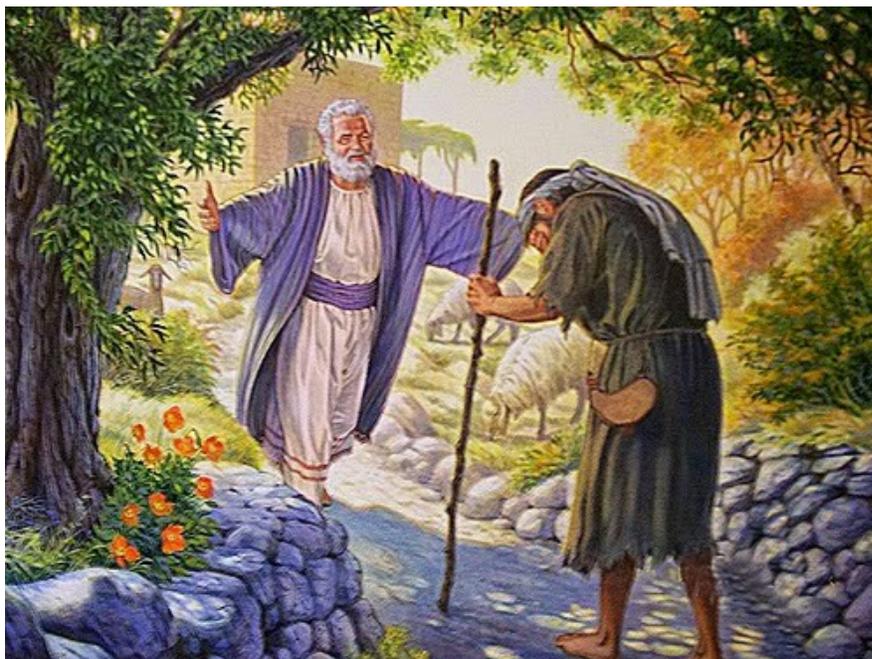


SAINT JAMES' CATHOLIC CHURCH

Bulletin
for the week of
March 31, 2019



**Adoration of the
Blessed Sacrament
7:00 p.m.
Monday - Friday
In the Rectory Chapel
Benediction
8:00 p.m.**

**Acompa e a Jes s
Sacramentado en
oraci n,
de lunes a viernes de
7:00 a 8:00 de la noche
en la Capilla de la
Rector a.**

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**Daily Masses
Monday thru Friday
7:30 a.m.
Saturday
8:00 a.m.
All daily Masses are in
the Rectory**

**Office Hours
9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Monday thru Friday
Closed on Federal
Holidays**

<http://stjamesmr.org/>

**Schedule of Masses
Sunday Obligation
Saturday: 4:00 p.m.
Sunday: 8:00 a.m.
9:30 a.m.
11:30 a.m. (Espa ol)
6:00 p.m. (Espa ol)**

****Bulletin Deadline**
Wednesday Noon
Pre-approved by
the Pastor**



Gospel

Luke 15:1-3, 11-32

Tax collectors and sinners were all drawing near to listen to Jesus, but the Pharisees and scribes began to complain, saying, "This man welcomes sinners and eats with them."

So to them Jesus addressed this parable: "A man had two sons, and the younger son said to his father, 'Father give me the share of your estate that should come to me.'

So the father divided the property between them. After a few days, the younger son collected all his belongings and set off to a distant country where he squandered his inheritance on a life of dissipation.

When he had freely spent everything, a severe famine struck that country, and he found himself in dire need. So he hired himself out to one of the local citizens who sent him to his farm to tend the swine.

And he longed to eat his fill of the pods on which the swine fed, but nobody gave him any. Coming to his senses he thought, 'How many of my father's hired workers have more than enough food to eat, but here am I, dying from hunger. I shall get up and go to my father and I shall say to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. I no longer deserve to be called your son; treat me as you would treat one of your hired workers.'" So he got up and went back to his father. While he was still a long way off, his father caught sight of him, and was filled with compassion. He ran to his son, embraced him and kissed him. His son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you; I no longer deserve to be called your son.' But his father ordered his servants, 'Quickly bring the finest robe and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. Take the fattened calf and slaughter it. Then let us celebrate with a feast, because this son of mine was dead, and has come to life again; he was lost, and has been found.' Then the celebration began.

Now the older son had been out in the field and, on his way back, as he neared the house, he heard the sound of music and dancing. He called one of the servants and asked what this might mean. The servant said to him, 'Your brother has returned and your father has slaughtered the fattened calf because he has him back safe and sound.' He became angry, and when he refused to enter the house, his father came out and pleaded with him. He said to his father in reply, 'Look, all these years I served you and not once did I disobey your orders; yet you never gave me even a young goat to feast on with my friends. But when your son returns who swallowed up your property with prostitutes, for him you slaughter the fattened calf.' He said to him, 'My son, you are here with me always; everything I have is yours. But now we must celebrate and rejoice, because your brother was dead and has come to life again; he was lost and has been found.'"

The Light is ON  for You.
Celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation

'The Light is On For You' is an initiative of the Archdiocese of Washington and the Diocese of Arlington where Catholic churches across the D.C. metro area are open for quiet prayer and Confession throughout Lent.

"The Church must be a place of mercy freely given, where everyone can feel welcomed, loved, forgiven and encouraged to live the good life of the Gospel." –Pope Francis,
(The Joy of the Gospel, 114)

Confessions at St. James

Confessions are available from 6:00 pm to 8:pm every Wednesday during Lent.

Cathedral Penance Service

The Cathedral of St. Matthew the Apostle invites you to experience the love of Christ through the Sacrament of Reconciliation at a Lenten Communal Penance Service, "Come Home for Easter," on Tuesday, April 16 at 12:10 pm. More than 15 priests will be available for individual confessions, including Spanish-speaking and other foreign language confessors.

The Cathedral is located at 1725 Rhode Island Avenue, NW, between Connecticut Ave. and 17th St., near the Red Line Farragut North Metro station. www.stmatthewscathedral.org/Lent2019

Confessions

Saturdays

3:15 p.m. - 3:45 p.m. (English)

Sundays

11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. (Spanish)

Baptisms

By appointment only.

301-927-0567

Weddings

Contact the Pastor six months in advance.

Special Collections

Monthly Maintenance and Improvements Collection are on the First Sunday each month and Stone Soup Collection for the needy is on the Second Sunday of each month.

St. James' Ladies' Sodality

First Sundays at 8:00 a.m. Mass

St. James' Holy Name Society

Second Sundays at 9:30 a.m. Mass

St. James' Ladies of Charity

Third Sundays at 8:00 a.m. Mass

"Grupo Carismático"

En el sótano todos los jueves

7:00pm – 9:30pm

Legion of Mary

Sunday Evenings

7:15 p.m.

Junior Legion of Mary

Ages 8 - 18

Sunday 9:30 am to 11:30 am

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Please thank Celia for her help in making this bulletin possible.

Also, share with her, and us at the Rectory, any comments or suggestions you may have.

Q. I understand that all the Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence from meat, but I'm not sure what is classified as meat.

Does meat include chicken and dairy products?

A. Abstinence laws consider that meat comes only from animals such as chickens, cows, sheep or pigs --- all of which live on land. Birds are also considered meat. Abstinence does not include meat juices and liquid foods made from meat. Thus, such foods as chicken broth, consomme, soups cooked or flavored with meat, meat gravies or sauces, as well as seasonings or condiments made from animal fat are technically not forbidden. However, moral theologians have traditionally taught that we should abstain from all animal-derived products (except foods such as gelatin, butter, cheese and eggs, which do not have any meat taste). Fish are a different category of animal. Salt and freshwater species of fish, amphibians, reptiles, (cold-blooded animals) and shellfish are permitted.



Passiontide: The Psalms Fulfilled

Saturday, April 6, 7:00 PM

Saint Dominic Church, 630 E St. SW, DC

Join us for a Lenten evening reflecting on the significance of the Cross. The evening will consist of three stations comprised of a psalm prefiguring the cross, a preached reflection on the reading by one of the Dominican friars, a responsorial psalm, and singing of verses from the Stabat Mater. Includes a procession with a Relic of the True Cross, as well as a large wooden cross. Reception to follow.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter's Annual Search for the Longest Married Couple

Our hope at Worldwide Marriage Encounter is to inspire others and the World by this couple's long -standing love and commitment to each other through the sacrament of marriage.

* We are currently seeking candidates from every state in the United States. You do not need to know the couple personally to nominate them. Nomination Period is February 14, 2019 to May 14, 2019 midnight local time. Any questions, please email us at bkberland@gmail.com. Thanks again and best of luck to all Nominee Couples! Your love inspires us all!

Bryan & Karen Berland

Longest Married Couple Coordinators

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

The Way Retreat for Survivors of Abuse: As the Church continues to minister to all survivors of abuse, the Archdiocese of Washington is sponsoring retreats for survivors. The Archdiocese will offer a men's retreat on April 5-7, 2019 for survivors. These retreats are an occasion for survivors to reflect on God's plan for their lives and for healing through prayer and the sacraments. For more information and to register, go to <https://adw.org/theway/retreat/> or call Deborah McDonald at (301) 853-4466.