

St. James Major Catholic Church

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Mass Times

Saturday: 4:00 pm (Anticipated)

Sunday: 10:00 am

Tuesday – Friday: 8:30 am (in Chapel)

Monday: Communion Service 8:30 am

Holy Hour: First Friday following 8:30 am Mass.

Perpetual Help Novena: Tuesdays after Mass

Confessions

Saturday: 3:15 – 3:45 pm

And by request

Church Office Hours

Monday – Friday 8:00 am – 3:30 pm



New Parishioners: Welcome to the Parish! Please complete a registration form (found on the tables at the doors) and introduce yourself to the priest.

Baptisms: Please contact the Priest or Deacon to arrange for a seminar and time for the Baptism.

Weddings: Arrangements should be made at least six (6) months in advance of the date of the wedding. Please contact the priest before committing to any other arrangements.

Funerals: Please contact the church as soon as the need arises and before making any arrangements with the funeral parlor.

The
Pastor's
Corner



Parish Membership and Expectations

What then does it mean to be a parishioner? What are the expectations?

As a result of my baptism, in practicing my Christian discipleship, I am expected as a registered member of my parish to:

- * Regularly attend and participate in Sunday Divine Liturgy, together with my family
- * Regularly participate in the liturgical and sacramental life of the Church
- * Develop and practice an ongoing personal/family prayer life
- * Witness to the teachings of the Church by the manner in which I live my life
- * Practice stewardship of my time, talent and treasure in service to the mission of the Church
- * Acknowledge, as a registered member, that I am to be a participant in serving the mission of the parish rather than being only a spectator; and
- * Realize the necessary and ongoing importance of love, generosity, faith and family.

Christ comes into the world to tell us of mercy and love of the Father. Through baptism, we say "Yes, Lord, I choose to follow You by becoming an active disciple and parishioner. Thank you for the opportunity to serve You and my neighbor.



Laetare Sunday

Laetare Sunday is the fourth Sunday in the season of Lent in the Western Christian liturgical calendar. Traditionally, this Sunday has been a day of celebration within the austere period of Lent. The Sunday gets its name from the first few words of the traditional Latin entrance for the Mass of the day: "Rejoice, Jerusalem ... Be joyful, all who were in mourning!" – taken from Isaiah chapter 66. Laetare Sunday is marked by a relaxation of the penitential character of the Lenten season. In church, flowers may be used to adorn the altar, and the organ may be played more fully. The priest may wear rose colored vestments. On this Sunday, we look with expectation to the great Solemnity of Easter for which we have been preparing ourselves as a Church during the Lenten season. By its anticipation of the joy of Easter, Laetare Sunday is meant to give us hope and encouragement as we slowly progress towards the Paschal Feast.

Traveling Vocation Chalice



The traveling Vocation Chalice program will begin April 6-7. The Vocation Chalices will be available to travel from home to home for one-week intervals. During that week the host person/family will be asked to make a special effort to pray with emphasis for an increase in vocations to the priest-



hood and religious life as well as praying for our clergy and parishioners to understand the vocation to which Christ is calling each of them. A binder of prayers will accompany each chalice. This program is NOT replacing the Traveling Crucifixes; it is an extension of prayer for vocations. The prayers are different; the purpose is the same.

New sign-up sheets will be placed in the front of the church. With the guidance of the Holy Spirit, you may want to volunteer when asked at Mass. Crucifixes and chalices will be alternated.

Confessions in the Church

5:00-6:30 pm

March April 3 & 10

In all parishes of the Archdiocese

Planning Your Funeral and Cemetery Arrangements

Be Prepared in Advance of Need

A Free Informational Seminar Sunday, March 31

In the School Building

Following 10:00 Mass

Refreshments, Conversation, Free Planner

Presented by Cynthia West Davidson

Lenten Revival at St. James

"Tell Them I'm a Child of God"

with Bishop Fernand Cheri

April 8, 9, 10

7 pm

Help the Parish Celebrate! St. James Major Centennial 1920-2020

The Parish Pastoral Council is beginning to collect ideas from parishioners for our 100th birthday. Your input and ideas are important. Index cards have been placed by collection boxes at the church doors. Please write your ideas clearly on a card (include your name and phone number) and place the card in the box. All ideas will be considered.

Mass Intentions



Each Mass is offered for the intentions of all present and for the following:

SATURDAY, MARCH 30

4:00 pm SJM Parishioners, living & deceased

SUNDAY, MARCH 31

10:00 am Intentions of all our parishioners who are ill, for Gloria Age and all who have asked for prayer,

And for the repose of the souls of

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| +Cantrelle Hawkins, Sr. | +Rita Major |
| +Thelma & Leon Woll, Sr. | +Rochelle Age |
| +Mary Lawrence Bruno | +Jennifer O'Rilley |
| +Catherine Palmisano | +Keith Bonnee |
| +Leon & Hosea Fortuné | +Floleine Johnson |
| +O'Neillia V. Mann | +Craig Vosbein |

MONDAY, APRIL 1

8:30 am Communion Service

TUESDAY, APRIL 2

8:30 am +Edward Ward, Sr.
+Jospeh Chevis
+Anthony Feeley

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 3

8:30 am +Poor Souls in Purgatory (P.L.)

THURSDAY, APRIL 4

8:30 am +Louisa Rondeno

FRIDAY, APRIL 5

8:30 am +Marie Vega

Please pray for them: Valerie Smith, Mary Mitchell, Gloria Mitchell, Denise Thomas, Audrey Wilson, Gail Wright, Nadine Rochell, Gloria Harris, Gertrude Harris, William Mitchell, Maggie Haney, Dominic Carmouche, Loretta Parent, Walter Glapion, Yvonne Bechet, Gerald Mercadel, Sr., Susan Lauterbach, Thais Ardoin, Russell Jordan, Denise Rachal, Herbert Briant, Sr., Irene Ward, Marguerite Ragas, Irma Springer, Wilbert Clementin, Sr., Byron Williams, Jr., Kim Stovall, Michelle Irwin, Dennis LeBlanc, Betty Reynolds, Jill Courseault, Meredith LeBlanc and Clarence, Robert and Buster Mitchell.



Please pray for all of our parishioners, especially those who are homebound or in hospitals, nursing homes and hospice. Please notify the rectory of the change in status of you or your relatives on the prayer list.

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

- 01 Monday **FOURTH WEEK OF LENT**
Isaiah 65:17-21; Ps 30; John 4:43-54
- 02 Tuesday **FOURTH WEEK OF LENT**
Ezekiel 47:1-9, 12; Ps 46; John 5:1-16
- 03 Wednesday **FOURTH WEEK OF LENT**
Isaiah 49:8-15; Ps 145; John 5:17-30
- 04 Thursday **FOURTH WEEK OF LENT**
Exodus 32:7-14; Pa 106; John 5:31-47
- 05 Friday **FOURTH WEEK OF LENT**
Wisdom 2:1a, 12-22; Ps 34; John 7:1-2, 10, 25-30
- 06 Saturday **FOURTH WEEK OF LENT**
Jeremiah 11:18-20; Ps 7; John 7:40-53
- 07 Sunday **FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT**
Isaiah 43:16-21; Ps 126; Philippians 3:8-14; John 8:1-11

Lectors & Commentators



- Mar 30 Greer Adams, D.J. Ferrier
- Mar 31 Madeline Curtis, Denise Thomas



Extraordinary Ministers of Communion

- Mar 30 Gaynell Marchand, Michael Sinegar
- Mar 31 Adaline Patterson, Al Courseault



Our Men and Women in the Service



Please remember to pray for our men and women who are serving in the armed forces, especially:

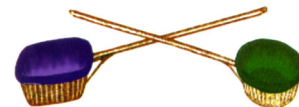
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| SSgt Bryan Stovall, Jr., USMC | PO2 Melissa Flot, USN |
| PVT Robert Cook, USA | SGT Robert Lambert, USA |
| SSgt. Anthony Montz, USAF | Alvin Benjamin, USN |
| SSgt. Davin Hornsby, USAF | A1C Andrew Montz, USAF |

Sanctuary Light

The Sanctuary Light is burning this week for the intentions of the Carmouche family.



Church Support



OFFERTORY COLLECTION (March 16-17)

First Collection	\$ 2189.00
Second Collection	443.00
	<u>\$ 2632.00</u>

OFFERTORY COLLECTION (March 23-24)

First Collection	\$ 2580.00
Second Collection	899.00
	<u>\$ 3479.00</u>

Thank you for your support!