

August 2, 2020
18th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Weekly Mass Schedule

Saturday	Aug 01	5:00 pm	Donald Wild and James Bready
Sunday	Aug 02	9:00 am	Leonard Kujawa The Parish
Monday	Aug 03	-----	
Tuesday	Aug 04	8:00 am	Agnes Frierdich
Wednesday	Aug 05	12:10 pm	Greg Hamilton
		7:00 pm	Confirmation
Thursday	Aug 06	7:00 pm	Tom Johns
Friday	Aug 07	8:00 am	MaryBeth Pierce
Saturday	Aug 08	5:00 pm	Walter Frierdich
Sunday	Aug 09	9:00 am	Frieda Roenicke Elmer and Edna Brune

Sunday Mass from St. James Church may still be viewed on our website or on facebook fb.me/stjamesmillstadt.

CHURCH CONTRIBUTIONS
June 25-26, 2020

Loose	87.00
Envelopes	3526.00
Assumption	25.00
Sister Parish	25.00
School Endowment	5.00
Debt Reduction	20.00
St. Vincent de Paul	245.00

NOTHING CAN SEPARATE US!

The first reading speaks of comfort foods. The second declares nothing can separate us from the love of Christ. The gospel shows that Jesus' need for quiet prayer can be interrupted by his pity for others' needs. He put the disciples to work in providing needed and satisfying food. In the pandemic, some may still be separated from the Sunday assembly, from Eucharist and Communion, but never from Christ Jesus.

- * How can I take comfort in knowing Christ is near?
- * As a baptized disciple, whom can I comfort with a phone call, letter or errand?
- * How will I trust that **nothing** will separate me from Christ and from all those He loves?

Think, Act, Connect and Pray-Who is hungry for God's goodness and who live right in your midst? Is it someone in your own family: a child, a spouse, a parent? Is it someone sitting near you at the Mass you attend? Let's pray for wisdom, charity and compassion this week to see the needs of others that may not be readily apparent. By seeing others with the eyes of Christ, we can see the individual beauty and dignity that is bestowed on all people. We can work to be Christ to one another!

PRAY for LIFE-This month we celebrate the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, body and soul, into heavenly glory. Seek the Blessed Mother's intercession for mothers and children by offering a Rosary that mothers in need and their children gain access to quality, life-affirming medical care and fundamental needs.

Your response to our Festival appeal has been more than wonderful! As of July 31, \$50,135.00 has been donated. Even though we have exceeded our original goal, the need is still great, so if you have not as yet made a donation please consider doing so. Our drawing for the quilts will be held on August 3. Thank you.



The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated on Wednesday, August 5, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. in the parish center with Father Marvin officiating. Due to Covid 19 pandemic, guests will be limited to parents, siblings and sponsors only. All people attending should wear a face mask. **Confirmation Practice for all candidates will be held on Sunday, August 2, 2020 from 10:30-11:30 a.m. in the parish center.**

Please get the word out that Mass is being celebrated on weekends in the parish center.

If anyone has changed their email address please contact the rectory as soon as possible. We will be sending more emails as time goes on.

Thank you for your help.

The Liturgical Ministers' Schedule is available on the table by the lobby. The schedule can also be found on the St. James Website Home Page. Click on MINISTRIES, Click on Worship, scroll down to Liturgical Ministries Schedule and click or scroll to bottom of homepage to LINKS and click on Liturgical Ministries Schedule. If you would like to be a liturgical minister during the pandemic, (Usher, Greeter, Lector or Eucharistic Minister) or your name has been missed on the schedule, please call the rectory.

PSR NEWS

Parents who are interested in enrolling their children in the Parish School of Religion (PSR) please go to the St. James webpage click on Religious Education, click on PSR and then go to PSR Parent Resources and follow the directions given. Thank you.

SPRING BINGO RAFFLE-Since the Spring Bingo was cancelled due to the Covid 19 pandemic the Bingo Committee is offering everyone an opportunity to win a Queen Size Quilt, Baby Quilt or a Decorated Basket that was offered for the Spring Bingo. If you would like to purchase tickets, they are \$5.00 for 6 tickets. The Spring Bingo raffle tickets are available on the tables in the parish center. You can place the tickets and money in the basket on the table or bring them to the rectory. The handmade quilt, baby quilt and decorated basket are on display in the gym. The drawing will take place on Monday, August 17, 2020. Thank you.

Since we are celebrating weekend Masses, the Collection Counters are asked to continue the schedule of counting the collection. Please arrive at the rectory following the 9:00 a.m. Mass. Thank you for all your help.

Bishop Michael McGovern will celebrate a special **"Mass for Young Adults" on Sunday, August 9 at 5:00 p.m. at the Cathedral of St. Peter in Belleville.** All young adults, from high school graduates through age 35, are invited to attend and meet the new Bishop.

A light reception with cold drinks will be held after the Mass.

This is a good opportunity for Catholic young adults to pray together with Bishop McGovern and to meet other young adults from the diocese.

RACHEL'S VINEYARD-A Journey of Healing after Abortion- *If you feel trapped by past abortion, come journey with us and feel free again.* **HEALING FOR MEN AND WOMEN** August 7-9, 2020 at Villa Maria Retreat Center, 1903 E. Lake Shore Dr. Springfield, IL. For more information call Donna Moore at 217-698-8500 ext. 161

The St. Vincent de Paul Society is not accepting donations of clothing right now. Please do not bring any clothing to the rectory for delivery. They are grateful for all the donations from St. James parishioners but due to the pandemic cannot handle anymore.

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