

Saint James Catholic Community

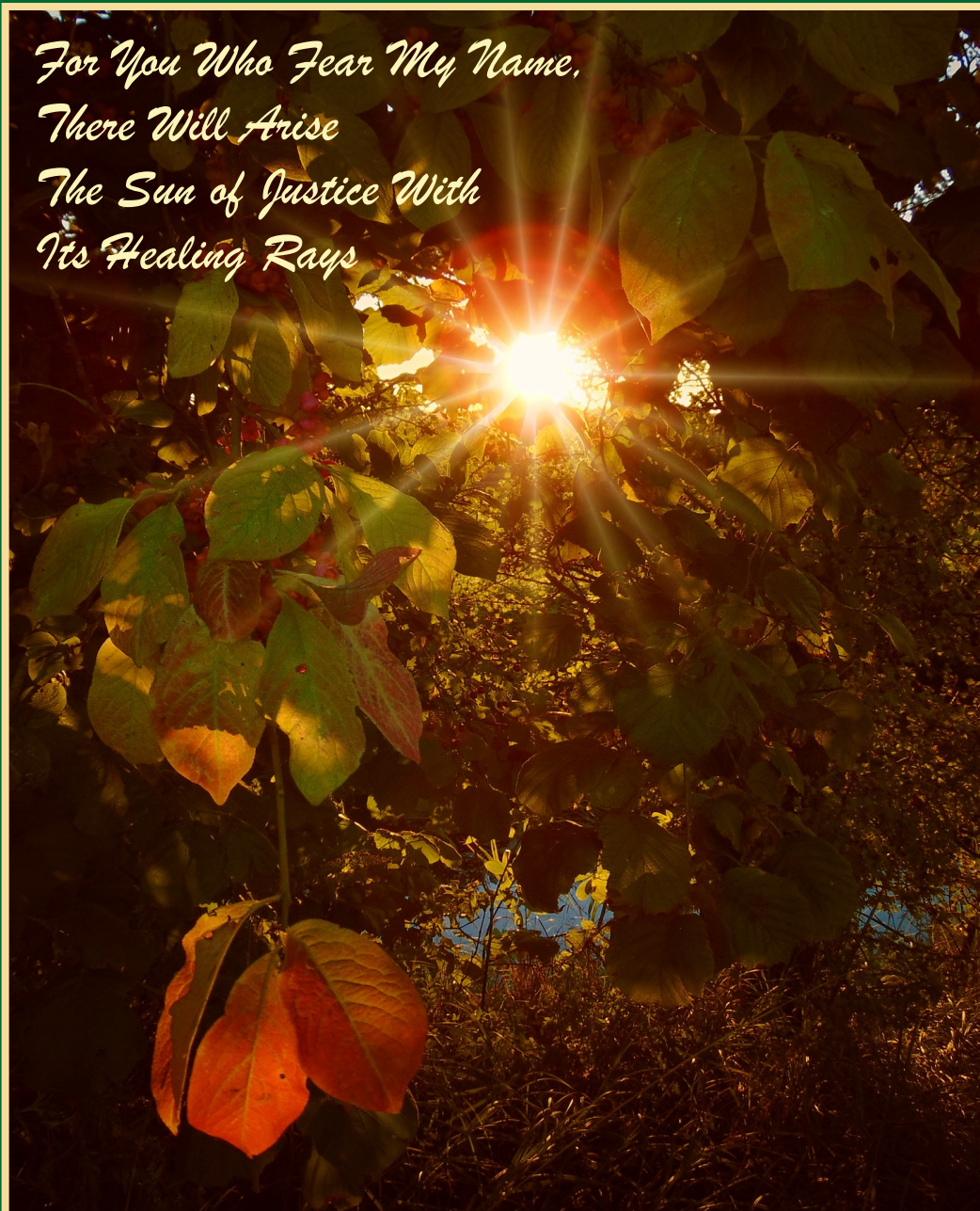
*Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
November 17, 2019*

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God • Church • Community
Together We Can Do Great Things



*For You Who Fear My Name,
There Will Arise
The Sun of Justice With
Its Healing Rays*



St. James Catholic Church

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Mass Schedule:

Weekdays: Monday - Friday, 8:15am

Saturday, 5:00pm

Sunday, 8:00am, 10:30am, 5:00pm

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?

Looking For A Snow Blower



Our Parish is in need of a snow blower to help with snow removal this winter. If you have a snow blower in good condition that you are no longer using and would like to donate it to St. James, call the parish office at 816-781-4343.

Jim Newell, Operations Manager

Join The Sidewalk Snow Removal Teams



With the additional sidewalks and entrances around the new church we are going to need help. For the weekend masses we have four teams of volunteers to remove snow from the sidewalks, steps and ramps. Each team is assigned either the first, second, third, or fourth weekend of the month. You would be assigned to one team. If it snows on your weekend you can expect a call from your team captain. In the past we had about five people per team. We anticipate that now we will need ten people per team.

We really need your help!

Please call the parish office at 816-781-4343 or email Dan Bacon at bacon.dan324@gmail.com and give us your contact information. We will get back to you and answer any questions you might have.

Please Support The Annual Diocesan Appeal



Pledge Cards Are in the Gathering Space

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, 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 for more information.

From the Pastor's Pen

As we journey through the month of November, we are most grateful to all who have returned pledge cards. We've had a great response. Our heartfelt thanks to those who have turned their card. Just a reminder, it's not about the amount a family gives but that every family return a pledge card because it's all about the number of families that make our Campaigns successful! We still have extra cards in the Gathering Area. It's not too late to pledge to the 2020-2022 campaign.

This weekend we view the Campaign for the Annual Catholic Appeal – the Diocesan appeal. The video was filmed here at St. James in August while construction was going on. We are grateful to Bishop Johnston, and the Diocese for their generosity, guidance and support to the new Church. And we just thank you for your generosity to giving to the Annual Catholic Appeal. We have pledge cards in the Gathering Space. Thanks so much!

Next weekend we will have our Annual Remembrance Ceremony where we remember those at St. James who have gone before us this past year. The ceremony is at 12 noon with lunch following.

We are grateful this time of year for the Advent Giving Tree that benefits the needs of so many families at Christmas time. We are thankful for the dedicated folks who give of their time, talent and treasure in coordinating this huge event. The Christmas trees will be up next weekend and we just ask you and your family to take a name (or names) from the trees, purchase that gift, and return it the next weekend, so that families who have very little can celebrate Christmas. The Committee is a great team of dedicated men and women, and we are most grateful!

This coming Thursday evening, St. James is hosting the Annual Thanksgiving celebration, sponsored by the Liberty Ministerial Alliance. All are welcome to join us at 7pm for a prayer service in Thanksgiving for all God's Blessings. A reception will follow in the Parish Hall. This will be a great opportunity for St. James to welcome the larger community into our beautiful Worship space. What better time of year than Thanksgiving to gather as a community to give God Thanks and Praise!

Blessings to you and your families. We are so grateful for our new Worship Space and for all who have worked so hard in welcoming folks, and the new Ministers serving in many capacities so that all can feel welcomed here at St James.

Peace, Fr. Mike

Mass Intentions

Week of November 18 - November 24

Monday	
8:15am	Marge Whisnant
Tuesday	
8:15am	Repose of the Souls of Legion of Mary
Wednesday	
8:15am	† Hillario Pacheco
Thursday	<i>Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i>
8:15am	† Patrick Joseph Walsh Ed & Elizabeth Donohue
Friday	<i>St. Cecilia</i>
8:15am	† Mary Mahoney
Saturday	
5:00pm	†† Rex & Margaret Sullenger
Sunday	
8:00am	† Donald Crainer
10:30am	† Harry Woitkamp
	† Alex Bruening
5:00pm	† Cornelio Cerilla, Sr.



LIVING OUR LEGACY
ANTICIPATING THE FUTURE



Many thanks to all who have returned their completed pledge cards.

It's not too late to pledge.

Please return your pledge card at one of our weekend Masses or at the Parish Office.

*Everyone's Gift Is Needed
Including Yours*

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 Nov 17 No coffee and donuts.

—Religious Education Fundraiser, cookies and cocoa served after all Masses

Mon Nov 18: Mass at 8:15am, rosary to follow

—Reflections in Faith with Patti Stark and Fr. Mike, 5:00pm in the Chapel

—Touching the Divine bible study, 6:30pm in the Parish Hall AV Conference Room

Tue Nov 19: Mass at 8:15am, rosary to follow

—Legion of Mary meets at 6:00am in the Mallen Room

Wed Nov 20: Mass at 8:15am, rosary to follow

—Over 50s Potluck and Meeting, 12noon in the Parish Hall.

—Sponsor's for Christ meet 1st and 3rd Wed; 6:15pm

—Catholic Women's Book Club, 6:30pm in the Teacher's Lounge

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

—Touching the Divine bible study, 6:30pm in the School Library

Thurs Nov 21: Mass at 8:15am, rosary to follow

—9:00am - 9:00pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

—Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service, 7:00pm in the Church

Fri Nov 22: Mass at 8:15am, rosary to follow

Sat Nov 23:

—That Man Is You at 6:00am in the Social Hall

—Touching the Divine bible study, 6:00am in the School Library

—Faithful Fitness, 8:30 - 9:30am in the Social Hall

—Faith Sharing - "Why We Worship", 10:00am in the School Library

—Novena to the Christ Child, in the Narthex of the old church after the 5pm Mass

Sun Nov 24: No coffee and donuts.

—Cub Scouts / Boy Scouts serve coffee and donuts after the 8:00 and 10:30am Masses. All are welcome.

Scriptures for November 23 and 24

2 Sm 5:1-3 / Col 1:12-20 / Lk 23:35-43

What's Happening This Weekend



Cookies and Cocoa Fundraiser

You are invited to enjoy cookies and hot cocoa after all Masses this weekend. Freewill donations will help our Ministry Team attend the Religious Education Congress.

Glory Be Tea

Tickets on sale before and after all Masses and in the Parish Office during the week.

Special Events

LIBERTY COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING SERVICE

**November 21 at 7:00pm
At St. James**

This year's annual Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service (Sponsored by the Liberty Ministerial Alliance) is being held at St. James. This is a wonderful opportunity for us to welcome the community to our new church.

You are invited to attend this event and show our hospitality to the community of Liberty as we come together to celebrate all of our many blessings.

There will be scripture and prayer from Liberty church leaders and the choir will lift their voices in praise and thanksgiving for all of God's many blessings.

There will be a reception to follow in the Parish Hall.

We hope that you and your family will make plans to join us this year.

Day of Remembrance November 24



On Sunday, November 24 our St. James Community will host a special Day of Remembrance to remember our family and friends who died this past year.

We invite you to join us for a prayer service beginning at 12 noon followed by a luncheon served in the Parish Hall.

Although it is not required, we would appreciate an RSVP to help us know how many to expect for lunch.

Please call or email the parish office by Wednesday November 20 at 781-4343 or daryl.sweetland@stjames-liberty.org.

A from the Liturgy/Music Office



TEEN CHOIR / YOUTH BAND



We meet on the 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month. We gather at 3:30pm in the church to practice. Then we lead music at the 5:00pm Mass. Our next scheduled Masses are on November 24 and December 8.

To learn more, email: danny@stjames-liberty.org

A Reflection on Silence

Taking time for silence in our everyday busy schedule is critical; it means making a conscious effort to safeguard a sacred time to connect with the deepest part of ourselves and our God.

Our liturgy also calls us to silence. Silence is essential to the prayer of the gathered community. As you prepare for upcoming liturgies ask yourself if there is ample room for silence: following "let us pray . . ." before and after each of the readings, homily, and communion. Silence gives the time and space for each to reflect on what he or she has just heard, allowing the Word to transform our hearts

Children's Choir



Our Children's Choir is singing it's thanks to God in 15 different languages - Thanks Be To God. Malo Malo. Gracias. Grazie. And so many more. What are you and your children grateful for as we enter this season of Thanksgiving?

Our choir is open to all children (both public school and St. James School). For more information about joining, contact Lori Tajchman.



Someone is Watching and Wondering



Just in case you missed my previous column, I am sharing people who influenced my life during this month as we remember our beloved dead. The second person I want to introduce is Mr. David C. Day. As you might guess from his rather prominent nose, he was a boxer while serving in the U.S. Navy. He attended college using the GI Bill and became a high school teacher of American History and Contemporary Issues. As a teacher he retained habits from his naval days: organized, enforcing strict discipline, challenging us to think outside the textbook, and yes sometimes instilling fear in his students. He never addressed us by our given names, simply barked out our family names (I was simply Mentch in his classroom.) Like Ms. Watson (my 4th-5th grade teacher), however, Mr. Day cared for his students, was more a guide on a journey than a lecturer/teacher, and encouraged each of us to be ourselves, unique and diverse.

I was a junior at Northeast High School when I took Mr. Day's American History course. Never particularly keen on studying history, I was both terrified of the man and his reputation but also challenged by him from my first day in class. He was like no other teacher. He didn't simply assign readings from a textbook, rather he gave us a list of books we would be reading throughout the year and let us know from the beginning that there would be writing assignments, with a term paper due at the end of the second semester. (I still have one of those books, *The American Political Tradition* by Eric Hoffstadter and pick it up to reread from time to time.) Mr. Day's challenge throughout the semester was three-fold: think for ourselves, know what we believe, and be able to articulate, defend, and perhaps rethink why we believed as we did. I must confess he destroyed many American myths for me while planting the seeds for a greater love and appreciation of what it means to be an American and how we became the people who value "life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness" for all humanity.

Mr. Day was a fantastic teacher but so much more. He taught me the meaning of trust and believing in the goodness of another human being. I became very ill after Easter my junior year. Initially I was diagnosed with leukemia (a virtual death sentence in 1965), which was later changed to mononucleosis. I missed the last month and half of school. I panicked at the idea of missing finals and especially not being able to complete my term paper for Mr. Day. My mother met with my teachers, explained my uncertain diagnosis at that time, and received assignments so I could finish the year. Mr. Day wouldn't give her any assignments. Instead He told her that he knew my work and potential, and stated that he would post the grade I had earned at that point. He trusted me and gave me hope. I will never forget him and he continues to challenge me.

Your Sister in Christ, *Sandy Gagnon*

Advent Tree - Who Are We Helping This Year?



For 2019 St. James Advent Giving Tree will be fulfilling gift requests from worthy people identified by a number of caring groups in the Liberty area as well as our sister Parish, *St. James Place* in Kansas City, MO.

Journey House helps restore opportunities for individuals re-entering life after prison.....*Kansas City Indian Center*, incorporated in 1971, is a multi-purpose social service agency serving American Indians*Love INC* is a partnership of local churches founded in 1990, working across denominational lines to serve local people in need.....*Hillcrest* has a more than 40-year legacy of providing support and dignity to Liberty families facing homelessness.....*Women's Clinic of Liberty* provides needed resources for pregnant women and new mothers *Cedars of Liberty* is a retirement and assisted living facility.....*Ashton Court* is a senior living provider and rehabilitation center.

Next weekend our Giving Trees will be up in the Gathering Place filled with gift tags for all these groups so you can choose the gifts you'd like to give. There are lots of choices, for young and old, so you may want to pick more than one gift tag!

We also encourage you to go online to the Signup Genius to see the many volunteer openings still waiting to be filled.. The on-line link to SignupGenius is on the St. James website: click on Advent Giving Tree in the Recent Articles list at the bottom left of the home page. One of them may be just right for you.

Stewardship of Treasure

Month End Estimate

October 2019

Operating Income:	\$252,783
Operating Expenses	(\$305,898)

New Church Fund (NCF) Information

October 2019

Income	\$ 78.890
Loan Balance	\$ 4,631,987

As you can see, we spent quite a bit more last month than we took in (-\$53,115). Laptops were replaced and an actual IT company hired for Church computer management. Office supplies for the campaign – envelopes, stamps, printing and more. Utilities, internet, grounds and trash are all up this month over the same time frame last year.

This is to be expected with an additional building to provide necessities. The good news is: Our parish is ALIVE with activities, providing love and faith for more folks than ever.

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

Join Our Glory Be Tea Cookie Brigade

Attention Cookie Bakers !!



Help us stock up the cookie tables with four dozen of your favorite homemade cookies for the December 8th tea.

Cookies should be on the smaller side - less than 2.5" in diameter.

Cookie bars cut in small squares are also welcome.

Cookies are due Saturday, December 7 by 1:00pm in the School Cafeteria.

To let us know that we can count on you to provide cookies, or for more information, contact Jeanne Verssue at 294-0236 or email bverssue@gmail.com or call Karen McKee at 820-7163



PASTORAL COUNCIL

Our New Pastoral Council Members

Congratulations to the recently elected members of our St. James Pastoral Council: Louis Angles, Dan Bacon, Libby Hernandez, and Patrick Schaub.

Learn more about them and the six second-term council members on the St. James website. Their contact information is on page 2 of this bulletin.

Early Deadline for December 1 Bulletin

Articles and information for the December 1 bulletin must be submitted no later than end of day Tuesday, November 19.

An Invitation To The Annual Altar Society Christmas Dinner



All ladies of the parish are invited to the annual Altar Society Christmas dinner being held on Tuesday, December 3 at 6:00pm in the St. James Parish Hall.

Dinner includes a delicious catered meal, drinks included. Cost to attend is \$15.00 per person. To register to attend, bring your money to the Parish Office no later than Monday, November 25.

Please put your payment in an envelope addressed to Debbie Taylor and your name and "Altar Society Christmas Dinner" marked on the front.

Faithful Fitness Take That First Step With Us



Maybe you need to lose a few pounds, maybe you just want to lead a healthier life. Whatever your situation, the biggest barrier is often the first step of that new fitness regimen. It's intimidating to join a new gym or to change old habits. Here's where your St James friends can help! It's much easier to get on the fitness train if you are starting with a small group of friendly folks who don't judge!

Our Faithful Fitness class meets for an hour of fun and exercise on Saturday mornings in the Social Hall. Come join the fitness group and work out with your St James friends or bring a friend! No pesky gym memberships and no guilt—just a good clean workout!

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

Where: St. James Social Hall

What to bring: Mat or beach towel, water bottle, weights if you have them, and \$5.00 with 20% tithed back to the church!

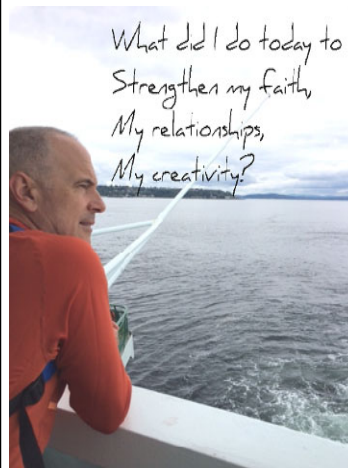
'Prayer, Bible Stories & Jamming'



It's getting colder outside, and the children may need to work off some energy! PB&J provides 45 minutes of activities (musical and physical) to help get out the wiggles. Consider joining a class in December as we musically build with Joseph (a carpenter), and pray to Mary, and dance to Bethlehem where a special baby will be born. Not sure what it's all about? Contact Lori Tajchman for a preview class before joining.



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 November
in the Chapel
5:00 - 6:00pm
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**

FALL BLACK BASH AT ST. GABRIELS MUSIC! GAMES! GLOW IN THE DARK BINGO!

The 4th Annual Fall Black Light Bash will be held on Saturday November 23. You will want to put the date on your calendar now. St. Gabriel Gym will be rocking black lights and glowing in the dark.

This is an adults-only fundraiser for the St. Gabriel School in conjunction with Knights of Columbus charities. We have music, games and Glow-In-The-Dark bingo paper, ink and apparel items are included in admission. Food and drinks (with and without alcohol) are available for purchase.

For more information and tickets, check out
KCBlackLightBash.com.

Buy your tickets early and get a discount. Table of eight is the best price. Bring non-perishable food items for the St Vincent de Paul food pantry and you might win a \$50 Price Chopper gift card.

Novena To The Christ Child



The Novena is traditionally, a nine day devotion, however in an effort to make it easier for Parishioners to attend during the busy Christmas season, the devotion will be held one evening a week for nine weeks.

All are invited to join us every Saturday evening through December 28, at 6:15 (after the 5pm Mass) in the Narthex of the old church.

Visit Our St. James Website
www.stjames-liberty.org

Our Faith In Action

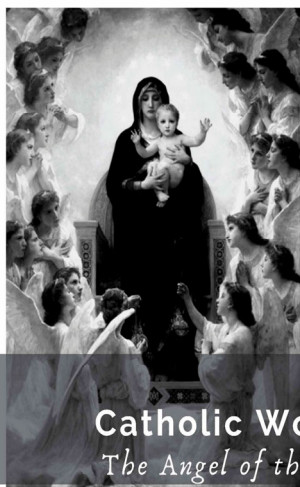


Growing Our Faith Adult Faith Formation



Have you ever heard of a series of prayers called a Novena? A Novena is 9 days of prayers usually asking God for a special request or intention. Taken from the Latin word "novem" meaning "nine", Novenas are an ancient tradition that go back to the days of the Apostles when Jesus told his disciples to pray together after his ascension into heaven. Mary and the disciples prayed together for 9 days in anticipation of the coming of the Holy Spirit. It was on the 10th day or Pentecost, the Holy Spirit descended upon them.

If you have a special request on your heart, try praying in this way. The 9 days aren't meant to be a magic number but praying intentionally for that many days can change our hearts to be open to the will of God, and that in turn draws us closer to Him. Check out www.praymorenovenas.com for more information.



You're Invited!

Saturday, November 30, 2019

8:00 am to 12 noon

St. Andrew the Apostle
Catholic Church

2nd Annual Catholic Women's Conference

The Angel of the Lord declared unto Mary

Featuring Guest Speakers Sr. Raffaella Cavallin, AVI, and Jennie Punswick.

Advance registration fee is \$20 by November 23;
\$25 at the door.

Register at sataps.com/saints

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

FOR YOUR SHOPPING CONVENIENCE

Please Place Special Orders

By November 21

To Assure Having Your Order Back

By Thanksgiving



Chief's Blood Drive At St. James



This Thanksgiving, take a moment to count your blessings, and then share them with others. If you are blessed with good health, you can share that gift by joining us at our next Community Blood Center blood drive on Tuesday, November 26, from 12:30-7:00pm in the Social Hall (same location as usual). Sharing the gift of life is a very rewarding gesture in so many ways, but most importantly, you could be saving up to 3 lives.

All presenting donors will receive a free limited-edition Chiefs t-shirt. Walk-ins are welcome, but appointments are encouraged. You can book your appointment at www.savealifenow.org/group using Group Code: ES. You may also contact Nikki at kpowers@kc.rr.com or 816-407-1208 to sign up, or if you have any other questions. For questions about medical eligibility, please call 1-800-688-0900. Childcare will be available.

On behalf of local blood recipients and the CBC, thank you so much for supporting the blood drives here at St. James!

Liberty Giving Thanks 5K Run

To Benefit Hillcrest Hope

Before you stuff your turkey, you can run off all those Thanksgiving calories and for a great cause! The 10th annual Giving Thanks 5k will be held on Thanksgiving Day at 9am beginning at the Community Center in Liberty.



This event benefits Hillcrest Hope by raising awareness and funds to support its mission to transition homeless families to self-sufficiency. This event will be chip timed and is a family friendly event for runners, families with strollers, and walkers. (No pets allowed though).

This year, you will receive a long sleeve t-shirt with your registration. Shirt and size guaranteed if you register before November 14.

This is a great way to start off the Thanksgiving fun. The course runs from the Community Center through the Canterbury park trail.

<http://www.libertygivingthanks5k.org/register>

**“There is always, always
something to be thankful for.”**

Parish Religious Education



Hello Parents

For those who weren't here when I mentioned it, we will be locking the doors shortly after RE classes start. If you get there early to pick up your kids, please enter through the Narthex doors and wait in the social hall. If you need to pick them up early or talk with me, press the button near the door and we will buzz you in.

Additionally, please let me know before if you are picking your children up early. Lastly, I ask that you not drop off your children until 15 minutes before class and no later than 5 minutes before class. This is so that we can ensure the safety of your children, follow safe environment regulations put forth by the diocese and start on time. If you have any questions, please let me know.

Thank you and know that your family is in my prayers!

Joe LaScala
Director of Religious Education

Thanks to everyone who made it to HauntFest

Family Advent Wreath

December 1, 12:00-2:30

Your family is invited to come and join us for lunch, prayer, and the opportunity to make a wreath for your home. Additionally, we will provide resources for you to pray and walk with your family through the Advent season while your children are in age appropriate sessions learning about the season as well. Lunch and wreath are included for \$25. Please contact me if you are planning to attend so I know how many to plan for.

I do need a few more volunteers, so if you are interested, please let me know at joe.lascale@stjames-liberty.org.



St. James School News

Growing Together: Faith, Family and Friends

Early Childhood Classrooms at SJS

It's never too early to think about your child's education! Our Early Education Classrooms fill up fast and we want to give YOU, our parishioners, preferred placement. If you are considering St. James School for next school year (or even the year after) contact the school office to be place on our contact list. You will be the first to be notified when enrollment opens in the spring!

816-781-4428

Trash Bags for Sale:

Did you know we sell trash bags all year long? They are available in the school office for \$10/roll. The colors/sizes are:



White	15 gallon	65 in a roll
Yellow	39 gallon	25 in a roll
Blue	55 gallon	16 in a roll

Does your child enjoy playing basketball?

The community of St. James offers students who are enrolled in Religious Education and in grades 2 - 8 the opportunity to participate in Parochial League sports!

Basketball sign ups are now open.

To sign up, visit www.plkc.org

Questions? Contact Cindy at:
cynthia.compton@stjames-school.org



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

Zachary Buckmiller	Brian Rockers	Nash David
James Esser	Margaret Silvy	Gabriel Dugan
Jane Hake	Sylvie VanDusen	Wesley Dugan
Anna Kain	William Angles	Carolyn Forgues
Annany Mendoza	Kara Brown	Sandra Gibson
Kurt Montesano	Carlos Campos	Judy Hixon
Madison O'Dell	Jayden Halter	Joseph Hunter
Grace Ortman	Katherine Ildza	Victoria McCabe
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Donations will be distributed to St. James Midtown and homeless veterans in December.

If you are unable to bring your donations to St. James, contact one of our Pastoral Council members to arrange for a pick up. Pastoral Council members and their contact information are listed on page 2 of this bulletin.

Your donations are a blessing to the less fortunate.

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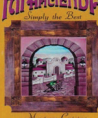
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