

# Saint James Catholic Community

*Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

*July 21, 2019*

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*The Lord said to her in reply  
"Martha, Martha,  
you are anxious and worried about many things.  
There is need of only one thing.  
Mary has chosen the better part  
and it will not be taken from her."*



## TOWN HALL MEETING

**Next Saturday ~ July 27**

**9am in the Social Hall**

**Learn More About  
The New Capital Campaign  
Details on Page 7**

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### **Mass Schedule:**

**Weekdays:** Monday - Friday, 8:15am

**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?



### If You Can See Them ~ They Can See Us

From the top step at the front of our new church, the highest point on our campus where you can stand, we looked west and saw a major highway ferrying folks north and south. Soon from that highway, a majestic edifice on the hill, topped by a dazzling gold cross, will draw travelers' eyes to St. James.

**Jim Newell, Operations Manager**

## READY TO SERVE ST. JAMES?

### Nominations For The Parish Pastoral Council Being Accepted Now

The Pastoral Council is seeking nominations (you can nominate yourself) to replace 4 members whose terms are expiring this Fall. A discernment process will begin soon and we ask that you prayerfully consider good candidates.

If you are interested in serving or know someone who would be interested, please contact Doug Lewey at [dlewey1@gmail.com](mailto:dlewey1@gmail.com) or by phone at 816-534-1529 by July 29

The Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph is committed to combatting 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), and
2. Contact your local law enforcement agency or call 911, and
3. After reporting to these civil and law enforcement authorities, report suspected sexual abuse of a minor or vulnerable adult to the Diocesan Ombudsman, Joe Crayon, at 816.812.2500 or [crayon@ombudsmankcsj.org](mailto:crayon@ombudsmankcsj.org), 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 the Victim Advocate, Kathleen Chastain, at 816.392.0011 or [chastain@diocesekcsj.org](mailto:chastain@diocesekcsj.org) for more information.

## From the Pastor's Pen

As we journey through the month of July, with the summer quickly flying by, we are grateful to some new additions to our Parish Staff. Fr. Michael Volkmer, C.P.P.S., has joined us as our Senior Priest in Residence and is being introduced to the community in many different ways. We are blessed to have him and his personal care and priestly ministry which he provides so very generously.

We also welcome Joe LaScala who is joining our staff as the Director of Religious Education. Joe will be replacing Cecilia Richardson, who has so faithfully served in this position for a number of years and has built a wonderful Religious Education program for the families of our parish. You can read more about Joe on page 9.

Cecilia will continue to be with us, moving into a new position as a Pastoral Associate. She will be serving in all kinds of Pastoral needs – funeral liturgies, weddings and engaged couple ministry – and is also helping coordinate the efforts of moving into our new worship space. This is a major task for all of our parish community, as we say 'good bye' to our present worship space, and transition into a whole new space! So we are grateful to Cecilia, who loves this parish community (and is loved)! She will be a great transition for Joe, as we welcome him in this new position!

Our dedication date is set for Saturday, October 19th, at 2:30pm. This is a wonderful celebration (with Mass) of dedicating this building to be our new church. Bishop Johnston will be joining us and it'll be a monumental moment for our St. James Community.

Thanks to all who are such good and faithful stewards – giving of their gifts (and being faithful to their Building Fund pledges). This new building is possible because of the continued generosity of so many!

Be sure to mark your calendars for two events next Saturday – our Town Hall meeting at 9am in the Social Hall and the "Black Light Bingo" celebration Saturday that evening in the parish gym!

The Town Hall is an opportunity for us to share some great information with you as our parish moves forward! I encourage you to come and join us!

May you and your families continue to know God's Blessings and Love!

Peace, Fr. Mike

## Mass Intentions

### Week of July 22 - July 28

<b>Monday</b> 8:15am	<i>Feast Of St. Mary Margaret</i> Mauer Family, Living and Deceased
<b>Tuesday</b> 8:15am	††Helen & Bill Roach
<b>Wednesday</b> 8:15am	Harry Carrol
<b>Thursday</b> 8:15am	<i>Feast Of St. James</i> Ruth & Geoff Striklin †Mary Lou Fuenfhausen
<b>Friday</b> 8:15am	<i>Saints Joachim and Ann</i> Bishop Michael Olson
<b>Saturday</b> 5:00pm	†Harriet Erwin
<b>Sunday</b> 7:30am	†Bill Goeckel
9:15am	†Mary Mahoney
11:00am	††Wilbur & Pat McGreer
6:00pm	†Jeanne Collison



## From Death to New Life

### Our prayer support is with ...

The family and friends of Mary Mahoney who passed away on July 9.

Debbie and Andy Pickett on the recent death of Debbie's brother Brian Runde.

***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 July 21:** Respect Life serves coffee and donuts after the 7:30 and 9:15 Masses. All are welcome

**Mon July 22:** Mass at 8:15am, rosary to follow  
—Reflections with Fr. Mike & Patti Stark, 5pm in the Church

**Tue July 23 :** Mass at 8:15am, rosary to follow  
—Legion of Mary meets at 6:00am in the Mallen Room  
—Blood Drive, 12:30pm - 7:00pm in the Social Hall

**Wed July 24 :** Mass at 8:15am, rosary to follow  
—Sponsor's for Christ meet 1st and 3rd Wed; 6:15pm  
—Prayer Shawl Ministry meet 2nd and 4th Wed; 6:30pm

**Thurs July 25 :** Mass at 8:15am, rosary to follow  
—9:00am - 9:00pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

**Fri July 26 :** Mass at 8:15am

**Sat July 27:**

—That Man Is You at 6:00am in the Social Hall  
—Town Hall Meeting, 9:00am in the Social Hall  
—Faith Sharing - The Mass: *"God Speaks Our Story"*, 10:00am in the School Library  
—Black Light Bash, 6:30pm in the School Gym

**Sun July 28 :** Boy Scouts/Cub Scouts serve coffee and donuts after the 7:30, and 9:15 Masses. All are welcome

**Scriptures for July 27 and 28 Masses**  
Gen 18:20-32 / Col 2:12-148 / Lk 11:1-13

### Gift Bearers for July 27 and 28

**Sat 5:00pm:** Pat May and Carl Palermo  
**Sun 7:30am:** Jim & Robin Sandt  
**9:15am:** Trey & Judy Katzer  
**11:00am:** Larry & Lori Daleo and Family  
**6:00 pm:** Marla Neal and Family

### Hospitality Greeters for July 27 & 28

**Sat 5:00pm:** Linda Ceglenski  
**Sun 7:30am:** Pat Cull and Barbara Schmitt  
**9:15am:** Linda Hoover  
**11:00am:** Gene & Susan Chartier  
**6:00 pm:** Open to a Parish Family



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## Special Events



**ST. JAMES BLOOD DRIVE**  
**JULY 23**  
**12:30 - 7:00PM**



You won't want to miss our **upcoming blood drive on July 23<sup>rd</sup>**! The Community Blood Center is partnering with the **KC Royals** to promote saving lives through blood donations. All presenting donors will be eligible to receive two free tickets to a Royals game, or a free Royals t-shirt, or a \$5 gift card to the online MLB store! Donors will be able to select their gift through the online donor portal *after* the blood drive.

To make your appointment for this "Royal" event, visit [savealifenow.org/group](http://savealifenow.org/group), enter **Group Code: ES**, and select a time between 12:30-6:45pm that works best for you. Walk-ins are welcome, and childcare is available. For medical eligibility questions, call 800-688-0900.

If you have other questions, need help scheduling your appointment, or would like to volunteer, contact Nikki at 816-407-1208 or [kpower@kc.rr.com](mailto:kpower@kc.rr.com).

**Be Royal. Save Lives. Donate Blood.**

## Annual Holy Smoke BBQ Contest August 23 - 24

Registration Open Now For Teams  
And Other Participants



Mark your calendar!! This year's annual Holy Smoke BBQ Contest will be held on the St. James Campus on August 23-24.

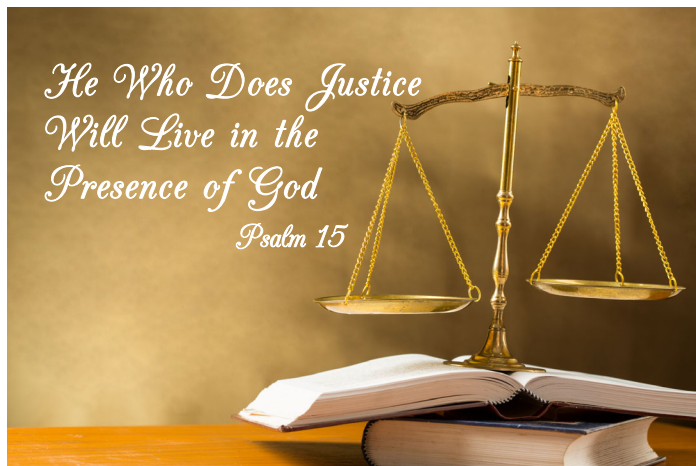
Registration is now open for BBQ teams! We are also currently looking for participants from the parish in the following areas: advertising / sponsorship, entertainment,

BBQ judges, and vendors.

If you have a business of any kind, we would like for you to be involved! Please also check out our website at [www.holysmokebbqcontest.com](http://www.holysmokebbqcontest.com). It should have all the information and forms you will need.

You may also email Troy Sheeley at [troy.sheeley@gmail.com](mailto:troy.sheeley@gmail.com) or call 816-679-0425 for more information.

## A from the Liturgy/Music Office



### Reflection

It's so easy for us to be consumed by activities, checking boxes, crossing items off lists. There can be great satisfaction in acting this way and a tremendous sense of accomplishment. But in this story we hear a different message with other priorities. Rather than busy ourselves, it is the proper role of a disciple to listen to Jesus' instruction, to spend time in prayer, or with Scripture, coming to know the person of Jesus in a better way.

Our verse from Psalm 15 for this weekend is in response to a question: "Lord, who may abide in your tent? / Who may dwell on your holy mountain?" In the first reading and in the Gospel, Abraham, Sarah, Mary, and Martha all have an intimate encounter with God where they offer hospitality to the Lord. In a way they are "abiding in God's tent." The psalmist tells us that those who are upright, truthful, and just are the ones who will dwell with the Lord. We, also, are invited to abide with God. How do you put the traits of uprightness, truthfulness, justice into practice in your own life?

### Prayer

*O God, you send us angels in disguise,  
our anxiety distracts us from seeing them.*

*Teach us to be both Mary and Martha  
that we may be ready to be present to you.*

*Blessed are they with generous hearts,  
for they shall see God,  
Amen.*

## Someone is Watching and Wondering



RCIA gatherings provide a time to learn, understand and apply the teachings of Jesus to our daily lives. These times together help individuals understand that following Christ is all about relationships: forming those relationships with God, family, friends and community. I think a central teaching of

Jesus which describes relationships is His teaching on prayer; primarily His teaching the disciples how to pray with these words:

*Our Father,  
who art in heaven,  
Hallowed be thy Name,  
Thy kingdom come.*

*Thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.*

*And forgive us  
our trespasses.  
As we forgive those  
who trespass against us.*

*And lead us  
not into temptation,  
but deliver us  
from evil.*

*Amen.*

I know each of you is very familiar with this prayer and perhaps pray it daily. Have you, however, taken time recently to truly consider these words in relation to your daily living.

To begin, we pray personally, calling for "our father," not some far off, remote deity but rather using a very familiar, relational form or address, *abba* in Aramaic, which translates as a form of endearment, *papa* or *daddy*. We complete this introduction by acknowledging the Father's holiness and our desire to live in His kingdom, not simply in heaven but here, now on earth. I think the next words, perhaps are difficult for most of us. We ask for God's will to prevail and not our own. These words imply that we are willing to let go of our own desires and let God be God. Perhaps imbedded in this phrase is a concern: "How do I know it's God's will and not simply rationalizing my thoughts, words, and deeds as being faithful to His will?" Next we petition for God to provide for and forgive us. However, there appears to be a condition for these requests; that is we must also forgive one another. Finally, and once again there is a problem with the request; we ask God to "lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil." You might well ask, "Where is the difficulty with this expression?" I think we should all rethink this phrase in light of the first Chapter of the Letter of James. I want to close here and leave you with this puzzling question. This week read these verses with an open mind and heart, pondering the words, and discover why I might suggest that "lead us not into temptation" is possibly misunderstood when we pray the Lord's Prayer.

Your Sister in Christ, *Sandy Gagnon*

**H.O.P.E. / SCRIP GIFT CARD NEWS****School Daze**

Hard to believe, but true – in just a few short weeks school bells will be ringing again.

Many stores have begun having “deep discount” sales on school supplies, so now is the perfect time to stock up on those crayons, pencils, pens, notebooks, calculators, rulers, paper and whatever else you need. And, remember - these items can be used in your home office as well.

Before you shop, be sure to pick up HOPE gift cards for the stores where you’ll be looking for those “back to school” sales. We have HOPE gift cards in stock for many of the stores where you’ll likely shop – whether it’s Walmart, Office Depot, Walgreens, Target, HyVee, or Price Chopper – we have them all.

HOPE Gift Cards are sold after every weekend Mass and in the Parish Office during regular business hours.

**H.O.P.E. = Helping Our Parish Educate**

**Save The Date  
Friday, August 23**

**Matthew Kelly**

**from Dynamic Catholic  
will present**

**Living Every Day With Passion and Purpose  
at Holy Spirit Catholic Church  
in Lee's Summit From 7:00 - 9:00pm**

Watch the Bulletin For More Details

**CORRECTION**

It was previously published that Clark Kelly's mother Paula had passed away. That was not correct. The article should have said that it was his sister Paula who passed away.

**Thank You**

Thanks to all who contributed items to the Altar Society's collection for CORNERSTONES OF CARE last month. Several loads

of clothing and household goods were collected.

We received a letter from CORNERSTONES thanking us for the donations. The letter said in part, "It is citizens like yourself and the other members of your church who give so selflessly to help people in need and that helps keep our organization going."

# Stewardship of Treasure

**For God's Sake – DO the 3 R's**

In today's first reading we hear the importance of resting. In the Gospel, we hear the importance of listening to God. Rest – Relax – Refresh

We all need rest. Jesus gives us permission! It is not lazy; resting is an action in itself. I was listening to a podcast recently and he said, “We hear best in the silence. It allows us to become closer.” He was talking about his relationship with his father. I think it applies to the relationship with Our Father. A good steward understands the importance of time. Time well spent would be with God! SO - shouldn't we all take time to be silent and feel the guidance of God. How can we move forward if we do not take a moment to fill ourselves “back up”? We are not at our best when we are running on empty.

Take the time to Rest, Relax, Refresh! How can we “not have time” for the single most important relationship in our lives? How can we spread His love, His word, His compassion – if we do not take time to BE with Him? I have an old rocker in a corner that has an old embroidered pillow:

*“For God's sake – put down your work,  
close your eyes, breathe and listen.”*

We are asked to give of our Time, Talent and Treasure. What would be more important for our Time? This week let's all take a moment to BE in the silence of God.

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

**ATTENTION ST. JAMES YOUTH**

The Teen Choir is looking for singers and guitar players who are in high school to come make music with us! We lead music on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month for the 6:00pm Mass.

Our next date is July 28. Please arrive at 4:30pm to rehearse.

Interested in learning more? Email Danny at [danny@stjames-liberty.org](mailto:danny@stjames-liberty.org) or just come to our next rehearsal on July 28





# TOWN HALL MEETING

Everyone Is Encouraged To Attend  
Our Upcoming Town Hall Meeting  
**Saturday, July 27 at 9:00am**

**You will:**

- ✦ Hear the latest updates on the status of our new church
- ✦ Learn where we stand financially
- ✦ Find out more about the upcoming capital campaign

**Keep Informed !**

**This is A Meeting  
You Won't Want To Miss**

The Meeting Will Be Held in the Social Hall  
**We Look Forward To Seeing YOU There**

## ST. JAMES PRE-DEDICATION PARTY BLACK LIGHT BASH

July 27 in the Parish Gym  
**Tickets On Sale Now**



### Music

*oldies but goodies*

*Games*

*black light bingo*

*Drinks and Food*

*authentic Mexican food*



**Purchase Your Tickets at: [KCBlackLightBash.com](http://KCBlackLightBash.com)**

**Love Mexican Food?  
See The Great Menu Below**

## Precious Blood Resource Services



## LEND A HAND Walk With a Person in Need

All it takes is kindness, understanding, and respect.

Do You Have a Few Hours A Week to Volunteer?  
Accompany Someone Who Is In Need Of Services  
That Will Improve Their Quality of Life?

**Contact Us At 816-407-1970 or 816-499-2798**

## BLACK LIGHT BASH MENU

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**(Street Tacos)**

**Marinated Grilled Flank Steak**

**Served with tortillas, cilantro, onions and your choice of salsa**

**2 TACOS - \$7.00**

**HUNGRY? TRY THE MEAL DEAL**

**3 TACOS, BEANS AND RICE - \$10.00**



## Our Faith In Action

### Want a chance to win \$500 in HOPE cards?

*St. James School is strong enough to meet your academic needs and small enough to touch your hearts!*

Come join us for a tour of St. James School and get your name in our drawing for \$500!



Pop-Up-Tours will be available  
after Mass on the following dates:

July 13th & 14th

July 27th & 28th

. at 5:00pm and Sun at 9:15am and  
11:00am Masses)

A St. James School Staff member will be waiting for anyone that would like to take a tour after Mass by the school information table in the narthex.

Private tours are also available - please contact the St. James School Office at 781-4428.

Did you know that we are a tithing school? This makes our parish school very affordable for all.

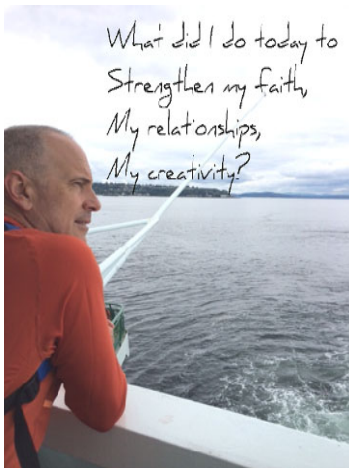
Ask us for more information!

Tours are geared for Preschool-8th grade students.

A parent or guardian must accompany children.

### No Holy Yoga This Summer Classes Will Begin Again This Fall

### Reflections in Faith Prayer and Meditation



#### Psalm 48:9

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

**Join Us on Mondays  
In July  
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**

### Thursday July 25 Feast Day of St. James the Greater The Patron Saint of Our Church



The son of Zebedee and Salome, "our" St. James is called "the Greater" to distinguish him from the Apostle James "the Less", who was probably shorter of stature. He was the brother of John, the beloved disciple. Zebedee, his father, was a fisherman of the Sea of Galilee. Salome, his mother, was one of the pious women who afterwards followed Christ and "ministered unto him of their substance."

James is described as one of the first disciples to join Jesus. When he first encountered Jesus, there probably was no indication that this was the day that his life would change. The dawn for him was not the bright beginning of a new day, but the end of long fruitless night of fishing. As James sat mending his nets in the boat with his brother John and his father Zebedee, he must have watched in wonder as his partner Simon brought in nets loaded with fish he had caught at the command of Jesus.

James was one of only three apostles whom Jesus selected to bear witness to his Transfiguration.

The Acts of the Apostles records that "herod the king" (traditionally identified with Herod Agrippa) had James executed by sword. He is the only apostle whose martyrdom is recorded in the New Testament.

### SAVE THE DATE ~ OCTOBER 26



**SQUEEZEBOX Featuring  
Ted Lange & Mollie B**

**Saturday, October 26**

**7:00 - 11:00pm**

**St. James Gym**

**Tickets On Sale Now**

**\$15.00 in Advance ~ \$20.00 at the Door**

**Dancing • Food • Fun**

**To Order Tickets or Ticket Information Contact**

**Kathy Mendyk**

**816-721-7252**

**email: [mendyk2017@gmail.com](mailto:mendyk2017@gmail.com)**

**There are a limited number of tickets available.**

Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus  
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## Parish Religious Education

### Openings in Our RE Program

#### Think About This

I know it's still summer and you're thinking more about vacation plans and pool time and the like, but there's no time like now to start thinking about what role you'd like to play in our RE program next year.

We'll have some openings to fill – we always do – and one of them may have your name on it! The time commitment is not burdensome, we have a great team to work with, and the most common comment I hear from our catechists is that they feel like teaching the children has deepened their faith exponentially. So it's a win-win-win!



If you think you might like to explore this idea, the registration table will be set up in the narthex throughout the month of August—stop by the table and have a chat about where you might fit best. There is some paperwork to fill out, a background check, and you'll need to attend a session of Protecting God's Children but luckily for us all, we have a session scheduled right here at St James on September 10th! So think it over and ask yourself if God might be calling you to this ministry.....

### Welcome Joe!

We are very pleased to announce that Joseph LaScala has accepted the position of Director of Religious Education here at St James. Joe has extensive experience in catechesis both with children's RE and as well as youth ministry.



He's led TEC (Teens Encounter Christ) retreats as well as worked in both the metro KC area and in a rural parish near Manhattan, KS. He brings a great deal of experience to the job as well as an enthusiasm for leading others to Christ.

We welcome Joe to our parish family!

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[www.hillcresthope.org](http://www.hillcresthope.org)

## St. James School News

### Summer Office Hours:

Office closed July 1st-26th

Starting July 29th, hours will be  
8:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.



### St. James School Pop-Up Tours

**Growing Together:  
Faith, Family & Friends**



**Tours will begin in the Narthex after the  
5pm, 9:15am & 11am Masses**



### Spotlight on St. James School

#### Third Grade: **"Earthkeepers!"**

In 3rd Grade we focus on caring for ourselves, supporting each other, and embracing God's creations. Our daily lessons encompass rich academic opportunities to prepare our students to be stewards of God's gifts. One main focus is how people interact with each other in a community. Third graders become entrepreneurs who learn to run successful businesses on "Market Day." This is a favorite activity for our classes, as they have a hand at being both producers and consumers.

Then we shift our focus to learn how our actions and decisions affect animals and organisms in the world around us. This year, we introduced vermicomposting to our classrooms. Students were able to experience hundreds of worms taking our daily food waste and turning it back into nutrient enriched earth.

Our study trips allow us to interact with our environment and truly discover the symbiotic relationships that keep Earth running smoothly. These real-life experiences make strong connections that the kids carry with them throughout their lives. Third grade at St. James is an enriching environment that helps kids grow both academically and spiritually.

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

Gregory Avey	Mia Barbosa	Emily Saitta
Nancy Barrington	Jill Coulter	Brandon Steiger
Stacy Bayless	Vincent Giambrone	Ronald Willis
Brandon Bednar	Tate Guenther	Eric Adams
Gibson Brown	Dwain Jones	Amelita Boehm
Antonio DeMarco	Haydn Kelly	Mary Loy Brown
Bart Gaddis	Connor McLain	Gabriel Cain
Ashley George	John Sapko	Carol Collins
Abigale Griffis	Brayden Schoening	Shirley Heisler
Amanda Lewey	Cecilia Smith	Colin McKay
Cooper Maddox	Mia Sola	Sean McMahon
Carol Martin	Patricia Williams	Larry Mitchell
Frank Panettiere	Gary Benson	Brett Ray
Wayne Seiler	James Bunch	Amanda
Jeffrey Bowles	Jordan Fleck	Seggerman
Mary Brown	Martin Phillips	Becky Sorrell
Lindsey Carter	Elizabeth Rose	Dylan Yarbrough
Jillian Downing	James Rupp	Noah Branham
Katelyn Griffis	Alison Schell	Lily Bray
Conner Herrman	Katelynn Surber	Brent Denton
Bradley Jones	Jack Thornton	Lesa Feess
Luisa Juarez	Christine Venditti	Liam Hedrick
Julian Mayes	Connor Werth	Jacob Lewis
Kevin McFadden	Jameson Brown	Mitzi Mathews
Richard Razniak	Rose Busken	Christine Nedeau
Cristin Rogers	Aspen Erskine	Katelyn Onka
Judith Sapko	Matthew Grither	Conor Parrish
Pamela Smitka	Mary Nauser	Patricia Reinier
Samuel Torno	Jerold Overstreet	Monica Scott
Alivia Amberg	Anna Pfannenstiel	Charles Stimet

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

Jim Esser	Drake Renberger	Angie Reed Family
Mary Ann Pfeiffer	Rachelle Pomfrey	Sue McKnight
Glen Biesley	Mike Giambrone	Kyle Sellmeyer
Randy Hampton	Ron & Peggy Pettz	Margarita Mendoza Family
Doug Lewey	Ima Rahter	Bob Hedrick
Jamie Wright	Paul Gossett	Marie Brancato
Niles Brown	Julie Rush	Rich Curasi
Adelaida E. Rosin	John & Susan-Kelly Corsione	Tricia Kauffman
Kai Bennett	Tony & Jo's Family	Bob Roach
Jacob McKay	Colleen Kearney	John Brocato
Adelaida E. Rosin	Walter Ruby	Barbara (Roach) Still
Nick Peters	Lynn & Monica Nelson	Debbie Pickett
Dwain & Mary Bell Jones	Kim Brown	Kathleen Haines
Joanna Mooney	Ricky Deese	John Phannenstiel
JoAnn Ollier	Michael Amos	Mike Sheeley
Desmond Arciga-Quenga	Fr. Keith Branson	Rick George
Colette	Alice Hosticka	Saree Morely
Kathleen Amos	Hannah Taylor	Christy Mock
Bryan Shea	Carol Rakoczy	John Findlay
Frances Parker	Ellen Wentz	Duane Sander
Michelle Bacus	Brian Runde	Mattie Mae Weaver
Gabrielle	Rodriguez Family	Troy Cronkite
Brian Glaser	Bibi Chadwick	June Bender
Baby Brooke	Ralph & Jan Peters	Matt Biskup Family
Jamie Jones	Scott Neibergall	Kim Lackey
Carol O'Brien	Bob Leonardo	Pam Fink
Helen Finn	Buster Gage	John Nausea
Anna Kain	Margo Eastland	Bill Roach, Jr.
Mark Schweitzer	Adalina Simmons	Rachel Zimmerman
Susie	Margie Myers	Jacob & Dana Lansford
Baby Alicia Paredes	Jean and Richard Jackson	Roberta McCallum
Jennifer Goens	Steve Decker	Keith Newman
Hayley	Linda Smith	Gary Andrew Reese
Lucy Arthur	Pamela & James Anderson	Emma Shay
Fr. Joe Miller	Travis Shay	Joseph Greenwald
Bill Kirwan	Barbara Meigs	Sam Porter
Jamie Martin	Tony and Tet So	Mary Alice Worth
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Deacon Bud	Anna Jackson	Tony V. Sr.
Mason	Kari and Jesse Rainey	Deric DeMasi
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Helen Szczech	Doug Schuster	John McMahon
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Monica Nelson	Adolph Barringhaus	Les VanBibber
Eddie Campbell	Kelly Gentrup	Maria Giannelli
Janice Brimer	Denny Farrell	Kenadee Gallagher
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Ricky Gisi, Jr.	The Hollomon Family	Jason Robinson
Adam McCray	Trivino Family	Leah Biskup Coady
Melissa Andrasik	Lyme Family	Olivia Hernandez
Baby Jimmy	Jacke & Enike Hayes	Darleen Farnan Kenny
Randi Arness	Jeanette and Roberta Casel	Laura Ann DiGiovanna
Tom Biggs	Catherine Finley	Robert Doleshal
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Diana Marchisio	Kristie Koontz	
Wilfredo Crespo, Jr.	Beth Heide	
Sandra Hensley	Carla George	



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*Annual Appreciation Picnic*

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2019

**Time:** Gather for Mass @ 11:00, picnic following

**Place:** Shawnee Mission Park, 7900 Renner Road,  
Lenexa, KS 66219, Shelter 8

**RSVP:** Rick Schwind, rickschwind@gmail.com or  
816-547-8325

**Info:** <http://cursillo.net/>

**Please notify us to remove your name from our prayer lists when it is time.**  
In respect of HIPAA we will add names to the prayer list only by request of the person or immediate family.

*please  
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