

# St. James the Apostle Catholic Church

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**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, March 23, 2025 | Third Sunday of Lent**

## A Letter from the Bishop

Blessings and peace to you!

As we begin our Lenten journey, marked by prayer, fasting, and almsgiving, I am writing to inform you of two identical pieces of legislation that would legalize assisted suicide in Illinois: SB 9 and HB 1328. Please consider offering your prayers and fasting to help stop this. In addition, take action by writing, calling, or emailing your state elected officials to vote **“NO”** on this legislation. For further information, visit [www.ilcatholic.org](http://www.ilcatholic.org) or call 217-528-9200.

Assisted suicide would make it legal for a physician to prescribe a range of lethal drugs to a person diagnosed with a terminal disease who requests to end his or her life.

It is alarming that in states where suicide is legalized, there are documented cases of people being denied life-saving medical treatment by insurance companies in favor of the much cheaper option of life-ending drugs. The poor and those with disabilities are particularly at risk, as they are the most vulnerable to such abuses. Every major national organization that represents people with disabilities opposes assisted suicide. There is no way to prevent the vulnerable from being coerced or intimidated into ending their lives once assisted suicide is legal.

The American Medical Association (AMA) has summed up the case against assisted suicide well: *“Physician-assisted suicide is fundamentally incompatible with the physician’s role as healer, would be difficult or impossible to control, and would pose serious societal risks.”*

Proponents argue that this legislation will end suffering at the end of life. As Catholics, we agree that no one should needlessly suffer or have to watch a loved one experience unnecessary pain. Fortunately, there are now effective ways to make a person more comfortable at the end of life through palliative care.

Assisted suicide is not the compassionate solution for those who are suffering. Through palliative care, expanded access to mental health care, and stronger family and community support, providers and families are finding better ways to accompany these individuals compassionately — ways that truly reflect the love for and dignity of each human life.

Through the intercession of the Virgin Mary, let us continue to pray for respect and dignity for human life from conception to natural death.

As I remain —

Sincerely yours in Christ,



**Most Reverend Ronald A. Hicks**

Please visit [www.ilcatholic.org/take-action](http://www.ilcatholic.org/take-action) or call 217-528-9200 to find out how to contact your local elected officials and urge them to vote **NO** on SB 9 and HB 1328.

### **A Note of Gratitude to the 60th Anniversary Committee from Fr. Keith**

As we continue our celebration of the 60th anniversary of our parish and the 25th anniversary of our church, I want to thank all of the volunteers who helped make last weekend’s Saint Patrick/Saint Joseph dinner a success. In particular, on behalf of the entire parish, I would like to thank Brigid Duffield and Vinnie Romano for leading this event along with the members of the committee: Cathy & Chris Raymond, Judy & Steve Gawron, John & Penny Borello, Maggie Opal, Pauline Briggs, Joanne & Jim Rossman, Lisa Orwig, Ellen Green, Christine Novak, Laura O’Malley Pietras, Rich & Karen Daca, Jim & Donna O’Malley, Mike Cimino, Ed Pohl, Vince Spinosa and Kurt Padera. We enjoyed food catered by Made in Italy along with live music by Gavin Coyle and the Irish Dancers. Mark your calendars for our next anniversary event: Feast of Saint James the Lesser with ‘Mass in the Grass’ (weather permitting) followed by a pizza party on Saturday, May 3 at 4 P.M.

# 40 DAYS OF LENT

## *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

### **EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION | CONTINUING ON APRIL 3**

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

### **FRIDAY STATIONS OF THE CROSS | DESIGNATED FRIDAYS DURING LENT**

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

### **SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION | SATURDAYS & SUNDAYS**

- Saturdays, 3 - 3:45 P.M. on March 29, April 5 and 12
- Sundays, 10 - 10:45 A.M. on March 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. *In particular, Fr. Keith will be there from 10-11 A.M. offering confessions in both English and Spanish.*
- April 11: St. Mark Parish in Wheaton from 9 A.M. - 9 P.M. *In particular, Fr. Keith will be there from 10-11 A.M. offering confessions in both English and Spanish.*

### **MASS OF THANKSGIVING | THURSDAY, MARCH 27 AT 7 P.M.**

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

### **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 works of charity and mercy.
6. As always, the obligation for fasting and abstinence from meat does not apply to those medically dispensed, for example for the pregnant, diabetic, or elderly.

# Mass Intentions & This Week at St. James | March 24 - 30, 2025

## MARCH 24/MONDAY

**8:00 A.M.**

*Frances Chiarchiaro*

REQ. BY MARY GLAUDELL

## MARCH 25/TUESDAY

**8:00 A.M.**

*Ted and Colleen Gorski*

REQ. BY GAWRON FAMILY

## MARCH 26/WEDNESDAY

**8:00 A.M.**

*Geissal Family*

REQ. BY MARY UPCHURCH

## MARCH 27/THURSDAY

**7:00 P.M.**

*Mass of Thanksgiving for Fr. Keith's  
10th Anniversary of Ordination*

## MARCH 28/FRIDAY

**8:00 A.M.**

*Bob Galgan*

REQ. BY MARY UPCHURCH

*Marie Bousquet*

REQ. BY TERESA BOUSQUET

## MARCH 29/SATURDAY

**4:00 P.M.**

*Int. of the St. James Liturgical Ministers*

*People of the Parish*

## MARCH 30/SUNDAY

**9:00 A.M.**

*Deb Drager*

REQ. BY CCW

**11:00 A.M.**

*Pat Schmidt*

REQ. BY FRANK AND JUDY MAHALLAK

## 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

*A.A. Meeting*

8 P.M. | FL

### 25/TUESDAY

*Daily Mass*

8 A.M. | CHURCH

*A & E Water Plants*

8:30 A.M. | CH

*Facility Scheduling*

*Meeting*

10 A.M. | CH/ALL

*Lunch*

11:30 A.M. | SBH1/K

*Lector Rehearsal*

12:30 P.M. | SBH2/3

*Kids Klub*

3 P.M. | GYM/A/M

*RE Classes*

4:30 P.M. | RERMS/

SBH123/CH

*Children's Choir*

*Rehearsal*

6 P.M. | SBH1

*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

*RE Classes*

4:30 P.M. | RERMS/

SBH123/CH

*Evening Rosary*

7 P.M. | CHURCH

### 27/THURSDAY

*33 Days to*

*Eucharistic Glory*

8:30 A.M. | SBH1/K

*Lunch*

11:30 A.M. | SBH1/K

*Drama Club Reh*

3 P.M. | SBH1

*Kids Klub*

3 P.M. | GYM/A/M

*Confirmation Reh.*

5:30 P.M. | CH/ALL

*33 Days to*

*Eucharistic Glory*

5:45 P.M. | SBH1/K

*AOH Meeting*

7 P.M. | SBH2/3

*Mass of*

*Thanksgiving*

7 P.M. | CHURCH

### 28/FRIDAY

*Daily Mass*

8 A.M. | CH/ALL

*Ministry Sch. Mtg*

10 A.M. | PODR/K

*Stations of the*

*Cross*

2 P.M. | CH/ALL

*Stations of the*

*Cross*

7 P.M. | CH/ALL

### 29/SATURDAY

*Cursillo Mtg*

7:30 A.M. | SBH2/3

*Reconciliations*

3 P.M. | CH/ALL

*Collection of Old*

*Palms*

3:30 P.M. | CN

*Mass*

4 P.M. | CH/ALL

### 30/SUNDAY

*Mass*

9 A.M. | CH/ALL

11 A.M. | CH/ALL

*Reconciliations*

10 A.M. | CH

*Collection of Old*

*Palms*

10 P.M. | CN

12 P.M. | CN

*Tolton Teaching*

*Committee Mtg*

12 P.M. | SBH2/3

*Adult Rec. BBall*

7:30 P.M. | GYM

## Readings for the Week | Saints and Special Observances

### Readings for the Week

Monday: 2 Kgs 5:1-15b/Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4/Lk 4:24-30  
 Tuesday: Is 7:10-14; 8:10/Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 11/Heb 10:4-10/Lk 1:26-38  
 Wednesday: Dt 4:1, 5-9/Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20/Mt 5:17-19  
 Thursday: Jer 7:23-28/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 11:14-23  
 Friday: Hos 14:2-10/Ps 81:6c-8a, 8bc-9, 10-11ab, 14, 17/Mk 12:28-34  
 Saturday: Hos 6:1-6/Ps 51:3-4, 18-19, 20-21ab/Lk 18:9-14  
 Sunday: Jos 5:9a, 10-12/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 (9a)/2 Cor 5:17-21/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

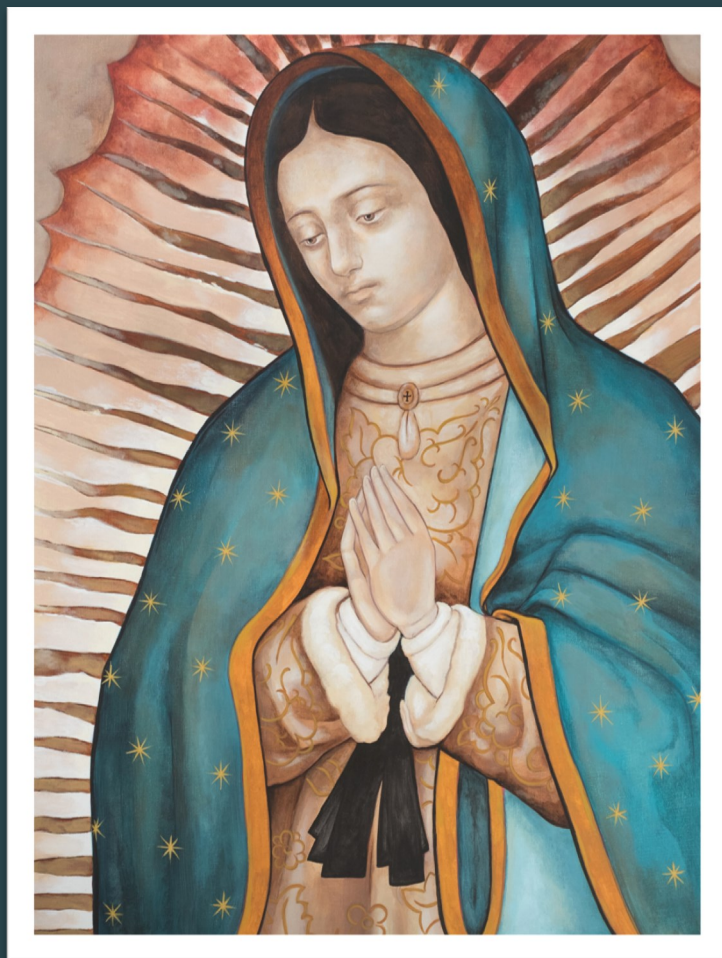
### Saints and Special Observances

Tuesday: The Annunciation of the Lord  
 Sunday: Fourth Sunday of Lent





# OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE, MOTHER OF THE EUCHARIST —PRAY FOR US—



With praise and thanksgiving to almighty God,  
you are joyfully invited to a

## MASS OF THANKSGIVING

in celebration of the Tenth Anniversary of  
Ordination to the Diaconate of

## REVEREND KEITH GRANT WOLFE

Thursday, the twenty-seventh of March  
at seven o'clock in the evening  
480 South Park Boulevard  
Glen Ellyn, Illinois

## We Offer Our Prayers

### Our Parish Prayer List

Please Pray for:

Charlie DeMory and Georgianna DeMory

Sue Lohenry

Joshua Stethen

- 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](mailto:rubi@stjamesge.org) and provide her with the name. Thank you!

### Please Note: No 8:00 A.M. Daily Mass on Thursday, March 27th

On Thursday, March 27th we will be celebrating a special evening Mass of Thanksgiving at 7:00 P.M. in honor of Fr. Keith's 10th Anniversary of Ordination to the Diaconate. Please note there will be no 8:00 A.M. Mass on that morning. We hope all of our daily communicants will join us in the evening for this wonderful celebration.

### Collection of Old Palms

—Begins Next Weekend, March 29/30—

Beginning on the weekend of March 29/30, we will be collecting old palms until Palm Sunday weekend. There will be a table located in the narthex adjacent to the St. James statue where they may be placed. Blessed palms are considered sacramental objects and should not be discarded in the trash. We will see to their proper disposal. Thank you!

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## 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](mailto: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.

### March 24 - 30, 2025

This week our St. James Flames of Faith are offered:  
*For the Intentions of Reverend Keith Wolfe*

### 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](mailto:rubi@stjamesge.org)

# Congratulations to Our Newly Confirmed!

*We are pleased to announce that on Friday, March 21st Bishop Kane visited our parish to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation with the young people of St. James the Apostle. We continue to pray for them as they unpack the gifts of the Holy Spirit they received.*

Sophia Jean DeLima **Gianna** Augustine  
Samuel **Francis** Bailey  
Jordan Grace **Veronica** Bailey  
Charlie Sawyer **Genesius** Benes  
Benjamin Robert **Sebastian** Blackmore  
Frank John **Patrick** Boucek  
Matthew James **Patrick** Burke  
Isabel Carmen **Catherine** Carrera  
Jack Joseph **Pio** Chaudoir  
Max David **Sebastian** Damato  
Reilly Robert **Joseph** Denz  
Alexandra Julianne Katherine DeLeon  
Natalie Julia **Teresa** Desautels  
Molly Josephine **Teresa** Egan  
Ava Maureen **Mary** Egan  
Ava Magdalyn **Aurelia** Eirich  
Landon James **Albert** Fraley  
Olivia Grace **Cecilia** Fraley  
Clare Elizabeth **Catherine** Fraley  
Maya Kathryn **Rose** Fraley  
Phineas Benjamin **Francis** Grover  
Leo Patrick **Vincent** Hayes  
Stewart Waylan **Sebastian** Hertzler  
Shaelin Rose **Catherine** Hezinger  
Jacob Benedict **Sebastian** Ho  
Henry Benjamin **George** Huml  
Isabella Grace **Catherine** Jasper  
Nathaniel Stanislaw **Anthony** Jelen  
Adrianna Delina **Monica** Jewell  
Lily Veronica **Rose** Jung  
Luke Joseph **Gabriel** Jurs  
Ethan John-Paul **Sebastian** Kirk

Megan Rae **Catherine** Littmann  
Matthew William **Sebastian** Malcolm  
Sofia Marie Kateri Mangelsdorf  
Erin Waters **Catherine** McGann  
Gia Michele **Teresa** Micek  
Faith Ann **Elizabeth** Mincheski  
Wyatt James **Gregory** Monson  
Rose Elizabeth **Cecilia** Molloy  
Anthony Mario **Sebastian** Pignataro  
Clara Elisabeth **Maria** Pope  
Willian Lee **Luigi** Pounders  
Matthew Aaron **Anthony** Rickert  
Luke Isaac **Andrew** Robbins  
Ethan Michael **Patrick** Ruge  
Nicolas Sergio **Sebastian** Siguenza  
Grace Marie **Joan** Sirmon  
Avery Renee **Abigail** Todhunter  
Matthew Xavier **Gabriel** Tomczak  
Emily Jane **Therese** Twomey  
Alexander James **Roch** Ursitti  
Christopher Ryan **Andrew** Webb  
Grace Joan **Lucy** Zicha



With special gratitude to  
their teachers & catechists:

Mrs. Megan Grove  
Ms. Julie Worch  
Mrs. Joyce Carey  
Mr. John Ursitti



## 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 Thopher 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

March 15/16, 2025

► Sunday Collection with EFT: \$22,982.39

*Our weekly budget is \$17,115; our surplus is \$5,867.39*

► Preserving Our Father's House w/EFT: \$110

*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.*

### Lost & Found at St. James

As a reminder, there is a lost and found basket at St. James, located in the Coat Room across from the restrooms. If you think you may have left something at church in the past few months, we encourage you to check the basket to see if we found it.

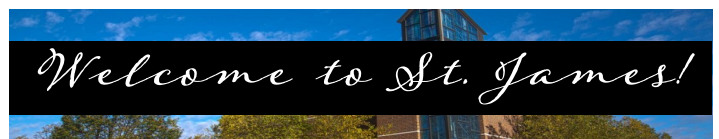
Typical items we find left behind after Masses include gloves or hats, random toys or books and the occasional pair of sunglasses.

The doors to the Coat Room are always unlocked, but there is a magnetized closure, so please give the door a good tug to open it. Once both doors are opened, the lights will automatically turn on.

### SAVE THE DATE | OCTOBER 26, 2025

#### Mass at St. James with Bishop Hicks

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!



### 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!



# Why I Love

## ST. JAMES THE APOSTLE PARISH

In celebration of our 60 years as a parish, we will have a weekly column highlighting comments from those who are part of the St. James Family.

If you would like to participate, please share your thoughts about why you love our parish by submitting an email to [Brigid@BrigidDuffield.com](mailto:Brigid@BrigidDuffield.com) or completing an online form available at: <https://stjamesge.org/our-60th-anniversary/>

### FROM OUR SECOND GRADE SCHOOL STUDENTS:

**"I love Mrs. Giove"** —*Arden B.*

**"I love that we get to make our 1st Reconciliation and Communion."** —*Emilyn O.*

**"I love when we have Oh Dear (Drop Everything and Read)."** —*Maria T.*

**"I love our pom pom prizes"** —*Ben A.*

## Up Next:

Are you looking to volunteer for our family oriented 60th Anniversary Events? We need volunteers for the following:

May 3: Mass in the Grass\* and Pizza Party

August 24: Ice Cream Social and Sock Hop

October 26: Anniversary Mass and Parish Picnic

For more information or to get involved, email or call:

Vince Romano: [VJRomano952@gmail.com](mailto:VJRomano952@gmail.com) OR 630-877-1383

Brigid Duffield: [Brigid@BrigidDuffield.com](mailto:Brigid@BrigidDuffield.com) OR 630-235-6134

\*weather permitting

## Prayer for Our 60th Anniversary

All-knowing and loving God,  
we give you thanks for  
your blessings upon  
Saint James the Apostle Church.

For 60 years as a parish  
and 25 years in our church,  
we have been receiving and  
celebrating the sacraments for  
our salvation.

In thanksgiving for  
your real presence in the Eucharist,  
and with gratitude for the life  
and service of those  
who have gone before us,  
we recommit ourselves to  
honoring and renewing our parish  
entrusted to them, to us,  
and to future generations.

Relying on the intercession of  
our patron, Saint James the Lesser,  
and Our Lady of Guadalupe,  
Mother of the Eucharist,  
may our parish continue to exist to  
renew all things in Christ,  
now and in the years to come.

We make our prayer  
through Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**



# A HIGHLIGHT OF OUR UPCOMING EVENTS

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*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.*

## **MARCH 2025**

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS** | MARCH 28 AT 2 P.M.

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS** | MARCH 28 AT 7 P.M.

**CONFESSIONS BETWEEN SUNDAY MASSES** | SUNDAY, MARCH 23, 30

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

## **APRIL 2025**

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

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS** | APRIL 11 (NO 04) AT 2 P.M.

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS** | APRIL 4 AND 11 AT 7 P.M.

**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

## **JUNE 2025**

**FIRST FRIDAY EUCHARISTIC ADORATION** | JUNE 6 FOLLOWING 8 A.M. MASS



*We're raising dough!*

## ST. JAMES THE APOSTLE SCHOOL

**March 24, 2025**

**4:00 pm to 8:00 pm**

**751 Roosevelt Road, Glen Ellyn, IL**

**25%**  
OF NET SALES  
WILL BE  
DONATED\*

Use code FUND4U at [panerabread.com](https://panerabread.com), in the Panera App,  
or at the kiosk in-cafe.

Online orders placed all day at your event cafe will count toward your total sales.

Bring this flyer or show a digital copy to your  
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# CRUSADER CHRONICLES

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## CRUSADERS ON THE COURT

BY Erin McGann

The Crusader basketball season has officially come to a close. The sixth/seventh grade boys basketball team had a great run in the playoffs and won the championship game! The eighth grade girls won the first round of the playoffs, and ended their season losing to the top seed. The eighth grade boys had a great run defeating the sixth and second seed in the playoffs and lost by only a few points in the championship at Saint Francis. This year eighth graders Reilly Denz and Erin McGann received the All Conference basketball award.



## DANCE! DANCE! DANCE!

BY Faith Mincheski

This past month we had two big dances: Ties & Tiaras and the Junior High Sports Dance. On February 13th, all dads and daughters were invited to Ties and Tiaras. They had crafts like making tiaras and photo booths. At the end, everyone was invited to dance with their dad! Shout out to Mrs. Green, Mrs. Pellegrino, Mrs. Pignataro, and all the other moms that helped!

The Junior High Dance theme this year was sports. Kids were given a prize for wearing a SJA jersey. Way to show Crusader pride! Games were also included at the dance like knockout and a hula hooping contest.

## FAMILY DINING NIGHTS

BY Rose Molloy

Last month we had a Family Dining Night at Reserve 22 on February 26. We made 20% of the proceeds that night from St. James, which was \$470. Come support our next Family Dining night at Panera on Roosevelt Road on Monday, March 24th from 4-8 pm. 25% of the proceeds will come to back to the school!





## Christian Service Ministries



March is **National Nutritional Month**®, an annual campaign where everyone is invited to learn about making informed food choices and developing healthful eating and physical activity habits.



### NATIONAL NUTRITION MONTH® TOP NEEDS



Canned Peas & Corn Spaghetti Noodles



Ready-to-Eat Cereal (low sugar) Flavored Oatmeal (low sugar)



Mayonnaise & Ketchup



Tea & Juice (low sugar) Canned Fruit (in natural juice)



Crackers (Low Sodium) Boxed Granola Bars (low sugar)



Spices: Garlic Powder, Oregano, Basil

### 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!



St. James the Apostle Parish is praying at the Access Abortion Clinic on Wednesdays from 10:00 AM to noon, 1700 75th Street, Downers Grove. It is just across from the Woodridge water tower. You can park on the side street - Devereaux. Sign up at [www.40daysforlife.com/downersgrove](http://www.40daysforlife.com/downersgrove) or just show up. You don't have to talk to the girls, but your prayers are powerful. There are regular counselors who will do the talking, but it is so powerful for them to have people there just to pray for them and for the girls.

Dr. Vinod Goyal started out with seven "clinics" and one by one we were able to close them. This last of his chain is under different management but the same ugly business. Our goal is "and then there were none."

## Community Ministries & Events



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, March 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](mailto:Fergus.walsh@gmail.com) or call 252-290-7617.

### Join Us on March 29 at Mundelein Seminary:

# JEREMIAH DAY

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FOR BOYS IN GRADES 7-10

THE STORY OF THE PROPHET JEREMIAH TELLS US THAT IT IS NEVER TOO EARLY TO THINK ABOUT GOD'S PLAN FOR US.

Boys in Grades 7-10 are invited to enjoy a day of growing closer to God and visiting Mundelein Seminary. Activities include a tour of Mundelein Seminary, talks about how God calls us, recreation time and open gym, and Mass.



TO REGISTER, SCAN THE QR CODE

### QUESTIONS?

Reach out to us at [vocations@dioceseofjoliet.org](mailto:vocations@dioceseofjoliet.org). Visit [dioljiet.org/vocations](http://dioljiet.org/vocations) for more information and events.

# The Miracle at *Every* Mass

Jesus makes a miracle happen at every Mass so he can be close to me. What can kids do at Mass? *So much!*



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## 1. GETTING READY

The Church is Jesus' house, and Jesus is my King. When I get ready for Mass, it's nice to dress up because it is so special to be in the King's house. I make sure I am clean and neat when I go to Mass. I especially make sure I brush my teeth!

## 2. LISTENING

During the first part of the Mass, we read from the Bible. I ask God what he wants to tell me today, and listen to the stories. God likes to talk to us through his Word. Maybe he has a message for me!



## 3. MY GIFT FOR JESUS

After the readings, we pass around a basket to collect gifts for the Church and the poor. Grown-ups usually give money, but Jesus wants something even more special from kids. I think of something I can offer Jesus in my heart and imagine my gift going up to the altar with the bread and wine. God is about to do something really amazing with our gifts.



## 4. THE MIRACLE

When I hear Jesus' words, "This is my body," a miracle happens! God changes the bread and wine into the real Body and Blood of Jesus. The host still looks like bread, but Jesus is there in disguise.



## 5. JESUS COMES INTO MY HEART

I fold my hands reverently in the Communion line. When I receive Jesus, I thank him for visiting me in this amazing way. While I wait for everyone else to receive communion, this is the perfect time to have a private conversation with Jesus in my heart.