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ARLINGTON HEIGHTS

REFLECT



It is he whom John foretold;  
it is he who will baptize in the Holy Spirit.

*BE DISCIPLES OF CHRIST.  
MAKE DISCIPLES OF CHRIST.*

DEC 12  
2021

THIRD WEEK OF ADVENT



Dear Friends,

Rejoice in the Lord always! I shall say it again: Rejoice! The Lord is near. St. Paul greets the Christians of Philippi in Greece with these words. We hear these words proclaimed on the Gaudete Sunday, literally "Rejoice Sunday." The feast of the Birth of Jesus is just two weeks away. Let's continue to prepare for His coming through prayer and repentance, receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation and His abundant forgiveness.



Today is also the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe. This beautiful feast has been shared with the world, particularly with the Americas, by our Mexican brothers and sisters in the Faith. Through her appearance to St. Juan Diego at Tepeyac Hill in 1531, Mary brought millions of Native people to Jesus. She continues to guide us to Him.

God bless you,  
Fr. Ed

*Advent*

**TAIZE**

**DECEMBER 20 AT 7:00 PM**

As we await the birth of Christ, the Light of Hope, let our voices be a light for all as we pray through our singing.

Taize worship is prayer consisting of meditative singing and periods of silence in order to reach a contemplative state.

All are welcome to participate in singing and silent prayer.

## ADVENT READINGS AND LITURGIES

### 3rd WEEK OF ADVENT

Zephaniah 3: 14-18a

Psalm Isaiah 12

Philippians 4: 4-7

Gospel: Luke 3:10-18

### 4th WEEK OF ADVENT

Micah 5: 1-4a

Psalm 80

Hebrews 10:5-10

Gospel: Luke 1:39-45



## MULTI-PARISH RECONCILIATION SERVICES

OLW hosts Monday, 12/13 at 7:30pm

St. Edna hosts Tuesday, 12/14 at 3pm

St. Mary hosts Tuesday, 12/14 at 7:30pm

St. James hosts Wednesday, 12/15 at 7:30pm

St. Colette hosts Thursday, 12/16 at 3pm



## HOLIDAY MASS SCHEDULE

### Christmas Eve December 24

Church – 3:00 p.m. (livestreamed)

5:00 p.m.

12:00 Midnight

Parish Center- 3:00 p.m. (Children's Mass)

5:00 p.m.

### Christmas Day December 25

Church – 8:00 a.m.

10:00 a.m. (livestreamed)

12:00 p.m. Noon



### Solemnity of Mary January 1

Church – December 31, 6:00 p.m. January 1, 9:00 a.m. (livestreamed)

Music



# LESSONS AND CAROLS

FOR ADVENT

Prepare your hearts for the coming of Christ  
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carols!



# Reflections for Advent from the Women of St. James

## Joy *by Anne McClure*

We hear so many calls to joy in Scripture that we know it must be important. Jesus himself says in John 15, "I have told you this so that my joy may be in you, and your joy may be complete." Our Lord wants us to feel joy, but how can we get there?

I think the answer to that question lies in the difference between natural joy and supernatural joy. Human suffering can diminish natural joy; but God wants to give us the supernatural kind. According to

C.S. Lewis, "joy, in the supernatural order, is simply an aspect of charity. It is inseparable from the love that is poured forth in our hearts by the Holy Ghost." Supernatural joy, then, is enkindled in us by the Holy Spirit.



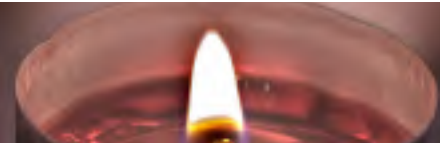
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So what are three practical things we can do to experience this supernatural joy? First, we need to take care of the natural, because the supernatural builds on it. St. Thomas Aquinas said: "Sorrow can be alleviated by good sleep, a bath, and a glass of wine." If I'm lacking joy, am I just too exhausted? How can I build a healthy mental and physical foundation for supernatural joy?

Second, remember Jesus's words in John 15. Just before, he says "Remain in me." How do we, as Catholics, remain in Christ? Through the sacraments. The sacraments are the source of that supernatural joy. Even if we don't always feel it, we know that the sacraments are channels of grace, and when we receive them we receive God's life within us. This Advent, how can I remain close to Jesus in the sacraments? When was my last confession? Have I ever tried going to daily mass or visiting the adoration chapel?

Finally, have I asked for this joy? We can ask Jesus to pour it out, and we can ask Our Lady, "Cause of Our Joy," to pray for us to receive the joy of bearing Christ into the world as she did.

The reflection above can be seen in its full version by watching a recording of the "Hope, Joy and Light - Advent by Candlelight" event: [www.stjamesah.org/get-involved/parish-life/wosj/](http://www.stjamesah.org/get-involved/parish-life/wosj/)



*Attention all  
Kindergarten-5th Grade Students*

# ANGELS & SHEPHERDS

Christmas Eve Mass  
3:00pm in the Parish Center

Practices 12/12 or 12/19 at 1:00pm

If your child(ren) would like to participate in this special mass,  
please complete the Google doc below:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfQgZrQhyRWBQl0fCcHdKM9NoCnisiUrTXVtHvMfOpMjuKJoQ/viewform>

St. James Liturgical Environment Ministry invites you to be a part of our annual "remembrance" in honor or memory of someone special in your life. Your donation will be used to purchase flowers for the Christmas décor of the Church. The names being remembered will be published in the Dec 25th bulletin.

Please complete the form below place it in an envelope marked "Christmas Remembrance." We kindly ask for a monetary donation of \$25 per remembrance. You may include cash or check (made out to St James Parish with Christmas Remembrance noted) with your submission. Submissions may be dropped in collection boxes at church or the parish office or can be mailed in no later than December 14th. Thank you, St James Liturgical Environment Ministry



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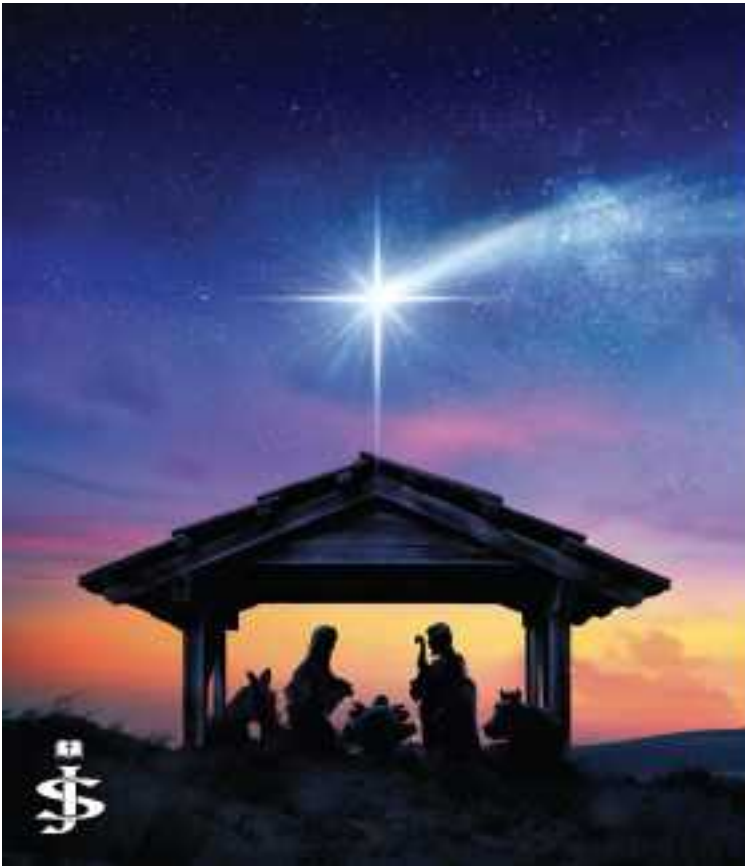
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## MINISTRY SPOTLIGHT

# Holiday Stress?

MEETING MENTAL HEALTH WITH GRACE

*It's the most wonderful time of the year.*

Yet, for many of us, it's the *most stressful* time of the year.

Here are 3 things to try when stress creeps up on you.

### 1. Pause to Pray.

Treat stress or worry as a signal to pray. Take 15 seconds and **pray**. When you do, "the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds." (Philippians 4:7)

### 2. Time for Thanks.

Every time you feel worry or stress, take 5 or 10 seconds just to **thank God** for the answer you need. Prayer with thanksgiving is powerful!

### 3. Be a Blessing.

The world of the generous gets larger and larger... (Proverbs 11:24). Finding someone to **bless** with a small note or encouraging word puts life in proper perspective.

A simple **prayer**, a word of **thanks**, or an act of **generosity** are three amazing tools against worry and stress. Use them often. God's peace flows abundantly through these mighty forces.



## DADDY DAUGHTER DANCE

**Get your Hawaiian shirts and hula skirts ready!**

**Masks are required for this indoor event.**

**Dads: bring cash for entry into some exciting games for you & your daughter(s)!**



**Please join us for our in-person Daddy Daddy Luau with dancing, photos, games, crafts, and a night of fun is sure to be had!**

**\*\*Dinner plans before the dance? Or for mom's at home? This year we have partnered with Garibaldi's and Peggy Kinnane's for a special Eat & Earn! 20% of their profit will go back to the school for anyone who eats there Friday 1/28 & mentions SJS (carry out included)\*\***

**Click here to register <https://www.stjameschoolah.org/daddy-daughter-dance-2021/> Contact Megan Baum or Lisa O'Reilly at [stjamesdaddydaughterdance@gmail.com](mailto:stjamesdaddydaughterdance@gmail.com) with any questions!**

## DEVELOPMENT

# You're Making Disciples!

We have 321 registered religious education students being prepared by 27 volunteer Catechists.

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Thank you for your generosity!

**Please remember St. James Parish this Christmas season!**

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LAUNCHING SOON  
Our New Website



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IN A COUPLE WEEKS

**ENCOUNTER**

December 21, 5:30pm  
Topic: Kenyatta  
by Sarah Stanley

talk, praise and worship, Adoration, confessions, and Chick-fil-A!

MINISTRY SPOTLIGHT

# MERCY BOXES DUE DEC. 12TH

St. James Annual Mercy Box Program will deliver our filled boxes to our friends at St. Malachy Parish, St. Agatha Parish and The Kolbe House in Chicago. Thank you for showing the love of Jesus Christ to our friends in the city!

Filled boxes are due back to the S.J. School Parking Lot on Sunday, Dec. 12 8AM-1PM.

We will have helpers ready to unload your box.

ST. JAMES SCHOOL

## Congratulations MIKE BILSKI

Arlington Heights Educator Heart of Gold

The Educator Heart of Gold Award recognizes a resident of Arlington Heights who consistently goes beyond the school day to help teach our children.  
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~ Mike Bilski, SJS Teacher



## WEEKLY INTENTIONS

**CHANGES COMING TO MASS INTENTIONS:** On January 1, 2022 we will be making changes to our mass intentions. Four take-aways to keep in mind:

- 1.) Intentions don't have to be for the deceased; you can also ask that a mass be offered up in thanksgiving for a birthday, anniversary or other worthy causes. Please do indicate if it is for someone deceased.
- 2.) Only four intentions will be remembered at Sunday masses. Sunday intentions will be assigned to a specific mass as requested.
- 3.) Mass intentions are a free-will donation, but it's customary to donate \$10/mass.
- 4.) Request an intention at least two weeks ahead of time for a specific date.

### **Please pray for our sick...**

Jim Mackey, Norine Naselli, Baby Jack, Theresa Schott

### **Baptisms**

**Isabel Grace Mangi**, child of Sarah Mangi

**Caleb Elias Lindley**, child of Blake Lindley and Nicole Lindley

**Brooks Denwood Orlando**, child of Marl Orlando and Catherine Orlando

**Blake Alexander Stieve**, child of Andrew Stieve and Allison Fouts

**Cole Andrew Stieve**, child of Andrew Stieve and Allison Fouts

**Graham Matthew Stieve**, child of Andrew Stieve and Allison Fouts

### **Rose for Life**

This week's Rose for Life is donated by The Helminski family in loving memory of their son and brother, Jeffrey, on the 19th anniversary of his death.

### **Remembrances**

#### **Saturday Evening/Sunday December 11th/12th**

Sue Ferrini, Alphonse Tomaso (1yr Anniv), Ellen Stella (1yr anniv), Guertrude Pietrolonardo, Meggan McDermott, Richard & Catherine Lyons, Robert Noel (1yr. Anniv), Joseph Hurley

#### **Monday, December 13th**

Mary Bannon, Mary McGrath, Lloyd Benjamin, Lee Basye, James Santo, Linda Mackey, John Kordek

#### **Tuesday, December 14th**

Edward Brizzolara, Jack Ruane, Edward Doherty 15 yrs.

### **Wednesday, December 15th**

Bill Pietrolonardo, Ed Nolan, Al Underys

### **Thursday, December 16th**

Kevin James Houlihan (4 yr Anniv), Gretchen Cronin, Jack Ruane, Vincent Neri

### **Friday, December 17th**

Margaret Deeke (1yr Anniv), Catherine Sabey, Robert R. Haas Sr. (1yr. Anniv), Aileen Pelrine

### **Saturday 7:30am December 18th**

Pamela Ann Tinaglia (1yr anniv), Genevieve Waller, Sharon Seiler-Scanlan, Donald Seiler, Raymond Olsen, Carol Ann Madigan, Mike Winn

### **In Loving Memory**

**Mary Aileen Pelrine**, wife of the late John P. Pelrine; loving mother of John Jr. (Fran), Jean Pelrine, Rev. Edward, Mary (Daniel) Mostyn, Karen (David) Lombardo, James, and David (Cindy).

**Barbara Kilian**, is survived by her husband Stan; children; Sherry M. (Bentley) Patterson, Lori K. Connelly, Victoria L. Kilian, the late Christopher Michael and Michael Paul Kilian.

**Mary Wagner**, mother of Kelly Ann (Kevin) Uryasz, and Michael (Julie) Wagner; 6 grandchildren.

**Edgar Nolan**, is survived by his wife, Sylvia (nee Pask); sister Dorothy Alice Price; children Thomas (Mary Jean), Laura, Matthew (Danielle) Nolan

**Jean Brauweiler**, is survived by his children, Michael (Dorothy) Brauweiler, Mary Beth (Ron) Rutkowski, Martin (Karen) Brauweiler, James (Patty) Brauweiler, John Brauweiler, Margaret (Timothy) Jacobs, Claire (Timothy) Ziffer, David (Nora) Brauweiler, and Monica (Peter) Lind.

**Jane Smith**, daughter of the late Raymond and Sadie (nee Harrison); friend of Carole Rita Nolan; Sister of Ray; Aunt of Christopher and Leslie.

**Marian Wagner**, mother of Mary Ann & Richard Daubert

## PRESIDER SCHEDULE

	<b>Mass Times</b>	<b>Presider</b>
For Saturday and Sunday	Sat. 5PM 7AM	Fr. Ryan Fr. Ric
<b>December 18th &amp; 19th</b>	8:30AM 10AM 11:30AM 5PM	Fr. Ed Fr. Ed Fr. Ryan Fr. Ryan

## WEEKLY READINGS

### **TODAY'S READINGS**

**First Reading** — Shout for joy! Be glad and exult! The LORD, your God, is in your midst, a mighty savior (Zephaniah 3:14-18a).

**Psalm** — Cry out with joy and gladness: for among you is the great and Holy One of Israel (Isaiah 12).

**Second Reading** — Rejoice! The Lord is near. Make your requests known to God (Philippians 4:4-7).

**Gospel** — John tells his hearers to share their possessions with the needy; be honest; do not threaten or accuse others falsely (Luke 3:10-18).

### **READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

**Monday:** Nm 24:2-7, 15-17a; Ps 25:4-5ab, 6, 7bc-9; Mt 21:23-27

**Tuesday:** Zep 3:1-2, 9-13; Ps 34:2-3, 6-7, 17-19, 23; Mt 21:28-32

**Wednesday:** Is 45:6b-8, 18, 21b-25; Ps 85:9-14; Lk 7:18b-23

**Thursday:** Is 54:1-10; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-12a, 13b; Lk 7:24-30

**Friday:** Gn 49:2, 8-10; Ps 72:1-4ab, 7-8, 17; Mt 1:1-17

**Saturday:** Jer 23:5-8; Ps 72:1-2, 12-13, 18-19; Mt 1:18-25

**Sunday:** Mi 5:1-4a; Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19; Heb 10:5-10; Lk 1:39-45

## PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

**The Parish Pastoral Council (PPC)** is the parishioners' voice to the Pastor and Parish Administration. You may approach any member of the staff directly or choose one of the following ways to engage the Parish Council:

- 1) Contact PPC member in person. Please refer to the Parish's Website for member's information.
- 2) Contact the Council through it's email address: [ppc@stjamesah.org](mailto:ppc@stjamesah.org). The PPC monitors this daily.
- 3) Contact the Council through the it's voice mailbox. Call the Parish Office at 224-345-7200 and ask for

the PPC's voicemail. The PPC monitors this daily. All inputs will be reviewed and directed to the proper staff member for response. If it is something that a PPC member can answer directly we will do so. Please leave your name and best way to contact you. All information will be handled confidentially. We ask for your patience in replying, We will address all feedback and questions ASAP. God Bless!

Charles Perron, PPC member  
[cperron50@yahoo.com](mailto:cperron50@yahoo.com) - 847-962-8778

## PARISH MINISTRIES

**Earth Shepherds** aims to provide opportunities to learn about the relationship between Scripture, Catholic Social Teaching and our responsibility to be stewards of God's Creation. Contact [sjearthshepherds@gmail.com](mailto:sjearthshepherds@gmail.com).

**Grief Support Ministry** is about overcoming your grief — Are you struggling with a loss? Having a hard time coping? Join us the first and third Tuesday of the month at 6:30 PM in the Senior Room in the church basement. Contact [griefsupport@stjamesah.org](mailto:griefsupport@stjamesah.org).

**Men of St. James** is an exciting ministry providing opportunities for Christian fellowship through social, spiritual and service activities for all the men of the parish at least 21 years of age. Contact [MSJ@stjamesah.org](mailto:MSJ@stjamesah.org).

**Mental Health Ministry** strive to provide support, education and awareness to our parish communities on issues related to mental health. strives to provide resources of support, education and hope. Contact Tracy Sherva [tsherva@gmail.com](mailto:tsherva@gmail.com).

**Mom's Plus** (part of Women of St. James) is a ministry of mothers is a faith-filled community providing support and fellowship to Catholic moms. Contact [momspus@stjamesah.org](mailto:momspus@stjamesah.org)

**Over 50 Social Club** provides social outings, game days, cards, speakers, parties, current events/news and spirituality to any parishioner over the age of 50. Contact Gerry Stec at [StecStan@sbcglobal.net](mailto:StecStan@sbcglobal.net).

**Peace + Justice Ministry** is a guiding voice for peace and justice by: educating the faithful on the Catholic social teachings; supporting and complementing parish ministries; and empowering people to transform lives and society, both locally and globally. Contact Matt & Sarah Tipperreiter [peaceandjustice@stjamesah.org](mailto:peaceandjustice@stjamesah.org).

**Respect Life Ministry** strives to transform society into a Culture of Life where every human being is valued and protected from the moment of conception until natural death. Contact Mike & Marybeth Schoenwald at [mschoney@wowway.com](mailto:mschoney@wowway.com)

**Stepping Stones** is dedicated to raising awareness, understanding, and the prevention of domestic violence by educating our community and supporting the victims and survivors of emotional, financial, physical and sexual abuse. Contact Terri McDonnell [terrimcdonnell79@gmail.com](mailto:terrimcdonnell79@gmail.com)

**St. Vincent de Paul** is an emergency source for short-term financial help for parishioners and others living within the parish boundaries. For information on volunteering for or using this service, call the Parish Office at (224) 345-7200 x8517. Please leave a message and one of our volunteers will call you back. Be assured that all requests for assistance are handled with care and confidentiality.

**Women of St. James** is a community of Catholic women who are committed to growing and sharing our faith through sisterhood and service. Contact [WOSJministryleads@gmail.com](mailto:WOSJministryleads@gmail.com)

## COMMUNITY RESOURCES

**Alcoholics Anonymous** 312-346-1475

**Alanon/Alateen** 847-358-0338

**Narcotics Anonymous** 708-848-4884

**Families Anonymous** 847-795-8320

**NAMI -National Alliance on Mental Illness** 847-899-0195

**Arlington Heights Snow Shoveling Referral Program** provides Arlington Heights residents over age 60 or who have a disability with the names and contact information of teens willing to shovel snow. Call 847-368-5000.

**AARP Tax Aide:** Beginning Monday, January 4, 2021, the A.H. Senior Center Main Office will begin scheduling tax preparation appointments to be conducted at the Arlington Heights Senior Center. This free service is offered through the Tax Counseling Service for the Elderly (TCE) program. Appointments will be conducted on Wednesdays and Thursdays, beginning February 3 through April 15. Make your appointment early, as spots fill up quickly the closer we get to the end of tax season!

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Sunday 5:00pm	Contemporary Choir

### Weekday Masses

Monday – Saturday Mass at 7:30AM

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