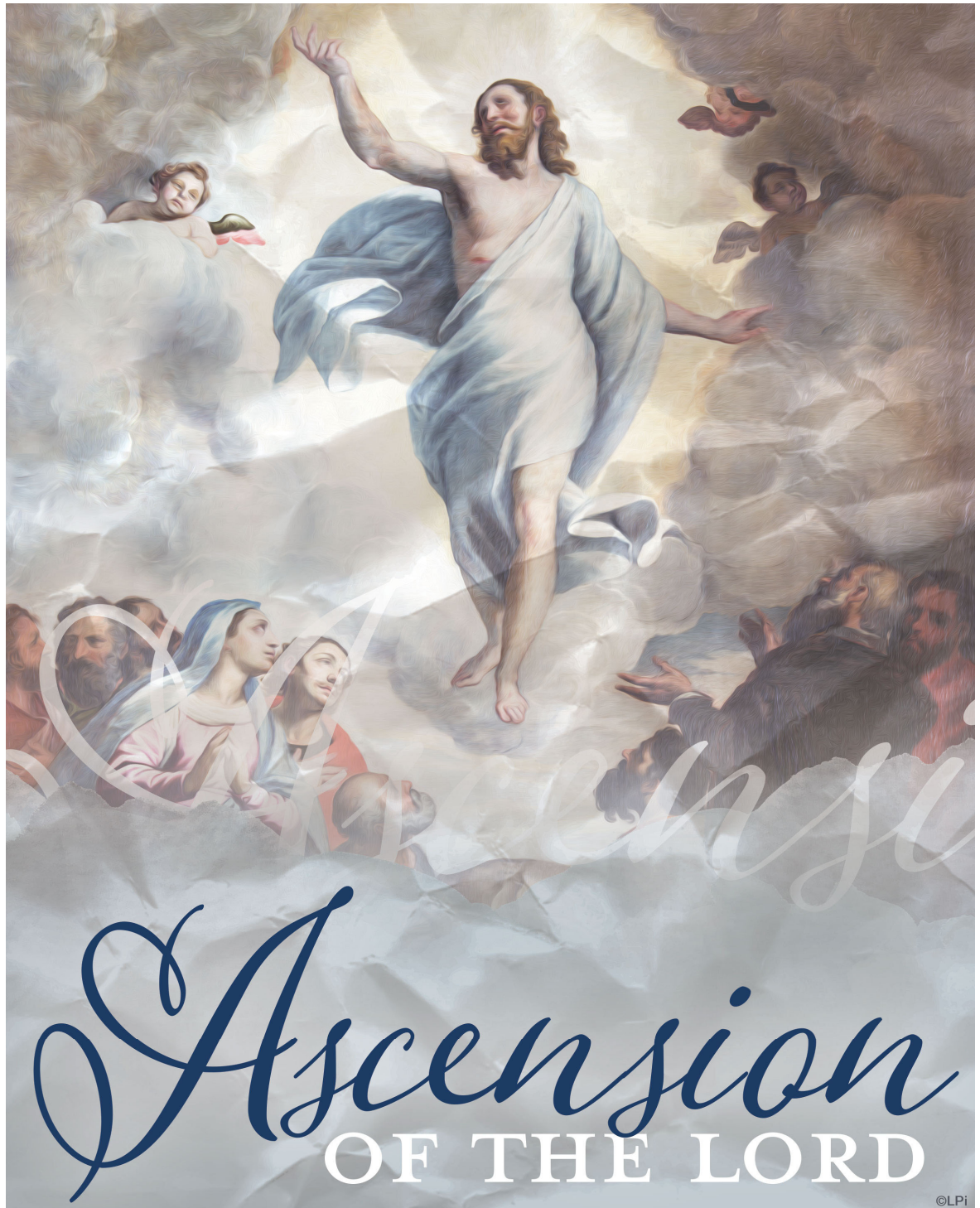


# *Saint James Catholic Community*

*The Ascension of the Lord*

*May 13, 2018*



## *Ascension* OF THE LORD

### **St. James Catholic Church**

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<https://www.facebook.com/#!/groups/stjamesliberty/>

### **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?

### WORK ON THE SITE OF OUR NEW CHURCH HAS BEGUN!

Our cross and the sign that have marked the center point of the new church for some years was removed last week to make room for excavation.

Signs were put up to designate the playground as a secured area.



Security fences have been installed around the perimeter. The heavy equipment has rolled in and excavation has begun.

Stay tuned as we continue the construction journey in this column.

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

## We're Going To The Ball Game



**Friday, June 15**  
**7:15 pm**



That's a Buck Night game with fireworks. We'll have buses for those who want to avoid the hassle and expense of driving and parking, but it's not a requirement for going.

**TICKETS ON SALE NOW IN PARISH OFFICE**

**THEY ARE SELLING QUICKLY**  
**BE SURE TO GET YOURS SOON.**

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

This weekend we celebrate the Feast of the Ascension – the ascending of the Risen Lord into heaven. This feast is 40 days after Easter and is traditionally celebrated on “Ascension Thursday” but has been moved to the 7<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter, so that it can be more fully celebrated by parish communities.

We also celebrate Mother's Day – and are grateful for all mothers, grandmothers, and all the women who have played such an important role in our lives. Our sanctuary is so beautifully decorated with roses to help us celebrate our Mothers who have gone before us. We thank God for all the ways He shows us the Gift of Love and may we be that source of Love for one another!

We also remember all the young people who are graduating this time of year. We pray that these young people and their families will trust in the guidance of God's Spirit as they celebrate this time of transition in their lives!

This is certainly an exciting Spring here at St. James, as we see the construction process beginning on the building of our new church! We are so grateful that we are at this point.

A special thanks to all who have been such good and faithful stewards, who have helped this construction process begin! We also pray as the new building takes shape and is formed into a beautiful Worship space for our parish community into the future, we may build the "Church" within each of our own lives and our parish family – a community living out the message of Christ to all who come our way!

Next weekend we celebrate the Feast of Pentecost, the closing of the Easter Season, with Jesus' Resurrection, Ascension and the Power of God's Holy Spirit sent upon the Apostles!

May we trust in the guidance of God's Spirit among us and be that source of God's Goodness and Love in all that we do!

Peace,  
Fr. Mike

## Mass Intentions

### Week of May 14 - May 20

|                                                                         |                                                                                  |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Monday</b><br>8:00am                                                 | <i>Saint Matthias</i><br>Theresa Praschak                                        |
| <b>Tuesday</b><br>8:00am                                                | Annemarie Pfeiffer                                                               |
| <b>Wednesday</b><br>8:00am                                              | †Jim Fuenfhausen<br>†Louis Kelsey                                                |
| <b>Thursday</b><br>8:00am                                               | Brad and Mary Hover                                                              |
| <b>Friday</b><br>9:00am                                                 | †Fred Thomason                                                                   |
| <b>Saturday</b><br>5:00pm                                               | †Arlyne Marks                                                                    |
| <b>Sunday</b><br>7:30am<br>9:15am                                       | <i>Pentecost Sunday</i><br>†Frank Kromeich<br>Mary Immaculate Queen<br>Persidium |
| <b>11:00am</b><br><b>6:00pm</b>                                         | †Thomas R. Balk<br>Virgil Adcineda<br>†Beatrice Usera                            |
| William Jewell College Mass<br>Resumes in the Fall<br>Enjoy Your Summer |                                                                                  |



## *From Death to New Life*

### ***Our prayer support is with ...***

Dave Robinson on the death of his wife Jeannie who passed away on April 29. Dave and his family are former long-time St. James parishioners.

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

## Contact Info

### **Sacrament of Reconciliation:**

Sat 4pm until finished; any time requested.

### **Sacrament of Baptism:**

Baptismal Preparation Classes: Once a month  
Contact Kirsten Maggi in the parish office, ext. 202 or  
kirsten.maggi@stjames-liberty.org

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

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

***We Welcome You!***

**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 May 13 :** School Families serve coffee and donuts after the 7:30, and 9:15 Masses. All are welcome  
—Diaper Drive at all Masses

**Mon May 14 :** Mass at 8am, rosary to follow

**Tue May 15 :** Mass at 8am, rosary to follow  
—Legion of Mary meets at 6:30am in the Mallen Room

**Wed May 16 :** Mass at 8am, rosary to follow  
—Over 50s potluck and meeting, 12 noon, Social Hall  
—Catholic Women's Bible Study, 6:00pm, Teacher's Lounge  
—Sponsor's for Christ meet 1st and 3rd Wed; 6:30pm  
—Prayer Shawl Ministry meet 2nd and 4th Wed; 6:30pm  
—Bible Study, 6:30 - 8:00pm in St. Tony Room

**Thurs May 17 :** Mass at 8am, rosary to follow  
—May Crowning, 9:15am in the church  
—10:00am - 9:00pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament  
—33 Days to Morning Glory Retreat, 6:30pm, School Library

**Fri May 18 :** Mass at 9:00am

**Sat May 19 :**  
—That Man Is You at 6:15am in the Social Hall  
—Faith Sharing at 10:00am, School Library, "Who Am I To Judge: Recovering the Basics: Virtue and Friendship"

**Sun May 20 :** That Man Is You serves coffee and donuts after the 7:30, and 9:15 Masses. All are welcome

### Scriptures for May 19 and 20 Masses

Acts 2:1-11 / 1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 / Jn 20:19-23

### Gift Bearers for May 19 and 20

**Sat 5:00pm:** Bud & Twyla Stevens

**Sun 7:30am:** Jim & Robin Sandt

**9:15am:** David & Lesa Feess

**11:00am:** Jennifer & Quinn Knabe

**6:00 pm:** Jamie & Chad Pasieniuk & Family

### Hospitality Greeters for May 19 and 20

**Sat 5:00pm:** Valerie Beumer

**Sun 7:30am:** Sandy Turner and Pat Cull

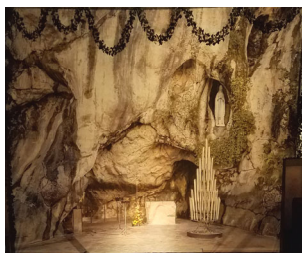
**9:15am:** Don & Geri Binggeli and Janet Zackert

**11:00am:** Lorraine Hilts

**6:00 pm:** Charlie & Kristen Miller

## Special Events

### Visit Our Lady of Lourdes Display In The Social Hall This Weekend Through May 19



Last month the TMIY group had a session that featured a large reproduction of Our Lady of Lourdes within in the rock cave at Massabielle. Several parishioners have asked if this display could be shared with the parish.

We are happy to announce that for one week starting Saturday May 12th through Saturday May 19th all are invited to the social hall (south west corner) to experience Our Lady of Lourdes. It will be on view for Saturday and Sunday masses.

During the week we will use chair racks to cordon it off to help keep it from being harmed accidentally. All are free to move the racks but please put them back when finished. The display includes back lights which can be operated by a simple switch. Please turn off the lights when you or your group complete your devotions.

*A prayer that you may wish to say when you visit the display is on page 7.*



**May 12/13**

The annual Mother's Day Diaper Drive will again benefit Love INC partnering with Liberty Women's Clinic.

We are seeking on their behalf: diapers, baby wipes, wash, shampoo and lotion. A collection playpen will be available in the Narthex from May 5 through May 13 for your contributions.

Love INC and Liberty Women's Clinic thank you for your support.



## A from the Liturgy/Music Office



### *The Ascension of the Lord*

*He said to them,  
"Go into the whole world  
and proclaim the gospel  
to every creature."*

*Mark 16:15*

### **Reflection**

Today's Solemnity calls each of us to go out to the nations and *proclaim the Gospel to every creature* (Mark 16:15). As pastoral musicians, clergy, and ministers of the liturgy, we fulfill the commission to be "witnesses" in our own Jerusalem. Sunday after Sunday through our sung and spoken texts, we are called to embrace our universal call to holiness. The great hymn, "Lord, You Give the Great Commission" by Jeffery Rowthorn inspires us to embrace the gifts of the Spirit that "empowers us for the work of ministry."

### **Prayer**

O God of all the nations, as members of the Mystical Body of Christ, help us to embrace the universal call of holiness, as we sing with all creation in awaiting the day of our own triumphant resurrection from the dead and possession of your everlasting kingdom.



## Westminster Concert Bell Choir

**Kathleen Ebling Shaw, conductor**

*Join the Westminster Concert Bell Choir as they celebrate 40 years of ringing! The choir will perform their top hits from the past 40 years featuring original works, transcriptions of light classics, hymn tune arrangements and pop favorites all on the world's largest range of Handbells (C1 to C9) and Choirchime® Instruments.*

**Wednesday, May 23, 2018 • 7 p.m.**

Nativity of Mary Catholic Church  
10017 E. 36th Terrace S. • Independence, MO

## Someone is Watching and Wondering



I recently found this image of a painting by Cynthia Snider, entitled *Grandmother's Love*. As I looked at the detail of this painting I had two thoughts. The first was the cher-

ished memories I have of my maternal grandmother and the second is how blessed I am to be called grandma by five very special people.

My grandmother, Lily Hamit, was a special person who brought joy to so many children. You might wonder if she was a teacher or nurse. No she made dolls. She made her first set of Raggedy Ann and Andy dolls in 1948, the year I was born. In fact my Aunt gave me these original dolls when my youngest son, Ross, was born. Although the fabric has gotten thin in a few places, both Ann and Andy have survived. I don't think anyone knows how many sets of dolls my grandmother made, or how many children benefitted from her gift but I know they numbered in the hundreds. Her dolls were unique from those you can purchase in that they had two faces; one face awake and smiling the other sleeping peacefully. When grandma gave these dolls to little girls and boys she also made a set of matching clothes for the child. I remember being so proud when I wore my matching dress and apron and brought my dolls to school to share with my classmates. I think telling the story of my grandma was the best part of that day. Before her death she told me: "I am so lucky. I crossed the prairie in a covered wagon, came to visit in a jet plane, and watched the first man step foot on the moon." I remember these words so vividly because she spoke them during one of our last conversations I had with her.

I don't make dolls like my grandma but she taught me so many things and today I try to pass some of those lessons on to my grandchildren. Here is one thing I know to be true: "Our grandchildren accept us for ourselves, without rebuke or effort to change us, as no one in our entire lives has ever done, not our parents, siblings, spouses, friends – and hardly ever our own grown children" (Ruth Goode). Grandchildren certainly are a blessing, and I hope mine will one day remember me just as I am like I remember my grandma.

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, Jacob Davis Harris, Antony Anderson, Brody Moubry.



***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**

##### ***May Is Graduation Month***

Are you looking for that perfect graduation gift or having a graduation celebration?



If you're not sure what the graduate wants, likes, or needs, give him or her a HOPE gift card – we have a wide variety of gift cards available on the HOPE gift card order form.

Wondering what cards your graduate might like? Here's some ideas - iTunes cards are always a big hit; after all what teenager doesn't like music? Then there's Best Buy cards for those who like "techie toys". Boys who are into sports would appreciate a card from Roger's Sporting Goods, Academy Sports or Dicks. For girls, consider a Maysy's Nail and Pedicure or Bed, Bath & Beyond card. If your graduate is headed to college in the fall, a card for where they can get new duds – Penny's, Kohls, Macy's or Target might be just the thing.

If you're hosting a graduation party, be sure to pick up one or more gift cards from Walmart, HyVee, Price Chopper, Sprouts or Target for all of your party supplies – food, table decorations, graduation cards – these stores have it all and more.

Of course, we continue to sell HOPE Gift Cards after every weekend Mass and in the Parish and School offices during regular business hours. Cards ordered by 10 am on Monday are available for pick up on Friday morning in the parish office or after weekend Masses.

**Buy HOPE Cards for  
All Your Graduation Needs**

*"As water reflects the face,  
so one's life reflects the heart."  
Proverbs 27:19*

## ***Stewardship of Treasure***

### **Month End Estimate**

**April 2018**

|                    |             |
|--------------------|-------------|
| Operating Income:  | \$271,132   |
| Operating Expenses | (\$245,761) |

WOW! I had told you Easter expenses would be coming and you came through. Thank you. Adult envelopes, which is our main source of income, has been running \$100k plus short of budget for months. April you came in. We are now \$78k short of budget. I know that does not sound great, but seriously – thank you. This will help tremendously. One of the church A/C units is needing help. We will be able to look more seriously at taking care of the issue. We work very hard to be fiscally responsible with the parish money. We are diligent about not spending money we do not have. Thank you for supporting our parish family, our home and the ministries we provide.

### **New Church Fund (NCF) Information**

**April 2018**

|                   |             |
|-------------------|-------------|
| Reserves in Bank: | \$5,134,264 |
|-------------------|-------------|

As I stated last month, you will see the reserve decline as we have started the building process. The bills being paid are starting to exceed the income coming in. An extremely exciting time.

As always, if you have any questions and/or concerns about any financial numbers – please feel free to contact me.

Blessings,  
Katie Klassen

816-781-4343 x220    [Katie@stjames-liberty.org](mailto:Katie@stjames-liberty.org)

## Server Training May 21

Server training for any child in the 4th grade or higher will be held in the church on Monday, May 21 from 3:30pm until 6:00pm.

Being an altar server is a great way to be a part of the weekend Masses and a good way for kids to be involved. There is a registration form for Mom or Dad to fill out which will be available that day.



## New Communion Ministers Needed



We are in need of additional Communion Ministers for weekend Masses, hospital, nursing home and home bound. We have several openings for all the Masses except the 9:15am.

If you are interested in this wonderful Ministry, you must attend one formation session at St. James Church. **Our next session will be on Monday, May 21 at 6:30pm.**

To register, please contact Nancy Streeter by e-mail at [nmstreeter@kc.rr.com](mailto:nmstreeter@kc.rr.com) no later than May 20.

## Diocese 50th Wedding Anniversary Mass June 10



A Mass honoring all couples in the diocese celebrating 50 years of marriage in the year 2018 will be celebrated by Bishop James Johnston at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, June 10 at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception. Each couple will receive a card and a gift. Immediately following the liturgy there will be a dessert reception at the Catholic Center at 9th and Baltimore in the Cardinal Baum Room.

This celebration will include all couples who have celebrated or will be celebrating their Golden Wedding Anniversary between January 1, 2018 and December 31, 2018. If you were married in 1968, please call the parish office no later than May 23 to let us know whether or not you will be attending this celebration. If you are unable to attend, you will receive a congratulatory letter and gift in the mail.

## Fr. Michael Mulhearn, C.M. Celebrating 50th Year of Ordination



Fr. Michael Mulhearn, C.M., who assisted at our parish for a time several years ago, is celebrating his 50th Anniversary of ordination to the Priesthood on Sunday, May 20, 2018, at St. John LaLande Catholic Church, 805 NW R D Mize Rd, Blue Springs, MO 64015 at 2:00pm.

A talented pianist, while assisting here, Fr. Mulhearn gave a piano concert for our parishioners. He also was the guest speaker at last year's Glory Be Tea.

If you wish, you are more than welcome to attend this Mass of celebration.

## Our Lady of Lourdes Prayer

We offer the following as a prayer you may wish to say when you visit the Lady of Lourdes display.

*Oh ever immaculate Virgin, Mother of Mercy, Health of the Sick, Refuge of Sinners, Comforter of the Afflicted, you know my wants, my troubles, my sufferings. Look upon me with mercy. When you appeared in the grotto of Lourdes, you made it a privileged sanctuary where you dispense your favors, and where many sufferers have obtained the cure of their infirmities, both spiritual and corporal. I come, therefore, with unbounded confidence to implore your maternal intercession. My loving Mother, obtain my request. I will try to imitate your virtues so that I may one day share your company and bless you in eternity. Amen.*

## Counseling

Gardens are being planted in hopes of a good harvest. If you would like to explore how to enjoy more of the fruits of your relationships, consider counseling. Fr. Garry Richmeier is a Licensed Professional Marriage and Family Therapist, providing family, marital, and individual counseling, as well as Spiritual Direction. He has offices in Liberty and in midtown Kansas City, and takes donations in lieu of set fees. For more information or to schedule an appointment, contact Fr. Garry at 816-415-2998 or [garrycpps@gmail.com](mailto:garrycpps@gmail.com)

## Faithful Fitness

**When:** Saturday mornings - from 8:30-9:30 am

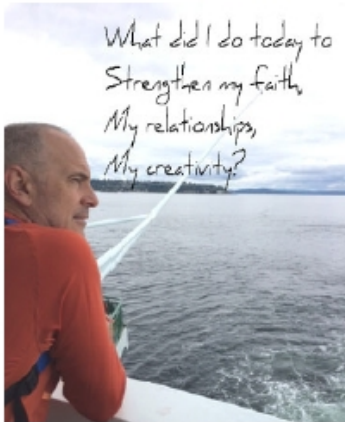
**Where:** St James Social Hall

**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

## Our Faith In Action

### Reflections in Faith Prayer and Meditation



Join Us on Monday  
May 7, 14, 21, & 28  
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**

#### Psalm 48:9

"Within your temple,  
O God,  
we meditate on your  
unfailing love"



**PRECIOUS BLOOD  
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a ministry of the Missionaries of the Precious Blood

2130 St. Gaspar Way  
Liberty, MO 64068  
[pbrenewalcenter.org](http://pbrenewalcenter.org)



### In Search of the Real Mary

Presented by Biagio Mazza

Thursday, May 17

6:00 Simple Soup Supper      6:45 Presentation

Who is Mary and what do we know about her from the various Biblical passages that pertain to her? Mary was a first century Jewish woman who struggled like we do to discern and make sense of where God was leading her. She was a woman of faith caught up in the faith traditions of her Jewish ancestors who nurtured within her a certain image of God. In a male dominated society, Mary had to struggle to maintain her dignity and worth. She experienced what it is like to leave home, be an immigrant and refugee from oppressive and unjust powers while trying to keep her family together and safe.

This session will explore these and other facets of Mary's life as understood through the cultural and historical unpacking of various biblical passages pertaining to her. We will explore her role in Jesus' life and in the life of the Church.

Suggested donation: \$25.00

Register by May 14th  
at [info@pbrenewalcenter.org](mailto:info@pbrenewalcenter.org) or 816.415.3745

## 6th-12th Grade Youth Ministry

### Bookmark for Graduates

*May you be always aware  
God is with you  
as you continue your  
new life journey .*

*May you ever know  
Jesus walking  
beside you  
In the victories and  
in the challenges,  
in the laughter  
and the tears.*

*May you be aware of  
all the ways the  
Holy Spirit  
**ILLUMINATES**  
your gifts for the  
world to see.*

*And may you always  
know **St James** as a  
place you call  
**Home!***

With Love and Prayers,  
The St. James  
Parish Community

*Cut out and share with a graduate.*

## Parish Religious Education

### 2017 - 2018 Daring Disciples Deliver Respect

## Hillcrest News

### It's Graduation Time!

Jason, our resident, has made amazing progress! As part of the Hillcrest process, he worked on budgeting, family counseling, career counseling – they work with the residents to identify what the road was that landed them at Hillcrest and help them find their way back on track. As part of that process, Jason decided that he wanted to signify his changed approach to life, so he's now going by his middle name, Marquan. We congratulate Marquan on successfully completing the Hillcrest program and moving on to transitional housing – Hillcrest walks with their graduates for five years after graduation to be sure that it "sticks." Our thanks to everyone at Family Day who donated to help buy Marquan a grocery gift card for his graduation gift from his church family and donated to help restock the shelves in our apartment for our new family.



A new family has not been chosen yet – but the staff at Hillcrest are diligent about getting new families in ASAP. So Marquan moved out on the 1st and we'll need to do some maintenance and cleaning, as well as putting the kitchen together and making a Welcome Home meal.

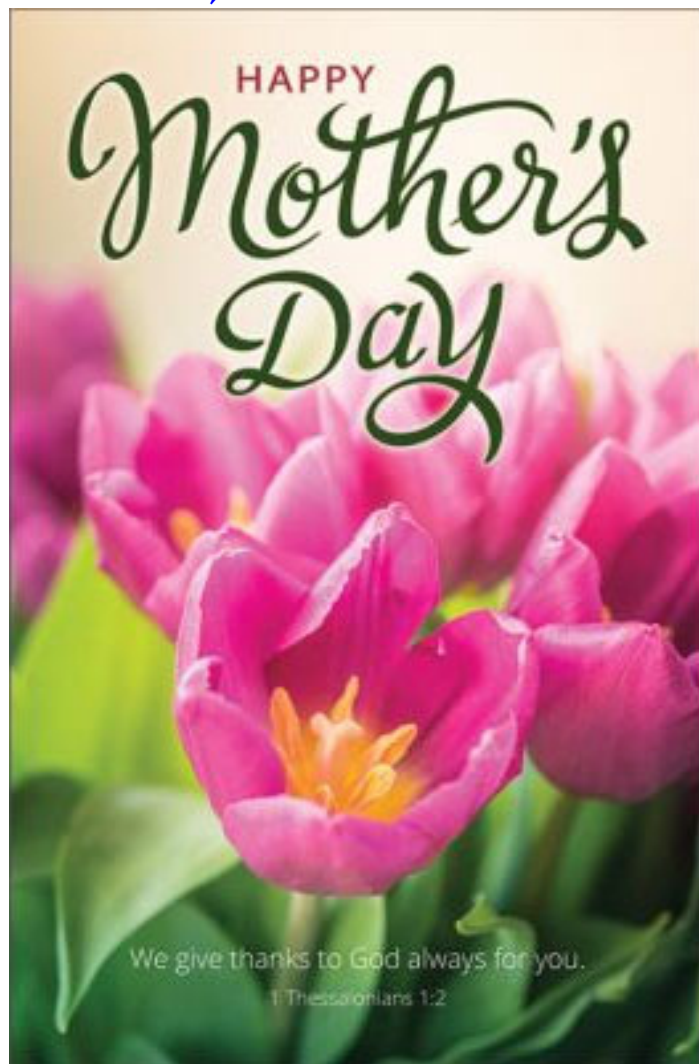
### Clean up, Clean up!

We said goodbye to Marquan as he graduated from the program and moved on to the transitional program and independent living. Now it's time for us to do some maintenance work and cleaning so that we can be ready for a new family. The staff at Hillcrest will handle interviewing potential candidates but we have asked them to give us a little time to get things spruced up.

If you'd like to help with the cleaning, contact Cecilia. Cleanup will be pretty easy as Marquan was extremely tidy! We'll also need to restock the cabinets and prepare a Welcome Home meal when a new family has been selected. Our thanks to everyone who donated at the last Family Day – it gave us enough to give Marquan a graduation gift (grocery gift card) as well as to restock the pantry.

Thank you!

## St. James School News



### St. James School Summer Hours:

**Last Day: May 23rd, noon dismissal**

**Office hours: Monday - Thursday**

**June 4th - June 28th**

**9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.**

**Starting July 30th, hours will be**

**8:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.**

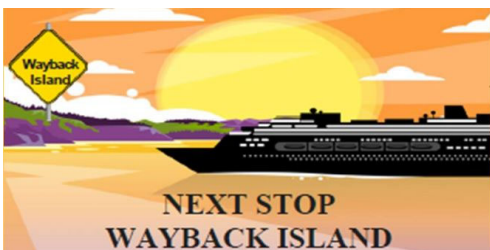
### School Mission Statement

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.**

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| Nathan Campbell    | Alexander Trinidad   | Curt Laven        |
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| Linda Elbow        | Leah Naseem          | Nina Teevan       |
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| John Mohr          | Molly Gray           | Viviana Martinez  |
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| Kimberly Schneider | Sophia Levas         | Bert Powers       |
| Kiley Timmerberg   | Sydney Marshall      | Timothy Schell    |
| Wesley Wooten      | Maxwell Mereness     | Katlyn Boman      |
| Joseph Amaro       | Kristopher Miller    | Joseph Donnici    |
| Tyler Bodnar       | Antoinette Mussorici | Gabriel Lozano    |
| Mark Grogan        | Quinn Peters         | Sophia Moore      |
| Henry Hames        | Joseph Schuster      | Ashley Muck       |
| Narsok Juma        | William Sharp        | Logan             |
| Maria Luczak       | Matthew Sutherland   | Obermueller       |
| Dylan McCloskey    | Susan Benoit         | Kathleen Peters   |
| Taylor McCloskey   | Blake Coddling       | Seeley Sousley    |
| Katelynn Nogueira  | Carrie Dugan         | Leslie Thompson   |
| Zachary Rogers     | Theresa Holmes       | Ann Vandivort     |
| Jacob Selock       | Linda Houghtaling    | Margaret Whisnant |

## **When Did You Join The Parish ???**



This month, as part of our WAYBACK ISLAND display in the narthex, we will be asking all of our parish families to write down their family name on our timeline display.

We hope you will be able to put the year you joined the parish too. If you have any deceased (or incapacitated) relatives who were members at St. James it would be great if you would write down their names too.

Now is the time to start looking up those dates.

### **Help Wanted - House Cleaner**

Toni Arthur is looking for someone in the parish to clean her house once a month.

If interested, contact her at 816-500-2855.

## **We Pray to our Lord Jesus for healing**

|                         |                          |                         |
|-------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|
| Leola (Maggie) Schmidt  | Loren Wolken             | Denny Anderson          |
| Annmarie Pfeiffer       | Kristie Koontz           | Matt Biskup Family      |
| Pamela & James Anderson | Ellie Rocco              | Kim Lackey              |
| Travis Shay             | Beth Heide               | Pam Fink                |
| Gene Lewey              | Rebecca Wilke            | John Nauser             |
| Danny Baker             | Emmanuel Monzon, Sr.     | Bill Roach, Jr.         |
| Barbara Meigs           | Marietta Wimmer          | Rachel Zimmerman        |
| Connie Hollomon         | Keith Jawson             | Jacob and Dana Glasford |
| Nursing Home Residents  | Sherri Thomas            | Becky Weathers          |
| Tony and Tet So         | Judy Dunnigan            | Roberta McCallum        |
| Travis and Sarah Shay   | Carla George             | Keith Newman            |
| Jack and Linda          | Angie Reed Family        | Gary Andrew Reese       |
| Patrick Scroggins       | Raef                     | Emma Shay               |
| Maddie                  | Terry Rigg               | Joseph Greenwald        |
| Julie Sildeck           | Bryan Amos               | Sam Porter              |
| Stan Carver             | Sue McKnight             | Mary Alice Worth        |
| Jackie R.               | Ron Ward                 | Amy Villereal           |
| The Curiel Family       | Kyle Sellmeyer           | Lauren Daldrop          |
| Kristina Mitchell       | Margarita Mendoza Family | Lori and Sam Daleo      |
| Nancy Hummel            | Reba Suttief             | Mary Kaye Masnado       |
| Nathan Golder           | Mike Hojnacke            | Carolee Bussjaeger      |
| Penny                   | Lindsay                  | John Amaro              |
| Janice Jones            | Bob Hedrick              | Jerry McCaslin          |
| Debra Suttief           | J. Bean                  | DeDe Marchisio          |
| Helen Szczech           | Marie Brancato           | Therese Cimino          |
| Alice Rusch             | Anita Heiman             | Denny Anderson          |
| Hanna Carver            | Dan Kerns                | Randy Baumert           |
| Jeff Richardson, Sr.    | Rich Curasi              | David Switzer           |
| Fran Norton             | Keith Cobb               | Jackie Plack Pelling    |
| Deacon Bud              | Kevin Uhlmann            | Kennedy Noel Holcumbink |
| Sheila Geiger           | Marion Saladino          | Bernadette Kaplan       |
| Monica Barrington       | Baby Kingston            | Larry Kain              |
| Anna Jackson            | Liz Phleps               | Sandy Wheeler           |
| Georgia Hampton         | Tricia Kauffman          | Rita Lowe / Megan       |
| Susan Linville          | Bob Roach                | George Massie           |
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| Mason Ogle              | Lulu Young               | Deric DeMasi            |
| Dave Stark              | John Brocato             | John Eggleston          |
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| Louise Andrasik         | Barbara (Roach) Still    | Sarah Rupp              |
| Barbara Fortier         | Debbie Pickett           | Chris Alvey             |
| Emily                   | Christine Smith          | Carol Yeager Laplant    |
| Laura May Harting       | Lorrie & Family          | Vincent Michael Smith   |
| Frances Mentch          | Kathleen Amos            | Patrick O'Neill         |
| Michael Wimmer          | Stan Smith               | Iva Durocher            |
| Barb Schwery            | Kathleen Haines          | John McMahon            |
| Nichole Stewart         | John Phannenstiel        | Joseph Gubera           |
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| Tom Biggs               | Rick George              | Maria Giannelli         |
| Doug Schuster           | Viola Fowler             | Mike Reinhart           |
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| Adolph Barringhaus      | Ruth Nelson              | Crystal Coley           |
| Fr. Tom Albers          | Saree Morely             | Louie Bussjaeger        |
| Kelly Gentrup           | Christy Mock             | Kenadee Gallagher       |
| Fulk Family             | John Findlay             | Shawn Adkins            |
| Denny Farrell           | Duane Sander             | Jason Robinson          |
| Elfrieda Waltz          | Keltin Daniel Gwin       | Andrew Lay              |
| Marie Bacon             | Bill Goeckel             | Leah Biskup Coady       |
| Nancy Carr              | Jeanne Buffa             | Olivia Hernandez        |
| The Hollomon Family     | Tom Hagins               | Chrissy Sparks          |
| Trivino Family          | Nancy Sixsmith           | Darleen Farnan Kenny    |
| Lyme Family             | Mattie Mae Weaver        | Mary Bell Jones         |
| Neil's Family           | Cheryl Dirckson          | Michelle McClune        |
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| Robert Newell           | Jim Guccione             | Robert Doleshal         |
| Catherine Finley        | June Bednar              | Jersey & James Hicks    |

**Please notify us to remove your name from our prayer lists when it is time.**  
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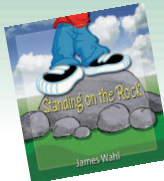
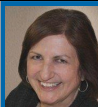
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