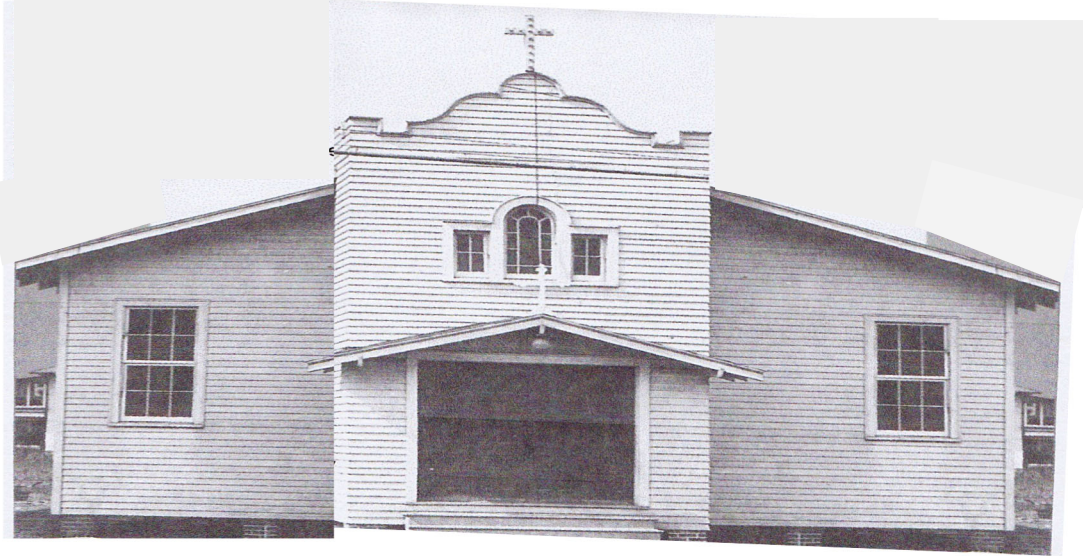


# St. James Major Catholic Church

Celebrating 100 Years 1920-2020



## St. James Major Church 1928-35

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**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.

### **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

The Pastor's Corner

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Lent and Lenten Regulations

Traditionally, Lent begins on Ash Wednesday and ends at sundown on Holy Thursday. The Catholic Church, in an attempt to help Catholics do at least a minimum during Lent, asks all Catholics to fast and abstain from meat on certain days. Fasting means to limit food to one full meal a day with the possibility of two smaller meals (not adding up to a full meal) as needed. Abstinance means not eating meat, although fish is allowed.

Catholics are required to observe all days of fasting and abstinence which is one of the precepts of the Church. Those 14 years of age or older are to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and all the Fridays of Lent. Catholics between the ages of 16 and 59 are also to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. They may eat one full meal on these days, and two small meals to maintain strength. The two small meals together must not equal the size of one full meal. If one's work or health makes it inadvisable to fast or abstain from meat, they are not obligated to do so. This includes mental health: fasting may be harmful for someone who struggles with an eating disorder. Such a person might do an alternate penance on the days of fasting. Pregnant and nursing women are exempt from the fast.

Many Catholics were taught as children to "give up something" for Lent. The sacrifices in Lent are really penance, in the same spirit as the Ninevites who repented at the preaching of Jonah. Throughout our history, Christians have found prayer, fasting, and almsgiving to be an important part of repentance and renewal. Many Catholics now add something during Lent rather than giving up something, either to address personal habits that need work or to add some outreach to others in need.

The Church does not specifically require that we do something beyond the requirements of fasting and abstinence. To do nothing, however, would certainly not be in keeping with the spirit of Lent. Furthermore, the sacrifices and extra things we do for Lent help us grow closer to Christ. We are missing out on so many graces if we do not participate fully in Lent. It is not necessary to be perfect, but we should put forth a good effort. A good practice is to do something extra in prayer, something involving fasting (whether limiting our intake of food or giving up something nonfood-related), and something involving almsgiving (giving money or goods to the needy or doing extra acts of charity). Originally a celebration just before Lent. Carnival is Latin for "farewell to meat."

https://www.aboutcatholics.com/beliefs/lent-in-the-catholic-church/

 **Health Fair**  
**Sunday, March 8**  
**11 a.m. to 1 p.m.**  
**In the Gym**

**Physical**

**Saints' medals**  **Mental**

**Snacks**

 **BP Checks**

**Spiritual** **Nutrition Info**

**Giveaways**

**Sponsored by the SJM Guild**


 **Youth Day**  
**Sunday, March 1**  
**Begin with 10:00 Mass**  
**Fun in the Gym 11-3**

**FOOD**

**Motivational Speaker**

**MUSIC**

**Games** **T-Shirts** **Face Painting**

 **Mardi Gras**

**Mardi Gras, or Fat Tuesday**, refers to events of the Carnival celebration beginning on or after the Christian feast of the Epiphany and culminating on the day before Ash Wednesday (known as Shrove Tuesday.) Mardi Gras is French for "Fat Tuesday," reflecting the practice of the last night of eating rich, fatty foods before the ritual fasting of the Lenten season. It is also referred to as the "feast before the fast."

Related popular practices are associated with Shrovetide celebrations before the fasting and religious obligations of the penitential season of Lent. In countries such as the United Kingdom, Mardi Gras is also known as Shrove Tuesday which is derived from the word *shrive*, meaning "to administer the sacrament of Confession to; to absolve."

Simplified from Wikipedia

**SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**MASS INTENTIONS**

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



**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 22**

4:00 pm SJM Parishioners, living & deceased

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 23**

10:00 am Intentions of our parishioners who are ill, for all who have asked for prayer and for the repose of the souls of

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| +Joseph & Celeste Augustin | +Brulée Family   |
| +Thelma & Leon Woll, Sr.   | +Christina Baham |
| +Raymus Rondeno, Jr.       | +Byron Dejan     |
| +Marcil & Cecilia Ducre    | +Claire Buoch    |
| +Rushford Davidson, Sr.    | +Rutha Croster   |
| +Helen Pixley Minor        | +Florine Johnson |
| +Wardell A. Nagin, Sr.     | +Vivian Keisser  |

**MONDAY, FEBRUARY 24**

8:30 am Communion Service

**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 25**

8:30 am Int-Rev. Leo Meyer

**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 26**

8:30 am +Poor Souls in Purgatory  
6:00 pm +Leon Woll, Sr.

**THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 27**

8:30 am +Miriam Weinstein

**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 28**

8:30 am +Larry Mercier

**Thank you** for your donations to the Solidarity Fund for the **Church in Africa**. The amount totaled \$606.

**Please pray for them:** Gloria Age, Thais Ardoin, Herbert Briant, Sr., Dominic Carmouche, Wilbert Clementin, Sr., Gail Wright, Melody Sanderson, Cheryl Napoleon, Sarah Lafitte, Valerie Smith, Mary Mitchell, Gloria Mitchell, Denise Thomas, Audrey Wilson, Nadine Rochell, Gloria Harris, Gertrude Harris, William Mitchell, Maggie Haney, Loretta Parent, Susan Lauterbach, Russell Jordan, Denise Rachal, Irene Ward, Marguerite Ragas, Irma Springer, Vivian Picou, Byron Williams, Jr., Kim Stovall, Michelle Irwin, Dennis LeBlanc, Betty Reynolds, Laurie Robért, Meredith LeBlanc, Pamela Jordon, Mallory Tuggles, Virgie Louis 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**

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| 24 Monday    | <b>WEEKDAY</b><br>James 3:13-18; Ps 19; Mark 9:14-29                                       |
| 25 Tuesday   | <b>WEEKDAY</b><br>James 4:1-10; Ps 55; Mark 9:30-37  |
| 26 Wednesday | <b>ASH WEDNESDAY</b><br>Joel 2:12-18; Ps 51; 2 Corinthians 5:20-6:2; Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18  |
| 27 Thursday  | <b>AFTER ASH WEDNESDAY</b><br>Deuteronomy 30:15-20; Ps 1; Luke 9:22-25                     |
| 28 Friday    | <b>AFTER ASH WEDNESDAY</b><br>Isaiah 58:1-9a; Ps 51; Matthew 9:14-15                       |
| 29 Saturday  | <b>AFTER ASH WEDNESDAY</b><br>Isaiah 58:9b-14; Ps 86; Luke 5:27-32                         |
| 01 Sunday    | <b>FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT</b><br>Genesis 2:7-9, 3:1-7; Ps 51; Romans 5:12-19; Matthew 4:1-11 |

**Lectors & Commentators**

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| Feb 22 | Elisa Triplett, Gaynell Marchand                |
| Feb 23 | Madeline Curtis, Hilda Bell                     |
| Feb 26 | Kerry Winder (8:30 am)<br>Lawrence Dejan (6 pm) |

**Extraordinary Ministers of Communion**

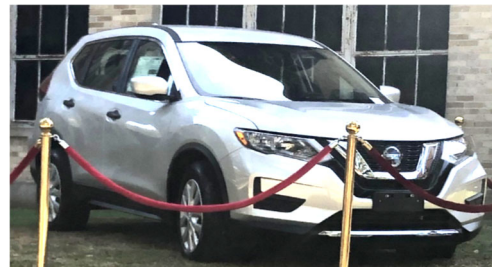
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| Feb 22 | Janice James, Michael Sinegar                                     |
| Feb 23 | Al Courseault, Tony Tabor   |
| Feb 26 | Roy LeBlanc (8:30 am)<br>Montrelle Sinegar, Michael Sinegar (6pm) |

**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   |
| SSgt. Andrew Montz, USAF      | SGT Robert Lambert, USA |
| SSgt. Anthony Montz, USAF     | Alvin Benjamin, USN     |
| SSgt. Davin Hornsby, USAF     | SPC Robert Cook, USA    |

**Win this 2019 Nissan Rogue!**



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**Sold by Centennial Committee Members and in the church office (Wed., 10-2)**

**Church Support**

OFFERTORY COLLECTION FEB 15-16

First Collection ..... \$ 2082.00

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