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TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

PASTOR'S MESSAGE

Today's Readings

First Reading:

I gave my back to those who beat me, my cheeks to those who plucked my beard; my face I did not shield from buffets and spitting.
(Is 50:6)

Psalm:

I will walk before the Lord, in the land of the living.
(Ps 116)

Second Reading:

So also faith of itself, if it does not have works, is dead.
(Jas 2:17)

Gospel:

"But who do you say that I am?" Peter said to him in reply, "You are the Christ."
(Mk 8:29)



"Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross and follow me."

- Mark 8

Dear Friends,

Dietrich Bonhoeffer was a Lutheran minister in Germany during the Nazi era who wrote a well-known book, *The Cost of Discipleship*. A long-time public opponent of the Nazi regime, he was arrested in 1943 and eventually sent to the Flossenburg concentration camp, where he was executed in 1945. He exemplified what it means to be a disciple of Jesus. There is a cost, and he paid the ultimate cost.

In the Gospel today, Jesus says these challenging words to his disciples, "Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me. For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake and that of the gospel will save it." Mark 8:35

These are tough words, but they are at the heart of the Christian vocation. This vocation, beginning with Baptism, is at the center of the life of each Christian who sincerely desires to live the faith. It is subordinating my own desire to Jesus and the Cross.

Pope Benedict XVI spoke these beautiful words at a World Youth Day years ago:

Are we not perhaps all afraid in some way?
If we let Christ enter fully into our lives, if

we open ourselves totally to him, are we not afraid that He might take something away from us? Are we not perhaps afraid to give up something significant, something unique, something that makes life so beautiful? Do we not then risk ending up diminished and deprived of our freedom? . . . No! If we let Christ into our lives, we lose nothing, nothing, absolutely nothing of what makes life free, beautiful and great. No! Only in this friendship are the doors of life opened wide... I say to you... Do not be afraid of Christ! He takes nothing away, and he gives you everything. When we give ourselves to him, we receive a hundredfold in return. Yes, open, open wide the doors to Christ – and you will find true life. Amen.

God bless you,

Fr. Ed

OCTOBER EVENTS

Is Jesus another Buddha, Mohammed, or Krishna?

A two Night Presentation of Jesus as Both God and Human

NIGHT 1: OCTOBER 7 FROM 6:00-7:30 PM

NIGHT 2: OCTOBER 14 FROM 6:00-7:30 PM

BOTH NIGHTS IN THE LARAMIE ROOM



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Friday, October 4, 2024



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St. James PADS Shelter Opening in October

Volunteers are needed to serve the unhoused in our area.

In a few short weeks we will open the doors of our church to the vulnerable and unhoused in our area. We are grateful to be able to offer shelter, showers, laundry and warm meals. This is only possible with consistent, generous support from the community. The St. James PADS Site will open the first Wednesday in October and continue through the end of April, and we are still in need of volunteers for our 2024/2025 season. We are able to accommodate any travel plans you may have over the season and are grateful for any help you can give.

If you worked with PADS in the past, please come back and continue to nourish the spirit of those in need and mentor new volunteers. If you

have not volunteered before, please join one of our volunteer teams, and check with your friends to see if you would like to work together on a shift. Many parishioners and others in the community have formed lifelong bonds with their fellow volunteers through this program. Serving others is a connection like no other. The commitment can be as small as four hours per month or as often as you are available.

Shift Volunteers work on either the first, second, third or fourth Wednesday of the month covering shifts of 4-5 hours during the hours of 7:00 pm -7:00 am. During this time the volunteers monitor and serve the needs of the guests with showers, sleeping arrangements and laundry. Shift Volunteers must be

18 or older, or 16 with a parent. New volunteers will have access to a brief training.

Food Teams sign up for either the first, second, third or fourth Wednesday of the month to provide and/or serve warm dinner for the guests (signing up to drop off either an entrée, side, or dessert from a given menu).

There will be additional opportunities for small groups, scouts, youth groups, community groups, teams, ministries, etc.

To sign up to volunteer with PADS please contact

st.james.pads@gmail.com

Then they will answer and say, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or ill or in prison, and not minister to your needs?' He will answer them, 'Amen, I say to you, what you did not do for one of these least ones, you did not do for me.' ~ Matthew 25:44-45



Volunteers Needed

Loaves & Fishes Ministry - Help us this Fall!

Loaves and Fishes is in need of volunteers for any of the following:

- Pick up bread from Central Continental Bakery on Friday evening.
- Pick up soup from local restaurants on Saturday afternoon.
- Make approximately fifty lunches.
- Transport the donations (soup, bread, lunches) to the shelter by 5PM on Saturday.

Please consider patronizing and thank the following businesses who regularly donate soup: Egg Harbor, Peggy Kinnane's, and Coopers Hawk restaurants in Arlington Heights and Central Continental Bakery in Mount Prospect. The support received from these establishments is essential in the work of this ministry; feeding the hungry.



Questions?

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What draws you to this ministry?



Terri McDonnell
St. James Parishioner since 1979
Stepping Stones member since 2011

For many years I served as an advocate for children in the protected care of DCFS. I've seen first hand the impact that domestic violence has on families, and children in particular. My love for children continues to be my primary mission in this ministry.

If we can help teach healthy relationships early, remove the shame that victims of abuse experience, and provide resources for our community, then our work will continue to serve St. James.

If you're interested in learning more about our ministry, please contact steppingstones@stjamesah.org

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OCT 12, 2024
7:30AM-1PM

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SR. LAURA TOTH, FE



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YOUTH & TEEN FORMATION



All middle and high school students are invited to join us for our weekly nights in youth ministry with EDGE and Life Teen. Our youth will gather together to learn to be who it is God created them to be. For more information about EDGE and Life Teen, please scan the QR code below.



EDGE
KICK OFF SEPT 15
Grades 6-8
Sundays 3-4:30PM



LIFE TEEN
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Sundays 6-8PM

*EDGE Waitlist Open



REGISTER TODAY!

<https://www.stjamesah.org/children-and-youth/>

PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

Over 50 Group

OKTOBERFEST
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 3

Schwaben Athletic Club at The Grove Banquets
301 Weiland Road
Buffalo Grove

D.J. and vocal entertainment from Clayton Farnsworth

Buffet: Bratwurst, Schnitzel, Sauerkraut, German Potato Salad, Beverages and Dessert, Cash Bar

Doors Open at 11a.m., lunch at 12:30 p.m.
Cost: \$20 - Payable at door (no credit cards)

Reservations required by Thursday, September 26
Eva - 847-345-2305 or stjamesclub@yahoo.com



Registration closes Wed., Sept. 18.

When: Sunday nights beginning Sunday, September 29 through February 2025

Where: Game times at 6:00, 7:00 and 8:00 in the School Gym. With a 9-10 game season and playoffs

Who: 8 teams with 10 players per team (teams are drafted)

Approximate Cost = \$75 (covers cost of jersey and referees)

Must be 21 or older to participate

Sign up now at:

bit.ly/SJP-MensBasketball

or contact Bill Borst at

Bev51064@gmail.com

CATECHETICAL SUNDAY 2024



DID YOU KNOW?

A catechist is a teacher of the faith. They respond to a call to share the gift of faith with others!

Catechists at St. James serve...

- Religious Ed: K-5th Grade
- EDGE: 6th-8th Grade
- Life Teen: High School
- RCIA: Adults
- St. James School: PK-8th Grade

Parents are a child's first and primary catechists!

The goal and object of catechesis is Jesus Christ. The role of catechist, first and foremost, is to be close to Jesus as a disciple, and secondarily to be a witness and accompany others.

OUR PRAYERS & INTENTIONS

In Loving Memory

Carmela Sahagun
James McGrath

Please pray for our sick

Joan Lyman
Wes Stephen
Norine Naselli
Sam Taylor
Georgette Scott

Rose for Life

In loving memory of Joe Bielat

Wedding Banns

- III. Jaylen Wilson and Ashley Reichl (September 21)
- II. Daniel Walsh and Lauren Kohn (September 28)
- II. Davis Gerew and Alex Plezia (September 28)
- I. Jon Zivoli and Allison Fortuna (October 5)

Recent Baptisms

Eliana Rose Marcheschi, child of
Matthew Marcheschi and Christi (Rusteikas) Marcheschi

Vitalia Hart Marcheschi, child of
Anthony Marcheschi and Natasha (Hart) Marcheschi

Hugh Emmett Delaney, child of
Thomas Delaney and Jamie (Koziol) Delaney

Roy William Blethen, child of
Alexander Blethen and Katrina (Leeney) Blethen

Liyam Hussein Sanduka, child of
Jehad Sanduka and Brenda Toscano

Hannah Maureen Gewalt, child of
Bryant Gewalt and Nicole (Vancura) Gewalt

Celebrant Schedule, Sept. 21-22

5:00	Fr. Paul
7:00	Fr. Ed
8:30	Fr. Ed
10:00	Fr. Michael
11:30	Fr. Michael
5:00	Fr. Paul

Mass Intentions

Saturday, September 14

5:00 Marcin Bukowski
Margery Kitlowski
Bob Duffer
Pat Kielty
Kristina Marie Luzuriaga

Sunday, September 15 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:00 Ronnie Marks
8:30 James Burke
Dolores Hathaway
10:00 Louise Gehrke
Ondina Kaba
Eby Kaba
James Zid
11:30 For the people of the parish
5:00 Florence Pensaw

Mon., Sept. 16 Sts. Cornelius, Pope, and Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs

7:30 Elaine Scheffler (1st Anniv.)
Kevin Houlihan
Deacon Paul Schmidt
Emigdio Q. Tandoc, Jr

Tues., Sept. 17 St. Hildegard of Bingen, Virgin & Dr. of the Church

7:30 Houlihan and Moran Families
Marilyn O'Neill
Meggan McDermott
Sigita Tomkus

Wednesday, September 18

7:30 Matthew Petrillo (6th Anniv.)
Paul Wydra (1st Anniv.)

Thursday, September 19 St. Januarius, Bishop and Martyr

7:30 Kenneth Anderson
Roseanne Ahern (1st Anniv.)
Genevieve Waller
Armand Ferrini
Cornelius Vanderwiel, Jr.
Donald Stellato, Jr.
Fr. Robert Switanonski (10th Anniv.)

Fri., Sept. 20 Sts. Andrew Kim Tae-gŏn & Paul Chŏng Ha-sang, Martyrs

7:30 Adam Strzok

Saturday, September 21 St. Matthew, Apostle & Evangelist

7:30 Meggan McDermott
Jerry Garlick
John Rosen
Deacon Paul Schmidt (2nd Anniv.)

PARISH EVENTS & INFORMATION

THE DEUTEROCANONICAL BOOK OF JUDITH

bible study with Fr. Paul

Beginning Monday, September 16, 2024

8:00-9:00 am in the Laramie Room (church basement) or
7:00-8:30 pm in the Board Room (parish office)

First-time participants welcome.
Just bring your bible and yourself



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SELECT PARISH MINISTRIES

Grief Support Ministry is about overcoming your grief. Are you struggling with a loss? Having a hard time coping? We meet twice per month. Please email the address below for more details. griefsupport@stjamesah.org

Jr. Ambassadors is a group for all children of St. James to practice their faith in service to others and as an example of our Catholic faith to everyone. Jr. ambassadors act as representatives and promoters of our faith while learning about the Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy and Catholic Social Teaching. kcoughlin@stjamesah.org

Men of St. James provides opportunities for Christian fellowship through social, spiritual and service activities for men of the parish at least 21 years of age. msj@stjamesah.org

Mental Health Ministry provides support, education and awareness to our parish communities on issues related to mental health. Strives to provide resources of support, education and hope. tsherva@gmail.com

Ministers of Care bring the Holy Eucharist to parishioners who are unable to leave their homes or are in care homes. Ministry volunteers must complete a mandatory training session and follow Archdiocesan guidelines. ministryofcare@stjamesah.org

Moms Plus provides support and fellowship to Catholic moms. This group is part of Women of St. James. momsplus@stjamesah.org

Music Ministry We strive to create music that is rich with quality, enthusiasm, and participation. Join one of our ensembles to be part of our musical community. tconseur@stjamesah.org

Parish Pastoral Council serves as a representative body of the St. James parish community, guided by the Holy Spirit. PPC@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. mschoney@astound.net

Stepping Stones raises awareness, promotes understanding and prevents relational violence by educating communities and providing referrals to victims and survivors of emotional, financial, physical and sexual abuse. (IL Domestic Violence Helpline: 877-863-6338), steppingstones@stjamesah.org

St. Vincent de Paul provides emergency, short-term financial help for anyone living within the parish boundaries. For information on volunteering for or using this service, call the Parish Office followed by x8517. Please leave a message and one of our volunteers will call you back. All requests kept confidential.

Women of St. James provides support to Catholic women who are committed to growing and sharing their faith through sisterhood and service. wosjministryleads@gmail.com

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Sunday 7:00 am Cantor and Organ
Sunday 8:30 am Traditional Choir & Organ
Sunday 10:00 am Contemporary Choir
Sunday 11:30 am Contemporary Choir
Sunday 5:00 pm Praise & Worship Ensemble

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday – Saturday, 7:30 am
Monday and Wednesday at Noon

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Thursday 9:00 am - 8:00 pm
Friday 9:00 am - 4:00 pm
Saturday & Sunday 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

SACRAMENTS & DEVOTIONS

Baptism - Please call the Parish Office with preferred date at least one month in advance.

Marriage - At least six months prior to your wedding date, please contact the Parish Office about setting a date.

Sacrament of Reconciliation - in the church

Thursday – 6:00 - 7:00 pm
Saturday – 8:00 - 9:00 am following daily Mass

Holy Hour - Thursday 6:00 - 7:00 pm in the church for procession of the blessed sacrament, evening prayer, rosary

The Perpetual Adoration Chapel open to the public M-F 6:30 am - 8:30 pm; Sat & Sun 6:30 am - 6:30 pm or 24 hours a day for those with access code.

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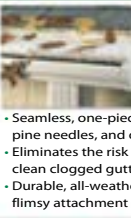
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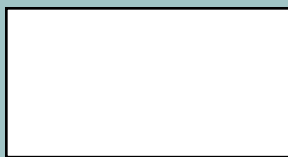
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