



SAINT JAMES PARISH

ARLINGTON HEIGHTS

**As each one has received a gift, use
it to serve one another as good
stewards of God's varied grace.**

(1 Peter 4:10)

APRIL 27

2025

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

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER



Today's Readings

First Reading:

Many signs and wonders were done among the people at the hands of the apostles.

(Acts 5:12)

Psalm:

Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting.

(Ps 118)

Second Reading:

When I caught sight of him, I fell down at his feet as though dead. He touched me with his right hand and said, "Do not be afraid."

(Rv 1:17)

Gospel:

On the evening of that first day of the week, when the doors were locked, where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood in their midst and said to them, "Peace be with you."

(Jn 20:19)

Dear Friends,

Joyful greetings to all in this Octave of Easter. I want to thank all of you for your generous offerings to St. James, and all of those who gave so much time and talent to our liturgical rites and celebrations of the Three Holy Days.

Everyone from maintenance staff to ministers of the Masses and services: servers and MCs, sacristans, lectors and extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion, ushers, musicians and singers, church decorators, parish administrative staff, priests and deacons – all of you added to the beauty and solemnity of this holy season.

Remarkably, over 9,100 people attended the masses and services of the Triduum. Eleven people entered the Church through Baptism and/or Confirmation. God is blessing us abundantly.

This weekend we are kicking off the next phase of the Vibrant Generations capital campaign. There are two important projects which we hope to fund: a new HVAC system for the school and parish offices, and a reconfiguration of our parish school facility to enhance safety and education of our young people.

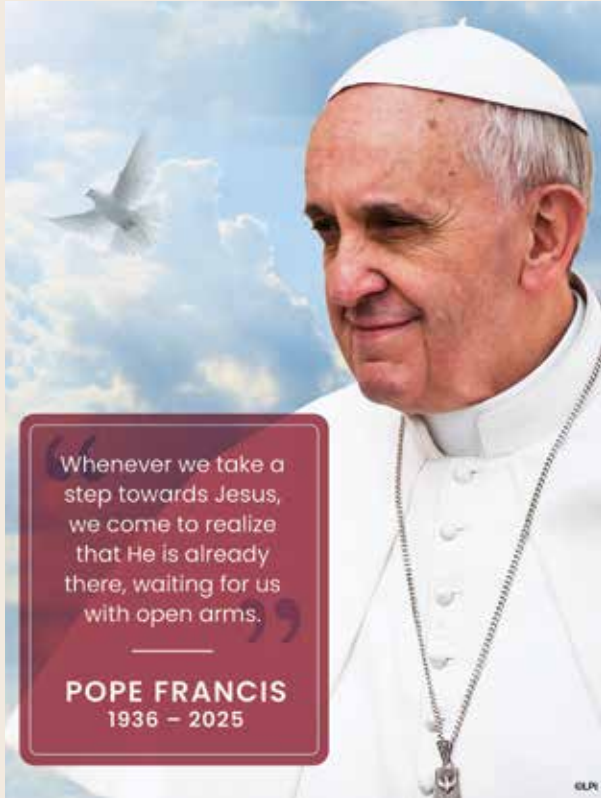
We are off to a good start, and you will be hearing more about the details of the campaign in the coming weeks. I ask for your prayerful support as we commit ourselves to the future vitality of St. James.

On Saturday, April 26th, Pope Francis will be buried in the Basilica of Santa Maria Maggiore in Rome following his funeral Mass at St. Peter's Basilica, completing a twelve-year pontificate which included the experience of serious illness.

We offer our prayers for the repose of his soul and for the election of a holy pope to lead the Church. Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and may the perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in peace.

God bless you,

Fr. Ed



Whenever we take a step towards Jesus, we come to realize that He is already there, waiting for us with open arms.

POPE FRANCIS
1936 – 2025

Pope Francis

May he rest in peace

Pope Francis, born Jorge Mario Bergoglio on December 17, 1936, in Buenos Aires, Argentina, was the first pope from the Americas and the first Jesuit to lead the Catholic Church. Before his election as pope on March 13, 2013, he served as Archbishop of Buenos Aires, where he was known for his humility, simple lifestyle, and dedication to the poor.

Raised in a family of Italian immigrants, he studied chemistry before entering the seminary and joining the Jesuits. Ordained a priest in 1969, he later became the Provincial of the Jesuits in Argentina and played a key role in guiding the Church during a period of economic and social crises in the country. When he was appointed bishop in 1992 and archbishop in 1998, he prioritized evangelization, social justice, and pastoral outreach.

As pope, Francis emphasized mercy, care for the marginalized, and environmental stewardship. His papacy was marked by a call for a “poor Church for the poor,” interfaith dialogue, and reform within the Vatican. His teachings focused on compassion, the dignity of every person, and the need for a missionary Church.

On April 21, 2025, Pope Francis passed away, leaving behind a legacy of love, humility, and service.



CHECK YOUR MAIL

Vibrant Generations

Join other generous St. James' parishioners in supporting our Vibrant Generations Capital Campaign. Help St. James continue to be our vibrant community for years to come.

Campaign Priorities

- **Replace** HVAC
- **Reconfigure** School and Parish Office Spaces to enhance security and optimize space for our growing programs and enrollment
- **Support** the Archdiocese of Chicago

\$4M Goal
52% Funded
\$2.1M Raised



START YOUR IMPACT >>

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🌐 stjamesoh.org/capital-campaign/

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Sealed With the Holy Spirit



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*Congratulations,  
Confirmandi*  
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Dominic Peterson
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Caitlin Resac
Xavier Rivers
Logan Roberts
Ava Rosciano

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Jack Ross
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Tyler Wiggs
Delaney Woehrle
Matthew Zabor
Maya Zavala
Zoe Ziolkowski

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*Congratulations,  
Confirmandi*  
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PARISH AND MINISTRY UPDATES

Over 50 Group

Spring Luncheon

Palm Court Restaurant

Thursday, May 8

12:30 p.m.

Cost: \$36 per person

Deadline for Reservations is May 4

Menu Choices:

Beef Tenderloin Kebab

Tilapia Amandine

Chicken Marsala

Also Includes:

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Beverages

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Include the number attending and menu choice.

Pay by check made to St. James Church, with

Over 50 Luncheon in the Memo section.



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HE IS RISEN! ALLELUIA!

HAPPY EASTER

Praying for you and your families this Easter season! Jesus Christ is risen today, ALLELUIA!

Josh, Corey, Dora & Christina
Youth Ministry Team

LIFE TEEN

EDGE

ENCOUNTER

THANKS FOR A WONDERFUL YEAR

The April 1st Encounter reflection talk by Fr. John Klader on the Sacred Heart reminded listeners of this beautiful devotion. Fr. Klader's Holy-Spirit-driven stories about how his devotion grew for the Sacred Heart were inspiring. The Deacon who presided allowed everyone to draw close to Jesus in the Monstrance, coming to those who knelt by the altar. A huge thanks to our priests for ministering reconciliation during Encounter. Thanks also to the evangelization staff for serving the dinner before.



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FOR CHILDREN & FAMILIES

REGISTER FOR VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL!



JUNE 16-19

9:00am-12:00pm

JUNE 20 - family picnic

5:30pm - 7:30pm

More Info:
Kathryn Coughlin
stjamesvbs@stjamesah.org



[STJAMESAH.ORG/VBS-2025-REGISTRATION/](https://stjamesah.org/vbs-2025-registration/)



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Children's Formation

Registration for 2025 is open!

Register by June 30 for Early Bird Pricing: \$230/student *

*After July 1st, \$250/student | Non-parishioner rate: \$300/student

Religious Education

- Accepting students in K-5th Grade
- Classes on Tuesdays: September - April at 4:30 or 6:30
- Registration fee is waived for our volunteer catechists.
- Family Faith Nights for families to connect
- Open Doors Ministry assists individuals & families with special needs.



Summer Intensive June 16 - 27

The Summer Intensive is a two-week program Monday - Friday, 9:00am - 2:00 pm and is an alternative to the Tuesday Night Religious Ed classes held during the school year.

- Accepting students in 3rd-5th Grade
- Cost is \$250/student



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PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

St. James Parish

Earth Shepherds

Thursday, May 1
7:00 p.m.

Church Lower Level
Meeting Room 1

Join with us to pray
and care for God's creation.



calling all **veterans**



**Join us in the
Memorial Day Parade**

Take part in the upcoming Arlington Heights Memorial Day Parade to honor our comrades who gave the ultimate sacrifice. You can walk or ride in a vehicle. Contact Deacon Hahn at mhahn@stjamesah.org for more information. Please respond no later than May 19.



MULTI PARISH FEAST OF **DIVINE MERCY** AT ST JAMES

SUNDAY, APRIL 27

1:00PM CONFESSIONS | 2:00PM MASS
3:00PM ADORATION, CHAPLET OF DIVINE
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OUR PRAYERS & INTENTIONS

Mass Intentions

Saturday, April 26

5:00 Wanda Fedro
Patrick & Kevin Houlihan
Diane Bailitz Oltendorf

Sunday, April 27 2nd Sunday of Easter

7:00 For the people of the parish
8:30 Michael R. Barrett III (1st Anniv.)
John F. Kordek
Emily Serafin
Frank & Victoria Bosco
10:00 Vittoria Nudo
Francesco Ungaro
Robert Sereno
Frances Haley
11:30 Philip Krueger
Augustine and Thankam*
Leonides Rodriguez
Frances Haley
5:00 Pietro Borsatti

Monday, April 28 St. Peter Chanel

7:30 Maria Faciana
Patricia Oswski
12:00 Lou Simpson
Maria Faciana

Tuesday, April 29 St. Catherine of Siena

7:30 John Osicek
Iftner-Perenchio Family

Wednesday, April 30 St. Pius V

7:30 Mary Staed

Thursday, May 1 St. Joseph the Worker

7:30 Christine Socher (3rd Anniv.)
Bob Holland
Mabel Preiss

Friday, May 2 St. Athanasius

7:30 Viola Fitzgerald
Lorraine Czerwinski
Andrew Haman

Saturday, May 3 Sts. Philip and James

7:30 Art Massa

* Indicates living

In Loving Memory

Sam Taylor
Mark Douglas

Please pray for our sick

Norine Naselli
Frank P. Vale
Lucille Krajnik
Andy Kaplan
Lucy Detlefsen
Richard Fung
Bruce Swanson
Teresa Szott
Matt Power
Raimundas "Ray" Lapsys

Rose for Life

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Wedding Banns

III. Mack Rooney & Molly Murphy
II. Jacob Wilburn & Anna Piltaver
I. Markus Fiodaliso & Tonia Parisi
I. Santiago Guerrero & Isabella Persino

Recent Baptisms

Judah Joseph Blevins, child of
Jonathan Blevins and Jodi (Gerhartz) Blevins

Gabriel Richard Jacks, child of
Mark Jacks and Julia (Gralczak) Jacks

Celebrant Schedule, May 3-4

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

Readings for the week of April 27

Sunday: Acts 5:12-16/Ps 118:2-24/Rv 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19/Jn 20:19-31
Monday: Acts 4:23-31/Ps 2:1-3, 4-7a, 7b-9/Jn 3:1-8
Tuesday: Acts 4:32-37/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5/Jn 3:7b-15
Wednesday: Acts 5:17-26/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Jn 3:16-21
Thursday: Acts 5:27-33/Ps 34:2 and 9, 17-18, 19-20/Jn 3:31-36
Friday: Acts 5:34-42/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/Jn 6:1-15
Saturday: 1 Cor 15:1-8/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5/Jn 14:6-14

Easter Remembrance, 2025

In Memory of: Erwin & Rosemary Herz
Remembered by: Joanne, Michael, Angela, Jeff, Allison & Crey

PARISH INFORMATION

DON'T FALL BEHIND

STAY CURRENT WITH THIS WEEK'S EVENTS
AND WHAT'S COMING UP AT ST. JAMES

SCAN HERE TO
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PARISH MINISTRIES

Earth Shepherds provides opportunities to learn about the relationship between Scripture, Catholic Social Teaching and our responsibility to be stewards of God's Creation.

sjearthshepherds@gmail.com

Grief Support Ministry is about helping with 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

Loaves and Fishes Ministry provides lunches for those experiencing homelessness in Chicago's Uptown neighborhood. stjameslandf@gmail.com

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

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. stecstan@sbcglobal.net

PADS Outreach provides safety, temporary shelter and services to the unhoused. st.james.pads@gmail.com

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

Peace & Justice Ministry educates the faithful on the Catholic social teachings, supports and complements parish ministries and empowers people to transform lives and society, both locally and globally. Meets the last Tuesday of each month.

Prayer Shawl Ministry creates a wide variety of shawls for anyone in need of prayers or blessings. We pray as we knit or crochet, and meet on the 3rd Sunday of each month to bless the fruits of our labors. prayershawlministry@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. All requests kept confidential.

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	✓ Tomatoes	✓ Pasta sauce

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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

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday 8:30 am - 4:00 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.

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

CONFESSION - Thursdays at 6:00 pm & Saturdays at 8:00 am

THE 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 committed adorers.

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