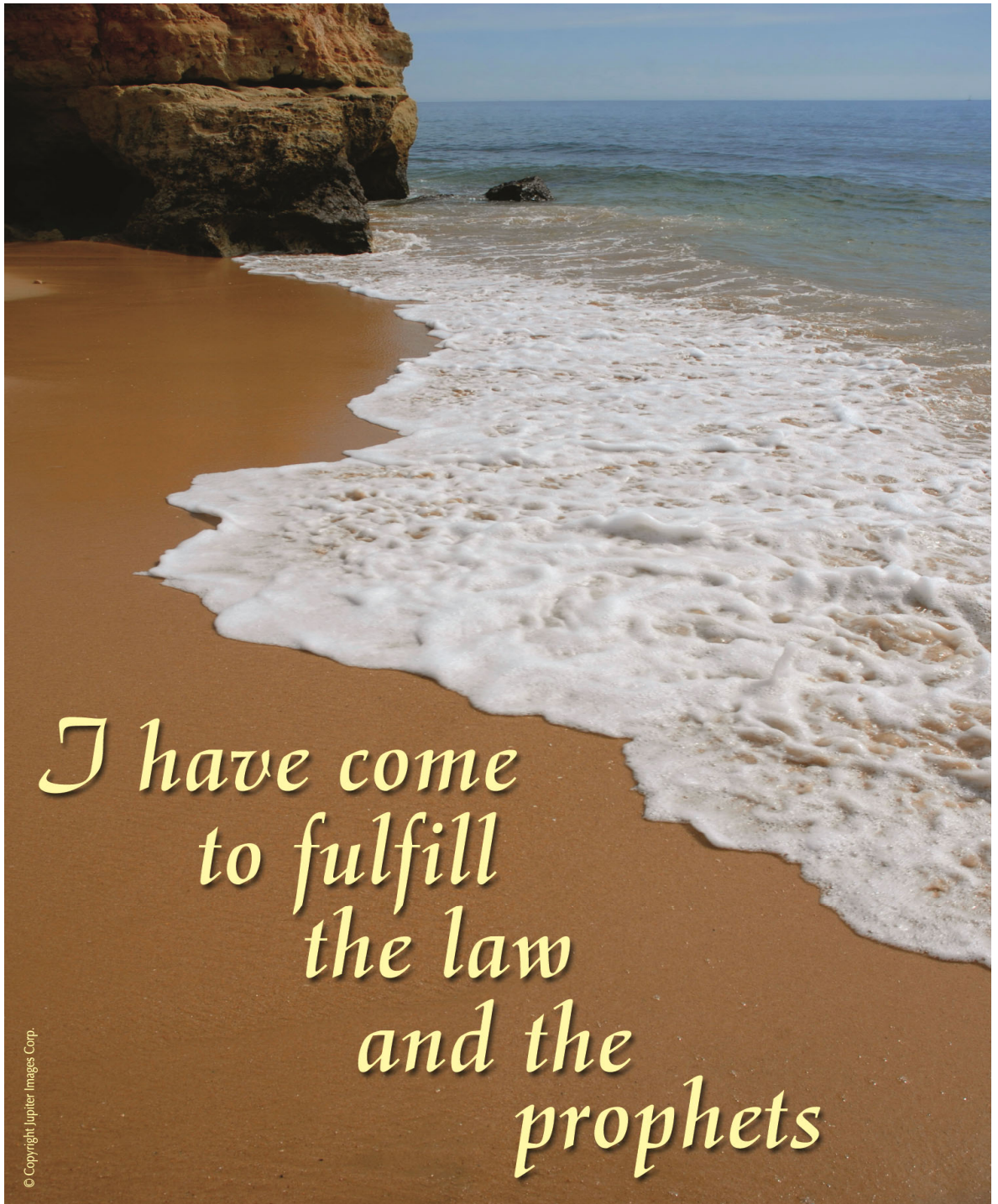


Saint James Catholic Community

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 12, 2017



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to fulfill
the law
and the
prophets*

St. James Catholic Church

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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?

PERMANENT PART TIME CUSTODIAN NEEDED

Permanent part time custodian position (20 hours) needed for St. James School and Church. Must be good at following directions and pass a background check.

Schedule will include weekends. Some experience in cleaning and floor care will be helpful but will train the right person.

For more information send email to Dawn Claxton at

dwnclaxton@gmail.com

or Jim Newell at

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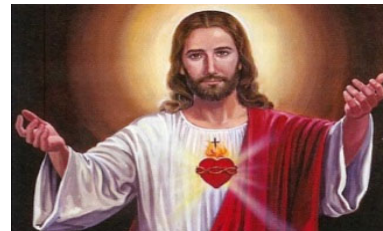
**Thank You,
 Jim Newell, Operations Manager**

Northland Eucharistic Adoration Retreat

Saturday, March 4

9:00am - 3:30pm in the Social Hall

Journey into the Heart of Jesus



Keynote Speaker will be Father Joshua Barlett

You will learn to:

Converse with Jesus

Unload life's burdens

Develop a closer intimacy with God

Take Jesus into your heart, your family, and your world.

Freewill offering, lunch included.

Questions and to RSVP:

Call Mary at 816-215-2677

or email Susan at s.stolwyk@gmail.com

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, 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 I write this pen, I'm enroute to Colorado to spend time this week with my Mom and youngest sister, Danielle. I'm looking forward to getting there and seeing family. Mom has assured me it will be great weather in the 60s all week unlike the last time I visited in January when it was -40, the nation's coldest. I told her then, "I love ya Mom, but I ain't coming back in January again!"

I rolled into my sister's in St. John, KS, late last night. My drive kept getting extended, as I had to slow down for thick fog. Thankfully the roads here are long and straight and no sharp curves so I could still somewhat cruise along and no "slower-than-molasses-drivers" freaked out by the fog. The kids are slowly waking up for school and my sister is treating us to pancakes, bacon, and eggs. What a way to start the day!

And now to switch hats. As vocation director for the Missionaries of the Precious Blood, I would like to extend an invite to any interested men, ages 18-45, who would be interested in discerning and learning more about our community. We will be hosting a Discernment Retreat Friday, March 10 - Sunday, March 12 at St. Charles Center, Carthage, OH. The weekend will be a time to meet with other inquirers, men in formation, and other community members to dialogue about religious life and our Precious Blood spirituality and charism. St. Charles Center, formally our major seminary, today serves our community as Mission House, residence, senior living and infirmary. The place is full of Precious Blood history and wonderful memories and an invitation to continue our mission.

We are a Society of Apostolic Life, priests and brothers sharing a common mission of service to the Church, living a community life, sustained by a spirituality of the Blood of Christ. These three pillars – mission, community, and spirituality – support our life and work together.

As an apostolic community we commit ourselves to the service of God in the Church under the sign of the blood of Christ. Following in the footsteps of St. Gaspar, our founder, we are missionaries, bound together by the bond of charity and engaged in the ministry of the Word, bringing that word of truth and renewal to a world so much in need of God's redeeming and liberating love.

Through many ministries, the Missionaries of the Precious Blood serve those on the margins through work in the inner city, health-care, pastoral care, and advocacy. Our members serve as teachers, pastors, missionaries, retreat leaders, theologians, advocates for those on the margins of society, hospice care workers, and justice and peace advocates.

As we work to continue our mission, we need more men willing to answer the call. Will you consider a life of ministry and service?

In the peace of His Blood, Fr. Timothy

Mass Intentions

Week of February 13 - February 19

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| Monday 8:00am | †Aurora Adrineda |
| Tuesday 8:00am | <i>Saints Cyril and Methodius</i> †Mary Rose Lowman |
| Wednesday 8:00am | †Frank Kromeich |
| Thursday 8:00am | †John and Sarah Thomason |
| Friday 9:00am | Mary Mahoney |
| Saturday 5:00pm | †Chrystal Hampton Georgia Hampton |
| Sunday 7:30am 9:15am 11:00am 6:00pm | †Robert Nystrom Loved Ones of Patrick Peters Family Pernice Family Loved Ones of Robert Florez Family |

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

BINGO Thank You

A big thank you to these local merchants, St. James ministries and others who helped to make this year's Altar Society BINGO a huge success.

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| Hy Vee | Price Chopper |
| Do-Dad's Club | That Man Is You |
| Knights of Columbus | DePalma Family |
| Daryl Sweetland | Fr. Timothy |

Thanks to all who attended

St. James Altar Society

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
or call Daryl in the Parish Office.

All Bulletin articles must be submitted by Monday 12Noon to: bulletin@stjames-liberty.org

The Week Ahead

Sun February 12 : School Families serve coffee and donuts after the 7:30 and 9:15 Masses. All are welcome

—Catechist Retreat, 9:00am at the Precious Blood Center

Mon February 13 : Mass at 8am, rosary to follow

—Pleasant Valley Mass, 10:00am

Tue February 14 : Mass at 8am, rosary to follow

—Legion of Mary meets at 6:30am in Mallon Room

Wed February 15 : Mass at 8am, rosary to follow

—Sponsor's for Christ meet 1st and 3rd Wed; 6:30pm

—Prayer Shawl Ministry meet 2nd and 4th Wed; 6:30pm

—Over 50s / SJ Middle School Pen Pal Lunch, 12:00 noon in the Social Hall

Thurs February 16 : 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 17 : Rosary prayed at 8:15am

—Mass at 9am

Sat February 18 : That Man Is You at 6:15 in the Social Hall

—Militia of the Immaculata at 10:00 in the School Library

—Rosary prayed at 3:00pm

Sun February 19 : Altar Society serves coffee and donuts after the 7:30 and 9:15 Masses. All are welcome

Scriptures for February 18 and 19

Lv 19:1-2, 17-18 / 1 Cor 3:16-23 / Mt 5:38-48

Gift Bearers for February 18 and 19

Sat 5:00pm: Joy Brecht

Sun 7:30am: Mike & Jean Kieffer

9:15am: John & Trish Chee

11:00am: Ryal & Theresa Brier and Family

6:00 pm: Larry & Monique Johnson

Hospitality Greeters for February 18 and 19

Sat 5:00pm: Gary & Cathy Crabtree

Sun 7:30am: Mike & Jean Kieffer and Rick Conard

9:15am: Joe & Connie Scassellati and Ann Tucker

11:00am: Open To A Church Family

6:00 pm: Carol Bloomer

Revised Class Schedule Saturday Morning Faith Sharing A Biblical Walk Through the Mass

February 18 - No Class Session

February 25 - Session 3 - Liturgy of the Eucharist
(Preparation of Gifts, Eucharistic Prayer)

March 4 - No Class Session

March 11 - Session 4 - Liturgy of the Eucharist
(Communion Rite, Concluding Rite)

Special Events

"Students For Life" Speaker This Weekend



STUDENTS FOR LIFE OF AMERICA This weekend we welcome Reagan Barklage, Western Regional Director for Students For Life of America at our Masses .

She will explain what Students For Life is and ways in which the parish can get involved.

Students for Life of America (SFLA) is one of the nation's most active pro-life organizations and the largest youth pro-life organization. They are the only national pro-life organization dedicated to training and equipping college, high school, medical, and law school students so they can defend the preborn and help mothers on their campuses.

Since 2006, they have helped to establish and build over 1,100 student pro-life organizations and have trained tens of thousands of students nationwide.

Valentine Gift Basket Raffle

Last Chance To Buy Tickets For The Valentine Gift Basket Raffle

The Altar Society is sponsoring a raffle for two Valentine Gift Baskets, proceeds from which will go to their Gift Fund for the New Church.



Basket #1 has a value of over \$250 includes:

Christopher Elbow Chocolates
B&B Gift Cards
Cooper's Hawk Wine
\$50.00 Hereford House Gift Card
Skating Party Certificate
and More

Basket #2 has a value of over \$100 includes:

Valentine baby Quilt or wall hanging
2 B&B movie passes
Heart shaped candy dish
Skating Party Certificate
And More



**Raffle Ticket Sales End
After 11am Mass this Sunday
\$3.00 each or 2 tickets for \$5.00**

A  from the
Liturgy/Music Office

HOPES AND DREAMS SURVEY



Have you visited another church and thought, "WOW, that's beautiful. I wonder what our new church will look like?" As we move forward in our building and design process we want to hear from you! It's time to share your "HOPES & DREAMS"

about what our new space will look like. A design team from St. James, led by me, is working hard with architects and interior/liturgical design consultants to create and build a space most worthy of God's Majesty, Glory and Praise. A place where God's faithful gather to share in joy and in suffering. A place where we lift our voices in sung prayer and give thanks to God for our many blessings. And above all else, a place where we share in the Body and Blood of Christ, remembering His death and resurrection.

**On the home page of our parish website,
you will find a link to a short survey.
Just click on the box that says
Hopes and Dreams Survey.**

**Please take just a few minutes and fill it out.
Your answers will be completely anonymous.**

Thank You.

www.stjames-liberty.org

COMMUNION MINISTERS NEEDED

We have several openings for Communion Ministers for the schedule at the following Masses.
Sat. 5:00, Sun. 7:30, 11:00 and 6:00.

If you are willing to be a Minister for an additional Mass please e-mail me at nmstreeter@kc.rr.com
God Bless,

Nancy Streeter

Children's Choir Schedule



2/18 - Practice
2/19 - 11 am Mass
3/4 - Practice
3/5 - 11 am Mass
3/11 - Practice

Someone is Watching and Wondering



Time is too slow for
those who wait, too
swift for those who
fear, too long for those
who grieve, too short
for those who rejoice,
but for those who love,
time is eternity.

In searching for inspiration related to Valentine's day I found this very short poem by Henry van Dyke. Henry was born in Germantown, Pennsylvania in 1852, graduated from Princeton Theological Seminary, and served as professor of English literature at Princeton between 1899 and 1923. His accomplishments are many, including helping to write the first Presbyterian printed liturgy and the *Book of Common Worship*. He wrote many literary pieces and

the lyrics to a popular hymn "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee." Henry van Dyke and President Woodrow Wilson were classmates and friends and in 1913, President Wilson appointed Henry Minister to the Netherlands and Luxembourg. This date was significant in Henry's life, as World War I broke out in Europe within a year. Americans in Europe fled to Holland for refuge from the devastation and horrors of war. Although Henry had little experience as an ambassador, he worked diligently to maintain the rights of these Americans and organized work for their relief. He resigned his ambassadorship in December, 1916, and later wrote about his experiences and perceptions in *Pro Patria*. Helen Keller was another of his many friends and she wrote, "Mr. van Dyke is the kind of a friend to have when one is up against a difficult problem." His response to her: "I'm not an optimist, there's too much evil in the world and in me. Nor am I a pessimist; there is too much good in the world and in God. So I am just a *meliorist, believing that He wills to make the world better, and trying to do my bit to help and wishing that it were more." (*Midstream* by Helen Keller.)

Unless you live in a cocoon, we are all daily bombarded with hate, finger pointing, and falsehoods. At times it is difficult to know what or who to believe. Yet in spite of so much darkness and evil in our world at this particular time in history, I found Dr. van Dyke's words uplifting and life-giving, something I can believe in which re-opens the door of Hope. Likewise, Dr. van Dyke's poem is a perfect wish for Valentine's Day. Hope springs eternal if we remember that Love never fails. After all, God always reveals unfailing, unconditional love for His creation and creatures, but like Dr. van Dyke we each need to do our part.

* A meliorist is a person who believes that the world is neither totally good or evil, but can be improved through human endeavors; remember the church's works of mercy.

Your sister in Christ, *Sandy Gagnon*

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

Last Call For Valentine's Day



HOPE Gift Cards are easy to buy, convenient to use, and what's more, every gift card purchased at St. James helps to support our parish.

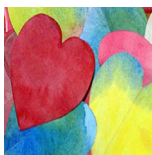
Valentine's Day is only a few days away. But it's not too late to purchase HOPE gift cards for all of your Valentine's Day needs – cards, tableware, gifts, candy, a special dinner – you can pay for all of these things with gift cards from the many merchants whose cards are available.

Whether you're taking your favorite person out for a Valentine's dinner or making a special meal at home, be sure to pick up one of the restaurant or grocery gift cards we have in stock. Remember, restaurant meals are part of your food budget, so purchasing gift cards for meals away from home count towards spending 25% of your food budget in the "Ya Gotta Eat" HOPE Challenge.

You can purchase HOPE gift cards after all weekend Masses at the HOPE table in the church narthex, at the parish or school offices during regular business hours.

HOPE Cards - Anytime / Everytime

Little Saints Playgroup



Little Saints Playgroup will celebrate Valentine's Day on Monday, Feb. 13 at 10:00 am in the Social Hall. Join us as we make a Valentine family prayer craft, and enjoy free play and social interaction.

All parents and caregivers with their infants, toddlers and preschoolers are invited to join us. Feel free to bring a snack to share!

Stewardship of Treasure

Operating Results

January 1 - January 31

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| Operating Income: | \$246,091 |
| Operating Expenses | (\$237,873) |

Let us continue to THANK GOD for the generosity HE provides through the work of your hands. Thank you for sharing of your time, talent and treasure.

New Church Fund (NCF) Information

As of January 31

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| Reserves in Bank: | \$ 3,357,192 |
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We all know Mass times are busy – but, if you have been here, at our church home, during the week - you see the activity produced by our treasure! If you would like to be a part of this with your time and talent, I am sure there is a place for you. No kindness is too small - the ripple effect can be awesome!

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

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

Thank You

To My Church Family - thank you for the Mass, prayers, cards, food, and calls. I felt the prayers.

I think I'm finally over the flu and sinus infection. The doctor this week said it would probably take me a month to get all my energy back.

Thanks and my love to all.

Georgia Hampton



Journey House Fund Raiser

Journey House, a program of Journey to New Life, Inc., is a 22-bedroom support home for women coming from prison. Four Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet established and operate the home, as well as serve as companions to the more than 125 women who visit the home each year.

A recent energy audit showed that all 76 windows at Journey House, a concrete structure built in 1917, are leaking lots of air causing the house's energy bills to

skyrocket. Because 93 cents of every dollar Journey to New Life receives is spent on direct client services, little room remains for high utility bills.

We hope you can join us on February 24th, 2017 at the 2016 Main event space, 5-9 p.m., as we raise awareness of our ministry and raise dollars for more energy efficient windows for Journey House.

Tickets are \$75.00. Call Susan Long (816) 960-4808 x 206 or visit our website for on-line ticketing: www.journeytonewlife.org.

SATURDAY
FEBRUARY 25TH
6:00 -9:00PM

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Smithville, MO
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we can accommodate
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MARDI GRAS

Chili & Simple Soup Supper * Wedding Style Family Dance * Chicken Dance * Hokey Pokey * Cake Walk * Parade for Kids * King Cake * Face Painting *Sundaes
*Please Bring: 2 Dozen Cookies & Your Favorite Ice Cream Topping!

FAMILY DANCE



BEGINNING EXPERIENCE A Weekend Away for a Lifetime of Change

- Serves 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 3-5, 2017
at Precious Blood Center, Liberty, MO.

For more information visit:
www.beginningexperiencekc.org
email: register.bekc@gmail.com

or contact Lynn 785-282-8964, or Teresa 816-529-9002.

YOGA FEBRUARY SCHEDULE
There will be YOGA on February 14
No YOGA on February 21 and 28

Our Faith In Action

Not Too Late To Attend



WALKING WITH PURPOSE Women's Bible Study

Are you interested in getting together with a group of women to explore your faith? Don't have much Scripture knowledge, but you would like to see how the Scriptures apply to your everyday life? If so, we invite you to consider joining Walking with Purpose at St. James.

Walking with Purpose is a Catholic Bible study for women that aims to bring women to a deeper personal relationship with Christ. Through personal study and small group discussions, the group helps to link our everyday challenges with solutions given to us through the teachings of Christ and the Catholic Church.

Weekly group sessions are . . .

Wednesday Evening (6:45-7:45)

or Thursday Morning (10:30-11:30)

For questions or to RSVP, call or email:

Lauren Solidum (Wednesday) – 417-343-1771
laurensolidum@yahoo.com

Karen Ridder (Thursday) – 816-429-5026
karencame@juno.com (kids welcome)

Faithful Fitness

Love Yourself By Doing Something Good For Your Body!
Come Get Healthy and Fit
Check Out Faithful Fitness This Year
To Get A Fresh Start



When: Thursday mornings - February 2, 9, 16 & 23
from 8:30-9:30 am
Saturday mornings - February 4, 11, 18 & 25
from 8:30-9:30 am

Where: St James Social Hall

Cost: \$5 with 20% being tithed back to the church

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

Instructor: Joni Fleck, Parishioner

 Start your Faithful Fitness Journey today! 

6th-12th Grade Youth Ministry

6TH-8TH GRADE FAITH SHARING

This week, the readings tell us to love our neighbor and forgive our enemies. This can be a hard task sometimes! Come to Faith sharing Wednesday 6:30-8pm to learn more!

Love Your Neighbor
Forgive Your Enemies

Don't forget, Wednesday, February 15 is Family Day – bring your parents.

HIGH SCHOOL

High School Youth Group

Pews For HS Students Reserved at 6pm Mass



Come join us at the 6:00pm Sunday Mass. The front few pews will be reserved for all High School Students.

All High School youth are invited to sit together and share in the Mass before Confirmation class and Youth Group each week. What better way to start Youth Group and Confirmation class than sharing in the Mass together!

Cookies and Cocoa



We will be having a Cookie and Hot Cocoa Bar after all the Masses February 25 and 26 to raise money for Steubenville!

All High Schoolers are asked to bring a few dozen cookies! If anyone else would like to donate a dessert or cookies for this event it would be greatly appreciated!! All Steubenville participants come help with the bake sale after the Masses to help offset your cost!

Come support our youth and this amazing conference!

And Fun Was Had By All !



We had a good turnout for our High School Youth Group Super Bowl party last weekend.

They watched the game (cheering for their special team), played Bingo (and won prizes), played games, sang Karaoke, enjoyed snacks and had a fun evening.

Our next High School Youth Group meeting will be on Sunday, March 5 after the 6:00pm Mass. You won't want to miss it!

Parish Religious Education

2016 - 2017 Live Like Jesus

RE Calendar - Important Dates

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| Feb 12 | Catechist Retreat - No Sunday Class |
| Feb 15 | Wed RE Class--FAMILY DAY |
| Feb 19 | Sunday RE -- FAMILY DAY |
| Feb 22 | Wed RE Class |
| Feb 26 | No Sunday RE |
| Feb 28 | MARDI GRAS!!!! |

February Update . . .

This Sunday is our Catechists Retreat, so there will be no Sunday morning RE classes. Every year we take all of our catechists away for a morning of retreat and renewal so that we can come back refreshed and ready for Lent and all of the many things we will have going on then. Please keep all of our volunteers in your prayers this week – we are all so grateful for the way that they all share so selflessly of their time, their talent, and their faith. We are lucky to have them!

Our Hillcrest HOPE couple is about ready to graduate as they have met their goals. We will send them off with a small party to celebrate their accomplishment. Their story is not one without any bumps – Jernesha and Eugene have decided to go their separate ways. While it's always sad to see a couple break up, we can celebrate the fact that their time at Hillcrest helped them learn skills that they will use in the rest of their lives. We will need to refurbish the apartment, so we will be sending out a Signup Genius for anyone who would like to help restock the pantry or prepare a Welcome Home meal for our new family.

Our little parish staff group is getting ready for the trip to the Los Angeles Religious Education Conference at the end of this month. I always look forward to this opportunity – it's great to hear nationally known speakers talk about new methods and new models. More and more, others are coming to realize what we here have known for a quite a while – the old, "traditional" method of religious education doesn't work for today's families. I am looking forward to hearing what others around the country have been trying. We are excited that this year Father Timothy is able to join us – he's going as part of his "other" job as Director of Vocations, but it will be great to have him along!

And finally, don't forget that our next class is a Family Day, so plan to come and share some activities with your child. Our preschoolers will not participate in Family Day, so they will have class in their rooms as usual.

St. James School News

Our 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.

JOIN THE FUN!

As the new year begins, so does our spring planning! Do you have lots of fun ideas! We are looking for help on two new committees! If you would like to join the planning committees for one of the following activities please contact the school office.

Leaping Saints!

Snake Saturday Parade

Saturday, March 11th



St. James School will participate in the parade! We are in need of a committee to help plan, design and build the float!

Glow Run 2017

Friday, April 21st



St. James School will host our 1st Annual Family 5K Glow Run! We are very excited to add this event to our spring calendar! We are looking for many hands to help make this event a success!

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

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We Pray to our Lord Jesus for healing

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Altar Society Retreat



All women of the parish are invited to attend the Altar Society's annual retreat on Saturday, March 4, from 10 am - 3 pm at the Precious Blood Center.

The retreat will be conducted by Fr. Timothy Armbruster and will conclude with Mass from 2 - 3 pm. This Mass does fulfill your Sunday Mass obligation.

Cost of the retreat, including lunch is \$10.

To register, contact Carla Travaglianti at 816-781-8882 by Wednesday, March 1.

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