

July 26, 2020
17th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Weekly Mass Schedule

Saturday	July 25	1:30 pm	Wedding: Kellie Speichinger and Brian Payton 5:00 pm John Alexander
Sunday	July 26	9:00 am	Marilyn Farnsworth The Parish
Monday	July 27		-----
Tuesday	July 28	8:00 am	Marie Boehm
Wednesday	July 29	12:10 pm	Patricia Pratt
Thursday	July 30	7:00 pm	Betty Keating
Friday	July 31	8:00 am	Virginia Hankammer
Saturday	Aug 01	5:00 pm	Donald Wild and James Bready
Sunday	Aug 02	9:00 am	Leonard Kujawa The Parish

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

CHURCH CONTRIBUTIONS
June 18-19, 2020

Loose	101.00
Envelopes	1861.00
Sister Parish	10.00
Ascension	20.00
School Endowment	15.00
Debt Reduction	50.00
St. Vincent de Paul	65.00

THE KINGDOM of HEAVEN

Living in the kingdom of heaven can be hard to fathom at times. It is a treasure, it is surprising, and it is full of good and bad alike. The Letter to the Romans reminds us that for those who love God, all things work for good. It may not happen tomorrow or next week, but it will happen. All will be well.

- * While living in God's kingdom now, what treasure(s) do I seek?
- * How will I share what I find?
- * What in my storeroom can I share with others?

Think, Act, Connect and Pray-It is important that in our lives and in our faith that we work to hold up, "dignify" all life from the unborn in the womb to

the elderly prisoner on death row. By recognizing that Christ is in each one of us, we are able to think and act in ways that fulfill our need for agape love. A love that does not discriminate. A love that is there for each one of us because we all are God's children. This week, think of a way to bridge a gap. Say "hello" to someone you may not normally greet. Smile and make eye contact with those around you. Be open and watch new relationships form!

Notes from Fr. Marvin

Your generosity is awesome! As of July 24, \$38,555.00 has been donated. If you have not as yet made a donation please consider doing so. Our goal is to raise \$40,000 or more. 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.

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 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.

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 for now cannot handle anymore.

The National Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows will hold the 77th Annual Novena to Our Lady of the Snows on Tuesday, July 28 through Wednesday, August 5. Mass begins at 7:30 p.m. "With Mary on Holy Pilgrimage"-Each evening of the Novena includes Mass, special music, prayers, Scripture reflections and praying the rosary. For more information, call 618.394.6276. snow.org/novena

*Gold Rush Raffle. Ss. Peter and Paul, Waterloo. Tickets -\$100 each are sold online. 9 chances to Win \$1,000 or more. For more info call Staci at 618-791-7131. To purchase tickets go online to <https://GoldRush1.givesmart.com>.

A Prayer for Our New Bishop

O Lord, who for the feeding of your flock have set your servant Michael over it as a successor to the Apostles, grant him, we pray, a spirit of counsel and fortitude, a spirit of knowledge and piety, so that, by faithfully governing the people entrusted to him he may build up in the world the sacrament of the Church. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen

