

St. James the Apostle Catholic Church

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The National Eucharistic Revival is an effort over a period of three years to revive belief in the True Presence, encourage Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament, and restore a more reverent celebration of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass.

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NATIONAL
**Eucharistic
Revival**

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil | 4:00 P.M.
Sunday | 9:00 A.M. AND 11:00 A.M.

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Monday - Friday Daily Mass | 8:00 A.M.

HOLY DAY MASS SCHEDULE

*On the Holy Day | 8:00 A.M. AND 7:00 P.M.

CONFESSIONS

Saturday | 3:00 - 3:45 P.M.*

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

First Friday of the Month* | 8:30 - 9:30 A.M.

*UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED

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Sunday, February 23, 2025 | Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time



Bishop Hicks' Column February 2025

The Gift of Imagination



Whenever I fly, I frequently do three things. First, I always pray a rosary—that's a given! Then, I catch up on some work or necessary reading. Finally, I relax a bit and watch a movie. I admit I am quite conscious that, by wearing my Roman collar, many people in the seats around me take note of the movie I have selected. The last thing I want is for them to go home and tell their family and friends that they witnessed a Catholic bishop praying a rosary and then watching a super-violent or unseemly movie!

On my most recent flight, I selected the family-friendly movie *Harold and the Purple Crayon*. It is a heartwarming film about the power of imagination and the beauty of creativity. The hero of the story is Harold, a young boy who is gifted with a purple crayon that allows him to bring his drawings to life. As he sets out on an adventure, Harold learns valuable lessons about courage, problem-solving, and the responsibility that comes with shaping the world around him.

Spoiler alert: toward the end of the movie, Harold finds a touching letter from the author who created him. In it, he reads:

"Dear Harold, one day you might want to know why I made you. I wanted to show folks that, with a little imagination, you can make your life whatever you want it to be." This film reminds us that, like Harold, we all have the ability to create, dream, and make a difference in this world through our imaginations. How true!

Our imagination is truly a gift from God, allowing us to see beyond what is and dream of what could be. We are made in the image of God, and our ability to imagine and create reflects His divine nature. This gift allows us to participate in our Creator's ongoing work of beauty and goodness in the world.

Perhaps you are familiar with *Ignatian Contemplation*, also known as *imaginative prayer*. Through this method, St. Ignatius of Loyola teaches us to pray using our imaginations. This practice encourages us to place ourselves inside a biblical scene, using all our senses to experience the story as if we were truly there. If you have never used this form of prayer, I invite you to try it using these basic steps:

- Imagine yourself in a scene from Scripture, such as being present at Jesus' birth, walking with Him along the road, or witnessing His miracles.
- Engage your senses by seeing the setting, hearing the voices, feeling the textures, smelling the surroundings, and experiencing the emotions.
- Interact with Jesus directly by listening to His words, speaking to Him, and experiencing His love.

After an imaginative prayer experience, St. Ignatius invites us to reflect on what we felt, learned, or heard. In other words, we can ask ourselves, *"How did God speak to me through my imagination?"*

Faith itself requires the gift of imagination. It gives us the ability to believe in what we cannot see (Hebrews 11:1). Imagination allows us to trust in God's plan, envision a better future, and hold onto hope even in difficult times. It also builds our capacity for compassion and empathy by helping us put ourselves in others' shoes and understand both their joys and struggles. This ability to see the world from different perspectives strengthens our call to love one another, just as Christ taught.

Of course, like all gifts, we can misuse our imagination. According to John Lennon, we can *"imagine there's no heaven. It's easy if you try."* Why would we do that? Sometimes our world or life experiences bring us to imagine sad, evil, and immoral things. Yet God gifted us with our imaginations so that we may be fully alive and joyful through, with, and in Him.

So, I invite you to imagine the Holy Trinity—being in the presence of God the Father and feeling His eternal love, peace, and mercy; walking and talking with Jesus; and experiencing the Holy Spirit descending upon you, filling you with wisdom, strength, and courage. Imagine there is a beautiful heaven, teeming with saints, angels, and your loved ones in God's eternal presence.

Ultimately, imagination is a sacred gift that allows us to create, love, hope, and draw closer to God in all that we do. Please join me in imagining a Church and a world where every heart is filled with God's love and mercy, abounding in kindness, respect for life, justice and peace for all people—now and forever!

CORRECTION FROM FR. KEITH'S LETTER IN THE FEBRUARY 16TH EDITION OF THE BULLETIN

The combined 60/25 Anniversary Celebrations will culminate in Mass with Bishop Hicks on Sunday, October 26 at 11am. Please mark your calendars now for this special liturgy!

You are cordially invited to the St. James the Apostle
ST. JOSEPH & ST. PATRICK DINNER



SATURDAY, MARCH 15TH

DINNER MENU

- Traditional Corned Beef & Cabbage
- Pasta
- Sweet Table & Other Delicacies

ENTERTAINMENT

- Local Irish Tenor, Gavin Coyle
- The McNulty Irish Dancers



Immediately following 4 P.M. Mass in Sebahar Hall

Tickets will go fast, so register as soon as you can!

Before March 1st: Tickets are \$15 for adults/\$5 for kids (kids under 5 are free!)

NAME: _____

ADDRESS _____

PHONE: _____ EMAIL: _____

NUMBER OF ADULT TICKETS: _____ NUMBER OF KID TICKETS: _____

PLEASE SEND YOUR REGISTRATION AND PAYMENT TO:

ST. JAMES THE APOSTLE 480 S. PARK BLVD, GLEN ELLYN, 60137

-OR-PAY ONLINE AT OUR PARISH WEBSITE BY CLICKING [HERE](#)

Questions? Call Vinnie Romano 630-877-1383 or Brigid Duffield 630-235-6134



Unable to join us March 15? We welcome you on May 3, August 24 and October 26 for our other 60th Celebration Events. Please consider making a tax-deductible donation to the St. James 60th Anniversary Committee to offset the costs of our events.

Administration Ministries



The 2025 CMAA Has Begun!

The 2025 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal has begun! As the Diocese of Joliet launches the 2025 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal (CMAA), we are humbly asking all parishioners to pledge their support for this important effort, as together we can make a profound difference.

This year's CMAA theme is Open your heart to God's goodness. Through our support, we ensure that the mission and ministries of Christ's Church are available to everyone. Together, we can help provide safe shelter for the homeless, feed the physical and social needs of those who are hungry, inspire those discerning a life of vocation, and aid in the education of our next generation of Catholics. We benefit directly by the presence of seminarian Topher at our parish.

Our parish goal for the 2025 CMAA is \$78,800 and 70% of any amount we raise over our goal will be returned to us and used responsibly within our own parish. Please review the materials you receive in the mail from the Diocese of Joliet this month and prayerfully reflect on your gift to this year's annual appeal. If you do not receive a CMAA mailing, please contact the parish office.

Stewardship Report

February 15/16, 2025

► Sunday Collection with EFT: \$11,606.75

Our weekly budget is \$17,115; our shortfall is \$5,508.25

► Preserving Our Father's House w/EFT: \$1,300

Thank you to our parishioners for continuing to be good stewards. As you try to live within your household budget, please consider helping St. James live within theirs.

About this Year's CMAA at St. James

The 2025 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal begins next weekend. You have already received the information at home by mail. Due to the early mailing by the Diocese, we will not be completing the in-pew commitment process next weekend. Thank you in advance for your generosity to support the ministries throughout our diocese, including seminarian education for Topher. Please contact the Parish Office if you did not receive a commitment envelope in the mail from the Diocesan Development Office.

60th Anniversary Committee Looking for Volunteers

Are you looking to volunteer for our four family oriented 60th Anniversary Events? We encourage individuals and families to volunteer.



Please volunteer for one or more of our events!

March 15: St. Joseph/St. Patrick Dinner

May 3: Mass in the Grass* and Pizza Party

August 24: Ice Cream Social and Sock Hop

October 26: Anniversary Mass and Parish Picnic

Email or Call:

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**weather permitting*

Registering at St. James the Apostle Parish

Welcome to St. James the Apostle Parish! We are blessed to have you with us today—and every weekend!

If you would like to register as a new parishioner, you can either stop by the Parish Office for more information or visit our website to download a fillable registration form: <https://stjamesge.org/become-a-member-of-st-james/>

We would love for you to join our St. James family!

We Offer Our Prayers

Our Parish Prayer List

Please Pray for:

Pope Francis

Danny Tapia

- 1) Persons may be added to the prayer list for a time period of two weeks.
- 2) After two weeks have passed, the name will be removed from the list.
- 3) After a time period of three months, you may request the person be added again for another two week period.
- 4) If you prefer to pray from a more comprehensive list, we encourage you to visit our comprehensive prayer list on our website:

<https://stjamesge.org/our-comprehensive-parish-prayer-list/>

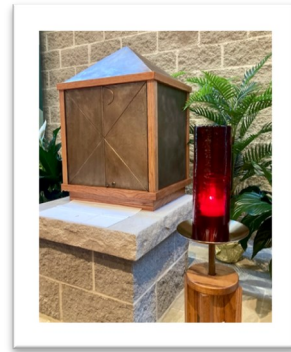
How to Add a Person to Our Prayer Lists

If you would like to add a person to our parish prayer list or our military list, please contact Rubi at: rubi@stjamesge.org and provide her with the name. Thank you!



**All are Welcome to Join Us for a
FIRST FRIDAY HOLY HOUR
Friday, March 7th
Immediately following the 8 A.M. Mass**

As we continue the National Eucharistic Revival, we invite you to grow closer to Jesus and His Real Presence in the Eucharist through participating in our Holy Hour.



ST. JAMES THE APOSTLE PARISH

Flames of Faith

The red Sanctuary Lamp by the tabernacle burns to remind us of the sacramental presence of Jesus Christ. It is a mark of honor.

We are now offering the opportunity to offer these Flames of Faith burning in memory of a loved one, to honor a special occasion, or a special intention. The cost of the candle is \$30. It will burn for one week. The dedication will be published in the bulletin.

Please stop by or contact Rubi at the Parish Office, (630) 469-7540 or rubi@stjamesge.org to inquire about open dates and to obtain a card you may share with the person being honored or with the family whose loved one is being remembered.

February 24 - March 2, 2025

This week our St. James Flames of Faith are offered:

In memory of Antonio Caputo

Requested by:

Carla Caputo

We Make House Calls!

—Communion for the Homebound—

If you or a loved one are temporarily or permanently homebound and unable to attend Mass, the St. James Ministry of Care can bring Holy Communion to your home on a regular basis. To have a qualified and trained St. James lay parishioner bring Communion to YOUR home, please call Rubi at the St. James Parish Office, 630-469-7540, ext. 201 or email rubi@stjamesge.org

40 DAYS OF LENT

LENT BEGINS ON ASH WEDNESDAY, MARCH 5TH

Return to Me with your Whole Heart

“Even now, says the LORD, return to me with your whole heart, with fasting, and weeping, and mourning; Rend your hearts, not your garments, and return to the LORD, your God. For he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.”

JOEL 2:12-13

Devotional Opportunities

NIGHT PRAYER WITH THE BURIAL OF THE ALLELUIA | MARCH 4

- Join us at 7 P.M. in the church as we bury the alleluia before Lent begins

ASH WEDNESDAY | MARCH 5

- Masses at 8 A.M. and 7 P.M. with distribution of ashes
- Distribution of ashes in the narthex from 12 - 1 P.M.
- Distribution of ashes in the narthex from 5 - 6:30 P.M.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION | BEGINNING MARCH 7

- First Friday Holy Hour, March 7 and April 4 following 8 A.M. Daily Mass
- Holy Hour with Night Prayer at 7 P.M. on Thursdays, March 13, 20, April 3 and 10

FRIDAY STATIONS OF THE CROSS | BEGINNING MARCH 7

- Stations led by our school students at 2 P.M. on March 7, (no 14) 21, 28, April (no 4) and 11
- Stations at 7 P.M. on March 7, 14, (no 21) 28, April 4 and 11

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION | SATURDAYS & SUNDAYS

- Saturdays, 3 - 3:45 P.M. on March 8, 15, 22, 29, April 5 and 12
- Sundays, 10 - 10:45 A.M. on March 9, 16, 23, 30, April 6 and 13

AREA WIDE DAYS OF RECONCILIATION | APRIL 4 & 11

- April 4: Divine Mercy Parish in Lombard from 9 A.M. - 9 P.M.
- April 11: St. Mark Parish in Wheaton from 9 A.M. - 9 P.M.

MASS OF THANKSGIVING | THURSDAY, APRIL 27 AT 7 P.M.

- Celebration of Fr. Keith's 10th Anniversary of Ordination to the Diaconate



Faith Formation Opportunities

33 DAYS TO EUCHARISTIC GLORY | BEGINNING FEBRUARY 27

- Weekly Adult Faith Formation on Thursdays at 8:30 A.M. or 5:45 P.M.
- Sign-up online at <https://stjamesge.org/adult-faith-formation/>

LENTEN PRAYER BOOKLETS | FEBRUARY 22/23

- A limited supply of prayer booklets for Lent are available in the narthex near the St. James Statue. Freewill offerings may be placed in the basket on the table.

Lenten Regulations

FASTING AND ABSTINENCE DURING LENT

1. Everyone 14 years of age or over is bound to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and all Fridays of Lent.
2. Everyone 18 years of age and under 59 years of age is bound to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.
3. On these two days of fast and abstinence, only one full meatless meal is allowed. Two other meatless meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to each one's needs, but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted on these two days, but liquids, including milk and fruit juices are allowed.
4. To disregard completely the law of fast and abstinence is seriously sinful.
5. Lent is the principal season of penance in the Christian year. All of the faithful are strongly urged to develop and follow a program of voluntary self-denial (in addition to following the Lenten regulations), serious prayer and a performance of works of charity and mercy.

A Prayer for Lent

God of goodness and mercy,

Hear my prayer as I begin this Lenten journey with you. Let me be honest with myself as I look into my heart and soul, noticing the times I turn away from you. Guide me as I humbly seek to repent and return to your love. May humility guide my efforts to be reconciled with you and live forever in your abundant grace. Transform me this Lent, heavenly Father. Give me the strength to make myself available to you every day as I prepare for Easter. Amen.

Mass Intentions & This Week at St. James | February 24 - March 2, 2025

FEBRUARY 24/MONDAY

8:00 A.M.
Marcel Kopaczewski*
REQ. BY MOM AND DAD
*In Thanksgiving for Safety

Chris Hansen
REQ. BY TERESA BOUSQUET

FEBRUARY 25/TUESDAY

8:00 A.M.
Otto P. Neurater
REQ. BY FAMILY

FEBRUARY 26/WEDNESDAY

8:00 A.M.
Antonio Caputo
REQ. BY CARLA CAPUTO

FEBRUARY 27/THURSDAY

8:00 A.M.
Joseph Sansone
REQ. BY BOB GALGAN

FEBRUARY 28/FRIDAY

8:00 A.M.
Gordon Murphy
REQ. BY BOB GALGAN

MARCH 01/SATURDAY

4:00 P.M.
Frank and Irene Froncek
REQ. BY JOAN FRONCEK

MARCH 02/SUNDAY

9:00 A.M.
Harpstreith Family
REQ. BY JOAN COZZI

11:00 A.M.
Intention of the St. James
Liturgical Ministers
People of the Parish

This Week@St. James

24/MONDAY

Daily Mass
8 A.M. | CH
Lunch
11:30 A.M. | SBH1/K
Kids Klub
3 P.M. | GYM/A/M
Basketball Practice
4 P.M. | GYM
A.A. Meeting
8 P.M. | FL

25/TUESDAY

Daily Mass
8 A.M. | CHURCH
A & E Water Plants
8:30 A.M. | CH
Lunch
11:30 A.M. | SBH1/K
Lector Rehearsal
12:30 P.M. | SBH2/3
Kids Klub
3 P.M. | GYM/A/M
Basketball Practice
4 P.M. | GYM
RE Classes
4:30 P.M. | RERMS/
SBH123/CH
Troop 352 Meeting
7 P.M. | SBH1

26/WEDNESDAY

Daily Mass
8 A.M. | CHURCH
Lunch
11:30 A.M. | SBH1/K
Kids Klub
3 P.M. | GYM/A/M
Faculty Meeting
3 P.M. | SBH2/3
Basketball Practice
4 P.M. | GYM
RE Classes
4:30 P.M. | RERMS/
SBH123/CH
Diaconate Deanery
Meeting
6:50 P.M. | CH/SBH1/K
Evening Rosary
7 P.M. | CHURCH

27/THURSDAY

Daily Mass
8 A.M. | CHURCH
33 Days to
Eucharistic Glory
8:30 A.M. | SBH123/K
Lunch
11:30 A.M. | SBH1/K
Drama Club Reh
3 P.M. | SBH1
Kids Klub
3 P.M. | GYM/A/M
Basketball Practice
4 P.M. | GYM
33 Days to
Eucharistic Glory
5:45 P.M. | SBH123/K
Choir Rehearsal
6:30 P.M. | CHOIR RM
AOH Meeting
7 P.M. | SJH2/3

28/FRIDAY

Daily Mass
8 A.M. | CH/ALL
A & E Water Plants
9:30 A.M. | CH
Memorial Mass
10 A.M. | CH
Lunch
11:30 A.M. | SBH1/K
Kids Klub
3 P.M. | GYM/A/M
Jr. High Dance
6:30 P.M. | GYM
Jr. High Movie
Night
6:30 P.M. | SBH123/K

01/SATURDAY

Cursillo Mtg
7:30 A.M. | SBH2/3
Drama Club
Rehearsal
8 A.M. | SBH1
Playoff Basketball
Games
9 A.M. | GYM
Reconciliations
3 P.M. | CH/ALL
Crusader Cash
3:30 P.M. | CN
St. Joe/St. Pat
Ticket Sales
3:30 P.M. | CN
Dist. of Lent Books
3:30 P.M. | CN
Mass
4 P.M. | CH/ALL

02/SUNDAY

Mass
9 A.M. | CH/ALL
11 A.M. | CH/ALL
Crusader Cash
10 A.M. | CN
12 P.M. | CN
St. Joe/St. Pat
Ticket Sales
10 A.M. | CN
12 P.M. | CN
Dist. of Lent Books
10 A.M. | CN
12 P.M. | CN
Baptisms
12:30 P.M. | CH/ALL
Adult Rec. BBall
7:30 P.M. | GYM

Readings for the Week | Saints and Special Observances

Readings for the Week

Monday: Sir 1:1-10/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5/Mk 9:14-29
Tuesday: Sir 2:1-11/Ps 37:3-4, 18-19, 27-28, 39-40/
Mk 9:30-37
Wednesday: Sir 4:11-19/Ps 119:165, 168, 171, 172, 174, 175/
Mk 9:38-40
Thursday: Sir 5:1-8/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Mk 9:41-50
Friday: Sir 6:5-17/Ps 119:12, 16, 18, 27, 34, 35/
Mk 10:1-12
Saturday: Sir 17:1-15/Ps 103:13-14, 15-16, 17-18/
Mk 10:13-16
Sunday: Sir 27:4-7/Ps 92:2-3, 13-14, 15-16 (see 2a)/
1 Cor 15:54-58/Lk 6:39-45

Saints and Special Observances

Thursday: St. Gregory of Narek
Sunday: 8th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Worship Ministries

2026 Daily Mass Book to Open for Intentions

The 2026 Daily Mass Record will be opened on Wednesday, February 26th in the Parish Office. During the initial period of the Mass Book opening, February 26 - March 12th, no more than four Mass intentions per person will be accepted in order that all may have an equal opportunity for the available dates.

In order that all may have the opportunity to request weekend Masses, we also ask that you limit your requests to two weekend dates and two weekday Masses.

If you are unable to stop in during office hours, you may mail your four intentions to the Parish Office, ATTN: Rubi, with a check made payable to St. James the Apostle. Please use the form provided in the bulletin as we need the date requested, the name for the intention and the "Requested by" information. Once the initial period is over, the book will be available for additional intentions. The stipend per Mass intention is \$10.

1) _____

Mass Intention/Date Requested

Name of person(s) requesting intention

2) _____

Mass Intention/Date Requested

Name of person(s) requesting intention

3) _____

Mass Intention/Date Requested

Name of person(s) requesting intention

4) _____

Mass Intention/Date Requested

Name of person(s) requesting intention

Christian Service Ministries



**Kid's Corner
TOP NEEDS**

#MAKEHUNGERHISTORY



Macaroni & Cheese
Canned Spaghetti & Chili



Cereal (Low Sugar)
Boxed Granola Bars



Spices:
Garlic Powder & Onion Powder



Small Bags of
Chips & Pretzels



Crackers (Low Sodium)
Cookies (Low Sugar)



Kleenex

Glen House Food Pantry Top Needs

Thank you for taking care of our neighbors in need. For more information, about this week's top needs, visit the food pantry's website:

<https://www.glenhousefoodpantry.org/>

Your non-perishable donations may be brought to the containers located inside each set of exterior doors of the church or dropped off at the pantry. Thank you for your ongoing support!

Knights of Columbus Fundraiser February 27

The Knights of Columbus Council #9806 of St. James the Apostle Parish will host another fundraiser on Thursday, February 27 at "Made in Italy Trattoria" located at 476 Forest Avenue, and the adjacent A & G's Sub Sandwich Spot, located at 482 Forest Avenue in downtown Glen Ellyn.

Both dine-in and carry-out orders are eligible for contributions to the Knights. Just mention St. James Knights of Columbus anytime during each restaurant's operating hours and a portion of the cost of your meal will be donated to the Knights. This money is then used to support the many charitable endeavors that the Knights do to help St. James the Apostle Parish. Thank you for your support!

A HIGHLIGHT OF OUR UPCOMING EVENTS

We invite you to save the date for some of our upcoming parish events. Some are a continuation of our parish's participation in the three year National Eucharistic Revival. Others are in celebration in 2025 of our 60th Anniversary as a parish and our 25th Anniversary in our church.

FEBRUARY 2025

LENTEN ADULT FAITH PROGRAM BEGINS | FEB. 27; SEE AD IN BULLETIN

MARCH 2025

NIGHT PRAYER WITH BURIAL OF THE ALLELUIA | MARCH 4 AT 7 P.M.

ASH WEDNESDAY | MARCH 5; SEE DETAILS IN THIS BULLETIN

FIRST FRIDAY EUCHARISTIC ADORATION | MARCH 7 FOLLOWING 8 A.M. MASS
ADORATION WITH NIGHT PRAYER | MARCH 13, 20 AT 7 P.M.

ST. PATRICK'S/ST. JOSEPH'S CELEBRATION | SATURDAY, MARCH 15 AT 5 P.M.

CONFESSIONS BETWEEN SUNDAY MASSES | SUNDAY, MARCH 9, 16, 23, 30

MASS OF THANKSGIVING | MARCH 27 AT 7 P.M.

APRIL 2025

FIRST FRIDAY EUCHARISTIC ADORATION | APRIL 4 FOLLOWING 8 A.M. MASS

CONFESSIONS BETWEEN SUNDAY MASSES | SUNDAY, APRIL 6 AND 13

ADORATION WITH NIGHT PRAYER | APRIL 3 & 10 AT 7 P.M.

PALM SUNDAY | APRIL 12 AT 4 P.M.; APRIL 13 AT 9 AND 11 A.M.

HOLY WEEK | BEGINS APRIL 14; DETAILS TO FOLLOW

TENEBRAE (ADORATION WITH NIGHT PRAYER) | APRIL 16 AT 7 P.M.

EASTER | VIGIL ON APRIL 19 AT 8 P.M.; APRIL 20 AT 7, 9 AND 11 A.M.

DIVINE MERCY CELEBRATION | APRIL 27; DETAILS TO FOLLOW

MAY 2025

FIRST FRIDAY EUCHARISTIC ADORATION | MAY 2 FOLLOWING 8 A.M. MASS

FEAST OF ST. JAMES: MASS IN THE GRASS* & PIZZA PARTY | SAT., MAY 3 AT 4 P.M.

*WEATHER PERMITTING

REGISTRATION NOW OPEN FOR OUR ST. JAMES LENTEN ADULT FAITH PROGRAM **33 Days to Eucharistic Glory**

Adult Faith Formation at St. James the Apostle will be offering two sessions of the small group study, *33 Days to Eucharistic Glory*, meeting weekly from February 27-April 10, 2025. Sessions will be held on Thursday mornings: 8:30 - 9:30 a.m. (Immediately following 8 A.M. Mass) and on Thursday evenings: 5:45 - 6:45 p.m., followed by a Adoration with Night Prayer in the church with Fr. Keith. The cost for the book and materials is \$15.

The purpose of this study is to: (a) help you dive into the Matthew Kelly book, *33 Days to Eucharistic Glory*, exploring your personal relationship with Jesus in the Eucharist and how to apply what you are learning to your life as you prepare to make your consecration; and (b) build authentic community in our parish. To receive more information about participating or to register, please complete the form below –OR– inquire using the online link below:



[Click Here to Sign Up for More Info or to Register for 33 Days to Eucharistic Glory](#)

Questions? Email Brigid@BrigidDuffield.com –OR– Call Cathy Raymond at 630-390-6131.

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Please register me as a participant in 33 Days to Eucharistic Glory

Name: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Please indicate the session you will attend:

☐ Thurs. Morning Session ☐ Thurs. Evening Session

Detach & drop in the collection basket or return to:
St. James Parish Office, 480 S. Park Blvd., Glen Ellyn 60137.

Christian Education

RESERVE — 22 — TWENTY-TWO

Eat at Reserve 22 at The Village Links to Support St. James the Apostle School

On Wednesday, February 26th
from 12:00 PM - 8:00 P.M.
there will be a fundraiser to benefit
St. James the Apostle School at

Reserve 22 at the Village Links 485 Winchell Way Glen Ellyn

20% of your purchase
(dine in OR take out)
will be donated to the school,
including the purchase of alcohol*

Questions?

Please call or email Carole Frano:
630.469.5550
cfrano@stjamesge-school.org

***This flyer must be
brought to the restaurant
in order to credit SJA School**

Community Ministries & Events



BELLARMINE
Jesuit Retreat House

Men's Upcoming Retreat Opportunity

For the past 40 years, men of our parish have been attending a weekend men's retreat at Bellarmine Jesuit Retreat House in Barrington. It is a 40-hour retreat from 6 P.M. on Friday evening to noon on Sunday. This year the retreat is from March 7-9 with Fr. Mitch Pacwa of EWTN fame. Recently thirty additional openings have become available and we have been asked to notify men if they would be interested in having a retreat experience with a noted spiritual director. If interested, please call Bellarmine directly at 847-381-1261 to make a reservation. They require a \$100 deposit. Questions? Call Don Davia at 630-303-8179.



Ancient Order of
HIBERNIANS
IRISH • CATHOLIC • AMERICAN

Friendship. Unity. Christian Charity.

The Ancient Order of Hibernians in America has opened a new Division in the Chicago Western suburbs, and we would love to have you on board! The AOH is a men's fraternal organization comprised of Irish (by birth or descent) Catholics in both America and Ireland. Our initiatives include local charity and service, fundraising, community building, and connecting ourselves to our Irish roots and heritage. We meet on a monthly basis and have several additional events throughout the year. Members of the Order can even receive grants for Catholic school education and seminary education!

If you are interested in joining the oldest Irish Catholic Fraternity in America, we invite you to join us at our meeting on Thursday, February 27th at 7 P.M. in Sebahar Hall 2/3. Enter through Door 9 behind the outdoor statue of the Blessed Mother. We look forward to seeing you there!

Contact: Fergus Walsh at Fergus.walsh@gmail.com
or call 252-290-7617.

Women's Morning of Recollection

Tuesday, March 4.

10-Noon

St. James the Apostle, Glen Ellyn

The recollection is a time of reflection and prayer. It includes meditations guided by a priest, a practical talk on an aspect of our faith, adoration, benediction and opportunity for confession.

*May you seek Christ,
may you find Christ,
may you love Christ and bring Him to others.*

-St. Josemaria Escriva

Info: opusdei.org
Questions: info@elmsuniversitycenter.org



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*Fostering and Promoting Vocations
to the Priesthood and Religious Life.*



Mark Your Calendar
Guests are welcome!

RSVP by March 2, 2025 to Joyce Bauer, mrsbb25@gmail.com

Speaker: Fr. Sonny Castillo, Singer, Actor, Poet, Blogger & Pastor at St. Michael



Father Sunny was ordained a priest on June 5, 2004, only the second Filipino to be ordained for the Diocese of Joliet, and is currently the pastor at Saint Michael Church in Wheaton, IL. Prior to this, he was given the charge of consolidating three parishes in Kankakee where he also served as pastor - Saint Teresa, Saint Martin, and Saint Rose. In July 2017, he became the founding pastor of St. John Paul II Parish also in Kankakee. Prior to these pastorate assignments, he served as parochial vicar at Saint Mary Immaculate in Plainfield, Saint Michael in Wheaton and Saint Dominic in Bolingbrook. He was also appointed by Bishop Ronald Hicks as the Coordinator of Ongoing Formation of Priests in the Joliet Diocese starting in August of 2022.

Named after a Benedictine monk who visited his family in Candon City, Philippines ("Santos Castillo" translates roughly to "Castle of Saints"), he began early study at the San Pablo Seminary in Baguio City, Philippines, but left the priestly formation path to discern more deeply and to mature more in his personal life. He ended up pursuing a career in show business in the Philippines, singing and co-hosting a children's show on national television there. That didn't seem to be enough, however, and so he returned to school to achieve his master's degree in philosophy while teaching philosophy at the Ateneo, the Jesuit University in Manila.

DINNER MEETING DETAILS

March 10, 2025

St. James the Apostle Catholic Church
480 S. Park Blvd, Glen Ellyn, IL 60137

Evening Program:

6:00 pm - Rosary

6:20 pm - Mass

7:00 pm - Fellowship (in Social Hall)

7:15 pm - Dinner

7:45 pm - Updates from Officers and Announcements

8:00 pm - Guest Speaker Presentation and Q&A