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## St. James the Greater Parish

### WEBSITES:

St. James the Greater: [www.stjamesthegreater.org](http://www.stjamesthegreater.org)  
Archdiocese of St. Louis: [www.archstl.org](http://www.archstl.org)

### PARISH OFFICE

6401 Wade Avenue  
St. Louis, MO 63139  
314-645-0167  
Monday - Friday  
8:00 AM - 4:30 PM

### SCHOOL OFFICE

1360 Tamm Avenue  
St. Louis, MO 63139  
314-647-5244  
Monday - Friday  
8:00 AM - 3:00 PM

### Parish Staff

Rev. Rajpaul Sundararaj, Pastor [rajpaulstl@gmail.com](mailto:rajpaulstl@gmail.com)  
Deacon Michael A. Nicolai  
Patricia Whitmore, Administrative Assistant  
Andrew Donovan, Music Coordinator  
Kathy Schodrowski, Sacramental Coordinator

### School Staff

Michael Biggs, Principal  
Katie Ryan, School Secretary

### Weekday Mass Schedule

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday  
7:00 AM in the Chapel  
Tuesday, 8:15 AM - School Mass in Church  
Adoration on Wednesdays  
7:30 AM - 9:00 AM in the Chapel

### Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday: 4:30 PM  
Sunday: 8:00 AM and 10:30 AM

### The Sacraments:

#### Reconciliation

Saturdays from 3:30 PM—4:15 PM before 4:30 PM Mass  
and by appointment.

#### Baptism

Please contact the rectory 314-645-0167 to schedule a baptism. No baptisms on the 3<sup>rd</sup> weekend of the month. Families are encouraged to be registered in the parish.

#### Sacrament of Marriage

Contact the Parish Office 314-645-0167 at least 6 months prior to the proposed date of marriage.

#### Ministry to the Sick

If you know of someone who is homebound, sick or in the hospital, please call the rectory and let us know.

#### St. Vincent De Paul

For those in need, within our parish boundaries, call and leave a message: 314-289-6101 ext. 1152.

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Lent

March 24, 2019

# HAPPENINGS OF THE WEEK

**March 25—March 31**

Monday  
7:00 PM Quilting (Mary's Room)

Tuesday  
9 AM-3 PM Quilting (Mary's Room)

Wednesday  
6:30 PM Choir Practice (Church)

Friday  
9 AM-3 PM Quilting (Mary's Room)  
4 PM-7:30 PM Fish Fry (Cafeteria)  
7:00 PM Stations of the Cross (Church)



## Mass Intentions For The Week



<b>Monday</b> 8:15 AM	Church	<b>Mar. 25, Annunciation of the Lord</b> Martin Kelly
<b>Tuesday</b> 7:00 AM	Chapel	<b>Mar. 26, Lenten Weekday</b> Sylvia Gould
<b>Wednesday</b> 7:00 AM	Chapel	<b>Mar. 27, Lenten Weekday</b> Poor Souls in Purgatory
<b>Thursday</b> 7:00 AM	Chapel	<b>Mar. 28, Lenten Weekday</b> Carol Wilson
<b>Friday</b> 7:00 AM	Chapel	<b>Mar. 29, Lenten Weekday</b> Special Intention
<b>Saturday</b> 4:30 PM	Church	<b>Mar. 30, Lenten Weekday</b> 50th Anny of Lino & Virginia Angeli
<b>Sunday</b> 8:00 AM	Church	<b>Mar. 31, 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent</b> Norman & Rose Merlotti
10:30 AM	Church	People of the Parish

<b>Sunday Envelopes</b>	<b>\$1719.00</b>
<b>Loose Offering</b>	<b>\$ 217.00</b>
<b>Easter Flowers</b>	<b>\$ 118.00</b>
<b>Black &amp; Native American</b>	<b>\$ 50.00</b>
<b>Central &amp; Eastern</b>	<b>\$ 10.00</b>
<b>Building Fund</b>	<b>\$ 8.00</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2122.00</b>

Envelopes Sent: 390  
Envelopes Used: 39  
Faith Direct Users: 60

## Weekly Offering



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# Liturgical + Roles

**Weekend Liturgy ~ 03/30 & 03/31**

## Saturday ~ 4:30 PM

Lectors: 1) Catherine Schodrowski 2) K2 Kelley  
Euch Mins: Jean Barry, Ann Chulick, Susan Duvall,  
John Kelley, Kathy Schodrowski, Ron  
Schodrowski, Mary Syron & Volunteer  
Servers: Mikayla & Olivia Murphey  
Greeters: Mary Dury, Richard Keenoy & Alan Ratchford  
Ushers: Linda Privitor, Tom Zagari & Volunteers  
Gift Bearers: Volunteers

## Sunday ~ 8:00 AM

Lectors: Knights Of Columbus  
Euch. Mins: Knights Of Columbus  
Servers: Knights Of Columbus  
Greeters: Knights Of Columbus  
Ushers: Knights Of Columbus  
Gift Bearers: Knights Of Columbus

## Sunday ~ 10:30 AM

Lectors: 1) Mike Hall 2) Mechelle Neuerburg  
Euch. Mins: Megan Harrison, Beth Love, Doyle & Mary Jo  
Owen, Monica Rapp & Mary Jane Wiss  
Servers: Eamon & Senan Ryan  
Ushers: Mark Morgan, Brian Behrens, Dave Swatek  
& Volunteer  
Greeters: Rita Alsop, Jason Barnett, Connie Endsley  
& Andrea Hendrix  
Gift Bearers: Volunteers

Questions or feedback about ministries?

Please contact:

Euch. Ministers: Steve Cole 314-445-8755

Greeters & Ushers: Kathy Schodrowski 314-630-3219

Servers: Deacon Nicolai 314-351-1003

Lectors: K2 Kelley 314-707-3629



**All You Care To Eat  
Breakfast**

**THIS SUNDAY, March 24<sup>th</sup>**

**9:00 am—12:00 pm**

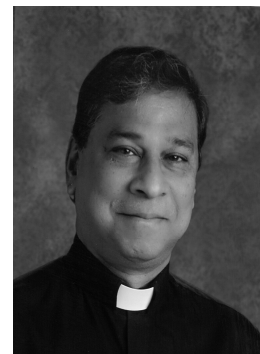
**in the School Cafeteria**

**Free will offering.**

Bulletin notices are due by 3:00 pm on the Monday before the weekend published. All items must be sent electronically to: [pkwhitmore@stjamesthegreater.org](mailto:pkwhitmore@stjamesthegreater.org).

Dear James's,

**from the Pastors Pen** 



At the outset, I give thanks to God for the beautiful weather and day he blessed us with to celebrate St. Patrick's Day. We celebrated it with such fun and grandiose! Thanks to a team of dedicated volunteers and friends of the parish who, along with so many of you my parishioners, under the coordination of Chris and Erin Wegmann, and Ryan and Anne Kelly, made the day a wonderful one. There were so many hands to work with that our Sisters, Daughters of Charity, cleaned up the gym the night of the celebration itself! Grateful and thanks to you all for your great work.

As I had preached at the 9:30 AM mass, St. Patrick, though not born in Ireland, was an outsider who became the true insider. He, a prisoner of the Irish pirates, gave Ireland a new course forward. He was derided and mistreated by the Irish of his time. It was there that he found his vocation. A tribal and divided country with no focus found its destiny and future in a prisoner turned Saint. Many legends about St. Patrick cropped up after his time, including hymns like the "The Breastplate of St. Patrick" (came in over three hundred years after his death). Amidst these, there is one thing that stands out; it is his missionary zeal and commitment to Ireland. His mission became his identity, not birth or ethnicity or whatever!

Hence, for us as a parish with an Irish heritage, the mission ahead is critical for our future and identity. And our purpose is building the parish to move Beyond the year 2028. But all of these will succeed and move forward only by Grace and Grace alone!

- ✚ Let us draw this Grace at our Parish Reconciliation Service this Sunday, March 24 - between 2 and 4 PM. Come any time between 2 and 4 PM, make your confession and go back. We will have a short reconciliation service at 2 PM with the burning of the palms 2:20 PM.
- ✚ Let us draw Grace with our Parish Lenten Retreat on April 13 from 8 AM until 4 PM, with breakfast and lunch. The theme of the retreat will be on personal discipleship. You need to register early, and registration is a must to attend.
- ✚ Let us draw Grace from our weekly Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament after mass on Wednesdays until 9 AM.
- ✚ Let us draw Grace from our active participation in our weekend masses.
- ✚ Let us draw Grace also from our fellowship at our Parish Breakfast on every fourth Sunday from 9 until noon, which follows the Mingle After Mass (Yes MAM) on the third weekends of the month.

With this Grace, we as a Parish will move forward to grow and build our future. The Taskforce is working on some pointers to move forward which includes an improved Pre-K program and other initiatives. We will present our first draft of the plan at our next Parish Community Meeting on.....

Blessings of peace, penance and prayer,  
Fr. Rp

## WEDDING BANNS

*There is a promise of marriage between  
Patrick Dolan & Cassandra Flottmann, III.*

## Fish Fry

Fish Fry's continue this week, and we are almost half-way finished for the season. We want to thank everyone who has come to prepare, set-up, cook, serve, clean-up, and those who have come to enjoy! If you haven't gotten a chance to sign up, see the forms on the table, or contact Ann Chulick at [chumom2@sbcglobal.net](mailto:chumom2@sbcglobal.net) or 314-660-6475 or go to <http://www.signupgenius.com>. You won't know how much fun you're missing until you sign up. We could also use your baking skills for desserts. We will accept cakes, cupcakes, cookies, and brownies. Please bring your desserts to the main school office, or to the cafeteria after 1:30 pm. Thank you all in advance!



## Stewardship

**St. Patrick's Day**—Thanks to ALL! It was a great day with great weather! Irish Eyes were smiling! **Parish Reconciliation Service** is this Sunday, March 24<sup>th</sup> from 2–4 PM.

**The Parish Retreat** will be April 13<sup>th</sup> in the Fr. Flynn Room. It will start at 8 AM with breakfast with the rest of the day consisting of sessions that have breaks scheduled in between. Lunch will be provided as well as child care. The retreat will end with 4:30 Mass. \$10.00 donation.

**Palm Basket**—The baskets are located up front by St. James and in the back by the gifts table. Bring your old palms in, we will burn them as part of the parish retreat on April 13<sup>th</sup>.

**Fish Fry**—Please support through prayer, volunteering, or enjoying fish! Better yet all three! Tell your family, friends, and neighbors the Fish Fry dates are March 29 & April 5 & 12. Sign-up sheets are in the back, please consider working even one shift one week to help ensure success.



## Pro-Life

### “Unplanned” see it!

For those who haven't heard about the new movie coming out called “Unplanned”, it's the true story of Abby Johnson. She was one of the youngest Planned Parenthood clinic directors in the nation and involved in upwards of 22,000 abortions and counseled countless women on their reproductive choices. Her passion surrounding a woman's right to choose led her to become a spokesperson for Planned Parenthood, fighting to enact legislation for the cause she so deeply believed in. Until the day she saw something that changed everything. The motion picture industry has rated this movie R in hopes of keeping people away. The industry also gauges how long it will let a movie run by how well it does the first 48 hours it's been in theaters. It was primarily funded by private sources and filmed in secret. I have heard several interviews with Abby and the producers. There isn't content that warrants an R rating, they said junior high students could see it because it isn't graphic. It will make a good conversation discussion with young people because, sadly, abortion has become so common in how it is portrayed on TV and movies.

It is showing in Illinois at Marcus O'Fallon Cine, Creve Coeur at AMC Dine-in Theatres West on Olive, as well as Edwardsville, Arnold, and Wentzville. Check listings for times, but appears it is mainly evening showings.

I pray the abortion law is repealed in my lifetime. Taking away the mask Planned Parenthood has hidden behind is the first step.

For those who don't drive or don't like to drive at night, we could go as a group. It opens on March 28<sup>th</sup> so going on the 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> is important. John & K2 Kelley are going and happy to take anyone who wants to see it. Maybe get a bite beforehand? If interested in riding with us, please give K2 a call by Wednesday, the 27<sup>th</sup>, so we can work out the details. 314-707-3629

If you aren't able to go, say an extra prayer or rosary for the Pro-Life Movement in the US. We must protect life from conception to natural death.





# CONGRATULATIONS

Mikayla M., St. James the Greater eighth grader, is this year's Optimist Club Award winner. This award recognizes and honors that graduating student who has demonstrated academic excellence, leadership and citizenship. Mikayla will be attending Notre Dame High School next year.



## Risen Jesus Party at Pauline Books & Media!

The Daughters of St Paul & Pauline Books & Media invite you to their 3<sup>rd</sup> annual Risen Jesus Party on Saturday, April 20, 10 – 2 pm for kids ages 3-7. For over 25 years the sisters have held a "Birthday Party for Baby Jesus" and so now they have added an Easter party! This joyful event will be a wonderful opportunity to prepare little ones for Easter and will help them to understand that Easter is all about Jesus and the new life that He brings. The party includes a prayer experience in the sister's chapel, story time, coloring, crafts, a photo shoot with Jesus in the Garden (costumes provided) and refreshments (bunny food!). Admission is free. For information call 314-965-3512.



## Ecumenical Taizé Prayer Service

Sunday, March 31

7:00-8:00 pm

Enter into the spirit of Lent with Song, Silence and Scripture in the style of Taizé. What is Taizé prayer? The simple and beautiful chant music of Taizé monastery in France is dedicated to the renewal of spirits and the healing of our planet. The repetitive nature of the chanted prayer can promote a kind of inner unity of the person, allowing the spirit to be more open and more attentive to what is essential. Silence is a fundamental part of the Taizé service. Mercy Conference and Retreat Center 2039 N Geyer Rd 63131 Please visit: [www.mercycenterstl.org](http://www.mercycenterstl.org) for more information.

# God Bless You This Lent...



Bill Ellingham, Jr.	Mary Nicolai	Deacon Nicolai
Jim Barry	Steve Baker	Anita Emerson
Ann Finnegan	Nikki Barnes	Kelley Goersch
Hayes Baroli	Sam Brownfield	Bill Brownfield
Tim Hayes	David Hunsche	Patricia Diaz
Barbara Burke	Mike Cardwell	Linda Nellesen
Tom Corbett	Art Menendez	Martha Corwin
Larry Coyle	Kay McWilliams	Henry Oakamura
Holly DeBoard	Neil Pilla	Edward Quigley
Karen Devaney	Oliver Pavelka	Ralph Whitener
Jeff Digger	Steve Vreeland	Jack Donovan
Mike Eisenbath	Dan Marquez	Sue Bussen
Ted Sinko	Renee Parmley	Candace Parmley
Jean Bohler	Jim Cuidon	Lynne Fischer
Amy Hester	Tony Dolce	Tom Yackley
Dan Bacinski	Jane Guffey	Louis Monsivais
Charles McKinnis	Bruce Ranciglio	Mary Hoffmann
Angela Ray	Mary Eubanks	Leffert Schild
Richie Barbay	Agnes Cooney	Audrey Anderson
Rachel Ruggeri	Gary Wibbels	Joan Droege
Jennifer Furey	Jack McKinnis	Joe Barbay
Susan Wessel	Bob Aldridge	Sue Aldridge
Scott Schuettenberg	Jennell Schuettenberg	Geraldine Swatek

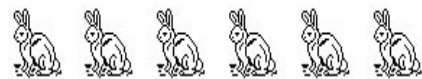
Please notify the Parish Office at: 314-645-0167 to add or remove someone. Thank you!

Please pray for the safety and well being of the following loved ones of our parishioners who have been called to military service:



Mike Barbay	Bryan Brunk	Marea Brunk
Eric Krystynak	Matt Koeln	Jack Meeseey
Andrew Wash	Ken Wash	

Please contact the rectory at (314) 645-0167 to add or remove someone.



## St. James Holy Name Society

### See's Candy Fundraiser

Now through March 31, the HNS will be in back of church after all the Masses to take orders for wonderful See's Chocolate. Delivery will be the week-end of April 13 after all the Masses. Payment is required at time or order.

# See's CANDIES®

**SAVE THE DATE!**  
**JUNE 15<sup>TH</sup>!!**



**St. James the Greater  
Summer Fest  
Rockin' Chair**

*Plus Special Guest*

*Danny Liston from Mama's Pride*

June 15th

\$25 in Advance – \$30 at the Gate

Gates Open at 5:30 pm

Music Starts at 7 pm

To purchase tickets on line:

<https://stjamessummerfest2019.eventbrite.com>

1360 Tamm Ave, St. James School Yard

Food and drinks available for purchase

No outside food or drinks allowed

Bring your lawnchair

Questions:

[summerfest@stjamesthegreater.org](mailto:summerfest@stjamesthegreater.org)

Or 314-645-0167

