, domestic violence and sexual assault counseling, and child welfare.

In 2012, Melissa founded The Abortion Survivors Network (ASN). ASN seeks to educate the public about failed abortions and survivors while providing emotional, mental and spiritual support to abortion survivors. Since ASN's inception, Melissa has been in contact with over 206 survivors.

She is the author of "*You Carried Me, a daughter's memoir*", her story about what happens when an abortion survivor finds and forgives her birth mother, who never knew her daughter was alive.

The Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph is committed to combating sexual abuse in the Church. If you are a victim of sexual abuse, or if you observe or suspect sexual abuse:

1. Call the Missouri Child Abuse Hotline at 1-800-392-3738 (if the victim is currently under the age of 18),
2. Contact your local law enforcement agency or call 911, and After reporting to these civil and law enforcement authorities, report suspected sexual abuse of a minor or vulnerable adult to the Diocesan Ombudsman, Jenifer Valenti, at 816-812-2500 or [JeniferValenti@att.net](mailto:JeniferValenti@att.net), if the abuse involves a priest, deacon, employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph. The Diocese has a sincere commitment to providing care and healing resources to victims of sexual abuse and their families. Please contact Victim Advocate Kathleen Chastain at 816-392-0011 or [chastain@diocesekcsj.org](mailto:chastain@diocesekcsj.org) for more information.

## From the Pastor's Pen

I looked out the window as we touched down in San Antonio. The first thing I noticed was the green grass. I thought to myself, "We're not in Kansas anymore!" On January 3, I traveled to San Antonio to join 13,000 college students for SEEK 2017 sponsored by FOCUS missionaries. I along with Fr. Steve Dos Santos, Sr. Patty Kramer, Sr. Karen Elliot, and Lori Bengé are all part of the vocation team for the Precious Blood family. We represented the men's CPPS along with the Precious Blood Sisters and the Adorers of the Blood, ASCs. In addition to interacting with the students at our vocation booth, we also had the opportunity to participate in some of the workshops learning more about FOCUS and how we as chaplains and campus ministers can better interact with our college students.

I had several wonderful conversations with various students. One recurring question that kept coming up is "What does God want of me?" or "I'm trying to decide what next in my life?" One student shared with me she was feeling "left out." As I questioned what she meant she shared that many of her classmates heard God talking to them in their life and yet she has never heard God's voice. She shared some different stories of what others had experienced and her feeling left out was that she never had an experience anywhere close to what the others had experienced. I told her, "If I ever hear God's voice booming loud in my life, I'm running the other direction!" As we both laughed a bit, I shared with her my experience of hearing God in my life is usually more of a sense of peace as I've come to make a decision after much thought and debate. Not really hearing God's voice like you do someone sitting next to you, but just simply that calming presence knowing that I have made a good decision. As we talked more she shared that she understood what I was talking about as she too had some of those same God moments in making life decisions.

We hear the stories of God speaking to various people and we might sometimes question how do we know if it is truly God speaking to us? Are we at peace with what we've heard? Does it stir something within us to respond? Does it bring us a sense of peace and direction? Or does it terrify us to want to run the other direction? It's one of those things in our lives that when God speaks, we just know it.

May God continue to speak to our hearts today.  
Fr. Timothy

## Mass Intentions

### Week of January 16 - 22

<b>Monday</b> 8:00am	Loved Ones of Marie Sprofera
<b>Tuesday</b> 8:00am	<i>St. Anthony</i> Deceased Loved Ones of Pat Cull
<b>Wednesday</b> 8:00am	Mary Mahoney's Mass Intentions
<b>Thursday</b> 8:00am	†Bernie Curtis
<b>Friday</b> 9:00am	Nina Adrineda
<b>Saturday</b> 5:00pm	<i>St. Agnes</i> ††George and Lena Dixon
<b>Sunday</b> 7:30am	†Bill Fuenfhausen
9:15am	†Karen Dearing
11:00am	†David W. Dixon
6:00pm	Loved Ones of Robert Florez Family

Sunday night Mass at 8pm  
William Jewell College Campus,  
Grand River Chapel.  
All Are Welcome



## *From Death to New Life*

*Our prayer support is with ...*

The family of Joseph Panethere who passed away on January 6.

*May the healing hand of our Lord Jesus  
be felt by all who are coping with grief  
and missing loved ones.*

### Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Sat 4pm until finished; any time requested.

### Sacrament of Baptism:

Baptismal Preparation Classes: 2nd Wed of each month.  
Contact Kirsten Maggi in Parish Office, ext. 202

**Religious Education:** For Preschool through adult spiritual development, please notify office of needs.

**New Parishioners:** Please register at the parish office.

***We Welcome You!***

## Contact Info

**St. James School:** PS-8th grade offered.

Call the School Office, to inquire, 781-4428

**Sacrament of Marriage:** 9 months advance notice

**Anointing of the Sick:** Please call the parish office.

**To Schedule an event in our Parish Facility:**

**email [daryl.sweetland@stjames-liberty.org](mailto:daryl.sweetland@stjames-liberty.org)**

or call Daryl in the Parish Office.

**All Bulletin articles must be submitted by Monday**

**12Noon to: [bulletin@stjames-liberty.org](mailto:bulletin@stjames-liberty.org)**

## The Week Ahead

**Sun January 15** : That Man is You serves coffee and donuts after the 7:30am and 9:15am Masses. All are welcome.

**Mon January 16** : Mass at 8am, rosary to follow

**Tue January 17** : Mass at 8am, rosary to follow  
—Legion of Mary meets at 6:30am in Mallon Room

**Wed January 18**: Mass at 8am, rosary to follow  
—Over 50s Pottluck and Meeting, 12 Noon in the Social Hall  
—Sponsor's for Christ meet 1st and 3rd Wed; 6:30pm  
—Prayer Shawl Ministry meet 2nd and 4th Wed; 6:30pm

**Thurs January 19** : Mass at 8am, rosary to follow  
—9:00am - 9:00pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament  
—1:00pm Rosary of the Blessed Mother in the church

**Fri January 20** : Rosary prayed at 8:15am  
—Mass at 9am

**Sat January 21** : That Man Is You at 6:15 in the Social Hall  
—Militia of the Immaculata at 10:00am in the School Library  
—Rosary prayed at 3:00pm

**Sun January 22** : Cub Scouts / Boy Scouts serve coffee and donuts after the 7:30am and 9:15am Masses. All are welcome.

**Scriptures for January 21 and 22**  
Is 8:23 - 9:3 / 1 Cor 1:10 13, 17 / Mt 4:12 23

**Gift Bearers for January 21 and 22**

**Sat 5:00pm**: Ralph & Jan Agee  
**Sun 7:30am**: Dennis & Brenda King and Family  
**9:15am**: Michael & Amy Saye and Family  
**11:00am**: Chuck & Tammi Johnson  
**6:00 pm**: John & Susan Corcione

**Hospitality Greeters for January 21 and 22**

**Sat 5:00pm**: Don & Helen Croan  
**Sun 7:30am**: Dennis & Robin Huber and Molly Mereness  
**9:15am**: Linda Hover and Mary Midiri  
**11:00am**: Jeanne Keck  
**6:00 pm**: Open to a Church Family

## Special Events

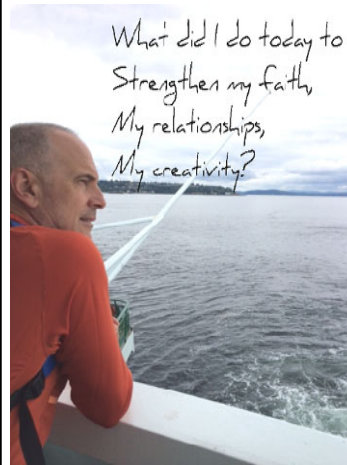
### Roses For Life - January 15



The Roses for life Campaign, sponsored by the Respect life Committee and the Knights of Columbus, will be held in January in preparation for the Anniversary of Roe v Wade. This is a way you can let Missouri legislators know that you support life – from conception to its natural end.

Anyone 18 years of age and older can pick up a rose on their way into or out of mass. Roses will be collected in the basket located in the Narthex. All the roses collected at St. James will be hand delivered to Jefferson City. Thank you for supporting life. Please continue to pray for our leaders.

### Reflections in Faith Prayer and Meditation



**Psalm 48:9**  
"Within your temple,  
O God,  
we meditate on  
your unfailing love"

**Join Us on Monday**  
**Jan. 16, 23 & 30**  
**in the Church**  
**5:00 - 6:00 pm**  
**With**  
**Patti Stark and Fr. Mike**

*Reflections of our Faith  
In our daily struggles*

*Be moved through  
scripture, breathing and  
guided visualization*

*To strengthen your faith  
and focus*

**We hope  
you will join us**

**TMIY**  
THAT MAN IS YOU!  
BECOMING A MAN AFTER GOD'S OWN HEART



**Spring Semester  
Begins Saturday, January 21  
St. James Social Hall**

**The That Man Is You! program focuses  
on the development of  
authentic male leadership**

**The Saturday morning sessions begin in  
the Social Hall with  
Rosary at 6:00am  
Complementary Breakfast at 6:15am  
Program at 6:45am  
Then Small Groups to 7:45am**

**All Men of the Parish Are Invited To Attend**

A  from the  
Liturgy/Music Office

## THANK YOU NEWMAN SINGERS

Wow! What a weekend. We were so blessed to have Joe Mattingly and The Newman Singers all the way from the University of Iowa join us last weekend for all of our Masses. They also gave a stellar concert at 2:00pm on Sunday. Thanks to our homestays who opened their homes for the students. Thanks to the members and families of the Parish Choir and Children's Choir for providing meals throughout their stay this weekend. We ask for your continued prayers for the Newman Singers as they continue their tour, spreading the message of God's love and mercy through song.

[danny@stjames-liberty.org](mailto:danny@stjames-liberty.org)



## Someone is Watching and Wondering



How appropriate that just two weeks into the New Year 2017, followers of Jesus throughout the world will celebrate the **Week of Prayer for Christian Unity**. A good deal has been written about Pope Francis' outreach to our Christian brothers and sisters throughout the world, but I would like to share the story

of a less well known figure, the French priest, Paul Couturier. He was born in Lyon, France in the year 1881 and became a priest in the Society of St. Irenaeus, serving as a science teacher at the society's local school for almost 20 years. In 1923, however, he joined a relief effort working with Orthodox Russian refugees who had fled their homeland following the Russian revolution. Fr. Couturier helped them find shelter, employment, food, and schooling, while forming close friendships and growing to love the beauty and strength of their faith. He was deeply concerned, however, that the Catholic and Orthodox Churches were separated and this division awakened in him a desire for unity. He believed that the walls of separation did not rise to heaven, and he sensed that greater unity was possible.

Fr. Paul Couturier came to understand what he termed the "Geometry of Ecumenism." His idea of unity did not necessitate the conversion of others to the Catholic Church, but rather called for a conversion and drawing closer to Christ. He pictured a spiritual journey where people ascended from opposite sides of a pyramid, coming together only when they reached the top. Each person pursued union with Christ through their own tradition and along the journey they also grew closer to one another. In the end, each person is united with Christ, at the peak of the pyramid, resulting in all Christians being united to one another through Christ Jesus.

In 1933 Fr. Paul composed a "Triduum of Prayer for Unity" which invited people in Lyon to join him in prayer, not that Orthodox and Protestants would return to union with Rome, but rather that all Christians would become united in Christ. Over time, these three days of prayer grew into a full octave (eight days) which is observed every January as the **Week of Prayer for Christian Unity**. His work is widely regarded as paving the way for the Second Vatican Council's *Decree on Ecumenism*, and every ecumenical initiative that has come out of Rome since that time.

Please join in prayer, this week, for our Unity in Christ, with all our Christian brothers and sisters.

Your Sister in Christ, *Sandy Gagnon*

### Children's Choir Schedule



1/15 - 1am Mass  
1/21 - Practice at 10am  
1/28 - No Practice

### ***We pray for Our Country, Leaders, and Loved ones serving our Country:***

Chad Wilson, Paul Mooney, Jeff Auksel, Phil Plack, Robert Harrison, John Barry, Alex Reilly, Gary Lee, Bobby Kern, Geoff Wiese, Casey Snodgrass, Chris Griese, Ryan Villines, Paul Tyrrell, Charles Hensley, Gary Hogan, Jeremy Finn, Michael Caine, Alex Worth, Dan Knudson, Paul Stamer, Bong Vtug, Brianna Hannum, Aaron Dolak, Cole Roberts, Tony Velasquez Jr., Raymond Lopez, David Castro, Jr., Jeff Gardner, Brad Nees, Josh DeLeone, Joe Binggeli, Jeremy Pyle, Cody Londo, Jason Lyday, Andy Sparks, Ray Writesman, Cody Zoglman, Adam Parnacott, Charlette Pruet, Daniel Wilson, Nicole Dobbelaere Martindell, Jeffrey Pelling, Jeff Duncan, Nicholas Caine, Jon Watson, Jacob Schmidt, Chris Kandlbinder, Zachary Ildza.



***If we ever forget that we're one nation under God, then we will be gone under.***

#### **H.O.P.E. / SCRIP GIFT CARD NEWS**

##### **Going Grocery Shopping?**



There's one thing that we all have in common – we all have to eat !

And before we can eat, we have to buy food and that's where HOPE gift cards come in.

We have HOPE gift cards for all of the stores in Liberty that carry every food item you need or want. Buying and using HOPE gift cards for your grocery shopping makes a lot of sense.

Benefits of using HOPE cards for your grocery shopping (and other shopping as well) include:

#1 - **SAFETY!** With cyber-crime problems these days and having your private information stolen, purchasing HOPE Gift cards is a safe way to shop!

#2 - They are easy to use – no need to dig in your purse or pocket to find your checkbook (only to discover you've left it at home). Just swipe your card and you're done. Amounts not used on this shopping trip can be used on your next trip.

#3 - They help with budgeting. If you have a weekly, monthly, or other period food budget, just buy cards for the amount you plan to spend and you'll never overspend your budgeted amount.

#4 - Profit from the sale of HOPE/Scrip Gift Cards is used to help support ALL of our many and varied ministries.

Cards are on sale in the narthex after all weekend Masses and in the parish and school office during regular business hours. Stop by and pick up one or more cards before your next trip to buy groceries – you'll be glad you did and so will we !

**Hy-Vee and Price Chopper pay St. James back 5% for every card purchased.**

**That's a win/win for sure !**

## *Stewardship of Treasure*

Charitable Contribution tax statements will be in the Narthex for pick-up very soon. The statement will reflect your charitable contributions to St. James Parish for 2016 tax filing purposes. Please use care when picking these up. Some people's names are very similar and you might get the wrong statement. Please verify the name and address. If you feel something has been recorded incorrectly on the statement– please let me (Katie) know and I will do my best to correct it.

Picking these statements up while at the church, will save the parish over \$500 in postage cost.

The 2017 tithing pledge card is in the Narthex on the information stand. These cards can be returned to the parish office or in the collection plate on Sunday. The tithing pledge does help us estimate income we can count on.

If you have any questions and/or concerns on any financial numbers, please feel free to contact me, Katie in the parish office.

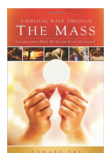
Katie Klassen

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### **Saturday Morning Faith Sharing Class Presents "A Biblical Walk Through the Mass"**

If you weren't able to attend this program last fall, here's another opportunity to attend.

The Saturday Morning Faith Sharing class, led by Deacon Chuck, will offer this 5-week class on Saturday mornings at 10:00am in the School Library beginning on January 21. There is no charge for this class.



**We hope you'll join us.**

# BINGO

SAVE THE DATE

**Saturday, January 28**  
**Following the 5:00 pm Mass**  
**In the School Gym**

DON'T MISS IT!



**Only 2 Weeks Until This Family Fun Night**

**Lots of Good Food**  
**Snacks & Drinks for Everyone**



**PLAY 10 GAMES OF REGULAR BINGO**  
**\$4.00 a Card (or 3 for \$10.00) - plays all 10 games**



**\$\$\$ CASH PRIZES \$\$\$**

**Bring the Whole Family For A Fun Filled Evening**

Sponsored by the St. James Altar Society



The Girl Scout  
Silver Award

## ST. JAMES GIRL SCOUTS WORKING ON SILVER AWARD

### HOW YOU CAN HELP !

Our Girl Scout troop is working with Synergy Services to achieve the prestigious Silver Award

From now through Sunday, January 22, a box will be set up in the Narthex to collect items to fill "themed tubs" for Synergy Services. We need the help of YOU, our generous parishioners, to provide enough items to fill these tubs with new or VERY gently used clean toys. Listed below are the themes and ideas/examples of the items requested.

#### THEMES AND IDEAS/ EXAMPLES

- \* **Beach/Ocean:** beach coloring book, kinetic sand, beach toys, sea shells, ocean animal toys, small boats
- \* **Super heroes:** dress up supplies, small figurines, super hero toys
- \* **Farm animals:** small farm animal figurines, small farm buildings
- \* **Animals of different habitats:** jungle, polar, desert / small animals from each habitat
- \* **Science experiments:** kid friendly, simple science experiment kits and supplies
- \* **Transportation:** planes, trains, automobiles, boats
- \* **Space:** small space ships, astronauts, planets
- \* **Inside Out:** movie characters, emotion symbols
- \* **Building:** kid tools
- \* **Kitchen:** dishes, play food
- \* **Holidays:** Christmas, St. Patricks day, Easter, Independence Day, Halloween, dress up, coloring books, pumpkins, spiders, Easter eggs

*It's OK to bring toys other than what is on the list if they fit the theme.*

**Please put your donations in the box in the Narthex by January 22.**

## Our Faith In Action

### JANUARY BLOOD DRIVE AT ST. JAMES

Tuesday, January 24

12:30-7:00pm in the Social Hall

Donating blood can be an intimidating process, especially for first-time donors. Here's what you can expect. Start drinking plenty of water now and eat foods rich in iron. On the day of the drive, present your ID, fill out a health history form, have your vitals taken, and after a quick hemoglobin check, you will be directed to one of the donation beds and a Community Blood Center staff member will begin the blood draw process. He or she will be sure to answer any questions you may have, and let you know what will be taking place. Your only job will be to relax and squeeze a ball to help with blood flow. When you have completed your donation, you will be offered refreshments at the Revitalization station. That's it! In less than an hour, that's how you save a life and give a local patient hope! So what are you waiting for? Schedule your appointment at [www.esavealifenow.org](http://www.esavealifenow.org) using sponsor code 'stjames' or contact Nikki at 816-407-1208 or [kpower@kc.rr.com](mailto:kpower@kc.rr.com). We'll have childcare available for your convenience. For medical eligibility questions, call 1-800-688-0900. We look forward to seeing you on the 24<sup>th</sup>!

### Legion of Mary

Do you want to learn more about your Catholic faith?

Do you want to enrich your prayer life?

Do you want to grow closer to Jesus and His Mother?



Our parish is currently forming the Legion of Mary Ministry. The primary purpose of this ministry is to bring people to Jesus Christ through the imitation of Mary. The Legion strives to increase the faith and holiness of its members through prayer and various apostolic works.

If you are interested in joining this ministry or want more information, join us on Tuesday mornings from 6:45am to 7:45am in the Mallon Room or contact Lisa Amayo at [Lmamayo@gmail.com](mailto:Lmamayo@gmail.com), 913-269-2228, or Jerry Kimmis at [jakimmis@gmail.com](mailto:jakimmis@gmail.com), 660-815-3172.



Nursery  
Volunteers  
Needed!

Our nursery is currently in need of a volunteer on the 2nd Sundays of each month during the 11 am Mass. Please prayerfully consider whether this low time-commitment volunteer opportunity might be suitable to you, and contact Lori Tajchman to help.

## 6th-12th Grade Youth Ministry

### 6TH-8TH GRADE FAITH SHARING

"I had so much fun meeting all of you this past week! I cannot wait to get to know you more and have more fun, games, faith sharing, and events with you all!" ~ Denise Whelan

We are now back in ordinary time. Who paid attention to the second reading? The second reading is about being called to be holy. But what does it mean to be holy? Come to Faith Sharing on Wednesday at 6:30pm and find out!

### HIGH SCHOOL

#### High School Youth Group

All High Schoolers – you are all invited to come to Youth Group January 15<sup>th</sup> after the 6pm Mass. We will meet in the gym. Denise Whelan, the new Youth Director is now here and is excited to meet all of you!

So please come and play games, spend time with friends, and share your faith together! Confirmation will break off at 7:45 and go to their classes. Youth Group and Confirmation will both end at 8:30pm.

**We also have quite a few exciting events coming up!**

**Mark your Calendars!**

\* **Saturday January 21<sup>st</sup>**: We will be doing a service project and dance with the RLDS church. We will meet at St. James at 6:30pm and carpool. The dance should end by 10pm. Permission slips will be available at Youth Group and Confirmation on the 15<sup>th</sup>. Additionally, you all should have received an email with information and the permission slip.

If you have not, please email Denise at [Denise.Whelan@stjames-liberty.org](mailto:Denise.Whelan@stjames-liberty.org) so we can add you to our email list!

\* **We are going to be moving Youth Group to the off week of Confirmation.** Please look out on the website for the schedule, as well as, the bulletin each week!

\* **This summer we are planning on attending Steubenville Conference in Springfield Missouri.** The Steubenville Conference is an amazing time with 5,000 other teens from across the nation. There are talks, praise and worship, Adoration, and fun with other teens who share your faith! The dates are July 14-16, and Commitment forms are due by February 5<sup>th</sup>.



## Parish Religious Education

### 2016 - 2017 Live Like Jesus

#### RE Calendar - Important Dates

Jan 15	Sunday RE Class
Jan 18	Wed RE Class
Jan 22	Sunday RE Class
	First Communion parent meeting 1pm
Jan 25	Wed RE Class
	First Communion parent meeting 6pm
Jan 29	Sunday RE Class

#### First Communion Parent Meeting

We will again offer two options for the parent meeting – you can attend the session on Sunday January 22nd, or the session on Wednesday evening, January 25th.

The Sunday session will begin with the registration hour from 1 to 2pm. The meeting will begin at 2 and should last about an hour. We will have the same format for the Wednesday session – registration from 6 to 7pm, meeting beginning at 7 and lasting until around 8pm. You will purchase a set of three books, just as before, and the cost of those is \$20, just as for Reconciliation.

#### Children's Collection Fund

Our Children's Collection fund now stands at **\$23,517!** All of that from the dollars and the change that our children bring up to the altar each week. The plan for this account is that it be used to fund something in our new church that our children can see/touch and know that their donations made it possible. As of right now, what that will be has not been decided.

Because I'm sure someone is wondering, no, that doesn't include the Million Dollar Change Challenge. The large tank is still on display in the narthex and the change keeps rolling in for that. We may have to reinforce the table; we've already had to reinforce the tank. It has been really fun to see how many coins we can collect and quite a few students stop to check out the progress. When they decide to close that challenge, I'll be sure to tell you how much was collected and where it went—but I think most of the fun has been in seeing how close we could get!

#### Little Saints

Little Saints Playgroup is open to all infants/toddlers/preschoolers and their caregivers, with no registration required. Join us on Mon., January 23 at 10am in the Social Hall. This week, we continue our prayer theme by recognizing St. Augustine who said, "He who sings, prays twice." Join us for a morning of making musical instruments, free-play and adult socialization.

## St. James School News



## St. James Catholic School

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#### Join our Family...

- We are a ministry of St. James Parish with a focus on Stewardship
- Our community empowers students to achieve their full academic and Christian potential, become prayerful, lifelong learners and good stewards of God's gifts
- We encourage our parents to take advantage of the unique opportunities we have available for hands-on involvement in their students education

~Family~

~Friendship~

~Service~



#### What Our Parents Say:

"We have been attending St. James for three years, and have been more than happy with the academic achievement for our children. We have been impressed with the individual attention given to each child, the focus on Christian citizenship, and the strong sense of family community at St. James."

## Birthdays this week: Today we celebrate all that you with God's help, have accomplished.

Alyssa Casey	Julie Houghton	Victoria Fallon
Catherine Crawford	Jeff Moreno	Evan Francois
Judy Farley	Orlando Paredes	Britton Meck-Gilbert
Dianne Fuller	Kyle Schneeweis	Gianna Scardino
Jeremy Grisham	Molly Sheeley	Alivia Walker
Randall Guilfoyle	Ethan Smith	Heather Wilson
Samuel Hernandez	Maya Tebbenkamp	Christiane Adrineda
Stephanie Ladenthin	Owen Tomlinson	Meghan Blackmore
Carter Lind	Jessica Bruns	John Caresio
Rudy Mascaro	Thayart Coday	Kyle Coday
Marilyn Massman	Martha Duffin	Jason Green
Jordan Mathes	Emily East	Merle Houck
Rose Mckay	Roger Eggleston	Julie Ingham
Eric Munholland	Kim Flanagan	Peggy Luchtefeld
Noah Teixeira	Eugene Focht	Christopher McDonald
Anne Winter	Michael Hundscheid	Katelyn Moon
John Barry	Morgan Jorgensen	Gary Obermueller
Angelina Genova	Bruce Lackey	Mary Margaret Parish
Dylan Gwin	Denise Murrow	Kelly Peetoom
Craig Henry	Justin Mutzbauer	Katherine Peters
Michael Mahony	Colleen Place	Karen Prichard
Tarah Palmer	Amanda Sprung	Mia Spurlock
Gisele Perez	Brian Tebbenkamp	Delton Thomas
Anne Pratt	Grant Wood	Melina Thomas
Immanuel Sprung	Theresa Allen	Mary Lauer
Fred Thompson	Ryan Bandt	Jane Lohman
Bette Walden	Emma Bland	Julie Medley
Brett Weiner	Shawna Burson	Jeffrey Russell
Suzanne Doehring	Charles DeMeyer	Gabriell Ryan
Erica Duethman	Allison Donnici	Damon Wilson
Santosh George	Margaret Dunn	

### Join Us For the Woman's Catholic Book Group

Please come join us for Woman's Catholic Book Group. We are a group of Catholic women who meet for fellowship, reflection and discussion of books regarding our Catholic faith. We meet on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday evenings from 6:30 – 8:00pm in the teacher's lounge in the St. James school. We will be starting our second session on January 18th and will meet thru April.

We have decided on the book – "*Fatima for Today: The Urgent Marian Message of Hope*" by Andrew Apostoli. This book will not be provided...please order your book on your own. It is available from Amazon, Ignatius Press, and other book sellers.

This year, 2017, is the 100 year anniversary of Our Lady of Fatima apparitions to the three shepherd children in the small village of Fatima. If you have any questions, please feel free to call Karen McKee 816-820-7163.

We hope you will join us.

## We Pray to our Lord Jesus for healing

Jessica Marietta Wimmer	Pam Fink	Keegan & Justin Gwin
Larry Hannah	John Nauser	Madelynn Hudson & family
Stan Smith	Bridget Conwell	Sarah Rupp
Melissa Holker	Bill Roach, Jr.	Samantha Squire
Kathleen Haines	Tom Blake	Chris Alvey
John Phannestiel	Matilda Rogers	R.W. & Connie Hollomon
Joel Balk	Ginger Thompson	Beasley & Craven families
Tom Hamit	Madison Carey	Mary Decko
Mike Sheeley	Rachel Zimmerman	Lisa Lange
Rick George	Jacob and Dana Glasford	Carol Yeager Laplant
Grace Tucker	Aiden Jacobs	Vincent Michael Smith
Tom Van Acker	Becky Weathers	Linda Ruppert
Mattie Mae Weaver	Beau & Keely Williams Family	Patrick O'Neill
Nathan	Shane Harrison	Gail Dugdale
Viola Sowler	Nick Bengimina	Leola Schaffer
Frank Keanley	Roberta McCallum	Iva Durocher
Phillip Jasumback	Keith Newman	Elli Kirkbride
Ruth Nelson	Gary Andrew Reese	John McMahon
Saree Morely	Suzie Stramel	Lyle Davis
Frank Alex	Brianna and Emma Shay	Joseph Gubera
Stephanie	Kara K.	Les VanBibber
Jenny Pike	Joseph Greenwald	Morgan Todd
Christy Mock	Sam Porter	Maria Giannelli
John Findlay	Mary Alice Worth	Sara Stoupa
Allen Zugelter	Amy Villereal	Mike Reinhart
Solidum Family	Rick and Patrick	Jeannette Wolken
Duane Sander	Lauren Daldrup	Emmanuel Monzon Sr.
Jordan	Frank Andrasik	Teagen Peters
Jackie	Lori and Sam Daleo	Jeff Smith
Kathy	Charles & David Torres	Nadia Kadi
Baby Brantley	Mary Kaye Masnado	Nancy Brown
Tammera Diaz	Carolee Bussjaeger	Elaine Catalano
Anne Sander	Alfred Vitt	Crystal Coley
Bryanna	John Amaro	Conchita Weir
Randal Pearson	Jeremy Hurford	Becky Booth
Keltin Daniel Gwin	Kevin & Judah	Gordley family
Logan Lopicka	Jeff, Rene & Garrett	Louie Bussjaeger
Larry Hannah	Jerry McCaslin	Kenadee Gallagher
Lori & Anthony Daleo	DeDe Marchisio	Haley Prouty
Janet Schuster	Jessica Berger	Shawn Adkins
Bill Goeckel	Greg Fangman	Jason Robinson
Jeanne Buffa	Francesco Turturro	Andrew Lay
Tom Hagins	Therese Cimino	Randy Canaan
Patti Blankenship	Lynn Stacey	Bob Giefer
Nancy Sixsmith	John Laird	Leah Biskup Coady
Mattie Mae Weaver	Denny Anderson	Olivia Hernandez
Mae Ellis	Randy Baumert	Chrissy Sparks
Cheryl Dirckson	Letha Madison	Bud Suttliof
Sue Harrison	Josh Caylor	Marilyn Niere
Troy Cronkhite	David Switzer	Darleen Farnan Kenny
Chuck Hatler	Samantha Potter	Sharon Augh
Mattie Mae Weaver	Jackie Plack Pelling	Devona Gilgour
Robert Elliott	Tessie Hanson	Theresa Fortune
Jim Guccione	Alex Rutz	Mary Bell Jones
June Bednar	Kathy Schwart	Frank Benassi
Pamela Anderson	Eddie Anselmo	Lee Schwery
Beatrice Farnan	Janet Harris	Michelle McClune
Baby Mattie C.	Newborn Lennox	Joann & Greg Hagins
Ana Fonseca	Jesse Rainey	Cathy Finley
Rena & David	Kennedy Noel Holcumbrink	Celia Saenz
Robert Conard Family	Bernadette Kaplan	Anne Robinson
Denny Anderson	Amy Bills	Francis Talbot
Kathleen Ervie	Larry Kain	Laura Ann DiGiovanna
Mike Mutchler	Kathryn Polly	Connie Sullivan
Sandy and Bobby Morton	Sandy Wheeler	Jim & Cameron
Matt Biskup Family	Rita Lowe	Steve Shoemaker
Donna Jean	George Massie	Gerald Fiorino
Kim Lackey	Tony V. Sr.	Nicole Martindell
	Deric DeMasi	Robert Doleshal
	John Eggleston	Jersey & James Hicks

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