



First Sunday of Lent

February 18, 2018



The St James Knights of Columbus are holding their annual Lenten Fish Fry in the St. James Parish Gymnasium from 5:00pm — 8:00pm on the following Fridays:

February 23rd, March 9th, & March 23rd



1. Fried Fish Dinner 2. Baked Tilapia Dinner 3. Hot Spiced Boiled Shrimp Dinner

4. Combo Dinner: Baked Tilapia & Shrimp -or- Fried Fish & Shrimp All above Dinners are: Adults \$11.00 and Children (12 & Under) \$5.00

5. Cheese Pizza Dinner: \$5.00 Extra Slice: \$1.00 each



## Above Dinners Include:

Baked Potato or Chips Rolls Coleslaw Large Variety of Desserts Coffee, Tea, Lemonade or Water

6. "Pasta Bar" Dinner: **\$11.00** made the way you want it with your choice of:

## Bowtie Pasta

Broccoli Cherry Tomatoes Shrimp Al Asparagus Black Olives Mushrooms S Garlic Crushed Red Peppers

Alfredo or Red Sauce Shredded Parmesan Olive Oil

Bowtie Pasta

## Pasta Dinners Include:

Garlic Breadsticks • Large Variety of Desserts • Coffee, Tea, Lemonade, or Water

# \*\* For Those 21 and Older \*\*

Beer and Wine Will Be Available Cash, Checks, or credit/debit cards accepted



# \*EXPRESS\* Carry Out Available

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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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## Our Pastoral Team

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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?

St. James has taken an aggressive approach to expanding security measures in our school and now are moving to tie in the balance of the facility and grounds.



St. James will place cameras in our Church Sanctuary, Narthex, and Social Hall. The cameras are the same as those currently used in the school; and therefore we can have 100% interaction if we choose.

Specifications have been established (with the assistance of our good Fr. Timothy) and orders have been placed. We anticipate installation in the next few weeks. Monitoring equipment will be installed in the Parish Office and we can choose as much interface with the school as we all deem productive. You can definitely say that enlarging the areas covered by cameras expands our overall security coverage dramatically.

In the coming weeks we will outline for you enhancements to our facility exterior lighting.

We appreciate Fr. Mike's efforts to support campus security unification. An improvement for all!

## Thank You, Jim Newell, Operations Manager



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 in 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, 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 for more information.

## From the Pastor's Pen

As we begin this season of Lent, we are led into the desert with Jesus. The Spirit led Jesus into the desert and tempted him, but He resisted, trusting in the power of God within Him.

We are called to 'Let Go' of whatever we hold onto that keeps us from trusting in God in our lives. May we use this sacred season to look within, and see what we need to change in order to grow in God's Goodness and Love.

This Saturday at the 5pm Mass we send forth our Catechumens to the Rite of Election, to meet Bishop Johnston and catechumens and sponsors throughout the diocese. Let us pray for these 'Elect' who journey to the fullness of the Sacraments at the Easter Vigil.

Don't forget the Knights of Columbus wonderful Fish Fry's beginning this coming Friday, March 23. It's a great meal, a great cause and a great opportunity for hospitality here at St. James. We are very grateful to the Knights for their dedication and efforts during the season of Lent!

Next weekend we welcome Wendy and Roger Lorenz, who are presenting on behalf of Worldwide Marriage Encounter. This is a great program for married couples to strengthen their marriage commitment.

Our Groundbreaking for the new church is less than 2 months away – thanks to all who have been such good and faithful stewards in bringing us to this point! If you've not had the opportunity to make a pledge to support our efforts, we invite you to 'come on board'. We'll be hearing lots from Dan Bacon and our Fulfillment Team who will be inviting us to support this wonderful effort. It's a great opportunity to continue to build a strong parish community to meet the 'growing' needs of the larger Liberty/KC area.

And, included in this bulletin is the first issue of the *New Church News*, a newsletter devoted to giving you up to date information about the progress and activities of building our new facility.

We also invite you to join us for our 'Soup Suppers' on the next three Wednesday evenings and support a great cause – the Migrant Farmworkers!! It's a great opportunity to pray together, share a great bowl of soup and give to a wonderful cause!

May God's blessings be with you and your family as we journey through this season of Lent!

Peace, Fr. Mike

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Sat 4pm until finished; any time requested. Sacrament of Baptism: Baptismal Preparation Classes: 2nd Wed of

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 or call Daryl in the Parish Office. All Bulletin articles must be submitted by Monday 12Noon to: bulletin@stjames-liberty.org

## Mass Intentions

Week of February 19 - February 25			
Monday 8:00am	In Honor of Gary and Joy Brecht's Anniversary		
Tuesday 8:00am	<b>+</b> Janet K. Schuster		
Wednesday 8:00am	+Helen Reinsch		
Thursday 8:00am	<i>The Chair of Saint Peter</i> Those On Our Prayer Chain		
Friday 9:00am	Our Senior Citizens		
Saturday 5:00pm	Barbara DeHaven		
Sunday 7:30am 9:15am 11:00am 6:00pm	Linda Sangil Don and Nellie Terry †Alex Bruening †Harry Woltkamp †Alex Bruening †Bud Sutlief		
William G	lay night Mass at 8pm Jewell College Campus, rand River Chapel. All Are Welcome		



## Our prayer support is with ...

Don Ollier and family on the death of his sister-in-law Marylou Ollier.

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

# The Week Ahead

**Sun February 18 :** Altar Society serves coffee and donuts after the 7:30 and 9:15 Masses. All are welcome

Mon February 19 : Mass at 8am, rosary to follow —Liberty Health & Wellness Mass, 10:00am

**Tue February 20 :** Mass at 8am, rosary to follow —Legion of Mary meets at 6:30am in the Mallen Room

Wed February 21 : Mass at 8am, rosary to follow —Over 50s / SJ Middle School Pen Pal Lunch, 12:00 noon in the Social Hall

- -Prayer Service & Soup Supper 5:45pm, Church and Social Hall
- —Sponsor's for Christ meet 1st and 3rd Wed; 6:30pm
- -Catholic Women's Bible Study, 6:00pm, Teacher's Lounge
- -Prayer Shawl Ministry meet 2nd and 4th Wed; 6:30pm
- -Bible Study, 6:30 8:00pm in St. Tony Room

Thurs February 22 : 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 February 23 : Mass at 9:00am

- -Stations of the Cross, 5:30pm in the Church
- -Knights of Columbus Fish Fry, 5 8pm

#### Sat February 24 :

—That Man Is You at 6:15am in the Social Hall —Faith Sharing Cancelled For Today

**Sun February 25 :** Cub Scouts / Boy Scouts serve coffee and donuts after the 7:30 and 9:15 Masses. All are welcome

Scriptures for February 24 and 25 Masses Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18 / Rom 8:31b-34 / Mk 9:2-10

#### Gift Bearers for February 24 and 25 Masses

Sat 5:00pm: Alicia Brown and Family
Sun 7:30am: Mike & Jean Kieffer
9:15am: Jeffrey & Rachel Richardson and Family
11:00am: Jessica Colby and Cameron
6:00 pm: Adam & Angela Swearingin & Family

## Hospitality Greeters for February 24 and 25 Masses

Sat 5:00pm: Valerie Beumer Sun 7:30am: Molly Mereness and Helen Lynn 9:15am: Linda Hoover 11:00am: David & Lesa Feess 6:00 pm: Amy Rothery-Colin



## We Break Ground For Our New Church April 15

It's not too late to make a pledge for our new church!

Pledge cards are in the Narthex.

# **Special Events**

## Join Us For This Week's Soup Supper Wednesday, February 21



We begin in the church at 5:45pm for a short Prayer Service followed by Soup Supper In the Social Hall.

Everyone in the parish is invited to come, pray with us, and have dinner together.

We ask for donations – at least what you would have spent on dinner that night –and all our donations will be going to our Lenten charity, the Migrant Farmworker's Assistance Fund..

This week's Soup Supper is sponsored by Religious Education 2nd, 5th and 6th grade families

# Stations of the Cross Fridays at 5:30pm

February 23 March 2 March 9 March 16 March 23

Stations in Spanish at 6:00pm

#### Our New Church Read The Latest News



Included in this weekend's bulletin is the first issue of our new newsletter – *New Church News*.

The newsletter will be published periodically to keep you, our parishioners, appraised of the latest and greatest news about our new church building project.

Included in this issue, among other articles, are answers to your frequently asked questions.

A copy of the newsletters is also available on our St. James website - click on Capital Campaign at the menu at the top of the home page.

## Next Weekend We Welcome ....

Wendy and Roger Lorenz talking about the Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend coming up next month. For more information see page 8.

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This is the time of fulfillment. The kingdom of God is at hand. Repent, and believe in the gospel." Mark 1:15

#### Reflection

Each year we hear the same stories and often pull out the same music again and again. We go back to the same songs over and over precisely because they work, and speak to the people of God who sing them and hear them.

So it is with the Lord calling us to repentance. We hear God calling Noah and his family in the same way he calls us in the Gospels: repent and believe. He has entered a covenant and he will not abandon us.

May the God who never tires of calling us, help us never tire of the labor we perform for the salvation of God's people.

#### Prayer

God of joy and God of peace, speak to our hearts and refresh our ministry as we walk these forty days of Lent.



Stations of the Cross during the Lenten season will begin this Friday. An English version will be at 5:30pm, followed by a Spanish version. Dates are:

# If you or your group would like to proclaim the stations on one of these days, please contact

Mary Loy Brown rcmlbrown@me.com or 816-914-6976

# Someone is Watching and Wondering



This weekend our St. James Community will send 19 individuals to the Rite of Election/Enrollment and the Call to Continuing Conversion, to be held at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception with Bishop James Johnston presiding. This Rite marks the entry of these men and women into the final period of catechesis (The Period of Purification and Enlightenment) which coincides with Lent and proceeds their reception of the Sacraments of Initiation at the Easter Vigil. Anticipation is growing and they are eager to become fully initiated into the Catholic Church and to finally join the faithful at the Eucharistic banquet.

The purpose of the Rite, based on the testimony of godparents/sponsors and catechists as well as the reaffirmation of intention on the part of catechumens and candidates, is for the Church to judge their readiness for the Sacraments. The Church therefore "makes its 'election' that is choice and admission of those catechumens (previously unbaptized) who have the dispositions that make them fit to take part. . .in the sacraments of initiation. This step is called Election because the acceptance made by the Church is founded on the election by God, in whose name the Church acts." In other words, these individuals are willingly saying "Yes" to God's call. As a pledge of fidelity to the gospels and Christian way of life, each catechumen inscribes their name in the Book of the Elect. I must emphasize that before celebrating this Rite, the catechumens go through not only catechesis but also a continuing discernment process to help determine that they have undergone a conversion in mind and action as well as developed a spirit of faith and charity (agape). Similarly, during this combined Rite the Church recognizes the desire of the candidates (those previously baptized) to be sealed with the gift of the Holy Spirit and to have a place at Christ's Eucharistic table.

Following this Rite, both the catechumens (the new ELECT) and the candidates will join us in a sprit of repentance during Lent. As they continue through this intense period of formation/conversion which leads to the sacraments, they will also continue their personal discernment seeking out those thoughts, words, and actions in their lives which prevent a full, rich relationship with the Holy Trinity. They will be asked to name personal sins, communal sins and sins of hopelessness (despair) which block an openness to the Holy Spirt and prevent trust and surrender to the will of God, which enables each of us to treat one another as Jesus taught. As a faith community let us join these men and women in our journey toward the joy of Easter.

Your Sister in Christ, Sandy Gagnon

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

Chad Wilson, Paul Mooney, Phil Plack, Ryan 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 Starner, 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 Pruett, Daniel Wilson, Nicole Dobbelaere Martindell, Jeffrey Pelling, Jeff Duncan, Nicholas Caine, Jon Watson, Jacob Schmidt, Chris Kandlbinder, Zachary Ildza, Nathaniel Stitt, Carl Schoenrock, Zachary Schoenrock, Salvador Rodriguez, Salvador Ivan Rodriguez, James Allee, Jacob Davis Harris, Brody Moubry.



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

#### HOPE Gift Cards Are Waiting For You

#### The Groundhog Saw Its Shadow .....



.... And, if the legend of Punxsutawney Phil is to be believed, that means winter will last until March 16 – enough time to plan your projects for spring.

If home remodeling or gardening is on your agenda, begin shopping now for the supplies you need. We have HOPE gift cards for Home Depot, Lowes, and Walmart.

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#### Say "Yes" To the Hope Gift Card Challenge

If you haven't said "yes" to the HOPE Gift Card Challenge yet, it's not too late. You can start right now. After all, "ya gotta eat." So accept this challenge to use HOPE Cards to purchase 25% of your weekly food budget, including groceries and meals away from home.

If you're already participating in this challenge, thank you.

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HOPE gift cards are on sale in the narthex after all weekend Masses and in the parish and school office during the week.

Need a card that's not in stock? No problem! Order by Monday noon and you can pick it up in the parish office on Friday or after Mass the following weekend.

# Remember -

You Can Use Your Hy-Vee Card at the Hy-Vee Gas Pumps





**Thank you** to everyone who picked up your census and contribution statements from the narthex. It is so helpful. Also, so many have returned the census with updates and corrections- again, **Thank You**. This will help up keep our records.

**Thank you** for being patient with me. Lots of moving parts currently with the census, statements, accounting software conversion and the everyday business. Those of you who have needed me to do something for you have been very tolerant as I navigate through all the changes happening.

**Thank you** for supporting our bake sale, "souper bowl of caring", Little Sisters of the poor – all of it can be overwhelming – yet, YOU, our parish, continue to find in your heart to help others. Thank you!

As always, if you have any concerns or questions – please feel free to contact me.

Blessings, Katie Klassen

816-781-4343 x220 Katie@stjames-liberty.org

# Faithful Fitness

<u>When:</u> Saturday mornings in February from 8:30-9:30 am

Where: St James Social Hall

<u>Cost:</u> \$5 with 20% being tithed back to the church

<u>Other</u>: Bring a mat or beach towel, your favorite weights if you have them and a water bottle

Instructor: Joni Fleck, Parishioner



Altar Society Retreat

Saturday, March 3 10 am - 3 pm Precious Blood Center 2130 Saint Gasper Way - Liberty

All Women Of The Parish Are Invited To Attend

Conducted by Fr. Timothy Armbruster C.PP.S

Cost: 12.00 - includes lunch

The retreat concludes with Mass from 2 - 3 pm Attending This Mass Does Fulfill Your Sunday Mass Obligation

Please RSVP to Carla Travaglianti 816-616-2622 by February 28



## Wanted and Needed: Mass Door Greeters!



St. James needs more parishionreeters ers to become a part of our Hospitality Ministry.

There are extreme needs for greeters before Sunday Masses at 9:15am, 11:00am and 6:00pm.

We also welcome additional greeters for the 5:00pm Saturday Mass and as well as for Sunday's Mass at 7:30am.

And, with Holy Week coming up the last weekend of March, we will need greeters for Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Easter Sunday.

Your role as a greeter is to extend a welcoming "Hello", a friendly smile, assist with directions and/or to provide an answer to a simple question.

The time demands are minimal - no special trips to church since you are already coming to Mass. We only ask that you arrive 20-30 minutes prior to Mass.

Most folks serve once every 6-8 weeks according to their availability. Our greeter schedule has plenty of open dates and Mass times which need to be filled.

The tasks are simple to perform, yet are vital to our church. All who enter the doors of our church should know they are in a place of worship and celebration of God's spirit of loving kindness. We want each person to know that they are among an inclusive and welcoming community; one that values visitors and parishioners, alike!

We need parishioners! Albeit individuals, couples, pairs of friends, and or entire families to be involved in this ministry.

Please prayerfully consider becoming a part of this vital ministry.

All inquiries are welcome! Please contact Lesa Feess: coordinator, at <u>Lfeess@hotmail.com</u> or call 816-792-0082.

Lenten Faith Building Opportunities Sign up to receive daily Lenten Devotions and more

Go to the St. James Website at www:stjames-liberty.org and click on Lent and Easter

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# Our Faith In Action

# Thank You

Your Donations Raised

\$3,349.53

+ 3 Scholarships to Steubenville

This year's donations went to benefit the youth of our parish.



## BEGINNING EXPERIENCE ~ A Weekend Away for a Lifetime of Change.

EXPERIENCE\* Serving the Widowed, Separated and Divorced; who are suffering the loss of a love relationship and may feel left out by their church, uneasy around married friends, unsure of themselves and uncertain about their futures. Helps grieving persons focus on their experience, deal with the natural grief process and offers an opportunity to turn the pain of loss into an experience of positive growth emerging from the darkness of grief into the light of a new beginning. The next Beginning Experience Weekend is March 2-4, at Precious Blood Center in Liberty, MO. For more information visit: <u>www.beginningexperiencekc.org</u>,

email: register.bekc@gmail.com or contact Lori 913-980-7966.

## Worldwide Marriage Encounter April 20 - 22



Worldwide Marriage Encounter is a weekend to rediscover the spark that was there on your wedding day. Take time to rediscover the best friend you had when you were first married. Join the millions of cou-

ples worldwide who have learned how to keep their marriage vibrant and alive by signing up today to attend the upcoming Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend on April 20-22 at Savior Pastoral Center in Kansas City, KS. Early registration is highly recommended. For more information and to register check out our website at: <u>wwme4youandme.org</u> or call 816-741-4066.



It's Lent! Are you looking for something special to do? Ever heard of Cursillo? Come and experience Christ on an amazing weekend!

The men's weekend is coming up quickly - February 22-25. The women's weekend is March 8-11.

Contact Christy Eichler at 809-0821 for more information.

# 6th-12th Grade Youth Ministry 6TH-8TH GRADE FAITH SHARING

All 6th - 8th graders are invited to come to our Faith Sharing classes on Wednesdays from 6:30 - 8:00.

Come to learn more and have fun with your friends!

## **HIGH SCHOOL**

COMING UP - JUST FOR YOU Mini-Mission Day & High School Blowout Weekend of March 3 and 4 With Jesse Manibusan

Jesse Manibusan - a well known Catholic youth leader and musician who performs and gives talks at youth events throughout the country.

Having Jesse come to these events is really exciting.

## Join Us on March 3 Mini Mission Day



Start Time: 12:00pm End Time: 8:00pm Where: St. James Cost: \$7:00

What does Mini Mission Day entail? Meet at St. James at noon - bring a sack lunch. We will go to work sites and return around 4pm. We will attend 5pm Mass together, have pizza, and go to the gym to hear Jesse Manibusan.

## Registration Forms Are Due By February 17

## Join Us on March 4 HIGH SCHOOL BLOW OUT



Start Time: 1:00pm End Time: 5:00pm Where: Church of the Annunciation - Kearney Cost: \$10:00

What is the High School Blow Out? This is a Youth Rally for High School Students led by Jesse Manibusan. Meet at St. James at noon - bring a sack lunch. We will go to work sites and return around 4pm. We will attend 5pm Mass together, have pizza, and go to the gym to hear Jesse Manibusan.

## **Registration Forms Are Due By February 18**

# Parish Religious Education

## 2017 - 2018 Daring Disciples Deliver Respect

## **RE Calendar - Important Dates**

- Feb 18 NO Sunday RE, Family Assignment
- Feb 21 First Soup Supper, sponsored by 2nd, 5th, and 6th grades, NO WED RE Class
- Feb 25 Sunday RE Class
- Feb 28 Second Soup Supper, sponsored by 3rd, 4th, and 7th grades. NO WED RE Class
- Mar 3 First Communion Bread Baking Retreat 9-noon
- Mar 4 Sunday RE Class
- Mar 6 Parish Communal Penance Service, 7pm

# Our Lenten Charity

## How can we help?

This year's Lenten Charity is the Migrant Farmworker's Assistance Fund. They are a local organization that provides help and support to the migrant farm workers in our area. Missouri has guite a few crops picked



by migrant workers, but in our area, they come each fall to pick the apples in the orchards around Lexington in Lafayette County to our east. We will feature a speaker from the Assistance Fund each week who will talk about who they serve and what their needs are. Bishop Johnston has asked us to be more aware of issues faced by immigrants and refugees, for the Holy Family were once refugees in the land of Egypt. We ask that you donate at least what you would have spent on dinner that night at the Soup Supper, and those proceeds will go directly to the MFAF.

## Hillcrest Hope Developments Happy Easter, Jason!

We had some great suggestions for an Easter basket o'goodies for Jason, our Hillcrest apartment resident. We'd like to do a little basket of men's items-like a wallet, a watch, some new underwear, and--of course! - some snacks! If you would like to donate an item for Jason, drop it off at the RE office or at the school office during class time. It doesn't have to be anything huge or fancy, just a little something to let him know that we are in his corner and supporting his journey to self-sufficiency. We'll plan to deliver the basket during Holy Week, so you have a few weeks to drop off your donation. And, as always, we thank you for your support of this ministry!

# St. James School News

## Can I afford a Catholic Education?



At St. James School, parents can either fulfill a tithe yearly, or pay tuition costs directly to the school. Here is an explanation of how tithing for education at St. James works.

## Tithing:

- Tithing is a financial contribution to the church. Generally, a tithe is a considered to be 10% of income. (5% to parish, 1% to diocese, 4% to either church or other organizations of your choice)
- In order to participate in a tithing education, your family must be <u>registered and active</u> Catholics at St. James Parish.
- This is defined as a family who: -Attends Sunday Mass regularly -Receive the Sacraments regularly -Contributes financial support to the
  - parish with fulfillment of yearly pledge (The pledge year runs from Jan. 1 - Dec. 31)

## Tuition:

- Tuition costs can vary year to year. Parents are welcome to pay yearly, by semester, or monthly (from August - May).
- A schedule of fees can be found in the school office.

If you have any questions, or would like more information, contact the school office at 816-781-4428 or www.stjames-liberty.org

## What our parents are saying...

"We are grateful to send our kids to a school that is a close knit, caring environment that surrounds families with prayer and encouragement beyond academics."

## **School Mission Statement**

The St. James Catholic School Community, a ministry of the parish, empowers students to achieve their full academic and Christian potential, become prayerful, lifelong learners and good stewards of God's gifts.

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

Ken Bohr Cory Brown Adrian Garza Eric Grampp Mikayla Jacobs Seth Kurtenbach Bertha Lopez Melinda Mehaffy Shelby Murtha Liam Rodriguez Aidan Ryan Barbara De Haven Darren Easterday Brenna Griffis Michael Maus Judith Moore Patricia Roush Ashley Thompson Nancy Streeter Anthony Zahn Karen Brostman Frank Daniels Parker Evans Scott Ewigman Mary Gisi Nancy Goeckel Stephany Guest Lori Hartley

Joe Hussey Teresa Kilgore **Christine Kopp Charles Mortensen** John O'Connor Joseph Passantino Alice Wilson Heather Cuezze Abby Diegel Mason George Casey Homoly Michael Keck Nancy Laven Sara Linderman Lisa Murphy Whitney Roberts Caroline Abbott Lena Armilio Mitchell Cissell Joshua Dickey Michael Downey **Caroline Gomez** Maria Gonzalez Linda Haffner Kenneth Haffner

Molly Hedrick Braden Kittell Matthew McCov Jessica McLean Ryan Rutliff Dave Schnoebelen Stephanie Dillon Justin Francis Jaxon Garvey Jacob Glasford Lori Lesnefsky Russell Nastef Jaime Pasieniuk Patrick Peluso Owen Rodriguez Wanda Decker Arabella Easterday Michael Klamm Harry Landphair Margarita Mendoza Lauren Otte Megan Saffell

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## Leptep Observances for Fast and Abstinence

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fasting and abstinence. In addition, Fridays during Lent are days of abstinence.

The norms on fasting are obligatory from age 18 until age 59. When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal. The norms concerning abstinence from meat are binding from age 14 up.

## We Pray to our Lord Jesus for healing

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