

Pre-Mass Announcements for the Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Good afternoon **or** morning! Welcome to Saint James the Apostle Church. As we celebrate the Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time, please silence all cell phones.

Our announcements this weekend are:

- 1) Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, March 5th. You will find a comprehensive listing in our bulletin and on the parish website of the many opportunities we are offering throughout the liturgical season to strengthen your spiritual life
- 2) Join us on Tuesday, March 4th at 7pm for Adoration and Night Prayer with the burial of the Alleluia. Please join us as we prepare our hearts to enter into the penitential season of Lent.
- 3) Our First Friday Holy Hour will be offered on March 7th immediately following the 8am daily Mass.
- 4) Friday Stations of the Cross begin on March 7th at 2pm and 7pm.
- 5) We have a limited supply of Lenten prayer booklets available beginning this weekend in the narthex near the St. James statue. Freewill offerings may be placed in the basket on the table.
- 6) The 2025 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal begins this 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.
- 7) This weekend in the narthex there are tables where you may pay to register for the upcoming 60th Parish Anniversary Celebration of St. Joseph/St. Patrick, as well as purchase Crusader Cash.

Finally, please check the bulletin, website, and weekly FlockNote for more information. Thank you.